

PARISH NEWS

THE WAY FORWARD 19 September 2020 A free online pro-life panel from 2:00pm-4:30pm. What practical steps, however small, can we take towards creating a more life-affirming culture? Pro-Life Professionals (Canberra) are hosting a panel of speakers involved in medicine, law and policy, and the social media sphere, who are finding innovative ways to reach out in support of pregnant women and their unborn children. Join us for an afternoon of online presentations and Q&A, and learn how you too can help to build a culture of life. Register at bit.ly/way-forward-canberra.

NEW LIFE IN GOD'S SPIRIT SEMINAR, an opportunity for a deeper encounter with Jesus! Everyone is welcome to this free seminar held at the parish room, St Peter Chanel Catholic Church, Weston St, Yarralumla each Wednesday evening 7pm-9pm from 9 September to 28 October. Talks, testimonies, prayer ministry and fellowship. Speakers include Fr David Tremble MGL, Fr Emil Milat and Fr Josh Scott, Canberra Central parish, and Roby Joshua, Jesus Youth Australia. For more info and to register, call Neda 0415 266 019, Susanna 0419 902 293

PALLIATIVE CARE PACKAGES Sally Fitzgerald

(Archdiocesan Aboriginal Catholic Ministry and parishioner) As an initiative of NATSICC, we are developing Palliative Care Packages for all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples who are deemed to be palliative-regardless of any or no religious beliefs.

These Packages will include-blankets, beanies, shawls, music CDs and notebooks. As such, we are appealing to all people who would like to participate in these Packages by knitting or crocheting blankets and beanies. For further information please contact Sally Fitzgerald on 0422 066 080 or salfitz50@live.com

If you cannot knit or crochet but would like to contribute, we are happy to accept financial donations-no matter how big or small. Our bank details are: Name: NATSICC; BSB 085 005; Account no 55331 6507; Reference-palliative

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Our Sick: Frank Smith, Lyn Walker, Louis Pini, Anthony, Clem Dick, Dorothy Lamb, Lorraine Davis, Mathew, Noleen Carrick, Flora Arias, Pat Atkins, Helen French, Carol Rees, Rhys Evans, Jindalee & Mt View residents.

Recently Deceased & Anniversaries: Mary Grech, Charles Morella, Francesco Barbero, Kevin Power, Caroline Brunner, John and Antoinette Martin, Pam Pini, Albert Alfred Bonansea, Donal Dwyer, Kathleen Kensey, Antonia Martin, Lino Lanza, Ian Patterson, Marie-Josepha Mukankuranga, Rosa and Ilario Gallace, Tom Daly, Cyril Power, Margaret Burnell, Ruth Uwimana, Fred Martin, George Douglas, Patsy Wyer, Stanley Marris, Merle Taylor, Betty O'Brien, Gerry Agnew, Zeta Evans, Brian Power, John Agius, Joyce Cremer, Ray Coppin, Ellen Brennan, Sr Zita Barron, Pat Evans, Joan Evans, William Smith, Athol Knight, Beth Moran, Clare Drinkwater, Ian Smith & family, Heather Daly, John De Freitas, Louis Camilleri, Jim Kirkman, Barbara Jeffery, Lawrence Power, Edna Keir, Stella Ienco, Barrie Marshall, Louis Camilleri, Sam & Nina Agius

ROSTER FOR THIS WEEKEND 5 & 6 September 2020

	Sat 6 pm	Sun 9am
Flowers, Altar Cleaning	Emy Nichols & Mattia Wellspring	
Church Cleaners	Rita Caputo & Rosemary Caldwell	

READINGS & ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND 19 & 20 September 2020

1ST READING	2ND READING	GOSPEL
Isaiah 55:6-9	Phil 1:20-24, 27Rom 14:7-9	Mt 20:1-6
	Sat 6 pm	Sun 9am
Welcomers	Leita & Brian Barron	M Stratford
Readers	Don Jeffery & Helen Bennett	Louise O'Rance & Julie Douglas
Presentation of the Gifts	Nick & Maria Marzano	Volunteers
Eucharistic Ministers	Jesús Salazar & Maria Lunn	Julie Douglas & Maralyn Molyneux
Flowers, Altar Cleaning	Margie Avellina, Louise Gaudry & Claudine Smith	
Church Cleaners	Ian Smith and volunteer	
Mt View	n/a	
Jindalee	n/a	

*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*

St Benedict's Catholic Church



In the care of the Missionaries of God's Love

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Fr Baiju Thomas MGL (Mission Centre)

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Cathy Schneider & Sandra Wera (acting Parish Secretaries)

Karina Widjaja (Finance Officer)

Adrian Wellspring (Spiritual Direction & Personal Vocation)

Twenty Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time 12 & 13 September 2020

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Tues – Fri 9am - 12pm

WEEKEND MASS TIMES:

Saturday 6pm (Vigil)
Sunday 9am
(Streamed via Facebook)

Sunday 6pm (Charismatic Mass)
Sunday 6pm Youth Mass
(every last Sun of the Month)

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES:

Tuesday 5.30pm
Wednesday 12.30pm
Thursday 5.30pm
Friday 5.30pm (Healing Mass)
Saturday 8.00am

RECONCILIATION:

Friday following Healing Mass from. 6:15-7pm
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 – 7.00pm (during May & October)

BAPTISMS: during Weekend Masses or by appointment

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

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Monday 9am – 8pm
Tuesday 10am – 9pm
Wednesday 11am – 10pm
Thursday 11am – 10pm
Friday 9am – midnight
Saturday 12am – 8am

****hours may vary should the use of the Church be required**

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.

Dear brothers and sisters,

FATHER'S DAY APPEAL

Was held last weekend, 5 & 6 September, if you took an envelope home return it as soon as possible please.

St Benedict's is looking to begin our **RCIA PROGRAMME** by the end of September. If you are looking at becoming catholic or needing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation or are wanting to support people on the RCIA journey please contact Fr Baiju on 0490 400 557 or the parish office at narrabundah@cg.org.au or 6295 7879.

Please consider joining the St Benedict's Parish Pastoral Council

The St Benedict's Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) is a consultative body that exists to assist our parish priests. We meet on a monthly basis and endeavour to:

- Promote the Church's mission to live and communicate the love and values of Christ in the world around us
- Share in the responsibility for the ongoing life and development of the parish community, working together with parishioners to provide support for their efforts to live as followers of Christ.

- Parish Pastoral Councils in Australia, 2007

Our current members are Moira Najdecki, Tony Watson, Julie Douglas and Natalie Zarb together with Fr Dan and Fr Rembert. We would love to welcome more members to this important parish group. If you are interested in finding out more about the PPC please contact Moira on 0409959011 or Fr Dan on 6239 6772

**24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
12 & 13 September 2020**

First reading

Ecclesiasticus 27:33-28:9

Forgive your neighbour the hurt he does you; and when you pray, your sins will be forgiven

Resentment and anger, these are foul things, and both are found with the sinner. He who exacts vengeance will experience the vengeance of the Lord, who keeps strict account of sin.

Forgive your neighbour the hurt he does you, and when you pray, your sins will be forgiven.

If a man nurses anger against another, can he then demand compassion from the Lord? Showing no pity for a man like himself, can he then plead for his own sins?

Mere creature of flesh, he cherishes resentment; who will forgive him his sins?

Remember the last things, and stop hating, remember dissolution and death, and live by the commandments.

Remember the commandments, and do not bear your neighbour ill-will; remember the covenant of the Most High, and overlook the offence.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 102(103):1-4,9-12

The Lord is kind and merciful: slow to anger, and rich in compassion.

My soul, give thanks to the Lord
all my being, bless his holy name.

My soul, give thanks to the Lord
and never forget all his blessings.

It is he who forgives all your guilt,
who heals every one of your ills,
who redeems your life from the grave,
who crowns you with love and compassion.

His wrath will come to an end;
he will not be angry for ever.

He does not treat us according to our sins
nor repay us according to our faults.

For as the heavens are high above the earth
so strong is his love for those who fear him.

As far as the east is from the west
so far does he remove our sins.

Second reading

Romans 14:7-9

Alive or dead, we belong to the Lord

The life and death of each of us has its influence on others; if we live, we live for the Lord; and if we die, we die for the Lord, so that alive or dead we belong to the Lord. This explains why Christ both died and came to life: it was so that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living.

Gospel Acclamation

John 13:34

Alleluia, alleluia!

I give you a new commandment:

love one another as I have loved you.

Alleluia.

Gospel

Matthew 18:21-35

To be forgiven, you must forgive

Peter went up to Jesus and said, 'Lord, how often must I forgive my brother if he wrongs me? As often as seven times?' Jesus answered, 'Not seven, I tell you, but seventy-seven times.'

'And so the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who decided to settle his accounts with his servants. When the reckoning began, they brought him a man who owed ten thousand talents; but he had no means of paying, so his master gave orders that he should be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, to meet the debt. At this, the servant threw himself down at his master's feet. "Give me time" he said "and I will pay the whole sum." And the servant's master felt so sorry for him that he let him go and cancelled the debt. Now as this servant went out, he happened to meet a fellow servant who owed him one hundred denarii; and he seized him by the throat and began to throttle him. "Pay what you owe me" he said. His fellow servant fell at his feet and implored him, saying, "Give me time and I will pay you." But the other would not agree; on the contrary, he had him thrown into prison till he should pay the debt. His fellow servants were deeply distressed when they saw what had happened, and they went to their master and reported the whole affair to him. Then the master sent for him. "You wicked servant," he said "I cancelled all that debt of yours when you appealed to me. Were you not bound, then, to have pity on your fellow servant just as I had pity on you?" And in his anger the master handed him over to the torturers till he should pay all his debt. And that is how my heavenly Father will deal with you unless you each forgive your brother from your heart.'