# **PARISH NEWS**

support to the parish, it is greatly appreciated. The presbytery renovation fund envelopes will be distributed later. I am celebrating my 5<sup>th</sup> anniversary of my ordination day on August 19<sup>th</sup> and I will keep you all in my prayers."

## Vocation promotion

All those discerning to priesthood are welcomed to join the Follow event with the archbishop on Thursday august 19th from 6.30 to 8.00pm at St. Christopher's pastoral centre (55 Franklin street, Forrest )

# **PARISH OFFICE HOURS:**

Tues - Fri 9am - 12pm

**WEEKDAY MASS TIMES:** 

Saturday	6pm (Vigil)	Tuesday	5.30pm
Sunday (Streamed	9am via Facebook)	Wednesday	12.30pm
		Thursday	5.30pm
Sunday 6pm (Charismatic Mass)		Friday 5.30pm (Healing Mass)	
Sunday 6pm (Fourth Sun o	Youth Mass fthe Month)	Saturday	8.00am

## **RECONCILIATION:**

Friday following Healing Mass from. 6:15-7pm Saturday 5pm – 5.30pm or by appointment

#### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH:

**WEEKEND MASS TIMES:** 

Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday Padre Pio 5pm Every Saturday 7.30am

#### ROSARY:

After the weekday Masses & 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 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month 10.30am at Mt View 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month

### **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

<i>Monday</i> 6am – 9pm	Tuesday	6am – 9pm		
Wednesday 6am – 9pm	Thursday	6am - 10pm		
<i>Friday</i> 6am – midnight	Saturday	12am - 8am		
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**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.

ST BENEDICT'S WORSHIP GROUP gathers after Thursday evening 5.30pm Mass for an hour of rosary, adoration, worship and intercession. All welcome.

Recently Deceased: Jan Leyden; John Brown; Elaine French;.

Anniversaries: Jan Bialek, Barry Bourke, Peter Della Torre, Nancy Garlick, Catherine Golding, Timothy Hayes, Huia Hudson, Patricia kendel, Anna Legge-Wilkinson, Fausto Lutero, Charles Rogan, Helen Schwalm,

Lajos Szonner.

#### Other Celebrations:

Our Sick: Germaphi, Leita Barron, Lorraine Davis, Frank Smith, Lyn Walker, Louis Pini, Anthony, Helen French, Clem Dick, Dorothy Lamb, Flora Arias, Pat Atkins, Carol Rees, Mathew, Jindalee & Mt View residents, Fr Laurie Blake; Mark Ransom; Agostino Luongo, Pamela Brown, Rita Parker.

ROSTER FOR THIS WEEKEND 14 & 15 August 2021				
	Sat 6 pm	Sun 9am		
Welcomers				
Readers				
Presentation of the Gifts				
Eucharistic Ministers				
Flowers, Altar Cleaning				
Church Cleaners				
Mt View				
Jindalee				

READINGS & ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND 21 & 22 August 2021				
1ST READING Joshua 24:1-2, 15-18;	2ND READING Eph 5:21-32;	GOSPEL Jn 6:60-69;		
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St Benedict's Catholic Parish acknowledge the Naunnawal 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

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### Parish Team:

Fr Baiju Thomas MGL (Mission Centre Director) Onela Iruthayaraj (Parish Secretary)

Cathy Schneider (Finance Officer Wednesday 8.00am—12midday)

Adrian Wellspring (Spiritual Direction & Personal Vocation)

# 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B 14 & 15 August 2021

# Seven day lock down

The ACT has entered a seven-day lockdown from 5pm, Thursday 12 August. "Let us be a cooperative as we can with regard to the government regulations and the lockdown, Let's also be as thoughtful as possible in regards to our neighbours and their concerns during this time." said the Archbishop. All archdiocesan churches and parish offices in the ACT will close for seven days from the 5 pm deadline. The 12.15 pm Monday to Saturday masses and the 11 am Sunday mass at St Christopher's Cathedral will continue to be live-streamed as normal at the following link: https:// www.catholicvoice.org.au/mass-online/

### Online parish mass link:

https://www.facebook.com/Charismatic-Masses-101083641671136/

# **Pandemic Prayer:**

O Mary, you always brighten our path as a sign of salvation and of hope. We entrust ourselves to you, health of the Sick, who at the Cross, took part in Jesus' pain while remaining steadfast in faith. O loving Mother, you know what we need, and we are confident you will provide for us as at Cana in Galilee. Intercede for us with your Son Jesus, the Divine Physician, for those who have fallen ill, for those who are vulnerable, and for those who have died. Intercede also for those charged with protecting the health and safety of others and for those who are tending to the sick and seeking a cure. protecting the health and safety of others and for those who are tending to the sick and seeking a cure. Help us, O Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who took upon himself our sufferings and carried our sorrows, so as to lead us, through the Cross, to the glory of the Resurrection. Under thy protection we seek refuge, O Holy Mother of God. In our needs, despise not

our petitions, but deliver us always from all dangers, O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.

## **Multicultural Mass**

At St. Benedict's Church, Narrabundah On 22 August, at 9 AM. Followed by the Morning Tea Please bring a plate!

## Sacraments

Our school children are preparing to celebrate the sacrament of Confirmation, a major step in their faith lives as they prepare to receive the Gifts of the Holy Spirit. So let us keep them and their families in our prayers.

# St Benedict's Mission Centre movie night (21st August)

Inviting all parishioners to join our movie night on the 21<sup>st</sup> August at 7.00pm in the Collins wing. Free Entry, No booking required, a light dinner will also be provided.

# Resuming RCIA program (1st week of October)

St. Benedict's Parish is hoping to resume our RCIA program in the first week of October, for those who are interested in becoming Catholics at Easter. If you know anyone who is interested in that please ask them to contact the Parish office.

# **Message from Father Rembert**

"We had a meeting recently with the PPC, PFC, Safe guarding committee and Mission centre team. We discussed the forward movement of the church, including renovations to the church, an adoration chapel and the presbytery. Upon evaluation the presbytery is in quiet a bad condition, due to leaks and weather damage. Therefore, it has become the top priority at the moment. We are moving forward with renovations, so that we may live in safer conditions. I thank everyone for your generosity and ongoing

# 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B 14 & 15 August 2021

Sunday 15 August 2021

The Assumption of Mary.

First reading Apocalypse 11:19,12:1-6,10
A great sign appeared in heaven: a woman adorned with the sun

The sanctuary of God in heaven opened and the ark of the covenant could be seen inside it. Now a great sign appeared in heaven: a woman, adorned with the sun, standing on the moon, and with the twelve stars on her head for a crown. She was pregnant, and in labour, crying aloud in the pangs of childbirth. Then a second sign appeared in the sky, a huge red dragon which had seven heads and ten horns, and each of the seven heads crowned with a coronet. Its tail dragged a third of the stars from the sky and dropped them to the earth, and the dragon stopped in front of the woman as she was having the child, so that he could eat it as soon as it was born from its mother. The woman brought a male child into the world, the son who was to rule all the nations with an iron sceptre, and the child was taken straight up to God and to his throne, while the woman escaped into the desert, where God had made a place of safety ready.

Then I heard a voice shout from heaven, 'Victory and power and empire for ever have been won by our God, and all authority for his Christ.'

**Responsorial Psalm** 

Psalm 44(45):10-12,16

The queen stands at your right hand, arrayed in gold.

The daughters of kings are among your loved ones. On your right stands the queen in gold of Ophir.

Listen, O daughter, give ear to my words:

forget your own people and your father's house.

The queen stands at your right hand, arrayed in gold.

So will the king desire your beauty:

He is your lord, pay homage to him.

They are escorted amid gladness and joy;

they pass within the palace of the king.

The queen stands at your right hand, arrayed in gold.

**Second reading** 

1 Corinthians 15:20-26

Christ will be brought to life as the first-fruits and then those who belong to him

Christ has been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep. Death came through one man and in the same way the resurrection of the dead has come through one man. Just as all men die in Adam, so all men will be brought to life in Christ; but all of them in their proper order: Christ as the first-fruits and then, after the coming of Christ, those who belong to him. After that will come the end, when he hands over the kingdom to

God the Father, having done away with every sovereignty, authority and power. For he must be king until he has put all his enemies under his feet and the last of the enemies to be destroyed is death, for everything is to be put under his feet.

Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, alleluia! Mary is taken up to heaven, and the angels of God shout for joy. Alleluia!

Gospel

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Mary set out and went as quickly as she could to a town in the hill country of Judah. She went into Zechariah's house and greeted Elizabeth. Now as soon as Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. She gave a loud cry and said, 'Of all women you are the most blessed, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. Why should I be honoured with a visit from the mother of my Lord? For the moment your greeting reached my ears, the child in my womb leapt for joy. Yes, blessed is she who believed that the promise made her by the Lord would be fulfilled.'

And Mary said:

'My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord and my spirit exults in God my saviour;

because he has looked upon his lowly handmaid.

Yes, from this day forward all generations will call me blessed,

for the Almighty has done great things for me.

Holy is his name,

and his mercy reaches from age to age for those who fear him.

He has shown the power of his arm,

he has routed the proud of heart.

He has pulled down princes from their thrones and exalted the lowly.

The hungry he has filled with good things, the rich sent empty away.

He has come to the help of Israel his servant, mindful of his mercy

- according to the promise he made to our ancestors -

of his mercy to Abraham and to his descendants for ever.'

Mary stayed with Elizabeth about three months and then went back home.

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