

## PARISH NEWS

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**Catholic Charismatic Renewal** presents a 2 day seminar on "**Christ-like Leadership**" with Joe and Julie Chircop from the Servants of Jesus Community. At St Benedicts Church, Narrabundah. **Friday 21 August 5:30pm - 9pm & Saturday 22 August 9am - 4pm.**

Come and learn about Jesus' way of servant leadership! All welcome! Free with collections taken to cover costs. Soup supper available on Fri night, Bring your own Lunch on Saturday. To register call Neda 0415 266 019 or Maida 0423 658 326 or online at [www.ccract.org.au](http://www.ccract.org.au)

**Women's Retreat Day** Saturday 22 August The retreat is based on St Catherine of Siena's words "Be who you are mean to be and you will set the world on fire". This event is both an in-person event and available online commencing at 9.00am and concluding with dinner.

For more information please contact us on [mgl sisters@gmail.com](mailto:mgl sisters@gmail.com)

LOCATION: St Thomas the Apostle, 37 Boddington Cres, Kambah, ACT 2902

There will be a **Women's Reflection Afternoon**, livestreamed to all corners of the Archdiocese 2-4:30pm Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> August. Gather with friends at home or in the parish, wherever you have internet access. Hosted by the Archdiocesan Women's Taskforce. Register at [www.bit.ly/WomensReflectionAfternoon](http://www.bit.ly/WomensReflectionAfternoon) Enquiries email [catholic.women@cg.org.au](mailto:catholic.women@cg.org.au) or ring/text Lara on 0429 192 869

**NATIONAL AWARENESS WEEK** 17-23 August — Learn how to track your fertility by using Fertility Pinpoint. It's more than an app! It is an online service that provides you with your own personal accredited Billings Ovulation Method tutor. You can track your own unique cycles to recognise fertility and infertility on a daily basis, all remotely and safely. Billings Ovulation Method is scientifically validated and simple to use. It's a healthy alternative. Take control of your fertility via [www.fertilitypinpoint.com](http://www.fertilitypinpoint.com)

More information can be accessed through [www.billings.life](http://www.billings.life) You tube – Billings Ovulation Method®. Or call 1800 335 860

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

**Recently Deceased & Anniversaries:** 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 15 & 16 August 2020

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

#### READINGS & ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND 22 & 23 August 2020

	Sat 6 pm	Sun 9am
<b>1ST READING</b> Is 22:19-23	<b>2ND READING</b> Rom 11:33-36	<b>GOSPEL</b> Mt 16:13-20
<b>Welcomers</b>	Leita & Brian Barron	M Stratford
<b>Readers</b>	Marlene Keir & Maria Michas	Philippe & Coline Moncuquet
<b>Presentation of the Gifts</b>	Ian & Rita Smith	volunteers
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Robert & Nhung Booth	J Douglas & M Molyneux
<b>Flowers, Altar Cleaning</b>	Tessa Oh & Sue Neimanis	
<b>Church Cleaners</b>	Ian Smith & volunteers	
<b>Mt View</b>	n/a	
<b>Jindalee</b>	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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**Parish Team:**

Fr Dan Benedetti MGL (Parish Priest)

Fr Baiju Thomas MGL (Mission Centre)

Fr Rembert Fernando MGL (Asst Priest)

Felice Kasita and Cathy Schneider (acting Parish Secretaries)

Karina Widjaja (Finance Officer)

Adrian Wellspring (Spiritual Direction & Personal Vocation)

## Twentieth Sunday of Ordinary Time 15 & 16 August 2020

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Tues – Fri 9am - 12pm

#### WEEKEND MASS TIMES:

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

#### WEEKDAY MASS TIMES:

Tuesday 5.30pm  
Wednesday 12.30pm  
Thursday 5.30pm  
Friday 5.30pm (Healing Mass)  
Saturday 8.00am  
Sunday 6pm (Charismatic Mass)  
Sunday 6pm Youth Mass (every last Sun of the Month)

#### RECONCILIATION:

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

#### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH:

Every 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month  
10.30am at Mt View 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month

#### EUCCHARISTIC 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

Dear brothers and sisters,

**THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY** is celebrated on Saturday 15 August. However due to Covid restrictions the day of obligation has been dispensed.

**The Archdiocesan welcomes Christian Nobleza** as Archdiocesan Formation Coordinator (Young Adults, Catechists and RCIA). Christian brings over 15 years experience working within the Catholic Church nationally and internationally. This has included various roles in parish, diocesan, education and university contexts. We pray that this new role benefits our parishes and youth ministries.

As we continue through this Covid-19 period we are aware of increased stress and mental health issues. Lets continue to look out for each other and be aware of the resources available. A list of these resources are available on the parish website.

Be assured of our love and prayers, Fr Dan, Fr Rem and Fr Baiju.

#### 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.

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
15 & 16 August 2020

**First reading**

**Isaiah 56:1, 6-7**

**I will bring foreigners to my holy mountain**

Thus says the Lord: Have a care for justice, act with integrity, for soon my salvation will come and my integrity be manifest.

Foreigners who have attached themselves to the Lord to serve him and to love his name and be his servants – all who observe the sabbath, not profaning it, and cling to my covenant – these I will bring to my holy mountain. I will make them joyful in my house of prayer. Their holocausts and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar, for my house will be called a house of prayer for all the peoples.

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**Responsorial Psalm**

**Psalm 66(67):2-3, 5-6, 8**

***O God, let all the nations praise you!***

O God, be gracious and bless us  
and let your face shed its light upon us.  
So will your ways be known upon earth  
and all nations learn your saving help.

***O God, let all the nations praise you!***

Let the nations be glad and exult  
for you rule the world with justice.  
With fairness you rule the peoples,  
you guide the nations on earth.

***O God, let all the nations praise you!***

Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
let all the peoples praise you.  
May God still give us his blessing  
till the ends of the earth revere him.

***O God, let all the nations praise you!***

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**Second reading**

**Romans 11:13-15,29-32**

**With Israel, God never takes back his gifts or revokes his choice**

Let me tell you pagans this: I have been sent to the pagans as their apostle, and I am proud of being sent, but the purpose of it is to make my own people envious of you, and in this way save some of them. Since their rejection meant the reconciliation of the world, do you know what their admission will mean? Nothing less than a resurrection from the dead! God never takes back his gifts or revokes his choice.

Just as you changed from being disobedient to God, and now enjoy mercy because of their disobedience, so those who are disobedient now – and only because of the mercy shown to you – will also enjoy mercy eventually. God has imprisoned all men in their own disobedience only to show mercy to all mankind.

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**Gospel Acclamation**

**Matthew 4:23**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom  
and healed all who were sick.**

**Alleluia!**

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**Gospel**

**Matthew 15:21-28**

**The Canaanite woman debates with Jesus and saves her daughter**

Jesus left Gennesaret and withdrew to the region of Tyre and Sidon. Then out came a Canaanite woman from that district and started shouting, 'Sir, Son of David, take pity on me. My daughter is tormented by a devil.' But he answered her not a word. And his disciples went and pleaded with him. 'Give her what she wants,' they said 'because she is shouting after us.' He said in reply, 'I was sent only to the lost sheep of the House of Israel.' But the woman had come up and was kneeling at his feet. 'Lord,' she said 'help me.' He replied, 'It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the house-dogs.' She retorted, 'Ah yes, sir; but even house-dogs can eat the scraps that fall from their master's table.' Then Jesus answered her, 'Woman, you have great faith. Let your wish be granted.' And from that moment her daughter was well again.