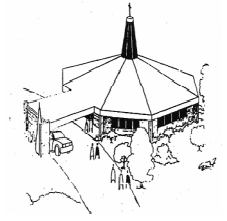


St Benedict's Catholic Church



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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.

6TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

10 & 11 February 2018

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: **LEVITICUS 13:1-2. 44-46**

2nd Reading: **1 CORINTHIANS 10:31 - 11:1**

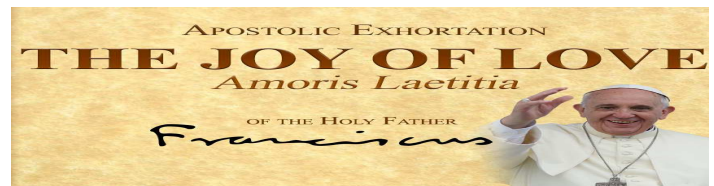
Gospel: **MARK 1:40-45**

Responsorial Psalm:

I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! A great prophet has appeared among us; God has visited his people Alleluia!



The tenderness of an embrace

Against this backdrop of love so central to the Christian experience of marriage and the family, another virtue stands out, one often over-looked in our world of frenetic and superficial relationships. It is tenderness. Let us consider the moving words of Psalm 131. As in other biblical texts (e.g., Ex 4:22; Is 49:15; Ps 27:10), the union between the Lord and his faithful ones is expressed in terms of parental love. Here we see a delicate and tender intimacy between mother and child: the image is that of a babe sleeping in his mother's arms after being nursed. As the Hebrew word gamûl suggests, the infant is now fed and clings to his mother, who takes him to her bosom. There is a closeness that is con-scious and not simply biological. Drawing on this image, the Psalmist sings: "I have calmed and quieted my soul, like a child quieted at its mother's breast" (Ps 131:2). We can also think of the touching words that the prophet Hosea puts on God's lips: "When Israel was a child, I loved him... I took them up in my arms... I led them with cords of compassion, with the bands of love, and I became to them as one who eases the yoke on their jaws, and I bent down to them and fed them" (Hos 11:1, 3-4).

(Cont.. paragraph 28 Amoris Laetitia)

PARISH NEWS

Ash Wednesday Mass Times: next week 14 Feb



- Mass at 12:30pm
- Reconciliation at 5pm
- Mass at 6pm

Kingdom Kids Children's Ministry is a work of St Benedict's parish operating out of the 9am mass.

Kingdom Kids starts this weekend for the year and runs on the second Sunday of the month.

We look forward to seeing all the kids and meeting new families. More information contact Anita kingdomkidsministry01@gmail.com

DOORKNOCK APPEAL 2018: Volunteers are requested to assist with the St Vincent de Paul Doorknock. The Doorknock is the major fundraising appeal for SVDP for the year, funds raised from the Doorknock are used to assist the needy in the community. Volunteer's will be assigned a certain section in Narrabundah which can be completed usually in under 2 hours. Doorknocking can be carried out on any day in February in daylight hours at the Volunteers convenience. Should you be able to assist or require any further information please contact Don Jeffery. Email: sarlouali2@bigpond.com. Phone: 0418944731.

Coffee mornings - Save the date: St Benedict's Social Group invites all parishioners are invited for a "coffee and chat" at 10.30am on the second Thursday of February, April, June, August, October and December 2018 at 'Gryphons At Griffith'.

A Sacred Concert with Irish singer: Free Entry! (A donation will be taken to cover the costs of this event.) David Parkes Direct from Dublin! Tuesday 27 February 5:30pm Mass, 6pm Supper 6:30pm to 8pm Testimonies at St Benedict's Church, Narrabundah. For more information please see flyer in the foyer. Please bring a plate for a shared supper.

Introduction to Christian Meditation

Find out about Christian Meditation at St Peter Chanel's, Yarralumla. 6 Monday evenings at 7:15 pm from **19th February** at the parish meeting room. Contact Rod or Susan 0401 731 918 or email act@christianmeditationaustralia.org.

As A Parish Let Us Pray For...

Our Sick: Stan Marris, Sr Zita Barron, Pat Evans, Jan Baker, Betty O'Brien, Flora Arias, Phillip Cooney, Brad Chalmers, Helen French, Ellen Brennan, Pauline Wilkie, Pat Atkins, Carol Rees, John Newlyn, George Durr, Jindalee & Mt View residents.

Recently Deceased & Anniversaries: Barrie Marshall, Bruce Bramley, Mary Meere, Dorothy Ransom, MMargaret Burnell, Brian Kelly, Shirley Parsons, Michele Ganieli, Stella Ienco, Rosa Gallace, Joseph O'Connor, Sam & Nina Aguis, Heather Daly, Correy Browning, Barbara Jeffery, Edna Keir, Louise Agnew, Louis Camilleri.

ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND 17 & 18 Feb 2018

	Sat 6pm	Sun 9am
Welcomers	Leita & Brian Barron	Alma Burg
Readers	Moira Najdecki & H Bramanathan	T & K Flood
Presentation of the Gifts	B & L Barron	Doyle family
Eucharistic Ministers	A Thomas & R Alex	A & M Wellspring & B Murphy
Flowers & Altar Cleaning	Mary Brown & Leita Barron	
Sacristan	Mary Brown	
Church Cleaners	Muneko Ono & Zbiggy Zmurko	
Mt View	MGL Priest	
Jindalee	Carmel Henry	

Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Persons WWVP Card Reminders: IPSS is getting very strict!

If your **card is due to expire in Feb & March 2018** 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.

Please note: It is an offence to engage in regulated activity for vulnerable people without a current WWVP registration and you are in breach of legislation.

*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.*