

Northern Mission



**2ND SUNDAY ADVENT
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8 December 2019

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

Ministries for our Sunday Vigil Mass

	7 December	14 December	21 December
Acolyte:	F Schlager	L Hart	J Gunderson
Readers:	P Clarke A Clarke	R Coady W M-Bell	T Ferlitsch A Monkhouse
Sp. Min.	B Schlager H Pieper	T Ferlitsch H Hart	W Hart H Bopping
Welcomer:	H Pieper	G Sutton	C Ffrench
PowerPoint:	H Hart	G Pollard	H Hart
Gifts:	Geraldine & Natasha	Norah & Cilla	Jenny & ken

Ministries of Service:	13 December	20 December	24 December
Altar Decorating:	Cathy F	Joy	All arrangers please
Cleaners:	Wendy & Pauline	Felix	

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 for Mass:

Readings: 1st: Isaiah 11:1-10. 2nd: Romans 15:4-9. Gospel: Matthew 3:1-12.
Next week: 1st: Isaiah 35:1-6,10. 2nd: James 5:7-10 Gospel Matthew 11:2-11.

Join us in prayer

Responsorial Psalm

Response: Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace for ever.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths: all people shall see the salvation of God. Alleluia!



Next weekend Mass time: Vigil Saturday at 6pm in St Bede's Church.
Weekday Mass: Tuesday at 10am in the St Patrick's Church Araluen.
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 tomorrow 8th December at 10.30am
Araluen Mass: Tuesday 10 December 2019 at 10am.
Krawarree Mass: Sunday 15th December 2019 at 11am.
9 Lessons and Carols: Anglican Church 15 December at 7pm
Christmas Drinks & nibbles: Saturday 21st December after Mass.

Reflection on the Gospel: Living the Gospel – Prepare Ye!

John the Baptist's call to 'Prepare the way of the Lord' is a summary of the purpose of the season of Advent. Every year, as we celebrate the Nativity, we celebrate once again the presence of God in our world. God became incarnate in the world through Jesus but also always was and continues to be incarnate in the world through each person. If we are to accept this reality and live it out, we need to remind ourselves this Advent to prepare the way for the Lord to be present in and through us every day of our lives. Greg Sunter.



Meaningful Gifts from cbm and Caritas Australia: Their 2019 Christmas Catalogues are on the noticeboard.

Please pray for the sick: Sue Monkhouse, Archbishop Francis Carroll, Margaret Sinclair, Elaine Olsen, Bob Haigh, Glen Dixon, 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:

Nick Asimus, Tom Casey, Anthony Shiels, and our own deceased relatives and friends.

Some verses from Paul for those going through tough times.

- ♦With God on our side, how can we lose?
- ♦Who would dare tangle with God by messing with one of God's chosen?
- ♦Is there anything God wouldn't gladly and freely do for us?
- ♦Who would dare point a finger at us?
- ♦Do you think anyone is going to be able to drive a wedge between us and Christ's love for us?
- ♦There is no way! Not trouble, not hard times, not hatred, not hunger, not homelessness, not bullying, not backstabbing, not even worse things because Jesus loves us.
- ♦I am absolutely convinced that nothing living or dead, today or tomorrow, thinkable or unthinkable--- absolutely nothing can get between us and God's love because of the way that Jesus our master has embraced us. *"The Message Bible" Romans 8*



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"It is the hour now for you to awake from sleep. For our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed."

Sheepish Question:

What holiday preparations are taking my attention away from the coming of the Lord?