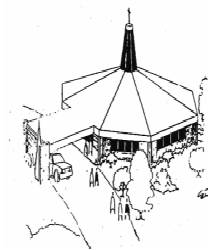


St Benedict's Catholic Church



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Adrian Wellspring (Spiritual Direction & Personal Vocation)

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time C

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NEW PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Tues – Fri 9am - 12pm

WEEKEND MASS TIMES:

Saturday 6pm
Sunday 9am
Sunday 6pm (Charismatic Mass)
Sunday 6pm Youth Mass
(every last Sun of the Month)
Saturday 8am

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES:

Tuesday 5.30pm
Wednesday 12.30pm
Thursday 5.30pm
Friday 5.30pm (Healing Mass)

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

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Monday 9am – 8pm
Tuesday 10am – 10pm
Wednesday 11am – 10pm
Thursday 11am – 10pm
Friday 9am – 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.

Message from Fr Dan:

Dear brothers and Sisters, I'm away for next 10 days to see my 2 new grandnephews in Victoria and to go with Fr David Tremble MGL to the funeral of the first Catholic Aboriginal Deacon in the remote NT Community of Wadeye. I have my Knee operation on Sept 10 but don't expect to be out of action very long. Thanks for your love, support and working together which Fr Rem and I value greatly. Deacon Luke who has been with us, has decided to take some, what we in the MGL call, "time aside". He is with his family in Perth. Please keep him in your prayers during this time of discernment. Be assured of my prayers, Fr Dan Benedetti MGL PP

New Parish Secretary:

We are now entering the interview process for our new secretary. **Applications will close on Friday 23 August at 5 pm.** The role of Parish secretary is of high importance; It's relational, Pastoral, professional, and even one of evangelisation. The Parish secretary is, at times, the first person people encounter in person, or by phone, or email and it requires a high level of communication and administrative skills. Please keep this process in your prayers.

RCIA St Benedict's style!

Our first Welcome/Intro meeting for the RCIA will be on Thursday **September 5 at 7:30pm** at the Collins Wing at St Benedict's. Please contact the office if you would like to join the team or if you know anyone who would like to take this journey.



Rite of Christian Initiation
for Adults

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FIRST READING

Jeremiah 38:4-6,8-10

'Do not let the prophet die'

The king's leading men spoke to the king. 'Let Jeremiah be put to death: he is unquestionably disheartening the remaining soldiers in the city, and all the people too, by talking like this. The fellow does not have the welfare of this people at heart so much as its ruin.' 'He is in your hands as you know,' King Zedekiah answered 'for the king is powerless against you.' So they took Jeremiah and threw him into the well of Prince Malchiah in the Court of the Guard, letting him down with ropes. There was no water in the well, only mud, and into the mud Jeremiah sank.

Ebed-melech came out from the palace and spoke to the king. 'My lord king,' he said 'these men have done a wicked thing by treating the prophet Jeremiah like this: they have thrown him into the well, where he will die.' At this the king gave Ebed-melech the Cushite the following order: 'Take three men with you from here and pull the prophet Jeremiah out of the well before he dies.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 39(40):2-4,18

Lord, come to my aid!

I waited, I waited for the Lord
and he stooped down to me;
he heard my cry.

He drew me from the deadly pit,
from the miry clay.
He set my feet upon a rock
and made my footsteps firm.

He put a new song into my mouth,
praise of our God.
Many shall see and fear
and shall trust in the Lord.

As for me, wretched and poor,
the Lord thinks of me.
You are my rescuer, my help,

SECOND READING

Hebrews 12:1-4

We should keep running steadily in the race we have started

With so many witnesses in a great cloud on every side of us, we too, then, should throw off everything that hinders us, especially the sin that clings so easily, and keep running steadily in the race we have started. Let us not lose sight of Jesus, who leads us in our faith and brings it to perfection: for the sake of the joy which was still in the future, he endured the cross, disregarding the shameful of it, and from now on has taken his place at the right of God's throne. Think of the way he stood such opposition from sinners and then you will not give up for want of courage. In the fight against sin, you have not yet had to keep fighting to the point of death.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

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

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 12:49-53

How I wish it were blazing already!

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I have come to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were blazing already! There is a baptism I must still receive, and how great is my distress till it is over!

'Do you suppose that I am here to bring peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. For from now on a household of five will be divided: three against two and two against three; the father divided against the son, son against father, mother against daughter, daughter against mother, mother-in-law against daughter-in-law, daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.'

PARISH NEWS

Plenary 2020 update: the church has now entered into the discernment phase as we journey towards the council. The themes for our discernment are:

- Missionary and Evangelising;
- Inclusive, Participatory and Synodal;
- Prayerful and Eucharistic;
- Humble, Healing and Merciful;
- A Joyful, Hope-Filled and Servant Community;
- Open to Conversion, Renewal and Reform.

Volunteers Needed :The Parish Pastoral Council are looking for a team of volunteers to organise, set up and lead the St Benedict's Family Christmas Mass on Christmas Eve (in the school hall). This vibrant family celebration has become a wonderful tradition in our parish. If you are able to assist or would like more information, please contact the Parish Office.

Film on Euthanasia & Suicide: Screening Sunday 18th August 12.30-1.30 for the film at Haydon Hall Manuka (behind St Christopher's Cathedral) straight after 11am Mass for a cup of soup. \$5 donation at the door appreciated. For enquiries lara.kirk@cg.org.au 0429 192 869.

Union with the Lord Retreat: This retreat will be held at St Benedict's on 31 August 2019 from 9.00 a.m-4.30pm and will be led by Fr Roni and Fr Joby from the Divine Retreat Centre. Admission is free, but BOY Lunch. All are welcome and for more information, please see the poster on the outside Notice board.

Mass & Procession Feast of Birthday of Mary: Sunday Sept 8 Mass at 2pm St Benedict's Church followed Procession, Rosary and a cuppa in the Parish Centre.

The Padre Pinto Mitten will be available for veneration at St Benedict's Church Narrabundah at and after the 5.30 pm healing Mass on Friday 13th September. All are most welcome to attend. For further information, contact Maria Ransom 0405717890.

Social Justice Sunday: We celebrate Social Justice Sunday on **29 Sept**. This year, the Australian Bishop's Social Justice Statement is titled: Making it real: "Genuine human encounter in our digital world". For further details visit the office for Social Justice website: www.socolajustice.catholic.org.au or call 02 8306 3499.

As A Parish Let Us Pray For...

Our Sick: Richard (Dick) Brennan, Andrew Italiano, Anthony, George Douglas, Susan Sprece, Zeta Evans, Clem Dick, Dorothy Lamb, Lorraine Davis, Betty O'Brien, Mathew, Noeleen Carrick, Pam Pini, Stan Marris, Flora Arias, Pat Atkins, Helen French, Carol Rees, Rhys Evans, Jindalee & Mt View residents.

Recently Deceased & Anniversaries: Frank Pantano, Brian Power, John Agius, Joyce Cremer, Sr Anne Derwin RSJ, John Newlyn, 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, Gerry Agnew, Jim Kirkman, Barbara Jeffery, Edna Keir, Lawrence Power, Barrie Marshall, Stella Ienco, Louis Camilleri.

ROSTER FOR THIS WEEKEND

17 & 18 August 2019

	Sat 6 pm	Sun 9am
Welcomers	Leita & B Baron	Alma Burg
Readers	Moira Najdecki H Bramanathan	Y 3/4 School Mass
Presentation of the Gifts	Sally Cotsell B A Daly	Y 3/4 School Mass
Eucharistic Ministers	Rita Parker B Baron	J Douglas M Molyneux
Flowers, Altar Cleaning	Mattia Wellspring, Sue Neimanis	
Church Cleaners	Shruti Ruzario	
Mt View	Maralyn	
Jindalee	Brendan	

READINGS & ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND

24 & 25 August 2019

<u>1ST READING</u>	<u>2ND READING</u>	<u>GOSPEL</u>
Isa 66:18-21	Heb 12: 5-7,11-13	Luk 13:22-30
	Sat 6 pm	Sun 9am
Welcomers	Louise Gaudry	Vacant
Readers	B A Daly Louise Gaudry	Louise O'Rance Julie Douglas
Presentation of the Gifts	Brain & Leita Barron	Maralyn & Ron Molyneux
Eucharistic Ministers	S Neimanis	B Murphy
Flowers, Altar Cleaning	Mary Brown, Leita Barron	
Church Cleaners	Muneko Ono, Zbiggy Zmurko	
Mt View	Carmel Henry	
Jindalee	Rita Parker	

*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.*