PARISH NEWS

Resuming RCIA program (1st week of November)

St. Benedict's Parish is hoping to resume our RCIA program in the first week of November, 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.

The Arete Centre

It is for the missionary leadership, they form and equip people to become faithful leaders in mission. Apply today for 2022. if you wish to know more information please visit the website; aretecentre.org

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Tues - Fri 9am - 12pm

RECONCILIATION:

Done by appointment, please contact Fr Rem or Fr Baiju or by email to the parish office.

Mass times for Lockdown

Monday - Friday 5.30 pm Saturday 10am Sunday 10am Sunday charismatic 6pm (from Garran MGL; YouTube)

ROSARY:

After the weekday Masses

BAPTISMS: during Weekend Masses or by

appointment

WEDDINGS: By appointment

ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

By appointment, please contact parish office

Recently Deceased: Kevin Allen, Jim Brophy, Iris Coppin. Olga Hector.



Anniversaries: Edwina Boure, Francis Chatillon, Stephen Donnely, Phyllis Ethlers, Ronald Hewett, Raymond Kirby, Maria Krugiolka, Linda Lauer, Neville McGahey, Kevin O'Brien, John Sykes, George Temoschtschuck.

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 18 & 19 September 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 25 & 26 September 2021				
<u>1ST READING</u> Num 11:25-29;	2ND READING James 5:1-6;	GOSPEL Mk 9:38-43, 47- 48		
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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

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)

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B 18 & 19 September 2021

Extended lock down

For the extent of the lockdowns, the Archbishop invites all to pray the Rosary as a community via Zoom each Wednesday and Friday at 4 pm. Zoom app Meeting ID: 850 2245 8332 Passcode: **543675543675** The 12.15 pm Monday to Saturday masses and the 11 am Sunday mass at St Christopher's Cathedral will continue to be livestreamed as normal at the following link: https:// www.catholicvoice.org.au/mass-online/

Online parish mass link:

https://www.facebook.com/stbenedictscanberra/ - Parish mass, weekdays 5.30 pm, weekend 10 am.

https://youtu.be/SGPbj5PsITk- 6PM Sunday Charismatic mass telecasted from Garran MGL house.

Agape Connect (Mission centre)

Our Mission Centre is trying to do an online prayer gathering over the zoom during the lockdown period on Tuesdays at 7 pm. We invite everyone to join. Join the Zoom Meeting at;

https://us04web.zoom.us/j/75412023321? pwd=RVBaajBIS0w5WFIwRTIwU1dOZ0xLQT09

Meeting ID: 754 1202 3321 Passcode: Buvtv1

Sacraments

At this stage we are hoping to hold Confirmation practices on Wednesday 10th November (9-10.30 am) and Wednesday 17th November and possibly hold the Confirmation over the 20th and 21st of November. We are uncertain of what format these practices or the mass will take place as we must follow the rules and regulation set by the ACT health.

Thank you to all who assist with the church ministries, your help is greatly appreciated, however the current rosters are finishing at the end of this month. Please let the office know if you would like to join or be taken off these rosters by the 8th of October, so that I may create a new roster from October to December.

Refugee week

We pray for all the refugees in the world as the church remembers Sunday the 26 of September is the World Day of Migrants and Refugees. On Migrant and Refugee Sunday (next weekend) the Church responds to Pope Francis' message for us to include all people in a 'wider we'. At our mass we will renew our welcome to all migrants and refugees in our country, but also pray and consider action for all Afghan refugees.

Message from Father Rembert

Parish office is closed due to the lockdown but please do not hesitate to contact the parish via email. Fr Baiju and I have been praying for all of you. We are hoping to move 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. The presbytery renovation fund envelopes will be distributed later but due to Covid, we would appreciate electronic donations. Our Parish bank account details are on our website as well; http://cg.org.au/narrabundah/Home.aspx.

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St Benedicts	062.786	000014992
Parish		

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B 18 & 19 September 2021

Sunday 19 September 2021

25 Sunday in OT Year B.

First reading

Wisdom 2:12,17-20

The wicked prepare to ambush the just man

The godless say to themselves:

'Let us lie in wait for the virtuous man, since he annoys us and opposes our way of life, reproaches us for our breaches of the law and accuses us of playing false to our upbringing.

'Let us see if what he says is true, let us observe what kind of end he himself will have. If the virtuous man is God's son, God will take his part and rescue him from the clutches of his enemies. Let us test him with cruelty and with torture, and thus explore this gentleness of his and put his endurance to the proof. Let us condemn him to a shameful death since he will be looked after – we have his word for it.'

Responsorial Psalm *The Lord upholds my life.*

Psalm 53(54):3-6,8

O God, save me by your name; by your power, uphold my cause.

O God, hear my prayer; listen to the words of my mouth.

The Lord upholds my life.

For proud men have risen against me, ruthless men seek my life.
They have no regard for God.

The Lord upholds my life.

But I have God for my help.

The Lord upholds my life.
I will sacrifice to you with willing heart and praise your name for it is good.

The Lord upholds my life.

Second reading

James 3:16-4:3 The wisdom that comes from above makes for peace

Wherever you find jealousy and ambition, you find disharmony, and wicked things of every kind being done; whereas the wisdom that comes down from above is essentially something pure; it also makes for peace, and is kindly and considerate; it is full of compassion and shows itself by doing good; nor is there any trace of partiality or hypocrisy in it. Peacemakers, when they work for peace, sow the seeds which will bear fruit in holiness.

Where do these wars and battles between yourselves first start? Isn't it precisely in the desires fighting inside your own selves? You want something and you haven't got it; so you are prepared to kill. You have an ambition that you cannot satisfy; so you fight to get your way by force. Why you don't have what you want is because you don't pray for it; when you do pray and don't get it, it is because you have not prayed properly, you have prayed for something to indulge your own desires.

Gospel Acclamation
Alleluia, alleluia!
God has called us with the gospel
to share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.
Alleluia!

cf 2 Thessalonians 2:14

Gospel

Mark 9:30-37

Anyone who welcomes one of these little children in my name welcomes me

After leaving the mountain Jesus and his disciples made their way through Galilee; and he did not want anyone to know, because he was instructing his disciples; he was telling them, 'The Son of Man will be delivered into the hands of men; they will put him to death; and three days after he has been put to death he will rise again.' But they did not understand what he said and were afraid to ask him.

They came to Capernaum, and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the road?' They said nothing because they had been arguing which of them was the greatest. So he sat down, called the Twelve to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be first, he must make himself last of all and servant of all.' He then took a little child, set him in front of them, put his arms round him, and said to them, 'Anyone who welcomes one of these little children in my name, welcomes me; and anyone who welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'

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