

WELCOME BACK TO OUR COMMUNITY OF FAITH

We Congratulate Fr Kevin Flynn as he celebrates on 3rd August celebrates 65 years in the Priesthood. We send prayers and blessings to him as he continues his ministry.

Please pray for the children in our community who will be celebrating Confirmation in September. The children will be attending mass this weekend and next weekend for their commitment.

Rosters for ministries in the parish have been prepared for August & September. They will be emailed, displayed for viewing on the parish website and also hard copies will be available in the church near the votive candle stand. If you would still like to join a ministry roster please call or email the parish office.

COLLECTIONS – SUPPORTING THE PRIESTS IN THE ARCHDIOCESE AND OUR PARISH

We now have one easy combined collection for St Gregory's Parish and the Archdioceses' Priest Salaries. All funds will credit St Gregory's Parish Queanbeyan Church Working account. These funds will then be divided between the parish (70%) and the Archdioceses' Priest Salaries (30%) A leaflet has been prepared to explain Giving Options, which is available at the church entry. If you need any assistance or clarification please come to the parish office or give us a call.

'PARISH PROPERTY PURCHASE'

The Parish Pastoral Council and the Parish Finance Council have decided to invest up to \$450,000 (which is approximately half of the current parish cash balance) in the purchase of a property within Queanbeyan. This is to provide an additional source of revenue with interest levels so low.

If there is a parishioner with an interest in helping the parish in finding an appropriate property to invest in please contact either Elenore (ph: 0413092365) or Selina (ph: 0438664110). If you would like any further information please contact us.

NVAW Week - 2 August

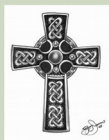
National Vocations Awareness Week – This is a week for the entire Church to consider, support and pray for those searching for their vocations in life. We might think about and pray for the young people in our community and in our families this week especially. In prayer, ask the Lord to enlighten them and give them the grace and courage to respond to His call. The Lord calls each of us to a particular vocation (marriage, consecrated life, priesthood or a single life of service).

Please pray for our sick in the parish: Ian McAdam, Vincent Spiteri, Hilary Sladky, Denis Bell, Mary Michael (Sr Clare's mother), Fr John Fitzgerald (USA), John Redenbach, Michael Gled, Jack Sealey, Regina Paredes, Allan Dunk, John Church, Trishy Mary Rankin, Juliet B Estabillo, Rosario B Surmiolda, Emmanuel Corpuz, Carmelo Bautista, Elisabeth Smyth, John Warner, Gywen McIntyre, Florence Bowell, Anthony McGlynn, Helen Fraser.

May they rest in peace: Brenda Stanford, Domenico Barilaro, Veronica Neich, Brian Rowley, Ruth Tokesi, Brendan Laurie, Jennifer Mifsud, Raewyn Bastion, Linda Moore, Anna Felisiak, Robert Munday, Maria Staltari, Greg Austin, Damien Bond.

Anniversaries: James O'Malley, O'Flaherty family, Ernie McDermott, Lino Lanza, David McCamley, Val White.

Baptisms: Alice Croft



SAINT GREGORY'S FAITH COMMUNITY QUEANBEYAN

St Mary's Church BUNGENDORE
St Joseph's Church GUNDAROO
St Bede's Church BRAIDWOOD
Sts Peter & Paul HOSKINSTOWN
St Brigid's Church KRAWARREE
St Patrick's Church MICHELAGO

St Raphael's Church Lowe Street Queanbeyan
St Gregory's Church Molonglo Street Queanbeyan

We acknowledge the original owners and custodians of this land and pay respects to the elders past and present and all deceased members of the Ngunnawal people.

PARISH TEAM

Fr Troy Bobbin PP
Fr Peter Day Associate Priest Bungendore/Braidwood
Deacon Chris Van Gessel

OFFICE TEAM

Queanbeyan: Lorraine, Rita, Catherine
Bungendore: Maureen, Mary
Braidwood: Br Brian Pastoral Assoc, Helen

ST GREGORY'S SCHOOL

Acting Principal – Mrs Erin Marmont

ST BEDE'S SCHOOL

Principal - Trish Ferlitsch



One thing I ask from the Lord, this only do I seek; that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

9am-3.30pm Tuesday, Thursday, Friday
Closed Monday and Wednesday



PARISH CONTACT DETAILS

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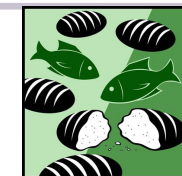
Web: www.stgregsqueanbeyan.com

VISION: Our Parish is a vibrant community inviting everyone to encounter Christ.

MISSION: To go and make disciples, to be a servant to each other and to be a people who reach out to those in need. We are guided by the life of Jesus, sustained by the love of God, and inspired by the light of the Holy Spirit.

1 & 2 August 2020

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A



MASS PROTOCOLS

The full protocols for Mass are available at our churches and our website. But the key things to be aware of are:

Dispensation. A general dispensation from attending Mass still applies due to the risk of COVID-19. We will continue to provide our regular masses.

Communion at Home. If you do not come to Mass but would like Holy Communion to be brought to you at home, please call Fr Troy 0418 621 020.

Limited numbers. We are restricted on attendance in our churches, due to the physical distancing requirement. Numbers are posted on the church doors.

Seating in the church has been arranged and displayed to accommodate the appropriate numbers. Members of the same household do not need to social distance from each other, so may sit together, while maintaining appropriate distancing from others. This may also allow some flexibility with overall numbers, subject to social distancing.

Health risks. We ask those who have underlying health conditions, including respiratory conditions or presenting COVID-19 symptoms (fever, cough, sneezing) or are over 70 years of age to carefully consider whether or not you should attend.

Arrival. Please arrive no later than 10min before Mass to allow sufficient time for safety protocols, including signing in, seating and cleaning hands.

Contact Tracing. You will be required to provide your name, contact details and duration of attendance to enable us to comply with contact tracing requirements. This list is secured until it is no longer required, which is usually 28 days. In accordance with government guidelines, you are encouraged to download and use the COVIDSAFE App.

Communion at Mass. Communion will be distributed in the normal way with social distancing must be adhered to in the procession to receive communion.

Hygiene. The church will be cleaned before and after Mass, in accordance with Health Department and SafeWork guidelines. Please minimise touching of furniture, door handles and switches to reduce cross-contamination.

Collection. We now have one easy combined collection in our Parish. All funds will credit St Gregory's Parish account A leaflet has been prepared to explain Giving Options, which is available at the church entry.

Music. The choir is in the process of moving to the choir loft due to the covid19 safety plan.

After Mass. Please: clean your hands on exiting, make sure you've recorded your contact details and maintain social distancing rules if chatting outside.

Entrance Antiphon

O God, come to my assistance; O Lord, make haste to help me! You are my rescuer, my help;
O Lord, do not delay.

First Reading Isaiah: 55:1-3

Hasten and eat.

Thus says the Lord:
Oh, come to the water all you who are thirsty; though you have no money, come!
Buy corn without money, and eat, and, at no cost, wine and milk.
Why spend money on what is not bread, your wages on what fails to satisfy?
Listen, listen to me and you will have good things to eat and rich food to enjoy.
Pay attention, come to me; listen, and your soul will live. With you I will make an everlasting covenant out of the favours promised to David.

Responsorial Psalm

(R.) The hand of the Lord feeds us: he answers all our needs.

C. The Lord is kind and full of compassion, slow to anger, abounding in love.
How good is the Lord to all, compassionate to all his creatures. (R.)

L. The eyes of all creatures look to you and you give them their food in due time.
You open wide your hand, grant the desires of all who live. (R.)

ALL. The Lord is just in all his ways and loving in all his deeds. He is close to all who call him, call on him from their hearts. (R.)

Second Reading Romans 8:35, 37-39

No creature can separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ.

Nothing can come between us and the love of Christ, even if we are troubled or worried, or being persecuted, or lacking food or clothes, or being threatened or even attacked. These are the trials through which we triumph, by the power of him who loved us. For I am certain of this: neither death nor life, no angel, no prince, nothing that exists, nothing still to come, not any power, or height or depth, nor any created thing, can ever come between us and the love of God made visible in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Gospel Acclamation Mt 4:4

Alleluia, alleluia!
No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God. Alleluia!

Gospel Mt 14:13-21

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew
They all ate and were satisfied.
When Jesus received the news of John the Baptist's death he withdrew by boat to a lonely place where they could be by themselves. But the people heard of this and, leaving the towns, went after him on foot. So as he stepped ashore he saw a large crowd; and he took pity on them and healed their sick.

When evening came, the disciples went to him and said, 'This is a lonely place, and the time has slipped by; so send the people away, and they can go to the villages to buy themselves some food.' Jesus replied, 'There is no need for them to go: give them something to eat yourselves.' But they answered, 'All we have with us is five loaves and two fish.' 'Bring them here to me,' he said. He gave orders that the people were to sit down on the grass; then he took the five loaves and the two fish, raised his eyes to heaven and said the blessing. And breaking the loaves he handed them to his disciples who gave them to the crowds. They all ate as much as they wanted, and they collected the scraps remaining, twelve baskets full. Those who ate numbered about five thousand men, to say nothing of women and children.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Communion Antiphon Wis 16:20

You have given us, O Lord, bread from heaven, endowed with all delights and sweetness in every taste.

WEEKEND MASSES
IN THE MISSION

St Raphael's Queanbeyan
Saturday 5.30pm
Sunday9am & 5.30pm

Hoskinstown11.00am
1st Sunday of month only

Michelago5.30pm
2nd Saturday of month only

Gundaroo9.00am
3rd Sunday of month only

Bungendore Sunday ..8.30am

WEEKDAY MASSES
IN THE MISSION

St Raphael's Queanbeyan
Mondayno mass
Tuesday5.30pm
Wednesday12 noon
Thursday.....7am
Friday.....12 noon
St Mary's Bungendore
Wednesday.....9.00am

George Forbes House TBC
1st Wednesday...10.00am
Warrigal (Kawaree) TBC
2nd Wednesday.....11.00am
Qbyn Nursing Home
4th Wednesday 11.00am
Starting back in August TBC
Exposition & Adoration
St Raphael's
Fridays.....11:00-11:55am

Reconciliation
St Raphael's—by appointment

Baptisms
St Raphael's
3rd & 4th Sundays.....10:30am
Baptism Presentations
TBC

Marriages By appointment

Right of Christian Initiation
of Adults (RCIA) Please call
the Parish Office for inquiries,
recommencing 2nd September

Cancer Support Group
1st Wednesdays.....12.30pm
Ph: 6297 1912 for inquiries.

Gluten Free Consecrated
Hosts are available at all
masses at St Raphael's.
Please notify the priest of your
requirements before Mass.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Little Sparks children's liturgy
each weekend after the 9am Sunday Mass
Resumes in Term 4—October
Monday Friendship Group
A social gathering for men and women.
Lowe St Meeting Room. 10-12noon.
Wednesday Prayer Group
An opportunity to explore the gospels.
Lowe St Meeting Room. 1.30-3pm.

The ACBC National Catholic Men's
Gathering for 2020 is being offered as a free
virtual event for registered participants.
This modified program will be delivered in
four pre-recorded sessions of approximately
1 hour in length, available from Saturday
15th August 2020 at the St Gregory's
School Hall, Molonglo Street from 9 am—
5pm. Registration will be free. [https://
agora.catholic.org.au/l/576423/2020-06-
22/mq26g](https://agora.catholic.org.au/l/576423/2020-06-22/mq26g)
Each session will offer input from a variety
of speakers and musicians, along with a
response and questions for group
discussion or individual reflection. The
program offers flexibility so that you may
participate individually or gather with others
from your parish diocese or men's ministry
group. Please call the parish office if you
have any questions. Flyers at church doors.

29 – August “Women's
Reflection Afternoon”
Women's Reflection Afternoon,
livestreamed to all corners of the
Archdiocese from 2-4pm on Saturday
29th August. Participate at home or
gather with friends wherever you have
internet access. The afternoon will in-
clude two inspiring talks and several
short guided prayer experiences
provided by local prayer groups and
movements. Hosted by the
Archdiocesan Women's Taskforce.
More details next week.
Enquiries Email
catholic.women@cg.org.au
or ring/text Lara on 0429 192 869

Saturday 1 August 5.30pm
Acolyte: W Unwin
Readers: A White K Wheatley
Ministers of Communion:
G Bell K Green

Sunday 2 August 9 am
Acolyte: T Mudge
Readers: A & K Stanislaus
Ministers of Communion:
S Hunt F Hale

Sunday 2 August 5.30pm
Readers: J Deakin

Why we do

The things we do

Ritual is Performance

Although it might seem evident, it is
worth saying that liturgy is first and
foremost something that all believers
are invited to do. It is a performance.
Liturgy is something that is *done*. It
does not exist in books, but come to
be at particular places and times as
people get together to enact it.
Liturgy's meaning is only realised in
the doing. The rite of baptism can be
discussed and analysed , but baptism
happens when, in a moment of
ultimate seriousness, one person
immerses another into the baptismal
waters in context of a community's
tradition and its understanding of the
consequences of doing so.

Second, Liturgy is a performance that
makes a difference. Ritual words and
action do not just express feelings
they make things happen.

Source from “ Called to Participate” theology,
ritual and social perspective by Mark Searle
edit by P Billington

Saturday 8 August 5.30pm
Acolyte: S Matijevic
Readers: I Spaits J Rochford
Ministers of Communion:
G Wells L Brewer

Sunday 9 August 9 am
Acolyte: L Matchett
Readers: P Jackson A Wiebe
Ministers of Communion:
L Taylor L Fitzgerald

Sunday 9 August 5.30pm
Readers: C Emmett