### **World Meeting of Families**

All Parishes, Prayer Groups, Movements & Families are encouraged to conduct their own reflections on this year's theme of "Family love: A vocation and a path to holiness' using the Australian videos and downloadable resources at www.family.catholic.org.au

Universal Celebrations of the World Meeting of Families 2022 will take place in Rome from 22-26 June and can be followed at www.romefamily2022.com

## Family Festival, Manuka | 26 June

All parishioners, young and old, are warmly invited to a Family Festival on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> June at St Christopher's Cathedral & Pastoral Center to celebrate the World Meeting of Families 2022.

Mass with the Archbishop at 11 am, Free Lunch & Family Expo at 12pm and workshops for young and old at 1pm. Optional donation at the door. Register online at https://bit.ly/WMF26June

## Sr Joan Chittister in Conversation with John Warhurst 23 June

Join online with Sr Joan Chittister OSB and John Warhurst (Concerned Catholics) on 23rd June at 7.30pm as they explore issues crucial to Church renewal ahead of the second assembly of the Plenary Council in a few weeks. This is an opportunity to experience Sr Joan's prophetic vision for our Church.

Register with garrattpublishing.com.au

### Vocations Holy Hour and Dinner for Young men | 7 July

The next Vocations Dinner at Archbishop's House will be from 6:30pm on the 7th of July (First Thursday of the Month). 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

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.

### Save the date | 17 September

Caring for Creation Conference on 17 September at John Paul II College in Gungahlin. Holy Spirit Parish, Gungahlin is holding a conference on how to achieve the goals of Laudato Si' - On Care for Our Common Home. The Pope has called all our Parishes, schools, families and individuals to help save the planet and one another from greed, consumerism and climatic change. Our Bishops have called us to respond to: The Cry of the Earth - The Cry of the Poor. Everything is

connected. Saturday, 17 September is the day to work together to change ourselves, each other and the planet. Contact: alisonmweeks@bigpond.com

## Kakadu/Darwin Pilgrimage with Fr Dan Benedetti MGL | August 20-28

Fr Dan will be leading a Top End Encounter Pilgrimage on August 20-28. This amazing opportunity promises to bring together the spectacular Top End of Australia (Darwin, Kakadu, Tiwi Islands and Katherine Gorge) with the faith and spirituality of our Aboriginal brothers and sisters. Harvest Journeys continues its mission to immerse people in the grace of pilgrimage. Time is running out. So for more information please go to: https://www.harvestjourneys.com/tour/topend/

## Songs, Scones and Silent Auction

Sunday 19 June

2.30-4.00

## St Benedict's School Hall

Thank you to everyone who has been so supportive of this event. We have sold more than 100 tickets and are very much looking forward to a most enjoyable afternoon on Sunday.

If you are still wishing to purchase tickets, they are still available at: https://www.trybooking.com/ BZUUF or can be purchased at the Hall door on Sunday.

### Aid to the Church in Need Australia

ACN is the Pontifical Foundation dedicated to supporting the suffering and persecuted Church. Our brothers and sisters in Lebanon are suffering due to ongoing financial and political instability.



As the body of Christ we are called to support one another. Will you join us as we help them by providing food parcels to 500 needy families in the diocese of Baalbek, Lebanon? To read about the project, or to make an offering www.aidtochurch.org/monthlyproject. You can also scan the QR code to learn more.

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 and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of Reconciliation.

# St Benedict's Catholic Church

In the care of the Missionaries of God's Love

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Lisa Thomas (Parish Secretary)

Cathy Schneider (Finance Officer Wednesday 8am-12pm)

Adrian Wellspring (Spiritual Direction & Personal Vocation)

# The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ 18 June & 19 June 2022

## **God's Word reflection**

BODY AND BLOOD OF CHIRST

There are very few recorded instances in history of one person being both a king and a priest. Today's first reading tells of one such person, the mysterious Melchizedek, king of Salem, who fulfilled a priestly role by blessing Abraham. David and Solomon, two kings of Israel, also performed some priestly functions.

Another person who is both priest and king is Jesus Christ. As king, Christ is the lawgiver and protector. His law is contained in the Sermon on the Mount (see Matthew, chapters 5-7) and summed up in his command, 'love one another as I have loved you (John 13:34). As priest, Christ offers his life on the crow, reconciling all of creation to God.

Through baptism we participate in Christ's priestly and kingly roles. We share in the kingship of Christ by serving one another, protection the most vulnerable among us and giving our wise counsel. We share in Christ's priestly role when we take part in worship, interceding on behalf of humanity and mediating the life and blessings of God to our world. We are both priest and kings when we fulfil the instruction of Jesus in today's Gospel: 'give them something to eat yourselves'.

## **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://cgcatholic.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.

### **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).

## 19 June 2022 The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

## First reading Genesis 14:18-20

Melchizedek brought bread and wine

Melchizedek king of Salem brought bread and wine; he was a priest of God Most High. He pronounced this blessing: 'Blessed be Abraham by God Most High , creator of heaven and earth and Blessed be God Most High for handing over your enemies to you'.

And Abraham gave him a tithe of everything

The word of the Lord.

## Responsorial Psalm 109: 1-4

The Lord's revelation to my Master 'Sit on my right: I will put your foes beneath your feet

The Lord will send from Zion Your sceptre of power: Rule in the midst of all your foes A prince from the day of your birth on the holy mountains; From the womb before the day break I begot you

The Lord has sworn an oath he will not change 'You are a priest for ever, A priest like Melchizedek of old.

## Second reading 1 Cor 11:23-26

This is what I received from the Lord, and in turn passed on to you:

That on the same night that he was betrayed, the Lord Jesus took some bread, and thanked God for it and broke it, and he said, 'This my Body, which is for you; do this as a memorial of me'.

In the same way he too the cup after supper and said, 'This cup is the new covenant in my Blood. Whenever you drink it, do this as a memorial of me.'

Until the Lord comes, therefore, every time you eat this bread and drink this cup, you are proclaiming his death.

Gospel Acclamation Jn 6:51-52

Alleluia, alleluia!
I am the living bread from heaven, says Lord;
whoever eats this bread will live for ever.
Alleluia!

### **Gospel Luke 9 : 11-17**

Jesus made the crowds welcome and talked to them about the kingdom of God; and he cured those who were in need of healing.

It was late afternoon when Twelve came to him and said.' Send the people away, and they can go to the villages and farms round about to find lodging and food; for we are in a lonely place here.'

He replied,' Give them something to eat ourselves.' but they said,' We have no more than five loaves and two fish, unless we are to go ourselves and buy food for all these people.' For there were about five thousand men. But he said to his disciples,' Get them to sit down in parties of about fifty'.

They did so and made them all sit down. Then he took the five loaves and the two fish, raised his eyes to heaven and said the blessing over them; then he broke them and handed them to his disciples to distribute among the crowd. They all ate as much as they wanted and when the scraps remaining were collected they filled twelve baskets.

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### 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: Mary Jenkins; Vera Marko; Ernest McLean; James Murray; Alma Rowan; Elizabeth Satrapa; James Turner; Maria Uric; Dr William Hudson; Beryl Johnson; Lawrence Kennedy; Harold McGuinness; Amelia Oldfeild; Patricia O'Leary; Kevin Joseph Power; James Scott; Margaret Shaw; Jeremy Skinner; Francesco Staltari

**Our Sick:** Jindalee & Mt View residents, Julia Brown, Mitchell White, Germaphi, Leita Barron, Lorraine Davis, Mathew, Frank

ROSTER FOR THIS WEEKEND			
18 & 19 June 2022			
	Sat 6 pm	Sun 9am	
Welcomers	Carmel & Peter Pistoor	Alma Burg	
Readers	B A Daly; Louise Gaudry	Barry Murphy Christopher Ruzario	
Offertory	Bennett Family	Grace De Zilva	
Eucharistic Ministers	Nhung Booth	Barry Murphy	
Flowers, Altar Cleaning	Margie Arvellino, Claudine Smith & Louise Gaudry		
Church Cleaners	Shruti Ruzario Nhung Booth		
Mt View			
Jindalee			

ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND 25 & 26 June 2022			
1ST READING 1 King 19:16, 19-	2ND READING Gal 5:1, 13-18	<u>GOSPEL</u> Lk 9: 51-62	
	Sat 6 pm	Sun 9am	
Welcomers	Louise Gaudry	Barry Murphy	
Readers	Moira Najdecki	Shiro Kinyanjui Grace De Zilva	
Offertory	Brian & Leita Barron	volunteer	
Eucharistic Ministers	Jesús Salazar	Julie Douglas	
Flowers, Altar Cleaning	Anne Sutherland, Ann Hill & Sue Neimanis		
Church Cleaners	Ian Smith & Amir		
Mt View			
Jindalee			

## **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 <a href="https://www.caritas.org.au/make-an-impact-this-tax-time/">https://www.caritas.org.au/make-an-impact-this-tax-time/</a>