

NORTHERN MISSION

incorporating Queanbeyan, Michalego, Bungendore and Braidwood Parishes.

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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. 8.30am Sun

St Bede's B'wood 6.00pm Sat

Northern Mission



**18TH SUNDAY
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4 August 2019

Ministries for our Sunday Vigil Mass

	3 August	10 August	17 August
Acolyte:	F Schlager	L Hart	J Gunderson
Readers:	H Bopping G Hannaford	R Coady W M-Bell	T Ferlitsch A Monkhouse
Sp. Min.	B Schlager H Pieper	T Ferlitsch H Bopping	H Hart A Monkhouse
Welcomer:	H Pieper	G Sutton	C Ffrench
PowerPoint:	G Pollard	H Hart	G Pollard
Gifts:	Norah	Jenny & Ken	Laffan Family

Ministries of Service:

	9 August	16 August	23 August
Altar Decorating:	Margaret	Joy	Helen P
Cleaners:	Bobbie & Pauline	Margaret & Barbara	Joan

Sp. Min hospital: 1st Sun: Eileen Dempsey. 2nd Sun: Helen Pieper.
3rd & 5th Sun: Brian Berg. 4th Sun: Ann Monkhouse.

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 or www.christianmeditationaustralia.org

St Vincent de Paul Society Braidwood Conference:

"Giving a helping hand up"

Office Hours: Fridays 11am - 1pm.



Readings:

This week: 1st: Eccl. 1:2, 2:21-23. 2nd: Col. 3:1-5,9-11. Gospel: Luke 12:13-21.

Next week: 1st: Wisdom: 18:6-9. 2nd: Heb. 11:1-2,8-19. Gospel: Luke 12:32-48

Join us in prayer

Responsorial Psalm

Response: In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

**Happy the poor in spirit;
the kingdom of heaven is theirs!
Alleluia!**

Communion Antiphon

**I am the bread of life, says the Lord;
whoever comes to me will not hunger
and whoever believes in me will not thirst.**



Next weekend Mass time: Vigil Saturday at 6pm in St Bede's Church.
Weekday Mass: No weekday Mass in the near future.
Liturgy of the Word: Wednesday at 9.30am in Presbytery.
Meditation: Thursdays in Presbytery at 10.30am
Braidwood AA meets Tuesdays at 7pm & Thursdays at 4.30pm at the Anglican Parish House, situated behind the church.
Social Justice Group next meeting 4 August at 10.30am
St Patrick's Araluen: Prayer Service in honour St Mary MacKillop, Saturday August 10 at 10.30am. Morning tea afterwards.
Fr Bill Milsted mobile: 0497 088 007

Reflection on the Gospel:

One night I was volunteering at a shelter when I found a large tray of hot dogs in the fridge. Knowing the homeless guests were hungry, I handed out all the hot dogs.

Another guest, James, arrived a little later. Smiling, he asked me to heat up a few of his hot dogs. Embarrassed, I realised that the hot dogs I had given out belonged to James. I quickly apologised and offered to replace them. He laughed at my mistake and said, "Don't worry about it. As long as all the people ate, that's all I care about". James was the exact opposite of the man in Jesus' parable this week.

This Gospel is important for us. Our culture pushes us to buy nonstop and do whatever we can to get more money and more things for ourselves. Some people joke at those who die with the most toys win. That's an easy trap to fall into, but Winston Churchill once said something like "you make a living with what you get, but you make a life with what you give".

A "*more for me*" attitude can take over your life and kill relationships. This week's Gospel condemns greed not because greedy people go to hell but because greedy people construct their own hell on earth.

Greed traps people in hell by keeping them from the best part of life, that which matters to God – sacrifice for others; service to the poor; relationships based on character, not appearance. You build a life – and find real happiness – by using your talents for others and putting their needs first.

I still forget that sometimes. That's why I'm grateful God sends people like James to remind me. GPBS 30/7/2019

Parish Casserole Night: In the school hall, Saturday August 24, after Mass. Put the date in your diary for a convivial evening. Details to follow.

National Vocations Awareness Week 4-11 August - Today is the feast of St John Vianney, the patron of parish clergy. Pray for your priests today in thanksgiving for their ministry and presence in your community. Next Thursday is the feast of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, our first Australia saint. Pray for the religious who do so much in pastoral care, education, health care and many other ministries. Pray also that these saints may inspire many vocations to consecrated life and priesthood, especially from your community.

In keeping with the Archdiocesan Child Protection Policy we are now seeking the signatures of all volunteers on an **Acknowledgement of the Archdiocesan Child Protection Code of Conduct**. If our volunteers, at their convenience, could see either Br Brian or Helen Hart and sign the form, it would be much appreciated.

The Catholic Parish of Pambula invites our community to join with Archbishop Christopher Prowse and other pilgrims, as he leads a pilgrimage to Eden on Saturday 10th August, to coincide with her feast day on 8th August. This pilgrimage will commemorate Australia's first saint, Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop, at the site she visited on two separate occasions, in 1899 and 1901. See noticeboard for details.

Please pray for the sick: Glen Dixon, Helen Goddard, Keith Lyons, James Clarke, Matthew Foote, Lindsay MacLean, Claire Whatley, Val Biggers, Diana Wiley, Luke Ward, Len Kanowski, Tony Riley, Robin Marsden, Barbara Monaghan, John Sheldon, Sarah Lewis, Richie Simpson, Mark Sissian, Sarah Cree, the residents of Narbethong & the aged care unit and all who need our prayers.

Please pray for those who have died in recent days: Noeline Perrey, Glen Heycox, and our own deceased relatives and friends.

