

NORTHERN MISSION

incorporating Queanbeyan, Michalego, Bungendore and Braidwood Parishes.

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PARISH ADMINISTRATOR: Father Troy Bobbin

Associate Priest: Father Peter Day (Braidwood & Bungendore)

Deacons: John Lim (Bungendore)

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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 Liturgy: Vigil @ 6.00pm

	10 March	17 March	24 March Palm Sunday
Commentator:	P Coady	H Hart	
Reader:	B Berg	T Ferlitsch	Holy Week see separate roster
Reader:	T Roach	K Toirkens	
Acolyte:	L Hart	J Gunderson	
Sp. Ministers	A Monkhouse	W Hart	
	volunteer	H Bopping	
Welcomer:	C Ffrench	H Pieper	
PowerPoint:	J Flores	H Hart	
Gifts:	Cilla & Tony	Cathy F	

Ministries of Service: 16 March 23 March 31 March

Altar Decorating: **No flowers during Lents thank you ladies** all arrangers

Cleaners: Wendy & Pauline Margaret & Barbara Bobbie & Pauline

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 or 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: 2 Chr. 36:14-16,19-23. 2nd: Eph. 2:4-10. Gospel Jn. 3:14-21.

Next week: 1st: jer. 31:31-134. 2nd: heb. 5:7-9. Gospel: John 12:20-33.

Northern Mission



4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

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11 March 2018



Join Us in Prayer

Entrance Antiphon:

Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her. Be joyful, all who were in mourning; exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.

Responsorial Psalm:

Response: Let my tongue be silenced, if ever I forget you!

All: By the rivers of Babylon there we sat and wept,
remembering Zion;
on the poplars that grew there we hung our harps.

All: For it was there that they asked us,
our captors, for songs, our oppressors, for joy.
'Sing to us,' they said, 'one of Zion's songs.'

All: O how could we sing the song of our God on alien soil?
If I forget you, Jerusalem, let my right hand wither!

All: O let my tongue cleave to my mouth if I remember you not,
if I prize not Jerusalem above all my joys!

Response: Let my tongue be silenced, if ever I forget you!

Gospel Acclamation:

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!
God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son,
that all who believe in him might have eternal life.
Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Communion Antiphon:

The Lord anointed my eyes: I went, I washed,
I saw and I believed in God.

Next weekend Mass time: Vigil Saturday at 6pm in St Bede's Church.

Weekday Mass: Tuesday 10am in the Presbytery.

Liturgy of the Word: Wednesday at 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 8 April at 10.30am.

NB: MASS TIME WILL BE VIGIL AT 6.00PM UNTIL THE END OF JUNE

Holy Week Ceremonies: Palm Sunday 25th at 6pm; Holy Thursday 29th at 7pm; Good Friday 30th Passion at 3pm; Easter Vigil 31st at 6pm.

Lenten evening: "Call to Connect" ministry welcomes all interested women and men to gather together for a Lenten reflection evening. The evening will include prayers, scripture reading and a guided private reflection time.

"The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love." Psalm 103:8. Date: Monday 12th March in St Bede's church. 7.30-9pm including supper afterwards. Please bring a plate to share. No charge. RSVP Cathy 48422398 Bronnie 0432257622

Parish 2nd Rite of Reconciliation will be held on Tuesday 20th March at 6pm. At this time the children will make their First Reconciliation. All are welcome to receive the sacrament before Easter.

Presbytery Cleaning: a very generous parishioner has offered to pay for a cleaner once a month. If you know of anyone who would be interested in the job, please let Helen Hart know.

A draft Holy Week roster has been prepared. It is at the back of the Church. Please check for your name and indicate if you are available.

Please pray for the sick: Catherine Sheridan (Berri's granddaughter), Marj Byrnes, Sheila Thistleton, Neil Quinn, Ron Cochrane, Derek Kelly, Diana Wiley, Tony Ryan, Luke Ward, Len Kanowski, Tony Riley, Dave Kelly, Robin Marsden, Patricia Golotta, Barbara Monaghan, John Sheldon, Sarah Lewis, Richie Simpson, Mark Sissian, Sarah Cree, the residents of Narbethong & the aged care unit and all who need prayers.

It would be appreciated if those parishioners who put names on the sick list could give us an update on their wellbeing.

Please pray for those who have died in recent days: Ross Algie, and our own deceased relatives and friends.

Reflection on the Gospel: Jesus Saves – We Condemn

When I was a young guy in university, I felt condemned.

I was successful in my career, but empty on the inside. Despite all my hard work, life seemed meaningless. I worked hard at uni, but not at being a Christian. In fact, I fell away from God at university, I stopped going to church. I never prayed or read the Bible. I didn't even think about serving people who suffered.

You see, I condemned myself – to a self-centred, Godless life that felt empty because I was so empty.

Sometimes we think God is busy watching for opportunities to condemn us. But Jesus clears up all that in this week's Gospel. God doesn't look for opportunities to condemn us, but to save us from lives without meaning and to save us for life eternal. We condemn ourselves if we ignore Jesus' recipe for living. Through sin and selfishness, we can build our own prison.

But God wants to free us. So God sent Jesus to show us the way. Isn't it great to know that God's only desire is for us to live full lives now and into eternity? And even if we spend most of our life looking in the wrong places, God never withdraws the offer of salvation.

Eventually I took the Lord up on the offer and decided to follow Jesus and shine his light for the world. And since then I've been free.

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Evangeline featured in Project Compassion 2016. With the support of Caritas Australia, she has risen to the role of Senior Artswoker at Djilpin Arts Aboriginal Corporation, now a multi-level contemporary arts centre and major employer for young people in her remote Northern Territory community.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2018 and help provide employment and training for First Australians, allowing them to remain on country and keep their culture alive, essential for a just future. A Just Future starts with your support! You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.