PARISH NEWS

Enrolment for First Reconciliation & First Eucharist

The Sacramental programs for First Reconciliation and First Eucharist will begin in March. Should any parishioners wish to enrol their child for either of these Sacraments, please contact the Parish Office for further information and the enrolment form. To allow adequate time for program material to be organised, enrolment forms must be submitted by **Friday 26 February.**

Institute of Professional Standard Training.

All who are in ministry in our parish are invited to attend a training evening on 17 March 7.00pm in the Collins Wing. The Archdiocese recommends that training is attended each year to keep up to date with the changes in legislation and protocols. Please contact the parish office to confirm your attendance.

Rosary after Weekday Masses

Fr Rembert has commenced the rosary after each weekday Mass. Please stay and join him.

Prayer to St Joseph

Copies of the prayer to St Joseph are available in the Church foyer. Please take one home!

Men Alive Men's Weekend

When was the last time you felt really alive? The Men Alive conference will be held on 27 –28 March in the Collin's Wing at St Benedict's. The cost is \$50, which includes workshops, morning and afternoon tea, lunch and BBQ dinner on Saturday. Please RSVP by 12 March for catering purposes, to Benjamin Spurr 0400 772 858 or bwspurr@gmail.com

Food for Soul and Body

9 March University, TAFE, and College students are invited to meet the local Right to Life Council Members from 6.00pm to 9.30pm for a light meal and information evening on 'Life Issues'. See Development of Life Models on display at Holy Trinity Parish Centre, Curtin. email 345bevc@gmail.com or phone 0418 718 713

Expenditure in the Parish

This year we have some larger than anticipated expenses coming up. The presbytery roof has to be replaced, a new sound system for the church, security cameras for the church and fire emergency lit signs. Please keep these in mind as you give to the parish.

Tap and Go

The parish has purchased a Tap and Go machine for the Covid safe collection of monies. It accepts Mastercard and Visa along with debit cards. For every dollar, 30 cents goes to the parish presbytery account and 70 cents goes to our parish.



Recently Deceased: Ray Anderson; Barbara Reinstadler; Ursula Gibson; Joso

Anniversaries: Ronald Bourne; Winifred Smith;

Other occasions: William Smith

Our Sick: Janice Kelly; Leita Barron, Frank Smith, Lyn Walker, Louis Pini, Anthony, Clem Dick, Dorothy Lamb, Lorraine Davis, Mathew, Noeleen Carrick, Flora Arias, Pat Atkins, Helen French, Carol Rees, Simon Keay, Jindalee & Mt View residents.

ROSTER FOR THIS WEEKEND 20 & 21 February 2021 Sat 6 pm Sun 9am **B** Barron M Stratford Welcomers **BA Daly** C Ruzario Readers Louise Gaudry Shiro Kinyanjui Presentation Ian & Rita Smith Not required of the Gifts Eucharistic Caroline Evans **B** Murphy Ministers Flowers, Mattia Wellspring & Loretta Thomas **Altar Cleaning Church Cleaners** Ian Smith Mt View Maralyn Jindalee MGL Narrabundah

27 & 28 February 2021					
1ST READING Gen 22:1-2,	2ND READING Romans 8:31-34	GOSPEL Mark 9:2-10			
9-13, 15-18	Sat 6 pm	Sun 9am			
Welcomers	Carmel & Peter Pistoor	Barry Murphy			
Readers	Moira Najdecki; H Bramanathan	Philippe & Coline Moncuquet			
Presentation of the Gifts	Bennett Family	Not required			
Eucharistic Ministers	Nhung Booth	Peter Stauffer			
Flowers, Altar Cleaning	Anne Hobday, Noreen Dick and Margie Avellino				
Church Cleaners	Don & Jennifer Nguyen				
Mt View	Carmel Henry				
Jindalee	Anne Sutherland				

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

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Cathy Schneider (Finance Officer)

Adrian Wellspring (Spiritual Direction & Personal Vocation)

First Sunday in Lent Year B 20 & 21 February 2021

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)
Sunday 6pm Youth Mass
(Fourth Sun of the Month)

Thursday 5.30pm Friday 5.30pm (*Healing Mass*) Saturday 8.00am

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

I	Monday 9am – 8pm	Tuesday	10am – 9pm		
I	Wednesday 11am – 10pm	Thursday	11am - 10pm		
I	<i>Friday</i> 9am – midnight	Saturday	12am – 8am		
I	**hours may vary should the use of the Church he 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 adoration, worship and intercession. All welcome.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS during Lent will be held at 5.00pm before Mass.

Lenten Renewal Experience—'Walk in the Spirit'

Archbishop Prowse invites us to participate in a new and exciting Lenten experience involving livestreamed teaching, prayer, community hubs and discussion. The live streams will be held from 7:30pm to 9:00pm every Thursday during Lent, 18 February to 25 March in the Collins Wing. This is repeated in the Collins Wing on Sunday evening after the Charismatic Mass. To register or more info, visit https://cgcatholic.org.au/walk-in-the-spirit/

We Welcome into our Christian Community



Mason James Fuller, son of Jane (Bennet) and Luke, who will be Baptised this weekend. Please remember them in your

prayers.

Look to Jesus

This year's Lenten resource, points to the source of our hope, to the Saviour. If we take a few minutes each day during Lent to allow the voice of Christ to penetrate our minds and hearts, then the One who has suffered greatly to become the eternal fountain of all healing will meet us in the frailty of our humanity with an overwhelming compassion and mercy. There are 5 copies available for use in the church.

Project Compassion

The boxes for Project Compassion are now available in the church. Please consider taking one home and "be more" for others who have less.

This week we focus on Jamila. Jamila is a Rohingya refugee living in a camp in Bangladesh with her elderly mother and baby daughter. With the support of Caritas



Australia, and through Caritas Bangladesh, Jamila has been able to access emergency food, shelter, counselling, and vocational training that will help to support her family.

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First reading

Genesis 9:8-15

'There shall be no flood to destroy the earth again'

God spoke to Noah and his sons, 'See, I establish my Covenant with you, and with your descendants after you; also with every living creature to be found with you, birds, cattle and every wild beast with you: everything that came out of the ark, everything that lives on the earth. I establish my Covenant with you: no thing of flesh shall be swept away again by the waters of the flood. There shall be no flood to destroy the earth again.'

God said, 'Here is the sign of the Covenant I make between myself and you and every living creature with you for all generations: I set my bow in the clouds and it shall be a sign of the Covenant between me and the earth. When I gather the clouds over the earth and the bow appears in the clouds, I will recall the Covenant between myself and you and every living creature of every kind. And so the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all things of flesh.'

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 24(25):4-6, 7b-9

Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant.

Lord, make me know your ways.

Lord, teach me your paths.

Make me walk in your truth, and teach me:

for you are God my saviour.

Remember your mercy, Lord, and the love you have shown from of old.

In your love remember me,

because of your goodness, O Lord.

The Lord is good and upright.

He shows the path to those who stray,

He guides the humble in the right path,

He teaches his way to the poor.

Second reading

1 Peter 3:18-22

The water on which the Ark floated is a type of the baptism which saves you now

Christ himself, innocent though he was, died once for sins, died for the guilty, to lead us to God. In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life, and, in the spirit, he went to preach to the spirits in prison. Now it was long ago, when Noah was still building that ark which saved only a small group of eight people 'by water', and when God was still waiting patiently, that these spirits refused to believe. That water is a type of the baptism which saves you now, and which is not the washing off of physical dirt but a pledge made to God from a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has entered heaven and is at God's right hand, now that he has made the angels and Dominations and Powers his subjects.

Gospel Acclamation

Matthew 4:4

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Gospel

Mark 1:12-15

Jesus was tempted by Satan, and the angels looked after him

The Spirit drove Jesus out into the wilderness and he remained there for forty days, and was tempted by Satan. He was with the wild beasts, and the angels looked after him.

After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee. There he proclaimed the Good News from God. 'The time has come' he said 'and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News.'

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