

## 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 Easter Ceremonies

	8 September	15 September	22 September
Commentator:	H Hart	P Coady	H Hart
Readers:	R Coady W M-Bell	C Ffrench G Hannaford	W Hart B Beale
Acolyte:	J Gunderson	F Schlager	L Hart
Sp. Ministers	H Hart H Bopping	B Schlager Helen Pieper	A Monkhouse W Hart
Welcomer:	H Pieper	G Sutton	C Ffrench
PowerPoint:	J Flores	A Monkhouse	D Flores
Gifts:	Norah	Geraldine & Natasha	Laffan Family

### Ministries of Service: 14 September 21 September 28 September

Altar Decorating:	Helen P	Cathy	Margaret
Cleaners:	Bobbie & Pauline	Margaret & Barbara	Victor & Rosaria.

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

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

**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:** Fridays 11am to 1pm.



### Readings:

**This week:** 1st: Isaiah 35:4-7. 2nd: James. 2:1-5. Gospel Mark 7:31-37.

**Next week:** 1st: Isaiah 50:5-9. James 2:14-18. Gospel: Mark 8:27-35.

# Northern Mission



**23RD SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME  
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9 September 2018**

*Join us in Prayer*

### Entrance Antiphon:

You are just, O Lord, and your judgement is right;  
treat your servant in accord with your merciful love.

### Responsorial Psalm:

**Response: Praise the Lord, my soul!**

### Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom  
and healed all who were sick.

Alleluia!

### Communion Antiphon:

I am the light of the world, says the Lord;  
whoever follows me will not walk in darkness,  
but will have the light of life.



**Next weekend Mass time:** Vigil Saturday at 6pm in St Bede's Church.  
**Weekday Mass:** Tuesday at 10am in the Church. Year 5/6 present.  
**Liturgy of the Word:** Wednesdays 9.30am in the Presbytery.  
**Meditation:** Thursdays at 10.30am in the Presbytery.  
**Braidwood AA** meets each Tuesday at 7.30pm in the Centre.  
**Social Justice Group** next meeting Sunday 7 October at 10.30am  
**Araluen Prayer Service:** Sunday 23 September in St Patrick's Church, commencing at 10.30am. Followed by morning tea.  
**Krawarree Mass** Sunday 30 September at 11.00am.

### **Reflection on today's readings:**

Today's readings have some of the messianic joy that Jesus brings to all people, especially the poor.

The First Reading, from the prophet Isaiah, is full of hope and joy. He looks forward to deliverance from exile; people will be healed, creation revived with gushing water.

In response, Psalm 146 is a prayer of praise to the God who feeds the hungry, heals the sick, and cares for the poor and downtrodden.

St James, in the Second Reading, clearly states that God chooses the poor, and that we too must not favour the rich and powerful at their expense. We are all equal in God's sight and must act accordingly. We are all heirs to his kingdom.

The Gospel recounts the healing of the deaf man with an impediment in his speech. His healing is not just physical; the whole person is opened to the Lord.

Let us try to spread some of the joy of Jesus around us this week. Perhaps in this way we can become more aware of any hidden prejudices we may hold in our relationships to others.



**The Australian Catholic Church marks Child Safeguarding Sunday** this week. It concludes National Child Protection Week.

Uniquely this year Child Protection Sunday follows on the heels of the formal response of the Australian Catholic Church to the recommendations of the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse and the release of the advice provided to Church Leaders by its Truth Justice and Healing Council.

When the Australian Prime Minister offers the response of the Commonwealth Government in Parliament on 22 October we pray it may bring a further sense of how we, both as a Church and as a Nation, have faced the terrible truth that we failed our children, but also as a church and as a nation, we have now embarked on a new path.

**Harvest Pilgrimages** have sent us their latest booklet on their 2019-2020 offerings. It is on view in the right hand board in the foyer for those interested.

**Please pray for the sick:** Claire Whatley, Dick Laurie, Harold Gowan, Val Biggers, Veronica Roberts, Catherine Sheridan, Marj Byrnes, Neil Quinn, Diana Wiley, Tony Ryan, 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:** Andrew Balmain, Ron Keirs, Tony Coote Helen Alvanos, Dave Kelly, Kevin O'Dwyer, and our own deceased relatives and friends.