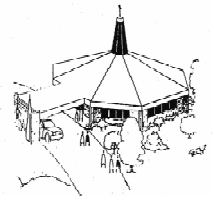


St Benedict's Catholic Church



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Luz Carlile (Parish Secretary)

St Benedict's Catholic Parish aims to be a caring and prayerful community, committed to outreach & service, where each person is valued, and their gifts encouraged.

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

22 & 23 Oct 2017

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Tues—Thurs from 9am to 3pm

WEEKEND MASS TIMES:

Saturday 6pm

Sunday 9am

Sunday 7pm (Charismatic Mass)

Sunday 7pm Youth Mass

(every last Sun of the Month)

Saturday 8.00am

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Tuesday 5.30pm

Wednesday 12.30pm

Thursday 5.30pm

Friday 5.30pm (Healing Mass)

RECONCILIATION:

Friday following 6.15–7.00pm after

(Healing Mass)

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 – 7.30pm (during May & October)

BAPTISMS: 11am, 2nd & 4th Sundays of the month

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:

Half hour before every weekday Mass as well as the following:

Monday 8am – 9pm

Tuesday 8am – 10pm

Wednesday 9am – 10pm

Thursday 9am – 10pm

Friday 6am – 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.



Readings for this weekend:

1st Reading: Isaiah 45:1. 4-6

2nd Reading: Thessalonians 1:1-5

Gospel: Matthew 22:15-21

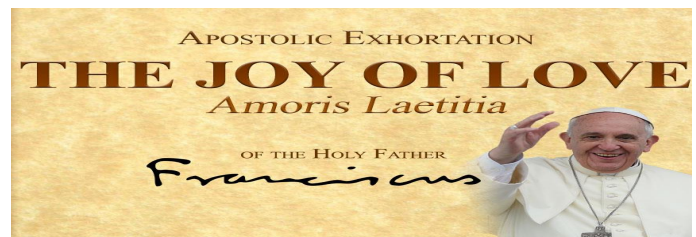
Responsorial Psalm:

Give the Lord glory and honour.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! Shine on the world like bright stars; you are offering it the word of life.

Alleluia!



The Bible also presents the family as the place where children are brought up in the faith. This is evident from the description of the Pass-over celebration (cf. *Ex* 12:26-27; *Deut* 6:20-25) and it later appears explicitly in the Jewish *hagga-dah*, the dialogue accompanying the rite of the Passover meal. One of the Psalms celebrates the proclamation of faith within families: “All that we have heard and known, that our fathers have told us, we will not hide from their children, but tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the Lord, and his might, and the wonders which he has wrought. He established a testimony in Jacob, and appointed a law in Israel, which he commanded our fathers to teach to their children; that the next generation might know them, the children yet unborn, and arise and tell them to their children” (*Pss* 78:3-6). The family is thus the place where parents become their children’s first teachers in the faith. They learn this “trade”, passing it down from one person to another: “When in time to come your son asks you... You shall say to him...” (*Ex* 13:14). Thus succeeding generations can raise their song to the Lord: “young men and maidens together, old and young together!” (*Pss* 148:12).

PARISH NEWS

Church Life Survey Meeting: We had our first meeting last Sunday about discernment, reflection and mission of St Benedict's. It was well attended and feedback will be provided in next weekend's bulletin.

A Prayer for this time of discernment and reflection for the future mission and ministry of St Benedict's

*Mary, Virgin and Mother,
you who, moved by the Holy Spirit,
welcomed the word of life
in the depths of your humble faith:
as you gave yourself completely to the Eternal One,
help us to say our own "yes"
to the urgent call, as pressing as ever,
to proclaim the good news of Jesus.
Filled with Christ's presence,
you brought joy to John the Baptist,
making him exult in the womb of his mother.
Brimming over with joy,
you sang of the great things done by God.
Standing at the foot of the cross
with unyielding faith,
you received the joyful comfort of the resurrection,
and joined the disciples in awaiting the Spirit
so that the evangelizing Church might be born.
Obtain for us now a new ardour born of the
resurrection,
that we may bring to all the Gospel of life
which triumphs over death.
Give us a holy courage to seek new paths,
that the gift of unfading beauty
may reach every man and woman.*

Prayer from Pope Francis: Evangelii Gaudium

Adoration Vacancies: We DESPERATELY need ADORERS Thurs 1pm-2pm. If you can help please contact Sally on 0422 066 080.

Columban Calendar 2018 \$10 each: When you purchase this calendar, you are participating in God's Mission and assisting Columbans in meeting the needs of the poor. Please put your money in the envelope provided and place it in the poor box. Thank you

The Marian Devotions Group will be praying the rosary in the church throughout October each Thursday night from 7.30pm. Everyone welcome. For further info contact Pat Hannan on 61563882.

Raffle Tickets

Super Christmas Raffle to be drawn 4 December - great prizes including an overnight stay and breakfast at the Ibis; voucher for \$200 from ACT Optical; Cruise and meal on the Southern Cross Cruiser; Bike helmet; Timex Health Tracker and many more prizes. **Tickets \$2 or three for \$5.** Books available after Masses and also at the Parish Office. Please support this important work by buying or selling raffle tickets or picking up a pledge envelope in the foyer. Place the envelope in the collection bags, Parish Office or hand it to a priest or a PPC member. Or for Direct Debit donations: St Benedict's Parish: BSB: 062 786 Account No: 0000 14992 Ref: CWDonation: Surname.

RCIA : Saturday 11 November : Starts 10am-3pm. If you know anyone interested in becoming Catholic please contact Fr Baiju on 0490400557.

Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Persons WWVP Card Reminders:

If your **card is due to expire in September or October 2017** and you have renewed, are waiting to, or have received a new card please bring the card to the Parish Office with another form of identification, such as your driver's license that includes your date of birth on the information listed. The Parish will take a copy of the both the front and back of the card.

Please note: It is an offence to engage in regulated activity for vulnerable people without a current WWVP registration.

ST BENEDICT'S MISSION CENTRE
IS PRESENTING A TALK SERIES ON THE OLD TESTAMENT called "**The God of the Old Testament**" with cake and cuppa from 7.30pm-8.30pm on the following Thursdays in the Collins Wing CW & Parish Centre PC. **Session Dates: 26 Oct and 2 CW Nov All are welcome.** For more info please ring Fr Baiju on 0490 400 557 or email: baijuthomasis@gmail.com

ACCOMMODATION NEEDED: A father and young son looking for accommodation unit/flat to rent within the parish. Please contact George Wyr

This weekend our parish will be holding the annual Catholic Mission Church Appeal. This year we are invited to participate in Jesus' life-giving mission, supporting women and children's health in Uganda. In Uganda bringing life into the world is often fraught with danger, with many women taking great risks to reach health facilities. Despite the tireless work of Sister Mary Goretti and her small staff at St Luke Bujuni Health Centre, they do not have the capacity to deal with the influx of high-risk pregnancies amongst the many expectant mothers who come through the doors. **Please give generously to support women and children's health through Jesus' life-giving mission today.**

Freecall: 1800 257 296
catholicmission.org.au/uganda

St Benedict's Mission Centre Events:

- 1) **SPIRIT FILLED LIFE:** Do you want to know more about *a personal friendship with Jesus* and be equipped with the gifts of the **Holy Spirit** to live life to the full? Come to the **Spirit Filled Life**, a 6 week program during the 7pm Masses with testimony, teaching and sharing from the **29th of Oct to the 3rd of Dec.** Great for Advent preparation!
- 2) **RETREAT for Contemplative:** Are you drawn to be with God in silence? Do you want to deepen your sense of contemplating with God? Come to a half day retreat with teaching and direction from Fr Ken Barker MGL & Fr David Lemewu MGL. When: **Saturday 28 Oct at 10am-3pm** (Mass included. Bring your own lunch).
- 3) **YOUTH MASS:** Let's celebrate the Eucharist with a vibrant music and powerful testimony. Meet new friends and other young people at the Cafe after Mass. When: **Sunday 29 Oct and 26 Nov at 7pm.**

See flyers in the foyer.

Spirit Filled Life

Yes there is more...

Know more about a personal friendship with Jesus and be equipped with the gifts of the Holy Spirit to live life to the full!

Oct 29th, Nov 5, 12, 26th & Dec 3rd 2017
Every Sunday @ 7pm Mass

St Benedict's Mission Centre
0435 484 608 Jerrabomberra Aq, Narrabundah ACT

YOUTH NEWS

Youth Mass is held every last Sunday of the month at 7pm Charismatic mass. Come and experience the liturgy run by the youth, for the youth.

Fusion Youth Group is held every 2nd Friday during the school term, from 7pm-9pm at the Collins Wing. This is for high school students to connect in fellowship and grow more in their faith. Like 'Fusion Youth Group' on Facebook to stay updated on our next gatherings.

Like 'St Benedict's Youth' on Facebook. Keep updated on the latest events that involve the youth in this parish, the Archdiocese, and schools.

CHILDREN NEWS

KINGDOM KIDS MINISTRY:

Next Mass 12 Nov (second Sunday of each month) Families are warmly invited to the 9am Mass and children are welcomed and encouraged to join in the activities of Kingdom Kids. For info email Anita on kingdomkidsministry01@gmail.com. Remember the prayer wall for those intentions you want the children to pray for.

PRAYER WALL: The children from the 9am Mass continue to pray for the intentions of our parish community.

THE PSYCHOLOGY AND SPIRITUALITY OF RELATIONSHIP - Depth Psychology has much to teach us about relationship and works hand in glove with Spirituality to build a love that is rich, solid and inspired for a less-conflicted road. Dr Patricia Moroney, Jungian Analyst/Psychotherapist and Spiritual Director will present this topic on Mon 13 Nov at Holy Trinity, Strangway St, Curran at 6.50pm **FREE ENTRY** Phone 6286 6939 to register numbers. See Flyers in the foyer.

*St Benedict's Catholic Parish acknowledges 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.*

New to St Benedict's Community? **W e l c o m e**

Please see all the ways you can be part of this community by checking out the contact list in the foyer and see the back page of the bulletin. Please fill out a new parishioner form in the foyer or download it from the website.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Graham Pollard	Julie Douglas	Fr Mat Wuwu
Helen Bennet	Ma ^{re} a Wellspring	Fr Steve Fletcher
Meaghan Younger	Claudia Krebs	
Pat Doyle	Anita Zinkle	
Next PPC mee ^{ing} :	16 Nov at 7pm in Collins Wing	

ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND 28 & 29 October 2017

	Saturday 6pm	Sunday 9am
Welcomers	Leita & Brian Barron	M Stra rd ord
Readers	Moira Nadjecki & H Bramanathan	Terry & Karen Flood
Presenta^{ion} of	Sally Cotsell & BA Daly	Doyle family
Eucharis^c Ministers	S Neimanis & B Marris	J Doiglas & M Molyneux
Flowers & Altar Cleaning	Bernice Marris & Leoni Mayes	
Sacristan	Bernice Marris	
Church Cleaners	Julie Douglas & Rosemary Caldwell	
Mt View	Carmel Henry	
Jindalee	MGL Brothers	

FEASTS & IMPORTANT DATES THIS WEEK

23	Oct	St John Capistrano
24	Oct	St Anthony Claret, Bishop
25	Oct	St Tabitha
26	Oct	St Alfred the Great
27	Oct	St Abraham

Readings for next weekend:

1st Reading: Exodus 22:20-26
 2nd Reading: Thessalonians 1:5-10
 Gospel: Ma^{re}hew 22:34-40

Collec^{ions} from the last weekend:

First Collec^{ion}: \$ 1446.70
 Planned Giving Collec^{ion}: \$ 480.00
 Loose Collec^{ion}: \$ 410.10

The Catholic Weekly and *The Catholic Leader* are available at
 the Church foyer for \$2.
 Please place money in the Poor Box.

PARISH MINISTRIES CONTACT LIST

Parish Pastoral Council RCIA Coordinator Sacramental Coordinator	Fr Stephen Fletcher 6295 7879 Frs Mat & Baiju 62957879 Melanie Stratford Melanie.Stratford@cg.catholic.edu.au Wendy Fisher-Hudson 6295 8791 Bob O ^{heir} /GrahamTooth 0423 278 350
School of Iconography Parish Grounds/Maintenance	Bob O ^{heir} /GrahamTooth 0423 278 350
Liturgical Rosters	Parish Office 6295 7879

Pastoral Groups

Young Men of God MenAlive Evenings for the Engaged Ministry to the Newly Married	Fr Ken Barker 6281 0132 Torrien Lau 0432 679 630 Mark & Kathy Haseler 6166 7634 Catharina & Graham Williams, Debbie & Brian Kensey 6231 3389 Mark and Maria Ransom 6286 5679
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Healing/Prayer

Listening to Jesus/ Called & Gifted Visitation Group Social Group Family Planning Adoration Adoration Roster	Adrian Wellspring 62958532/0421451412 Parish Office 6295 78789 Sue Neimanis 6295 0687 Veronica & Pablo Jimenez 0406277365 Frs Mat/ David 0424869539 /0435484608 Sally FitzGerald 0422066080
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Neighborhood Care

Gowrie Court Meals MGL Sisters	Parish Office 6295 7879 Judy/Therese/Katherine 6166 6941
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Bible Study & Prayer Groups

Marian Devotions Padre Pio Prayer Group Bible Study Mothers Prayers Cell Prayer Group Living Water Prayer Group	Pat Hannan 6156 3882 Maria Ransom 6286 5679 Parish Office Anne Hartwell 6282 0874 Maria Michas 0427092149 Gary & Zenka Taffe 0423-707-838
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Youth & Children Ministries

Fusion DOJ Chaplain Youth Minister	Fr Chris Eaton 62953415 Chiara Catanzariti 0429699322 chiaraccatanzariti@gmail.com Anita Zinkel kingdomkidsministry01@gmail.com
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Kingdom Kids Ministry

St Benedict's Primary School 6295 8027
School First Friday Mass is at 10am in the Church

As A Parish Let Us Pray For...

Our Sick: Stan Marris, Sr Zita Barron, Pat Evans, Jan Baker, Be^{ry} O'Brien, Flora Arias, Phillip Cooney, Barrie Marshall, Brad Chalmers, Helen French, Jessica Rodriguez, Miguel Rodriguez, Wendy Gaudiosi-Logan, Rick Oxford, Ellen Brennan, Pauline Wilkie, Pat Atkins, Carol Rees, John Newlyn, George Durr, Jindalee & Mt View residents.

Recently Deceased & Anniversaries: Shirley Parsons Lorna Evans, Gerard Agnew, Alfred Zammit, Marie Bauer, John Hamilton, Antonio Nardi, Joan Evans, Kevin Brogan, Ian Smith, Jane Evans, Bro Paul Nixon, Joseph O'Connor, Sam & Nina Aguis, Heather Daly, Ian Smith, Correy Browning, Barbara Jeffery, Edna Keir, Louise Agnew, Marea Brennan, Louis Camilleri.