



Wishing you all a very
Happy New Year in 2018

Wednesday Morning Mass

Our regular Wednesday 9am morning Mass is having a short break and will resume on **Wednesday 24th January**.

Bungendore Seniors

Bungendore seniors will be having a short break and will resume meeting in St Mary's hall on **Tuesday 16th January 2018**, 10am to 2pm for activities, morning tea and occasional outings.

Church Cleaning

January—Tess Montesin & Rene Mallia.

Thank you to Fr Peter & Deacon John for cleaning the church in December.

Also any new volunteers for the cleaning roster will be greatly accepted.

Bible Studies

Bible studies will now continue monthly with stand alone sessions, so all are welcome to come along and share a meal first in the hall. **Next one:** Tuesday **16th January 2018** at 7.30pm

Thank you

A big thank you to Annette and the children, adults, baby and lamb for making our Christmas Eve Nativity Play extra special this year.

Sunday Morning Tea

Our first morning tea for the year will be held next **Sunday 7th January 2018**
All Welcome
Please bring a plate of food to share.



Ministries Roster

Sunday 30 December 2017 5:30 pm

A: Anna Melek

E.M. Jacinta Carroll & Tess M.

R: David Bishop & Mary-Anne W.

Gifts: Louise Levy & Pauline Segeri

Servers: Gilbert A & Makayla M.

Ministries Roster

Sunday 7th January 2018 8:30 am

A: Ed Cory

E.M. Tess M. & Pauline Segeri

R: Mary-Anne W. & Jacinta Carroll

Gifts: Jean & John Reardon

Servers: Cameron G. & Makayla M.

Please pray for our sick:- Peter Fogarty, Margaret Mikkelsen, Patrick Wright, Donn Oates (Barbara Rayner's Dad), Jill Hamley, Patricia Young, Erwin Feeken, Tony Boys, Alyssa Pettersen, Bill Yates, Kevin Summerfield, Debbie Oxford Wilson, Patricia Ryan, Maureen Boss, Val Young, Mary-Anne Webster, Frank Shugg, Theresa, Simon, James & Mary (Deacon John's mum, brothers & sister), David McCamley, Zelma McManus (Mary -Anne Curran's mother)

Recently Deceased:- Bronwyn Bowden

Anniversaries:- Margaret Woodward, Catherine Seery, Donald Milynn, Sylvia Treweeke, Leslie Fabian Murphy, Ruby Mary Flynn, Teresa Philips

St Mary's Bungendore

28 Turallo Terrace Bungendore

Website: www.stmarysbungendore.org.au/

30th December 2017



Feast of The Holy Family

Entrance Antiphon

The shepherds went in haste, and found Mary and Joseph and the Infant lying in a manger.

Responsorial Psalm Antiphon

Happy are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia

In the past God spoke to our fathers through the prophets; now he speaks to us through his Son. . **Alleluia!**

Communion Antiphon

Our God has appeared on the earth, and lived among us.



First reading

Genesis 15:1-6,21:1-3

The word of the Lord was spoken to Abram in a vision, 'Have no fear, Abram, I am your shield; your reward will be very great.'

'My Lord,' Abram replied 'what do you intend to give me? I go childless...' Then Abram said, 'See, you have given me no descendants; some man of my household will be my heir.' And then this word of the Lord was spoken to him, 'He shall not be your heir; your heir shall be of your own flesh and blood.' Then taking him outside he said, 'Look up to heaven and count the stars if you can. Such will be your descendants' he told him. Abram put his faith in the Lord, who counted this as making him justified.

The Lord dealt kindly with Sarah as he had said, and did what he had promised. So Sarah conceived and bore a son to Abraham in his old age, at the time God had promised. Abraham named the son born to him Isaac, the son to whom Sarah had given birth.

Second reading

Colossians 3:12-21

You are God's chosen race, his saints; he loves you, and you should be clothed in sincere compassion, in kindness and humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with one another; forgive each other as soon as a quarrel begins. The Lord has forgiven you; now you must do the same. Over all these clothes, to keep them together and complete them, put on love. And may the peace of Christ reign in your hearts, because it is for this that you were called together as parts of one body. Always be thankful.

Let the message of Christ, in all its richness, find a home with you. Teach each other, and advise each other, in all wisdom. With gratitude in your hearts sing psalms and hymns and inspired songs to God; and never say or do anything except in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Wives, give way to your husbands, as you should in the Lord. Husbands, love your wives and treat them with gentleness. Children, be obedient to your parents always, because that is what will please the Lord. Parents, never drive your children to resentment or you will make them feel frustrated.

Gospel

Luke 2:22-40

My eyes have seen your salvation

When the day came for them to be purified as laid down by the Law of Moses, the parents of Jesus took him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord, – observing what stands written in the Law of the Lord: *Every first-born male must be consecrated to the Lord* – and also to offer in sacrifice, in accordance with what is said in the Law of the Lord, a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons.

Now in Jerusalem there was a man named Simeon. He was an upright and devout man; he looked forward to Israel's comforting and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It

had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death until he had set eyes on the Christ of the Lord. Prompted by the Spirit he came to the Temple and when the parents brought in the child Jesus to do for him what the Law required, he took him into his arms and blessed God; and he said:

'Now, Master, you can let your servant go in peace, just as you promised;

because my eyes have seen the salvation

which you have prepared for all the nations to see,

a light to enlighten the pagans

and the glory of your people Israel.'

As the child's father and mother stood there wondering at the things that were being said about him, Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother, 'You see this child: he is destined for the fall and for the rising of many in Israel, destined to be a sign that is rejected – and a sword will pierce your own soul too – so that the secret thoughts of many may be laid bare.'

There was a prophetess also, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was well on in years. Her days of girlhood over, she had been married for seven years before becoming a widow. She was now eighty-four years old and never left the Temple, serving God night and day with fasting and prayer. She came by just at that moment and began to praise God; and she spoke of the child to all who looked forward to the deliverance of Jerusalem.

When they had done everything the Law of the Lord required, they went back to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. Meanwhile the child grew to maturity, and he was filled with wisdom; and God's favour was with him.

BUNGENDORE PARISH TEAM

Fr Troy Bobbin PP (resident in Queanbeyan)

Fr Peter Day Associate Priest Bungendore / Braidwood (resident in Queanbeyan)

Father Peter is happy to visit people in Bungendore;

please arrange with Deacon John

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Church Opening hours

St Mary's is open most days from 9am to 5pm for prayer and quiet reflection.