

NORTHERN MISSION

incorporating Queanbeyan, Michalego, Bungendore and Braidwood Parishes.

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Northern Mission



1ST SUNDAY OF LENT
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1 March 2020

Ministries for our Sunday Vigil Mass

	29 February	7 March	14 March
Acolyte:	G Pollard	J Gunderson	F Schlager
Readers:	R Coady W M-Bell	P Clarke A Clarke	W Hart B Beale
Sp. Min.	H Bopping H Pieper	T Ferlitsch B Vardanega	B Schlager A Monkhouse
Welcomer:	G Sutton	C Ffrench	H Pieper
PowerPoint:	H Hart	H Hart	H Hart
Gifts:	Norah & Cilla	Jenny & Ken	Dennis & Eileen

Ministries of Service: 6 March 13 March 20 March

Altar Decoration:	No flowers during Lent.		
Cleaners:	Margaret & Barbara	Bobbie & Pauline	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. Phone: 0419 445 183.



Readings for our Mass:

This week: 1st: Gen. 2:7-9,3:1-7. 2nd: Rom. 5:12-19. Gospel: Matthew 4:1-11.

Next week: 1st: Gen. 12:1-4. 2nd: 2 Tim. 1:8-10. Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9.

Join us in prayer

Entrance Antiphon

When he calls on me, I will answer him;
I will deliver him and give him glory,
I will grant him length of days.

Responsorial Psalm

Response: Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

Gospel Acclamation

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!
No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that
comes from the mouth of God.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Communion Antiphon

One does not live by bread
alone, but by every word that
comes forth from the mouth of
God.

*Lent, a Time to
Renew Ourselves*



Next weekend Mass time: Vigil Saturday at 6pm in St Bede's Church.
Weekday Mass: Tuesdays at 10.00am in the Church.
Liturgy of the Word: Wednesdays at 9.15am in the Presbytery.
Meditation: Thursdays at 10.30am in the Presbytery .
Braidwood AA meets Tuesdays at 7pm & Thursdays at 4.30pm at the Anglican Parish House, situated behind the church.
Social Justice Group next meeting 8 March 2020 at 10.30am
Renewed Parish Council Meeting: Tuesday 3 March after 10am Mass
Vinnies Meeting: 13th March at 1.30pm in the Presbytery.
Krawarree Mass: Sunday 29th March 2020 at 11am.

Parish Sausage Sizzle after Mass tonight, in Ryrie Park barbeque area and picnic tables.

Lenten reflection evening, Thursday evening March 5th at 7 pm followed by light supper. All welcome.

The World Day of Prayer: Friday 13th March in the Anglican Church. This year the program has been developed by the Christian women of Zimbabwe. Their theme is "Rise! Take up your mat and walk!" This service is open to all people so please put the date in your diary and plan to come along.

Come and join us on **Thursday 5th March** to stand in solidarity against **Domestic and Family Violence** and for those who have lost their lives. Braidwood meet at Ryrie Park at 2pm *Wear a purple shirt!*

Please pray for the sick: Bronwyn Crosby, Glen Dixon, Kathleen Brown, Sue Monkhouse, Margaret Sinclair, Elaine Olsen, Helen Goddard, Keith Lyons, James Clarke, Matthew Foote, Lindsay MacLean, 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:

John Weekes, Hugh Krijnen, Rod Frazer, Mary-Anne McGrath, Sally Gourlay, and our own deceased relatives and friends.

Gospel Reflection:

Historical Context – Sin

The Greek word translated as 'sin' in the New Testament literally means 'miss the mark'. Its origin may lie in archery where the object was always to hit the mark; to miss the mark was to not achieve at one's best. Jesus set about trying to redefine the Jewish notion of sin from being a transgression against God that deserves punishment to the more compassionate idea that sin is a wandering off course that can be rectified – a missing of the mark. When he encountered someone who was missing the mark, Jesus called them back into right relationship.

Have you thought? – An invitation

Lent is a season of invitation. It is an invitation to step into the desert with Jesus; to confront our own purpose and ministry and to renew our trust in God's vision for the world and for us individually. Seen in this light, Lent is so much more than fasting from meat and giving up ice cream for a few weeks. The whole idea of fasting and sacrifice is an attempt to simplify our lives. Through simplifying our life and removing some of the daily distractions, we can share in the desert experience of Jesus and then truly celebrate the hope reborn in the Easter season.

Greg Sunter.



First Sunday of Lent  Caritas AUSTRALIA
1st March 2020

Indigenous minorities in the Philippines face regular discrimination and disadvantage. Manide woman, Shirley faced challenges supporting her children and sending them to school. With Caritas Australia's support, Shirley's life has been transformed.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2020 to help people like Shirley, and her children gain confidence and respect within their community.

Let's Go Further, Together. You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.