PARISH NEWS

New Life in God's Spirit seminar

Are you hungry for a deeper encounter with Jesus? Come to the New Life in God's Spirit seminar for an opportunity to activate the gifts of the Holy Spirit you received at your Baptism! The seminar runs each Wednesday evening, 7pm-9pm, from Weds 28 July to Weds 15 September 2021. The evenings include praise and worship, talks, testimonies, sharing groups, prayer ministry and fellowship. The seminar is free, and the talks will be presented by priests from our Archdiocese and members of the Good Shepherd prayer group. Held at St Peter Chanels Catholic Church, Weston Street, Yarralumla ACT. All welcome!

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Tues – Fri 9am - 12pm

WEEKEND MASS TIMES:		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) Saturday 8.00am

Sunday 6pm Youth Mass (Fourth 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 3rd 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 1st Thursday of the month 10.30am at Mt View 3rd Thursday of the month

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Monday 6am – 9pm	Tuesday	6am – 9pm
Wednesday 6am – 9pm	Thursday	6am - 10pm
Friday 6am – 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.

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: Fr Brian Maher; Elizabeth from L'Arche Community; Noeleen Carrick, Otis Evans;

Anniversaries: Neil Blake; Laurence Bode; Severino D'Andrea; Peter Della Torre; Gladys Dumbrell; Dagmar

Gilfelt; Helen Harris; Wayne Hartas; Noel McLean; Charles Holdom; Ethel Johnson; Morty McNamara; Joseph Micallef; Paul Nixon, MGL Latos Repkenyi Mick Kinnane;

Desmond Maguire; Cecily McIntyre;

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; Jan Leyden.

ROSTER FOR THIS WEEKEND					
17 & 18 July 2021					
	Sat 6 pm	Sun 9am			
Welcomers	Leita and Brian Barron	Mel Stratford			
Readers	BA Daily and Louise Gaudry	Barry Murphy & Asteria ToNiyonsenge			
Presentation of the Gifts	Leita and Brian Barron	Not required			
Eucharistic Ministers	Robert Booth	Janice Kelly			
Flowers, Altar Cleaning	Sue Neimanis & Anne Sutherland				
Church Cleaners	Ian Smith and Amir				
Mt View	Carmel Henry				
Jindalee	MGL Narrabundah				

READINGS & ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND 24 & 25 July 2021

1ST READING 2 Kg 4:42-44;	2ND READING Eph 4:1-6;	GOSPEL Jn 6:1-15	
	Sat 6 pm	Sun 9am	
Welcomers	Carmel & Peter Pistoor	Barry Murphy	
Readers	Moira Najdecki & H Bramanathan	Christopher Ruzario and Shiro Kinyanjui	
Presentation of the Gifts	Nick & Maria Marzano	Not required	
Eucharistic Ministers	Caroline Evans	Julie Douglas	
Flowers, Altar Cleaning	Margie Avellino, Louise Gaudry & Claudine Smith		
Church Cleaners	Shruti Ruzario and Nhung Booth		
Mt View	Julie Douglas		
Jindalee	Jasmine		

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 Baiju Thomas MGL (Mission Centre Director)

Onela Iruthayaraj (Parish Secretary) Cathy Schneider (Finance Officer Wednesday 8.00am—12midday)

Adrian Wellspring (Spiritual Direction & Personal Vocation)

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B 17 & 18 July 2021

Eucharistic Adoration

Vacant hours that urgently need an adorer this week:

- Tuesday 8am-9am Wednesday 7-8am, 11-12pm
- Thursday 7am-10am Friday 11am-12pm If you would like to join the Adoration roster please contact: Anne Sutherland 0413 203 901, or Kathy Miller 0407 203 803.

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 support to the parish, it is greatly appreciated."

Successful celebration of the St. Benedict's festival

A huge thanks to all the volunteers and parishioners who helped the festival run smoothly, and thank you to everyone who joined us for the celebration.

Census/Planned Giving

We would be grateful if the census/planned giving forms are returned to the office as soon as possible. We are grateful for the generous financial support you have given over the last year, however if you are not able to contribute at this time, please still fill in your name and contact details and leave the rest of the form blank. For those who might be able to increase their giving by even \$2.00 per week for the coming Financial Year, this would be of immense help to the Parish. Be assured of our love and prayers, Fr Rem (on behalf of the PFC and PPC)

WwVP Cards

The ACT government automatic extension due to the

COVID crisis for WwVP cards has come to an end. If your card expired last year you were issued with an automatic one year renewal but any card expiring after the end of May needs to be renewed. The parish office needs to have a copy of your updated cards as you get them. It is an **fineable offense** to partake in visitation ministry without a valid WwVP card.

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.

Grow is a 12 step program of mental health and emotional well being. It is a community based organisation, based on mutual help and peer support. It is held weekly on Thursday mornings at 10am at the Collins wing hall. At 10 Tallara Parkways, Narrabundah For further details phone Lorraine or Chris 0262957791.

Grandparents day (25/07)

Pope Francis announced earlier this year that the day will be marked each year around the feast of St's Joachim and Anne, the grandparents of Jesus. In his message for the World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly, with the theme "I am with you always", Pope Francis said older people, even if "energy is running out", have a "renewed vocation." Archbishop Comensoli has also stated "At a time of great challenges through this pandemic, we might look to our elders, neighbours and friends for their encouragement and wisdom in finding pathways through difficult times. In honouring them, we honour their lives and journeys, and open up a richness of experience to draw from. "The World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly gives the Church a chance to more deeply celebrate the role older people have played in forming us as people and as believers."

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B 17 & 18 July 2021

First reading

Jeremiah 23:1-6

I will gather together the remnant of my flock and raise up shepherds for them

'Doom for the shepherds who allow the flock of my pasture to be destroyed and scattered – it is the Lord who speaks! This, therefore, is what the Lord, the God of Israel, says about the shepherds in charge of my people: You have let my flock be scattered and go wandering and have not taken care of them.

Right, I will take care of you for your misdeeds – it is the Lord who speaks! But the remnant of my flock I myself will gather from all the countries where I have dispersed them, and will bring them back to their pastures: they shall be fruitful and increase in numbers. I will raise up shepherds to look after them and pasture them; no fear, no terror for them any more; not one shall be lost – it is the Lord who speaks!

'See, the days are coming – it is the Lord who speaks – when I will raise a virtuous Branch for David, who will reign as true king and be wise, practising honesty and integrity in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel dwell in confidence. And this is the name he will be called: The-Lord-our-integrity.'

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 22(23)

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Fresh and green are the pastures

where he gives me repose.

Near restful waters he leads me, to revive my drooping spirit.

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

He guides me along the right path;

he is true to his name.

If I should walk in the valley of darkness

no evil would I fear.

You are there with your crook and your staff;

with these you give me comfort.

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes.

My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing.

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life.

In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever.

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Second reading

Ephesians 2:13-18 Christ Jesus is the peace between us

In Christ Jesus, you that used to be so far apart from us have been brought very close, by the blood of Christ. For he is the peace between us, and has made the two into one and broken down the barrier which used to keep them apart, actually destroying in his own person the hostility caused by the rules and decrees of the Law. This was to create one single New Man in himself out of the two of them and by restoring peace through the cross, to unite them both in a single Body and reconcile them with God: in his own person he killed the hostility. Later he came to bring the good news of peace, peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near at hand. Through him, both of us have in the one Spirit our way to come to the Father.

Gospel Acclamation
Alleluia, alleluia!
My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord;
I know them, and they follow me.
Alleluia!

Gospel

Mark 6:30-34 They were like sheep without a shepherd

The apostles rejoined Jesus and told him all they had done and taught. Then he said to them, 'You must come away to some lonely place all by yourselves and rest for a while'; for there were so many coming and going that the apostles had no time even to eat. So they went off in a boat to a lonely place where they could be by themselves. But people saw them going, and many could guess where; and from every town they all hurried to the place on foot and reached it before them. So as he stepped ashore he saw a large crowd; and he took pity on them because they were like sheep without a shepherd, and he set himself to teach them at some length.

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