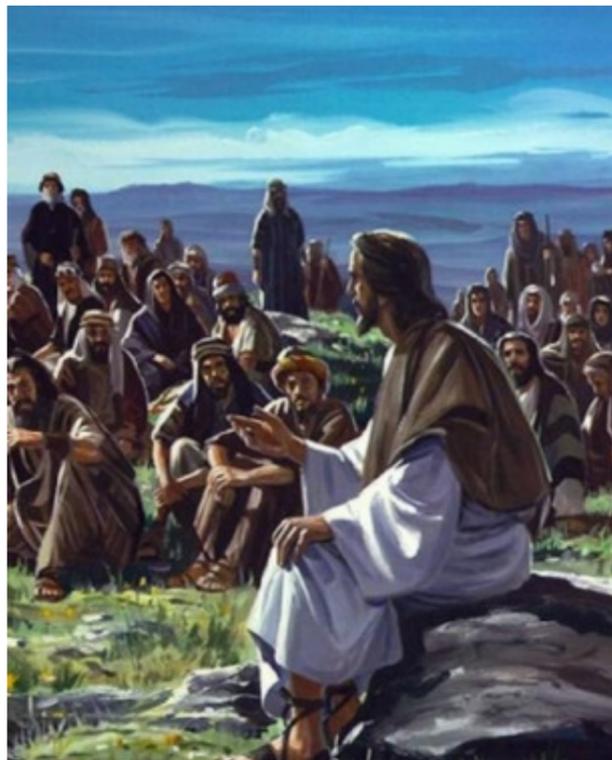


Mk 6:30-34

The apostles rejoined Jesus and told him all they had done and taught. Then he said to them, 'You must come away to some lonely place all by yourselves and rest for a while'; for there were so many coming and going that the apostles had no time even to eat. So they went off in a boat to a lonely place where they could be by themselves. But people saw them going, and many could guess where; and from every town they all hurried to the place on foot and reached it before them. So as he stepped ashore he saw a large crowd; and he took pity on them because they were like sheep without a shepherd, and he set himself to teach them at some length.



In effect, the scribes and Pharisees say to Jesus in today's Gospel, 'show us a sign and then we will believe in you.' Perhaps we can all sympathise with that desire.

We would all love to see some dramatic sign from Jesus to show that he is with us and so eliminate our need to walk by faith. But it simply doesn't work that way.

First we have to believe, we have to make a heartfelt act of faith in Jesus, and then we will see the signs of his presence everywhere, in the great and small events of our lives.

Like Jacob we will exclaim, 'truly God is in the place!' But if we don't believe, the signs will not lead us to faith. In fact, we won't even recognise them. We will find a natural explanation for everything that happens. We will not be convinced, even if the Son of Man should rise from the dead.

Extract from Gods word 2018, daily reflections

Northern Mission Incorporating

St Mary's Church BUNGENDORE
St Joseph's Church GUNDAROO
St Bede's Church BRAIDWOOD

ST GREGORY'S PARISH
St Raphael's Church Lowe Street Queanbeyan
St Gregory's Church Molonglo Street Queanbeyan

Sts Peter & Paul Church
HOSKINSTOWN
St Brigid's Church KRAWARREE
St Patrick's Church MICHELAGO

PARISH TEAM

Fr Troy Bobbin PP
Fr Peter Day Associate Priest Bungendore /Braidwood
Deacon Chris Van Gessel
Part time Pastoral Associate Sr Chloe Forsyth DC

OFFICE TEAM

Office Staff: Lorraine, Rita, Rosa, Catherine
Youth Coordinators: Sarah, Jordan
Bungendore - Maureen, Mary
Braidwood—Br Brian Pastoral Assoc, Secretary - Helen

ST GREGORY'S SCHOOL Principal – Ms Claire Frazer

"There are many rooms in my father's house"



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21ST & 22ND JULY 2018

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

YEAR B

Entrance Antiphon:

See, I have God for my help. The Lord sustains my soul. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart, and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.

First Reading: A reading from the prophet Jeremiah 23:1-6

The remnant of my flock I will gather to me, and bring them back to their pastures.

Responsorial Psalm:

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

C: The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.

Fresh and green are the pastures
where he gives me repose.

Near restful waters he leads me,
to revive my drooping spirit. **R.**

L: He guides me along the right path;
he is true to his name.

If I should walk in the valley of darkness
no evil would I fear.

You are there with your crook and your staff;
with these you give me comfort. **R.**

C: You have prepared a banquet for me
in the sight of my foes.

My head you have anointed with oil;
my cup is overflowing. **R.**

L: Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me
all the days of my life.

In the Lord's own house shall I dwell
for ever and ever. **R.**

Second Reading: A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians 2:13-18 *Christ, our peace, has made us one.*

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me. Alleluia!

Gospel: Mark 6:30-34. *They were as sheep without a shepherd.*

Communion Antiphon: The Lord, the gracious, the merciful, has made a memorial of his wonders; he gives food to those who fear him.



St Gregory's Parish Queanbeyan

As a faith Community, we pray with our brothers and sisters in their time of need.

Please pray for our sick:

- Cecil Mikola
- Sr Bernadette Walsh
- Maureen Keating
- S Vidovic
- Gary Robinson
- Phil Donoghoe
- David McCamley
- Gregory Walsh
- Charlie Morella
- Maria Melvin
- Jolan Bogsanyi
- Sr Antonine MC
- Regina Paredes
- Louis McFarlane
- Norman Humberdross
- Marie Lazaro
- Lani Albuera Cabahug
- Grant Crowe

Recently deceased

- Antionette Martin- Robertson
- Luigi Dal Molin
- Steve Maraczi
- John McDonald
- William Manwaring
- Peter Neale
- Alberto Silvestri
- Drago Ivanic
- Giuseppe De Rota
- Sr Perpetua Soccorro
- Gerardo V Gareza
- Pasquale Barilla
- Patricia Beetson

Anniversaries

- Angelique Asbock
- Val Lasker
- Beryl Morgan
- Rosa Gagliardi
- Claudio Dairo Sr
- Patrick Flanagan
- O'Flaherty Family
- Avelina Duterte

Please note that **BAPTISMS** will be held on the 3rd & 4th Sundays of the month.

PARENTS PLEASE BE MINDFUL OF OUR QUIET SPACES FOR CHILDREN IN THE CHURCH. CHILDREN NEED TO BE SUPERVISED AT ALL TIMES.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Little Sparks Children's Liturgy will resume next Sunday 29 July 2018

Monday Craft Group: 10am—midday
Wednesday Prayer Group: 1.30-3pm
New Members are most welcome.

The Tongan Choir will join us on next Sunday 29 July at the 5.30pm Sunday evening mass.

St Gregory's Planned Giving Program (PGP) 2018

Thank you to everyone who gave so generously and became part of our planned giving programme.

Thank you to everyone who participated in the adult education survey.

We had 46 responses and there was a total of 137 ticks to the nine topics. Fr Troy is now preparing a timeline and organising some guest speakers to cover these topics.

SURVEY – NEXT STEPS FOR THE YOUNG ADULTS GROUP

To help inform where the Queanbeyan parish's Young Adult Group goes next, we want to get your feedback on what you want to see happen. As such, we would really appreciate it if you could either fill out the survey which is available near the baptism font (to be returned to the box with the adult education survey), or complete the survey on the parish website.

MINI PILGRIMAGE

I'm seeking expressions of interest from our parishioners in coming on a mini pilgrimage to Mary MacKillop Place North Sydney and St Mary's Cathedral with me.

Travel will be by mini-bus leaving at 7.30am on Wednesday 5th September and arriving home around 8.00pm.

Please indicate your interest to the ladies at the Parish Office by Friday 3rd August to assist us with planning. Father Troy

Save the Date: **Men's Breakfast**, 1 September.
Venue: TBA.



ON THE HORIZON AT ST GREGORY'S



Plenary Council Prayer

Come, Holy Spirit of Pentecost.
Come, Holy Spirit of the great South Land.
O God, bless and unite all your people in Australia and guide us on the pilgrim way of the Plenary Council. Give us the grace to see your face in one another and to recognise Jesus, our companion on the road. Give us the courage to tell our stories and to speak boldly of your truth. Give us ears to listen humbly to each other and a discerning heart to hear what you are saying. Lead your Church into a hope-filled future, that we may live the joy of the Gospel. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, bread for the journey from age to age. Amen. Our Lady Help of Christians, pray for us. St Mary MacKillop, pray for us.

CHURCH CLEANING

Karolina Gunsser, community leader of Citipointe Pentecostal Church said in her keynote address entitled "young leaders for today's church". When training the new youth leaders and junior pastors, she says it is important to tell them why they do the things they do, especially when it comes to having to clean the church. She tells them "that someone might just come to our church this weekend to meet God for the first time so....."

So thank you everyone who has signed up to help clean our church, hopefully you should only be rostered on once every three months for two hours.

WEEKEND HOSPITAL VISITATION ROSTER
22nd July Sisters of Charity 6297 1296
29th July Kaye Paterson 6255 9450

Claim Christ for yourself and proclaim to all the nations

Mr Shane Dwyer, Director for the National Centre for Evangelization welcomed all delegates to Proclaim 18. In his opening remarks, he spoke of the facts that it is not a particularly easy time to be catholic. Even among those who continue to practice their faith there can be an air of confusion and disappointment: perhaps even anger. It can be hard to speak about sharing our faith in this context.

Yet this is what we came to do: to think and pray again about our relationship with Jesus Christ, what it means for us to be members of his Body, the Church, and to ponder what it might mean to call others into this life-changing and life-saving relationship. He ends by saying as we commence the 2018 proclaim conference let us keep in mind: it is God's desire to call all people to himself. For this Jesus Christ suffered died and rose again. For this the Holy Spirit has been sent to lead and sanctify us, our role is simply to make ourselves available for the work that God is doing in the World. He ended by saying, as he looks out into the audience of over 600 delegates there is some cause for optimism and hope.

Five members of our parish attended the Proclaim conference in sunny Brisbane last weekend to listen to four amazing keynote speakers. Those that attended will be reporting back to our Pastoral council. This information and the review of the last three years will be the data used to help us set our next three year's set of goals.

WARM RUGS FOR ST RAPHAEL'S CHURCH

A very big thank you for your generous help with our knitting project. We will soon have some finished lap rugs to use at Mass. Knitted squares can be given directly to our very talented craft group or placed in the 'Wool' box with any spare yarn at the front of the church.

12 – August "L'Arche Genesaret Fund Raising Concert"
The annual L'Arche Genesaret concert features renowned pianist Robert Schmidli, at the Wesley Music Centre, 20 National Circuit, Forrest (entry at Fitzroy St) from 3.00pm. Bookings available at www.trybooking.com/396985 or by contacting L'Arche Genesaret on 6282 9066. Adult \$25, concession \$20, student \$15, child \$10. Door prices – Adult \$30, concession \$25, student \$20, child \$15.

17-19 – August "Marriage Enrichment Weekend"
At the Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville, NSW. Book online at www.wvme.org.au Contact Adrian and Janet Sullivan: on 0490 774 419 or adrian.janet1@bigpond.com

12 HOURS OF ADORATION DATE: AUGUST 3RD

Come together as an Archdiocese praying for The Year of Youth, Vocations, Marian Procession, SHINE Student Gathering, Catechists, Youth Ministry in Schools, Parishes and Movements, Youth Ministers from 7am to 7pm at St Christopher's Cathedral, Manuka. Website: www.cg youthministry.org.au

ROSTER SATURDAY 28 JULY 5.30PM ACOLYTE: S MATIJEVIC READERS: A WHITE M UNWIN Ministers of Communion: E McAuliffe, L Wilson, K Wheatley, C Forsyth ALTAR SVRS: ROSTER NOT PREPARED	MORNING TEA ROSTER 22 JULY HELEN, ELIZABETH, TONI & LYN 29 JULY CONNOR/ STRUDWICK	ROSTER SUNDAY 29 JULY 9AM ACOLYTE: TONY WOOD READERS: S STANFORD F GARRETT Ministers of Communion: R Gillett, N Pelle, J Bresnik, M Gattuso, D Sealey, L Fitzgerald ALTAR SVRS: ROSTER NOT PREPARED
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Weekday & Weekend Masses			1 st Wednesdays	10:00am	George Forbes House
Saturday	5:30pm	St Raphael's, Queanbeyan	2nd Wednesdays	11:00am	Warrigal (Kawaree)
Sunday	9:00am & 5.30pm	St Raphael's, Queanbeyan YOUTH / FAMILY MASS	4 th Wednesdays	11:00am	Queanbeyan Nursing Home
Sunday	8.30am	St Mary's Bungendore	Fridays	11:00—11:55am	Exposition & Adoration, St Raphael's
1st Sunday of month	11am	Peter & Paul, Hoskinstown	Saturdays	4.30 pm—5 pm	Reconciliation, St Raphael's
2nd Saturday of month	5.00pm	St Patrick's Michelago	or by appointment		Children's Liturgy Ages 3-9yrs
3rd Sunday of month	9am	St Joseph's Gundaroo	Sundays during 9am mass		
5th Sunday	12 noon	St Brigid's, Krawarree	3rd & 4th Sundays	10:30am	Baptisms St Raphael's Church
Saturday	6.00pm	St Bede's Braidwood	(Sat)5:30pm / (Sun) 9am		Baptism Presentations, St Raphael's Church
Monday	NO MASS		By Appointment		Marriages
Tuesday	5.30 pm	St Raphael's	Mondays 10:00am—12noon		Craft Group, Parish Meeting Room
Wednesday	7:00am	St Raphael's	1 st Wednesdays 12:30pm		Cancer Support Group 6297 1912
Wednesday	9.00am	St Mary's Bungendore	Wednesdays 1:30—3pm		Prayer Group, Parish Meeting Room.
Thursday	7am	St Raphael's	RCIA		ENQUIRIES BEGIN SEPTEMBER
Friday	12noon	St Raphael's			