# **PARISH NEWS**

Please consider joining the St Benedict's Parish Pastoral Council The St Benedict's Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) is a consultative body that exists to assist our parish priests. We meet on a monthly basis and endeavour to:

- Promote the Church's mission to live and communicate the love and values of Christ in the world around us
- Share in the responsibility for the ongoing life and development of the parish community, working together with parishioners to provide support for their efforts to live as followers of Christ. - Parish Pastoral Councils in Australia, 2007 Our current members are Moira Najdecki, Tony Watson, Julie Douglas and Natalie Zarb together with Fr Dan and Fr Rembert. We would love to welcome more members to this important parish group. If you are interested in finding out more about the PPC please contact Moira on 0409959011 or Fr Dan on 6239 6772

### **PALLIATIVE CARE PACKAGES Sally Fitzgerald**

(Archdiocesan Aboriginal Catholic Ministry and parishioner) As an initiative of NATSICC, we are developing Palliative Care Packages for all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples who are deemed to be palliative-regardless of any or no religious beliefs.

These Packages will include-blankets, beanies, shawls, music CDs and notebooks. As such, we are appealing to all people who would like to participate in these Packages by knitting or crocheting blankets and beanies. For further information please contact Sally FitzGerald on 0422 066 080 or salfitz50@live.com

#### **SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER**

My Jesus,

I believe that You are present in the Most Holy

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.

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: Mary Grech, Charles Morella, Francesco Barbero, 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; Maria (Bishop Pat Power's sister)

ROSTER FOR THIS WEEKEND 19/20 September 2020		
	Sat 6 pm	Sun 9am
Flowers, Altar Cleaning	Margie Avellina, Louise Gaudry & Claudine Smith	
Church Cleaners	Ian Smith and volunteer	

#### **READINGS & ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND** 26 & 27 September 2020 **1ST READING 2ND READING** GOSPEL Ezek 18:25-28 Phil 2:1-11 Mt 21:28-32 Sat 6 pm Sun 9am Carmel & Peter Welcomers **Barry Murphy** Pistoor Philippe & Coline Marelene Keir Readers and volunteer Moncuquet Jane Camilleri & Presentation Volunteers of the Gifts Noreen Dick Robert & Nhung Maurie & Bernice **Eucharistic** Ministers Booth **Boland** Flowers, Sue Neimanis & Tessa Oh **Altar Cleaning** Church Don & Jennifer Nguyen Cleaners

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

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Cathy Schneider & Sandra Wera (acting Parish Secretaries) Karina Widjaja (Finance Officer)

Adrian Wellspring (Spiritual Direction & Personal Vocation)

# **Twenty Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time** 19 & 20 September 2020

8.00am

# **PARISH OFFICE HOURS:**

Tues - Fri 9am - 12pm

**WEEKDAY MASS TIMES: WEEKEND MASS TIMES:** Saturday 6pm (Vigil) Tuesday 5.30pm Wednesday 12.30pm Sunday 9am (Streamed via Facebook) Thursday 5.30pm Friday 5.30pm (Healing Mass)

Saturday

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

#### **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:**

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

Dear brothers and sisters,

**CONGRATULATIONS** to all the children who received their First Holy Communion over the last week. May the Lord continue to nourish them all the days of their life and may they find that the church is their home

#### WE WELCOME INTO OUR CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY

Rylee Darryl McEwen, son of Terrence and Bianca (nee Gonzales) who will be Baptised this Saturday. Please remember them in your prayers.

#### **BIRTHDAY WISHES**

We celebrate with **DRAGICA** who turns 85 this Sunday. May the Lord continue to bless her. We thank the Lord for her faithfulness especially in adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

St Benedict's is beginning our RCIA PROGRAMME this Thursday 24 September with an introduction/welcome in the Collins Wing at 7.00pm. If you are looking at becoming catholic or needing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation or are wanting to support people on the RCIA journey please contact Fr Baiju on 0490 400 557 or the parish office at narrabundah@cg.org.au or 6295 7879.

**106TH WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES** is acknowledged on Sunday 27 September. This year's theme for the Holy Father's Message for

2020 World Day of Migrant and Refugee is: "Forced like Jesus Christ to flee".

<sup>\*\*</sup>hours may vary should the use of the Church be required

# 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time 19 & 20 September 2020

## First reading

Isaiah 55:6-9

## My thoughts are not your thoughts

Seek the Lord while he is still to be found, call to him while he is still near.

Let the wicked man abandon his way, the evil man his thoughts.

Let him turn back to the Lord who will take pity on him, to our God who is rich in forgiving; for my thoughts are not your thoughts, my ways not your ways – it is the Lord who speaks. Yes, the heavens are as high above earth as my ways are above your ways, my thoughts above your thoughts.

## **Responsorial Psalm**

Psalm 144(145):2-3,8-9,17-18

The Lord is near to all who call him.

I will bless you day after day and praise your name for ever. The Lord is great, highly to be praised, his greatness cannot be measured.

The Lord is kind and full of compassion, slow to anger, abounding in love.

How good is the Lord to all, compassionate to all his creatures.

The Lord is just in all his ways and loving in all his deeds.

He is close to all who call him, who call on him from their hearts.

### **Second reading**

Philippians 1:20-24, 27

## Life to me is Christ; but death would bring me more

Christ will be glorified in my body, whether by my life or by my death. Life to me, of course, is Christ, but then death would bring me something more; but then again, if living in this body means doing work which is having good results — I do not know what I should choose. I am caught in this dilemma: I want to be gone and be with Christ, which would be very much the better, but for me to stay alive in this body is a more urgent need for your sake.

Avoid anything in your everyday lives that would be unworthy of the gospel of Christ.

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## **Gospel Acclamation**

cf Acts 16:14

Alleluia, alleluia!
Open our hearts, O Lord,
to listen to the words of your Son.
Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 20:1-16

## Why be envious because I am generous?

Jesus said to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner going out at daybreak to hire workers for his vineyard. He made an agreement with the workers for one denarius a day, and sent them to his vineyard. Going out at about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the market place and said to them, "You go to my vineyard too and I will give you a fair wage." So they went. At about the sixth hour and again at about the ninth hour, he went out and did the same. Then at about the eleventh hour he went out and found more men standing round, and he said to them, "Why have you been standing here idle all day?" "Because no one has hired us" they answered. He said to them, "You go into my vineyard too." In the evening, the owner of the vineyard said to his bailiff, "Call the workers and pay them their wages, starting with the last arrivals and ending with the first." So those who were hired at about the eleventh hour came forward and received one denarius each. When the first came, they expected to get more, but they too received one denarius each. They took it, but grumbled at the landowner. "The men who came last" they said "have done only one hour, and you have treated them the same as us, though we have done a heavy day's work in all the heat." He answered one of them and said, "My friend, I am not being unjust to you; did we not agree on one denarius? Take your earnings and go. I choose to pay the last comer as much as I pay you. Have I no right to do what I like with my own? Why be envious because I am generous?" Thus the last will be first, and the first, last.'

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