

(Marian Procession schedule, cont.)

11.00 am – 12Midday: MASS St Christopher’s Cathedral, Manuka (live-streamed)

12Midday – 12.30 pm: ROSARY St Christopher’s Cathedral with Mysteries animated by Youth Ministers

12.30 pm onwards lunch at the Haydon Hall with a provided sausage sizzle and children activities.

<https://bit.ly/MarianProcession2022>

Opportunities for Safeguarding Formation

Australian Catholic Safeguarding Ltd (ACSL) offers free online sessions on how church ministries can better safeguard children and vulnerable adults. Go to www.acsltd.org.au for more information.

Archbishop's Day of Teaching - Saturday 12

November 2022

At St Peter Chanel’s Church, Weston St, Yarralumla, ACT from 8:30am - 4:00pm. Everyone is welcome and it's free! Talks, Testimonies, Worship, Healing prayer ministry! Holy Mass at midday. Free Sausage Sizzle lunch! To register: <https://www.trybooking.com/CDFEF>. Or call/text Maida 0423 658 326

20-22 October 2022- Year of Walking Together Evangelise Online Conference

Catholics around Australia are invited to a unique, national event that will inspire, transform and revitalise faith communities! With presentations and workshops hosted by some of Australia’s most renowned Catholic speakers, ‘Evangelise’ will cover a range of mission and ministry topics, from cultural engagement to liturgy and Sacraments. Participants will have the opportunity to gather in parish hubs or on their own individual device. Find out more, including the event program and keynote speakers at <http://www.evangelisation.catholic.org.au/>

Men’s Cursillo Retreat Weekend

A Cursillo retreat weekend offers you the opportunity for formation through talks, meditations, discussion and prayer, led by an experienced local volunteer team. A three-day retreat starts on the evening of Thursday 24 November in a relaxed retreat setting. Contact Alfred (0412 268 044, readyssetgo@live.com.au). <https://bit.ly/cursillo22>



Alpha course on Thursday evenings

An Alpha program started on Thursday 8th September. Sessions are held every Thursday from 6pm-9pm in the Collins Wing at St Benedict’s. Alpha is an opportunity to explore life and the Christian faith in a friendly environment over a meal. You are welcome to join at any time. For more information contact the parish office.

Sound system upgrade

The parish is looking to update the sound system in the church, with a projected cost of \$25,000. Contributions to the project will be gratefully received. You can deposit your donation directly into the parish bank account and the details below:

Account name: St Benedict’s Parish
BSB: 062 786
Account number: 000014992

Please use the words ‘Sound system’ in the Reference so we can allocate your donation appropriately.

28 October Women’s Taskforce Annual Dinner

The Archdiocese Catholic Women’s Taskforce annual fundraising dinner October 28th 6.30 pm, Woden Southern Cross Club. Guest speaker is Dr Ursula Stephens, Former Senator and CEO Australian Catholic Safeguarding Limited. Funds raised go to MacKillop House, a place of safety for women and children in need. Earlybird tickets \$65. Book via <https://womenstaskforceacg.org> or call 0487388873.

Young Men of God

Meet fortnightly on Thursdays in the Parish Centre. 6pm-9pm. Next on Thursday 20 October. Contact Fr Chris Eaton for more information.

One-Day Retreat: Saturday 22 October

The temple of the Lord is to be kept pure and holy at all times. You are that temple, you must honour your body, demonstrating uprightness and self-control in day to day life. Living a life of purity helps us to strive for a blameless reputation before God and man. Purity allows the Lord’s presence dwell in us.

Date: Saturday, 22 October 2022 (9.30am-4.30pm)

Venue: St Benedict’s Catholic Church, 10 Tallara Pkwy, Narrabundah, ACT 2604, Australia

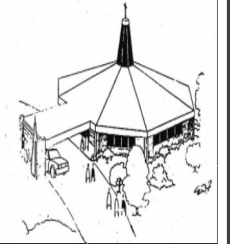
Admission is FREE, BYO lunch. Boxed lunch available at nominal cost, RSVP by 18th October, 2022 to p1.rebello@gmail.com

For enquiries please contact: Parveen: 0439642571; Winnie: 0451015527; Prakash 0406381446; Shan: 0412310364; Tom: 0434689957

Diocesan Pastoral Council (DPC) – All feedback welcomed

In April this year Archbishop Prowse established a

St Benedict’s Catholic Church



In the care of the Missionaries of God’s Love

Parish Team:

Parish Office Hours: 9am—1pm, Tues, Thurs, Fri
Corner of Sturt Ave & Jerrabomberra Ave (PO Box 55)
Narrabundah ACT 2604
Tel: +61 (02) 6295 7879/ Parish Office
Emergency Number: (02) 6239 6772
Website: [cg.org.au/narrabundah /home.aspx](http://cg.org.au/narrabundah/home.aspx)
Email: Narrabundah@cg.org.au

Fr Rembert Fernando, MGL (Parish Priest)
Fr Baiju Thomas, MGL (Mission Centre Director)
Fr Chris Eaton, MGL (Mission Centre Co-Director,
Belle Joseph (Secretary, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9am—1pm)
Cathy Schneider (Finance Officer Wednesday 8am—12pm)
Adrian Wellspring (Spiritual Direction & Personal Vocation)

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time 22 & 23 October 2022

God’s Word reflection

Today’s first reading is a perfect companion piece to the Gospel parable. In one striking image, the writer says that ‘the prayer of the humble person pierces the clouds’. Such a prayer is heard because it comes from the heart. Both the Pharisee and the tax collector believed in the same God, belonged to the same religion and worshipped in the same temple, yet only one went home at peace with God. Why? The tax collector was conscious that he needed God to move forward; the Pharisee, however, seemed so self-sufficient as to merely desire God’s approval. Such a belief in God saves nobody. What really matters is how our faith in God affects our view of ourselves and of others. We behave like the God we believe in. The Pharisee believed in a discriminating God who loves good people and hates the bad. The tax collector trusted not in himself or in anything he had done but only in God’s mercy. In our daily prayer, do we try to impress God with our achievements, or do we humbly acknowledge God’s blessings? Lord, be merciful to me, a sinner!

Professional Standards Training for Volunteers: Wednesday 9th November, 7pm-9pm

Maria Hicks, the manager of the Archdiocesan Institute for Professional Standards and Safeguarding (IPSS) will be joining with Kim Linsell from Marymead CatholicCare to talk to St Benedict’s volunteers about working with children and vulnerable adults.

All St Benedict’s volunteers are encouraged to attend to learn more about this important aspect of ministry. Tea and coffee and a light supper will be provided.

Event: Professional Training Standards for Volunteers

When: 7pm-9pm, Wednesday 9th November

Where: Collins Wing, St Benedict’s Parish

Child Protection Code of Conduct: all parish volunteers please sign

The Archdiocese has a Child Protection Code of Conduct and requires that all Church volunteers sign a form acknowledging they have read and agree to abide by the Code of Conduct. Even if volunteers do not work directly with children, it is still requested that they sign the form. Every three years the form must be re-signed.

You can read the Child Protection Code of Conduct online at <https://cgcatholic.org.au/professional-standards/child-protection-code-of-conduct>. Copies of the Acknowledgment form can be found in the church foyer.

If all volunteers could kindly sign a copy, and leave it in the box provided or bring it (or send a scanned copy) to the parish office during the week, that would be greatly appreciated. Some hard copies of the Code of Conduct are also available in the foyer, for those who cannot access it online.

Thank you so much to all the volunteers who have signed the form already.

Sunday 23 OCTOBER 2022 - Year of Walking Together Marian Procession—RELOCATION

Due to the predicted rain over the next few days, the Archbishop has decided to relocate the Marian Procession to St Christopher’s Cathedral. The Marian Procession participants will join the Mass and Rosary at the Cathedral at 11am. Directly after Mass and the Rosary, we invite all to join us for lunch in the Haydon Hall, where there will be a sausage sizzle and children’s activities. (See back page for schedule)

*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.*

Ecclesiasticus 35: 12-14, 16-19

The Lord is a judge
 who is no respecter of personages.
 He shows no respect of personages to the detriment of a poor man,
 he listens to the plea of the injured party.
 He does not ignore the orphan's supplication,
 nor the widow's as she pours out her story.
 The man who with his whole heart serves God will be accepted,
 his petitions will carry to the clouds.
 The humble man's prayer pierces the clouds,
 until it arrives he is inconsolable,
 And the Lord will not be slow,
 nor will he be dilatory on their behalf.

Responsorial Psalm 33

I will bless the Lord at all times,
 his praise always on my lips;
 in the Lord my soul shall make its boast.
 The humble shall hear and be glad.

The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

The Lord is close to the broken-hearted;
 those whose spirit is crushed he will save.
 The Lord ransoms the souls of his servants.
 Those who hide in him shall not be condemned.

The Lord turns his face against the wicked
 to destroy their remembrance from the earth.
 The just call and the Lord hears
 and rescues them in all their distress.

Second reading 2 Timothy 4: 6-8, 16-18

My life is already being poured away as a libation, and the time has come for me to be gone. I have fought the good fight to the end; I have run the race to the finish; I have kept the faith; all there is to come now is the crown of righteousness reserved for me, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that Day; and not only to me but to all those who have longed for his Appearing.
 The first time I had to present my defence, there was not a single witness to support me. Every one of them deserted me – may they not be held accountable for it. But the Lord stood by me and gave me power, so that through me the whole message might be proclaimed for all the pagans to hear; and so I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from all evil attempts on me, and bring me safely to his heavenly kingdom. To him be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Gospel Acclamation 2 Corinthians 5:19

Alleluia, alleluia!
 God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself;
 and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us.
 Alleluia!

Gospel Luke 18: 9-14

Jesus spoke the following parable to some people who prided themselves on being virtuous and despised everyone else: 'Two men went up to the Temple to pray, one a Pharisee, the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood there and said this prayer to himself, "I thank you, God, that I am not grasping, unjust, adulterous like the rest of mankind, and particularly that I am not like this tax collector here. I fast twice a week; I pay tithes on all I get." The tax collector stood some distance away, not daring even to raise his eyes to heaven; but he beat his breast and said, "God, be merciful to me, a sinner." This man, I tell you, went home again at rights with God; the other did not. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the man who humbles himself will be exalted.'

ROSTER FOR THIS WEEKEND 22 & 23 October 2022			
	Sat 6 pm Vigil	Sun 9am	Sun 6pm Charismatic
Welcomers	Carmel & Peter Pistor	Barry Murphy	
Readers	Don Jeffery, Helen Bennett	Grace de Zilva, Asterie ToNiyansenge	MGL Brothers
Offertory	Bennett Family	Madison Acton	
Eucharistic Ministers	Nhung Booth	Julie Douglas	
Flowers, Altar Clean	Louise Gaudry, Margie Avellino & Claudine Smith		
Church Cleaners	Retreat team		
Mt View		Jindalee	

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:
Tuesday, Thursday & Friday, 9am - 1pm
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 3-4pm Tuesday 3-4pm
 Friday 12-1pm
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.
EMPOWER HOUR gathers after Tuesday evening 5.30pm Mass for an hour of preaching, adoration, worship and healing. 6.30pm-8.30pm 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.

ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND 29 & 30 October 2022			
1 ST READING Wisdom 11:22-12:2	2 ND READING 2 Thessalonians 1:11-12:2	GOSPEL Luke 19: 1-10	
	Sat 6 pm	Sun 9am	Sun 6pm
Welcomers	Louise Gaudry	Alma Burg	
Readers	Moira Najdecki, Robert Booth	Loreena D'Silva, Shiro Kinyanjui	Carmel Henry, Jeanne Eri
Offertory	BA Daly, Noreen Dick	Maria Mendoza	
Eucharistic Ministers	Brian Barron	Josephus Bumaat	
Flowers, Altar Clean	Maria & John Michas		
Church Cleaners	Don & Jennifer Nguyen		
Mt View		Jindalee	

working party to consider the (re-)establishment of a Diocesan Pastoral Council. The DPC Working Party has considered; 1. Past attempts at a DPC - our legacy, 2. The present context and needs and 3. Options for a workable DPC.
 Download the Executive Summary and Report at bit.ly/3Cc4soF or contact your parish office for a copy. Questions have been developed to aid reflection. Answer questions online here or email workingparty@cg.org.au.

Marriage Preparation Program, 9th November
 This Catholic Care/Archdiocesan Marriage Preparation program for engaged couples includes FOCCUS questionnaire, dinner, evening formation program and a private, follow-up couple discussion with a CatholicCare counsellor. The session is held in the St Christopher's Pastoral Centre, Manuka from 5-9 pm at a cost of \$300 per couple for the whole program.
 Information and registration at www.marriagefamily.org.au

Anniversaries: Victor Belcher, Kathleen Bentley, Ursula Edmonds, Elaine French, Vincent Gomez, Mario Krajina, Una Murphy, Joan Parker, Anthony Sciberras, Tom Siddle, Stephanie Stoddard, Gladys Williams, Fr. Andrew J. Walsh, Fr. Alphonsus Deegan.



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; Monica Boyton, Mary Smith, Ben Melbourne, Colin Paley, Janice Paley, Pat Connors, Gert Fletcher.