

## NORTHERN MISSION

incorporating Queanbeyan, Michalego, Bungendore and Braidwood Parishes.

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PARISH ADMINISTRATOR: Father Troy Bobbin

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Thurs 9.00am - 5.00pm.



### Mission Sunday Masses:

St Raphael's Q'bn 5.30pm Sat

9am & 5.30pm Sun

St Mary's Bung. 5.30pm Sat

St Bede's B'wood 8.30am Sun

### Ministries for our Sunday Liturgy: Sunday at 8.30am

	26 November	3 December	10 December
Commentator:	P Coady	H Hart	P Coady
Reader:	R Coady	C Ffrench	W Hart
Reader:	W M-Bell	G Hannaford	M Byrnes
Acolyte:	F Schlager	L Hart	J Gunderson
Sp. Ministers	B Schlager	A Monkhouse	W Hart
	H Pieper	volunteer	H Bopping
Welcomer:	G Sutton	C Ffrench	H Pieper
PowerPoint:	D Flores	H Hart	A Monkhouse
Gifts:	Marj & Nora	Geraldine & Natasha	Laffan Family

### Ministries of Service: 1 Dec 8 December 15 December

Altar Decorating:	Cathy	Margaret	Fran
Cleaners:	Victor & Rosaria	Joan	Victor & Felix

**Sp. Min hospital:** 1st Sun: Eileen Dempsey. 2nd Sun: Helen Pieper.

3rd Sun: Brian Berg 4th Sun: Ann Monkhouse. 5th Sun: Jane Gardner.

**Counters:** 1st Sun: K & M Toirkens. 2nd Sunday: G Kain. 3rd Sunday: Wendy Hart.  
4th Sunday: E Hannaford. 5th Sunday: H Bopping.

### World Community for Christian Meditation is held Thursdays at 10.30am

at St Bede's Presbytery. For information please contact Br. Brian on 4842

2444. Newcomers are always welcome. Check out the websites:

[www.wccm.org](http://www.wccm.org) or [www.christianmeditationaustralia.org](http://www.christianmeditationaustralia.org)

### St Vincent de Paul Society Braidwood Conference:

*"Giving a helping hand up"*

Office Hours: Friday 11am - 1pm. Ph: 0435856541 or 4842 2444



**Readings this week:** 1st: Ez 34:11-12,15--17. 2nd: 1 Cor 15:20-28 Mt 25:31-46

**Next week: 1st Advent B:** 1st Is. 63:16-17,64:1,3-8. 2nd: 1 Cor 1:3-9. Mk: 13:33-37.

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26 November 2017

## Join Us in Prayer

### Entrance Antiphon:

How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity, and wisdom and strength and honour. To him belong glory and power for ever and ever.

### Responsorial Psalm:

**Response: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.**

All: The Lord is my shepherd;  
there is nothing I shall want.  
Fresh and green are the pastures  
where he gives me repose.

All: Near restful waters he leads me,  
to revive my drooping spirit.  
He guides me along the right path;  
he is true to his name.

All: You have prepared a banquet for me  
in the sight of my foes.  
My head you have anointed with oil;  
my cup is overflowing.

All: Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me  
all the days of my life.  
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell  
for ever and ever. **Response**

### Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord!  
Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David! Alleluia!

### Communion Antiphon:

The Lord sits as King for ever. The Lord will bless his people with peace.

**Next weekend Mass time:** 8.30am Sunday St Bede's Church.  
**Weekday Mass:** Tuesdays at 10.00am in the Presbytery.  
**Meditation:** Thursday at 10.30am in the Presbytery.  
**Braidwood AA** meets each Tuesday at 7.30pm in the Centre.  
**Social Justice Group** meets first Sunday of month at 10.30am.  
**Christmas get Together and Presbytery Inspection:** after Mass on 17th December. It is proposed that we will have bacon & egg rolls, with tea and coffee. Parishioners are asked to bring a plate of sweet treats to share. The Finance Committee then invites parishioners to have a walk through the Presbytery to inspect the recent renovations and to see what remains to be done.

**Advent** begins next Sunday. A time to pause and reflect .

**Parish Pastoral Council Reformation:** Parishioners are invited to nominate yourselves or another parishioner for a place on our PPC. If you nominate another person, please check with them that they are willing to serve before putting their name forward. Names are required by the end of November.

**St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal:** Envelopes are available on the seats. We have many people to assist this year and appreciate any donation you can make.

**"Call to Connect" Women's Ministry** invites all interested women to an Ecumenical Advent Prayer Breakfast on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December at 8.00am - 9.30am , St Bede's school hall. RSVP Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November to Cathy 4842 2398 or Bronnie 0432257622 . Cost: \$15 exact cash & name to Lolly Shop tin.

**International Nativities Expo:** 8<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> December. This exhibition of 350 Nativities is an entrée to family discussion on the true meaning of Christmas. From some 80 countries, they present the diverse cultures that embrace the Christian story, from the Palestinian Territories to Vietnam and China. Hands-on craft activities for children, as well as nativity jigsaws, puppets and books.  
Venue: Catholic Pastoral Centre, 55 Franklin St. Manuka (behind St Christopher's Cathedral). Fri 8<sup>th</sup>: 2pm-7pm; Sat 9<sup>th</sup>: 10am-5pm; Sun 10<sup>th</sup>: 9am-7pm. Contact: Keith Linard on 0412 376 317 or [linard.keith@gmail.com](mailto:linard.keith@gmail.com)

**Please pray for the sick:** Derek Kelly, Mollie Grady, Diana Wiley, Tony Ryan, Luke Ward, Len Kanowski, Ted Younger, Paul Conaghan, Tony Riley, Dave Kelly, Robin Marsden, Patricia Golotta, Barbara Monaghan, John Sheldon, Sarah Lewis, Richie Simpson, Mark Sissian, Sarah Cree, Teresa Neilsen, the residents of Narbethong & the aged care unit and all who need prayers.

**Please pray for those who have died in recent days:**  
Paulina Ball, Jean Barnes, Betty Jones, Leo Montgomery, Gwen Wright, and our own deceased relatives and friends.

### Reflection on the Gospel - Jesus Makes Surprising Connections

Many years ago I gave Communion to a guy at Mass I recently had served at a homeless shelter. And this hit me: he and I not only share the body of Christ, we also were part of the Body of Christ.

A homeless man and I, part of the same body. It really made me think – just like this week's Gospel.

Christ our king says we serve him when we serve the people considered least in our world. God's Spirit lives in them. God's Spirit also lives in us. Thus, the connection: we are all part of the same body, the Body of Christ.

The child starving in Africa. The kid without friends. The man begging on the street corner. The old woman alone. The prisoner serving a sentence. And you and I. All part of the same body.

That means we have to change our thinking at times. When our stomachs hurt, we ask why. We might spend time and money for treatment. We rarely judge or ignore it.

But we sometimes treat parts of our spiritual body – the Body of Christ – differently when they suffer. "I'm too busy to visit," some might say as they pass a nursing home where so many suffer loneliness. "They shouldn't have broken the law," some might say about people in prison.

Our spiritual body stretches around the world. When parts of it suffer, let's take the time to understand why and relieve the pain. The Body of Christ **SERVES** the Body of Christ to **BECOME** the Body of Christ.

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