

The Church and the Second Plenary Council Assembly
Concerned Catholics Canberra Goulburn will host a public Forum in the Chapel, Australian Centre for Christianity & Culture, Barton on 9th June at 7:30pm. Speakers will include: Sr Clare Condon sgs; Francis Sullivan; Andrea Dean and Paul Collins.

Burial Allotments for Sale

1 x Burial Allotment in Woden Lawn Cemetery Catholic Section M - Plots 421 will sell separate or together, last ones available in this section. Asking \$3,500 plus cemetery costs. For further information phone Carol on 0439 474 514.

Message from Parishioner: Accommodation

Looking for a 3 bedroom en-suite plus bathroom home with very few stairs not far from St Benedict's or St Christopher's under \$750 per week. House or unit ok. Please call me if you can help. (Bronwyn-0400 779 065).

World Meeting of Families | 22 - 26 June 2022

Every three years since 1994, the Church has celebrated the World Meeting of Families in a different city of the world. In 2022 the event will be hosted by the Diocese of Rome with Pope Francis leading special celebrations. However, the Holy Father has also asked that the World Meeting of Families be celebrated concurrently in every diocese of the world in 2022. The idea is for families to gather locally around their bishop to explore and celebrate the theme of "Family love: A vocation and a path to holiness." You can discover local Australian events or explore the resources with your own family by visiting: www.family.catholic.org.au

Vocations dinner for young men

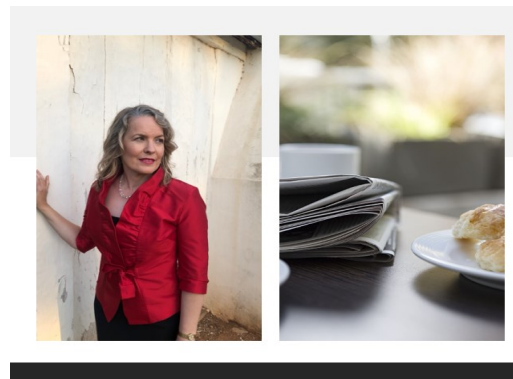
God has a plan for your life. You can only discover this if you are willing to stop and listen to his voice. Each first Thursday of the month there is a Holy Hour and dinner for single men who are open to the possibility that God might be calling them to priesthood and want to explore this further. The evening provides an opportunity to pray together and to share. The next evening will be the 9th June, 6pm at Archbishop's House.

If you know of someone who may wish to attend please contact Fr Trenton at: trenton.vanreesch@cg.org.au, or cathedral@cg.org.au.

Songs, Scones and Silent Auction

St Benedict's School Hall

Sunday - June 19, 2-4:30 pm



Join renowned singer and musician Rachael Duncan in an afternoon of songs from opera, operetta and musical theatre.

Rachael is a highly acclaimed soprano who has appeared in concerts and performances around the globe. After returning to Canberra in 2006, having spent five years performing in Germany, she has been a regular performer with Stopera and the National Capital Orchestra.

The afternoon will include Devonshire Tea and the opportunity to participate in a silent auction to raise funds for the St Benedict's Presbytery renovations.

Tickets are \$15 single and \$25 family and are available from:

<https://www.trybooking.com/BZUUF>

or from the Parish Office.

St Benedict's Catholic Church

In the care of the Missionaries of God's Love

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Pentecost Sunday 4 June & 5 June 2022

God's Word reflection

Pentecost Sunday commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit upon Jesus' disciples fifty days after his resurrection. This day coincides with the Jewish festival of the Harvest (Weeks), which occurs seven weeks—plus one day—after the Feast of the Unleavened Bread that commemorates the Passover meal (Exodus 23:1-6). Jewish pilgrims from many parts of the world had gathered in Jerusalem to celebrate the harvest feast and all could understand in their own language what the disciples were saying. That all could understand reveals the universal mission of the Christian community—to bring the Good News to all people. This event also reversed the curse of the Tower of Babel. In the ancient story, God confused the speech of the whole world because of the arrogance of humankind who had tried to build a tower reaching up to the sky, the realm of heaven. As a result, the people were scattered all over the earth (Genesis 11:1-9). With the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost, people from every nation and tongue were able to understand each other, enabling them to come together. Before his departure at the arrival of the 'hour'—his passion, death, and resurrection—Jesus assured his disciples that he would not leave them orphans as he would ask the Father to send them another Advocate, the Spirit of truth, to be with them. This indwelling Spirit would be like a flame that would kindle their love for one another, thus enabling them to keep the commandments of Jesus. The Spirit is also the source of peace, who would enable the disciples to experience peace and joy while remaining in the world.

Prayer for Peace and Justice in Ukraine

God of peace and justice, who change the hardened heart and break the power of violence, we entrust the people of Ukraine to you.

Protect them in this time of peril; let them know not

death but life, not slavery but freedom.

You are Father to all; we are brothers and sisters.

*Give us the strength to live that truth in love,
choosing peace not war.*

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Archdiocesan Code of Conduct

It has been 3 years since the Code of Conduct was introduced in the Archdiocese. And so they are now due for re-signing. We are required to have a current signed Code of Conduct acknowledgement form for all volunteers for the parish, regardless of whether they require a WWVP card or Working with Children Check. You can find the Code of Conduct and acknowledgement on the Archdiocesan website <https://cgatholic.org.au/professional-standards/child-protection-code-of-conduct/>.

Or there are copies of the acknowledgement forms in the Church. If you need help accessing a copy of the Code to read please contact the parish office.

Urgently Needed

We need parishioners to join in our ministries of Church Cleaning, Welcoming, Reading and Special Ministers of Communion. Father is very grateful for our current volunteers but, without new members, we will soon run out of people to provide these services. Father asks you to consider urgently whether you can volunteer to join one or more of these ministries that keep the parish going. Please use the form in the foyer of the church to nominate for the rosters along with your contact details. Or phone the office and leave your details there.

St Benedict's Social Group

All parishioners are invited to join them for Morning tea in the Parish Centre on Sunday 5th June after the 9.00 am Mass and coffee & a chat on Thursday 9th June at 10.30 am at Gryphon's in Griffith.

*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.*

5 June 2022
Pentecost Sunday

First reading Acts 2:1-11 *They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak in different languages*

When Pentecost day came round, they had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech.

Now there were devout men living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled, each one bewildered to hear these men speaking his own language. They were amazed and astonished. ‘Surely’ they said ‘all these men speaking are Galileans? How does it happen that each of us hears them in his own native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; people from Mesopotamia, Judaea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya round Cyrene; as well as visitors from Rome – Jews and proselytes alike – Cretans and Arabs; we hear them preaching in our own language about the marvels of God.’

Sequence Veni, sancte Spiritus.

Holy Spirit, Lord of Light,
From the clear celestial height
Thy pure beaming radiance give.

Come, thou Father of the poor,
Come with treasures which endure
Come, thou light of all that live!

Thou, of all consolers best,
Thou, the soul’s delightful guest,
Dost refreshing peace bestow

Thou in toil art comfort sweet
Pleasant coolness in the heat
Solace in the midst of woe.

Light immortal, light divine,
Visit thou these hearts of thine,
And our inmost being fill:

If thou take thy grace away,
Nothing pure in man will stay
All his good is turned to ill.

Heal our wounds, our strength renew
On our dryness pour thy dew
Wash the stains of guilt away:

Bend the stubborn heart and will
Melt the frozen, warm the chill
Guide the steps that go astray.

Thou, on us who evermore
Thee confess and thee adore,
With thy sevenfold gifts descend:

Give us comfort when we die
Give us life with thee on high
Give us joys that never end.

Second reading 1 Corinthians 12:3-7,12-13 *In the one Spirit we were all baptised making one body*

No one can say, ‘Jesus is Lord’ unless he is under the influence of the Holy Spirit. There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose. Just as a human body, though it is made up of many parts, is a single unit because all these parts, though many, make one body, so it is with Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised, Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well as citizens, and one Spirit was given to us all to drink.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful
and kindle in them the fire of your love.
Alleluia!

Gospel John 20:19-23 *As the Father sent me, so I send you: Receive the Holy Spirit*

In the evening of the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, ‘Peace be with you’, and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, ‘Peace be with you. As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.’

After saying this he breathed on them and said: ‘Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.’

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Tues – Fri 9am - 12 noon

WEEKEND MASS TIMES:

Saturday: 6pm (*Vigil*) Sunday:
9am; 6pm (*Charismatic Mass*)
Fourth Sunday of the Month: 6pm (*Youth Mass*)

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES:

Tuesday: 5.30pm; Wednesday: 12.30pm; Thursday: 5.30pm;
Friday: 5.30pm (*Healing Mass*); Saturday 8.00am

RECONCILIATION:

Friday following Healing Mass from. 6.15pm-7pm Saturday: 5pm-5.30pm or by appointment

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH:

Saturday: 7.30am

3rd Friday Padre Pio:5pm

BAPTISMS: during Weekend Masses or by appointment. See parish website for booking information..

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

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:

Monday & Tuesday: 6am-10pm
Wednesday & Thursday: 1pm-10pm; Friday 6am to Saturday 8am
Urgent hours that need to be filled:
Monday 5– 6pm; Wednesday 3-7pm; Friday 7-8pm
Hearing Loop is located in the right center 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.

LEGION OF MARY meetings are held every Sunday at 10.30am at St Benedict’s Outreach Centre. New members are welcome. Please contact Theresa Rees: 0402 271 531, for more details.



Recently Deceased: Claire Da Silva (Singapore)

Anniversaries: John Lenane; John Martin; John McPherson; Frances Palmer; William Smith; Keith Stewart-Taylor; John Swatman; Sidney Thorne; John Wilson; Winifred Woods; John McBride

Our Sick: Jindalee & Mt View residents, Julia Brown, Mitchell White, Germaphi, Leita Barron, Lorraine Davis, Mathew, Frank Smith, Lyn Walker, Louis Pini, Anthony, Helen French, Clem Dick, Flora Arias, Pat Atkins, Carol Rees, Mark Ransom, Pamela Brown, Anne Rosewarne.

Donate to Caritas at Tax Time

This tax time you can support vulnerable communities all over the world through Caritas Australia. Consider making a life-changing donation today at <https://www.caritas.org.au/make-an-impact-this-tax-time/>

ROSTER FOR THIS WEEKEND

4 & 5 June 2022

	Sat 6 pm	Sun 9am
Welcomers	Carmel & Peter Pistor	Alma Burg
Readers	Don Jeffery, Helen Bennett	Paula Keating; Julie Douglas
Offertory	BA Daly	Social Group
Eucharistic Ministers	Caroline Evans	Julie Douglas
Flowers, Altar Cleaning	Anne Hobday & Margie Arvellino & Loretta Thomas	
Church Cleaners	John Murray Rosemary Caldwell	
Mt View		
Jindalee		

ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND

11 & 12 June 2022

<u>1ST READING</u> Prov 8:22-31	<u>2ND READING</u> Rom 5:1-5	<u>GOSPEL</u> Jn 16:12-15
	Sat 6 pm	Sun 9am
Welcomers	Louise Gaudry	Barry Murphy
Readers	Robert Booth Marlene Keir	Grace De Silva Asterie ToNiyansenge
Offertory	Ian & Rita Smith	volunteer
Eucharistic Ministers	Brian Barron	Janice Kelly
Flowers, Altar Cleaning	Maria & John Michas	
Church Cleaners	Ian Smith & Amir	
Mt View		
Jindalee		

St Thomas More Forum feast

The 2022 annual St Thomas More Forum feast day dinner is on *Friday 24 June* at the Mercure Hotel, Ainslie. This year Paul Kelly, editor-at-large for the Australian will speak on *‘Politics and Religion: The Growing Clash’*. For \$90.00 you get a two course dinner, with pre-dinner canapés and wine on the table. Bookings are essential and close on 10 June. To book through Eventbrite, please go to <https://bit.ly/36OhlIQ>. If you would prefer not to pay online, please contact the **Campbell** parish office campbell@cg.org.au to make other arrangements.

How to live in the power of the Holy Spirit: Daily Devotional

Commencing *Monday 6 June* after Pentecost Sunday, join people across the country and around the world for a short, practical, and inspiring Daily Devotional video that you will receive in your inbox every morning to help you live in the power of the Holy Spirit. Presented by Bruce Downes, known as The Catholic Guy, you will be inspired, refreshed, and renewed through these powerful and prayer daily reflections.

The Daily Devotionals are FREE, and you can sign up here: [BruceDownes.org/HolySpiritDaily](https://www.bruce-downes.org/HolySpiritDaily) or go to our website [BruceDownes.org](https://www.bruce-downes.org)