

St Benedict's Catholic Church



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Parish Team:

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Luz Carlile (Parish Secretary)

St Benedict's Catholic Parish aims to be a caring and prayerful community, committed to outreach & service, where each person is valued, and their gifts encouraged.

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

30 Sept & 1 Oct 2017

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Tues—Thurs from 9am to 3pm

WEEKEND MASS TIMES:

Saturday 6pm

Sunday 9am

Sunday 7pm (Charismatic Mass)

Sunday 7pm Youth Mass

(every last Sun of the Month)

Saturday 8.00am

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Tuesday 5.30pm

Wednesday 12.30pm

Thursday 5.30pm

Friday 5.30pm (Healing Mass)

RECONCILIATION:

Friday following 6.15 –7.00pm after

(Healing Mass)

Saturday 5pm – 5.30pm or by

appointment

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH:

Every 3rd Friday Padre Pio 5pm

Every Saturday 7.30am

ROSARY:

Saturdays after 8.00am Mass

Thursdays – 7.30pm (during May & October)

BAPTISMS: 11am, 2nd & 4th Sundays of the month

WEDDINGS: By appointment

ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

During the 5.30pm Mass on first Fridays,

10.30am at Jindalee 1st Thursday of the month

10.30am at Mt View 3rd Thursday of the month

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Half hour before every weekday Mass as well as the following:

Monday 8am – 9pm

Tuesday 8am – 10pm

Wednesday 9am – 10pm

Thursday 9am – 10pm

Friday 6am – midnight

Saturday 12am – 8am

Hearing Loop is located in the right Centre rows of the church. Please ensure your hearing aid is tuned to make the best use of this facility.



Readings for this weekend:

1st Reading: Ezekiel 18:25-28

2nd Reading: Philippians 2:1-11

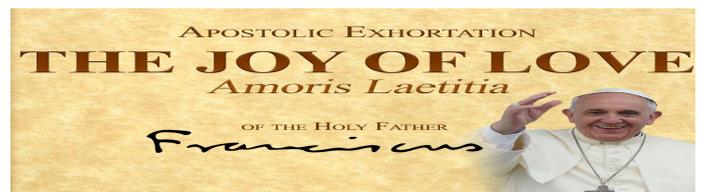
Gospel: Matthew 21:28-32

Responsorial Psalm:

Remember your mercies, O Lord.

Gospel Acclamation:

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



You and your wife cont...

This encounter, which relieves man's solitude, gives rise to new birth and to the family.

Significantly, Adam, who is also the man of every time and place, together with his wife, starts a new family. Jesus speaks of this by quoting the passage from Genesis: "The man shall be joined to his wife, and the two shall be-come one" (Mt 19:5; cf. Gen 2:24). The very word "to be joined" or "to cleave", in the original Hebrew, bespeaks a profound harmony, a closeness both physical and interior, to such an extent that the word is used to describe our un-ion with God: "My soul clings to you" (Ps 63:8). The marital union is thus evoked not only in its sexual and corporal dimension, but also in its voluntary self-giving in love. The result of this union is that the two "become one flesh", both physically and in the union of their hearts and lives, and, eventually, in a child, who will share not only genetically but also spiritually in the "flesh" of both parents.

PARISH NEWS

Meeting for future focus of St Benedict's Mission. All welcome Sunday 15th October at 10.15am, Collins Wing.

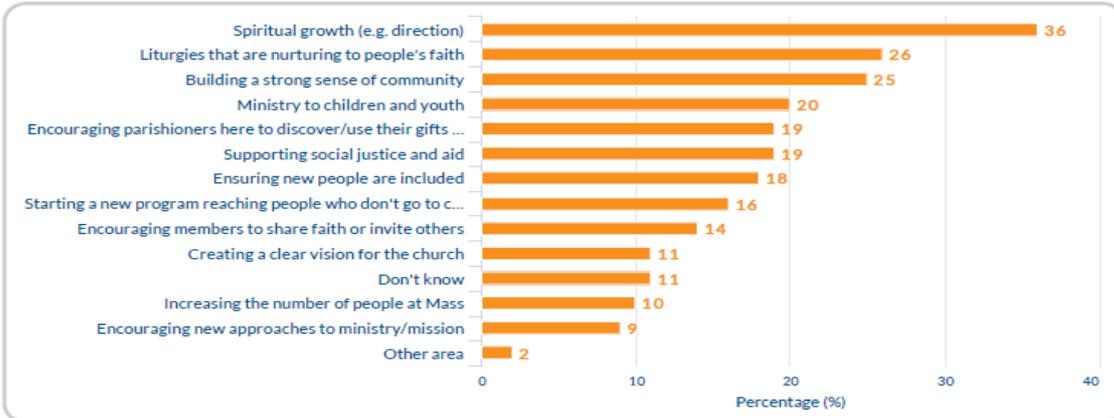
SUMMARY PROFILE

What People Value and Prioritise



FUTURE PRIORITIES

Over the next 12 months most attenders would like priority given to: 'Spiritual growth (e.g. direction)' and 'Liturgies that are nurturing to people's faith'.



CONGRATULATIONS to Mrs Nell Cook who has turned 95 years. Nell has retired as a welcomer at 9am Mass after many years.



St Benedict's Social Group: Parish Morning Tea will be this Sunday 1st October after the 9am Mass in the Parish Centre. All are welcome.

Adoration Vacancies: We DESPERATELY need ADORERS Thurs 1pm-2pm. If you can help please contact Sally on 0422 066 080.

RCIA will start Sat 7 October at 9.30am-3pm. For more information please ring Fr Baiju on 0490 400 557 or email: baijuthomasis@gmail.com.

The Marian Devotions Group will be praying the rosary in the church throughout October each Thursday night from 7.30pm. Everyone welcome. For further info contact Pat Hannan on 61563882. Many thanks.



Raffle Tickets

Super Christmas Raffle to be drawn 4 December - great prizes including an overnight stay and breakfast at the Ibis; voucher for \$200 from ACT Optical ; Cruise and meal on the Southern Cross Cruiser; Bike helmet; Timex Health Tracker and many more prizes. Tickets \$2 or three for \$5. Books available after Masses and also at the Parish Office. Please support this important work by getting together a table of 8 or 10 or just come along and join a table on the night or picking up a pledge envelope in the foyer. Place the envelope in the collection bags, Parish Office or hand it to a priest or a PPC member.

St Benedict's Mission Centre is presenting a Talk series on the Old Testament called **"The God of the Old Testament"** with cake and cuppa from 7.30pm-8.30pm on the following Thursdays in the Collins Wing CW & Parish Centre PC.
Session Dates: 5 PC & PC 26 Oct and 2 CW Nov All are welcome. For more information please ring Fr Baiju on 0490 400 557 or email: baijuthomasis@gmail.com

*St Benedict's Catholic Parish acknowledge the **Ngunnawal People**, the Traditional Owners who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of Reconciliation.*

Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Persons WWVP Card Reminders:

If your card is due to expire in **September or October 2017** and you have renewed, are waiting to, or have received a new card please bring the card to the Parish Office with another form of identification, such as your driver's license that includes your date of birth on the information listed. The Parish will take a copy of the both the front and back of the card.



Connect with us on Facebook!

Like 'St Benedict's Church and Mission Centre, Canberra' to keep updated on events run by both the parish and its mission centre.

YOUTH NEWS

Youth Mass is held every last Sunday of the month at 7pm Charismatic mass. Come and experience the liturgy run by the youth, for the youth.

Fusion Youth Group is held every 2nd Friday during the school term, from 7pm-9pm at the Collins Wing. This is for high school students to connect in fellowship and grow more in their faith. Like 'Fusion Youth Group' on Facebook to stay updated on our next gatherings.

CHILDREN

Kingdom Kids Ministry:

Next Mass 8 Oct (second Sunday of each month) Families are warmly invited to the 9am Mass and children are welcomed and encouraged to join in the activities of Kingdom Kids. For info email Anita on kingdomkidsministry01@gmail.com. Remember the prayer wall for those intentions you want the children to pray for.

PRAYER WALL: The children from the 9am Mass continue to pray for the intentions of our parish community.

Year of Youth 2018: The Catholic Bishops of Australia extend an invitation to Catholics across the country to join in celebrating a Year of Youth from the beginning of *Advent 2017 to the end of 2018*. The theme is, '*Open New Horizons for Spreading Joy: Young People, Faith and Vocational Discernment*'. The emphasis is on local discussion and dialogue in parishes, schools, youth groups and dioceses. Information is available at, www.youth.catholic.org.au

LOOK AFTER YOUR GROUNDS: Please do not drive or park on the grass especially outside Collins Wing, it will be a dust bowl in summer if we allow tracks to develop. Thank you from the Maintenance Team.

2017 Marian Procession and YOUTH PILGRIMAGE

Over many decades the Archdiocesan Marian Procession at St Clement's Monastery, Galong has gathered tens of thousands of Catholics from across Australia. As we have journeyed with Mary to the heart of Jesus many lives have been changed for the good through this event. You are welcome!

Marian Procession

DATE: Sunday October 8, 2017
PLACE: St Clement's Monastery, Galong
CONFESSION: 10.30am
MASS: 11.30am Mass with main celebrant, Archbishop Christopher Prowse
LUNCH: 12.30pm BYO lunch



Marian sharing: Sr Mary Rachel

Youth Pilgrimage

(with cross & icon of The Holy Family)

DATE: Sunday October 8, 2017
PLACE: Cnr Railway & McMahon St, Galong
DETAILS: Leave at 9am

For more information contact: 02 6201 9800



SYRO MALABAR EPARCHY OF ST. THOMAS PRESENTS

REX BAND

LIVE IN AUSTRALIA
10th Nov. 2017

CELEBRATE JESUS

FRIDAY 10 NOVEMBER 2017 6-9PM

CANBERRA QUEANBEYAN BICENTENNIAL HALL
253 Crawford St, Queanbeyan NSW 2620

Contact: REJLI THOMPSON PHILIP 0409740645

New to St Benedict's Community? **Welcome**

Please see all the ways you can be part of this community by checking out the contact list in the foyer and see the back page of the bulletin. Please fill out a new parishioner form in the foyer or download it from the website.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Graham Pollard	Julie Douglas	Fr Mat Wuwu
Helen Bennet	Mattia Wellspring	Fr Steve Fletcher
Meaghan Younger	Claudia Krebs	
Pat Doyle	Anita Zinkle	
Next PPC meeting:	19 Oct at 7pm in Collins Wing	

PARISH MINISTRIES CONTACT LIST

Parish Pastoral Council	Fr Stephen Fletcher 6295 7879
RCIA Coordinator	Frs Mat & Baiju 62957879
Sacramental Coordinator	Melanie Stratford
	Melanie.Stratford@cg.catholic.edu.au
School of Iconography	Wendy Fisher-Hudson 6295 8791
Parish Grounds/Maintenance	Bob O'Heir/GrahamTooth 0423 278 350

Liturgical Rosters	Parish Office 6295 7879
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Pastoral Groups

Young Men of God	Fr Ken Barker 6281 0132
MenAlive	Torrien Lau 0432 679 630
Evenings for the Engaged	Mark & Kathy Haseler 6166 7634
Ministry to the Newly Married	Catharina & Graham Williams,
	Debbie & Brian Kensey 6231 3389

Healing/Prayer

Listening to Jesus/ Called & Gifted	Adrian Wellspring 62958532/0421451412
Visitation Group	Parish Office 6295 78789
Social Group	Sue Neimanis 6295 0687
Family Planning	Veronica & Pablo Jimenez 0406277365
Adoration	Frs Mat/ David 0424869539 /0435484608
Adoration Roster	Sally FitzGerald 0422066080

Neighborhood Care

Gowrie Court Meals	Parish Office 6295 7879
MGL Sisters	Judy/Therese/Katherine 6166 6941

Bible Study & Prayer Groups

Marian Devotions	Pat Hannan 6156 3882
Padre Pio Prayer Group	Maria Ransom 6286 5679
Bible Study	Parish Office
Mothers Prayers	Anne Hartwell 6282 0874
Cell Prayer Group	Maria Michas 0427092149
Living Water Prayer Group	Gary & Zenka Taffe 0423-707-838

Youth & Children Ministries

Fusion DOJ Chaplain	Fr Chris Eaton 62953415
Youth Minister	Chiara Catanzariti 0429699322
	chiaraccatanzariti@gmail.com
	Anita Zinkel
	kingdomkidsministry01@gmail.com

Kingdom Kids Ministry

St Benedict's Primary School 6295 8027
School First Friday Mass is at 10am in the Church

ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND 7 & 8 October 2017

	Saturday 6pm	Sunday 9am
Welcomers	Pat & Maureen Hannan	M Stratford
Readers	Mike Slee & Marlene Keir	Louise O'Rance & Julie Douglas
Presentation of the Gifts	BA Daly & Sally Cotsell	Children Liturgy
Eucharistic Ministers	S Neimanis & B Marris	A & M Wellspring & B Murphy
Flowers & Altar Cleaning	Pat Doyle & Chi Holmick	
Sacristan	Margie Avellino	
Church Cleaners	Phillip family	
Mt View	MGL Brothers	
Jindalee	Carmel Henry	

FEASTS & IMPORTANT DATES THIS WEEK

2	Oct	The Guardian Angels
3	Oct	Bl Aloysius & St Theodore
4	Oct	St Francis of Assisi
5	Oct	St Faustina Kowalska & Bl Bartolo
6	Oct	St Bruno

Readings for next weekend:

1st Reading:	Isaiah 5:1-7
2nd Reading:	Philippians 4:6-9
Gospel:	Matthew 21:33-43

Collections from the last weekend:

First Collection:	\$ 597.50
Planned Giving Collection:	\$ 381.00
Loose Collection:	\$ 628.20

The Catholic Weekly and *The Catholic Leader* are available at
the Church foyer for \$2.

Please place money in the Poor Box.

As A Parish Let Us Pray For...

Our Sick: Sr Zita Barron, Pat Evans, Jan Baker, Betty O'Brien, Flora Arias, Phillip Cooney, Barrie Marshall, Brad Chalmers, Helen French, Jessica Rodriguez, Miguel Rodriguez, Wendy Gaudiosi-Logan, Rick Oxford, Ellen Brennan, Pauline Wilkie, Pat Atkins, Carol Rees, John Newlyn, George Durr, Jindalee & Mt View residents.

Recently Deceased & Anniversaries: Alfred Zammit, Marie Bauer, Frank & Kate Agius, Merv O'Brien, Mark Gobbin, James Kirkman, John Hamilton, Antonio Nardi Joan Evans, Kevin Brogan, Ian Smith, Jane Evans, Bro Paul Nixon, Joseph O'Connor, Sam & Nina Aguis, Heather Daly, Ian Smith, Correy Browning, Barbara Jeffery, Edna Keir, Louise Agnew, Marea Brennan, Louis Camilleri.