

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



**PALM SUNDAY OF THE
PASSION OF OUR LORD**
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24 March 2018



Ministries for our Easter Ceremonies

	Holy Thursday 7pm	Good Friday Passion 3pm	Easter Vigil 6pm
Commentator:	P Coady	H Hart	P Coady
Reader:	R Coady	W Hart	1. Video
Reader:	W Hart n/a	Psalm: W McMahan-Bell N. M Crosby S. R Coady	3. C Ffrench 5. M Gunderson NT M O'Brien
Acolyte:	J Gunderson	L Hart	All three please
Sp. Ministers	W Hart H Pieper	n/a n/a	B Schlager n/a
Welcomer:	H Pieper	C Ffrench	G Sutton
PowerPoint:	H Hart	H Hart	J Flores
Gifts:	B & F Schlager	n/a	Geraldine & Natasha

Ministries of Service: 31 March 6 April 13 April

Altar Decorating: **all arrangers please** Margaret Fran

Cleaners: Bobbie & Pauline Victor & Rosaria Joan

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.

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: Isaiah 50:4-7. 2nd: Phil. 2:6-11. Gospel mark: 14:1-15:47

Easter: 1. Gen. 1:1-2:2. 3. Exod. 14:15-15:1. 5. Isaiah 55:1-11. NT: Rom. 6:3-11.

Gospel: Mark 16:1-7.

Don't Miss a Moment This Week

Courage. Honour. Integrity.
Fear. Abandonment. Persecution.
Victory.

It all happens between Palm Sunday and Holy Saturday. One man, determined to change the world, stands with honour and integrity as others humiliate and insult him. He chooses non-violence while others beat and torture him. With his last breath, he forgives instead of curses.

Walk with this man this week. On Thursday watch him kneel and wash feet. Think about how he has served you and where you can serve others in his name. On Friday watch him stand with dignity against the forces of violence and oppression. Think about his sacrifice and ask for his strength to stand peacefully but forcefully for all those who are crucified by rejection, poverty, or oppression in our schools, cities, and world. On Saturday listen to all the readings at Mass. They tell of God's repeated attempts, since the beginning of time, to save us. Give your life anew to that God and ask how you can help save God's world.

Don't miss this week. All you need to know about your life unfolds in the life of one man who decided two thousand years ago to change the world. WPBS 20/3/2018

Next weekend Mass time: Vigil Saturday at 6pm in St Bede's Church.
Weekday Mass: None this week..
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.
Holy Week Ceremonies: Holy Thursday 29th at 7pm; Good Friday 30th Passion at 3pm; Easter Vigil 31st at 6pm.

Reflection on the Gospel

When, in our quieter moments, we sit confused, wondering about Jesus and our faith in him, it is all too easy to think, "If only I had been around two thousand years ago and known Jesus in the flesh. If only I had been one of his disciples and had seen him cure and preach. If only ... then my faith in Jesus would be stronger and my relationship with him would be more real". But the reality is we don't know how we would have reacted, had we been around all those years ago. We might well have fled, we might well have sided with the authorities, we might well have shouted: "Crucify him! Crucify him!" The fact that we were not with Jesus during his earthly ministry does not prevent us from coming to know and follow him now.

As we make the journey with Jesus through this week, let us be sure to take time to deepen our appreciation of what he has done for us. Then, like the centurion, we will be able to proclaim that Jesus is truly the Son of God. It is never too late to meet him. WPBS 20/3/2018

Congratulations to Ella-Marija Andreato, Ellie Clarke, Frankie Doherty, Jake Griggs, Rosalie Hazell, Baden Noye and Lola Paciorek who made their First Reconciliation last week.

Tathra bushfire: both the local community of Braidwood and the St Vincent de Paul Society are accepting donations to assist those in Tathra who have lost their homes. Those of us who might like to make a financial donation can do so via the Vinnies website. Please visit www.vinnies.org.au/donate and select ACT from the drop down menu. Cash donations may also be made at our local Vinnies store. Donations of non-perishable food items and other items are being received at the Braidwood Information Centre.

Please pray for the sick: Catherine Sheridan, Marj Byrnes, Sheila Thistleton, Neil Quinn, Diana Wiley, Tony Ryan, Luke Ward, Len Kanowski, Tony Riley, Dave Kelly, 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 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:

Ron Cochrane, John Adams, Jean McGrath, Ross Algie, and our own deceased relatives and friends.



Sixth Sunday of Lent



When Psyche Mae featured in Project Compassion 2008, she was living in a squatter settlement, on the edge of a giant rubbish dump outside Manila in the Philippines. Her family was forced to pick through the rubbish to sell what they could to survive. Thanks to the support of individuals and Caritas Australia, in 2018, Psyche Mae is now a young social worker, achieving her dream of helping others struggling to leave poverty behind them, with plans to study a Master's degree.



Please donate to Project Compassion 2018 and help improve the health and wellbeing of communities in the Philippines so they can work towards eradicating poverty, providing a just future for all.

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.