

Adoration information

Dear Adorers the Adoration will finish for the year on Saturday 16 December. Thankyou to all Adorers who give their time to this ministry.

Have a great week and God bless.

For more information email canberraadorers@gmail.com or phone Anne Sutherland on 0413 203 901

| ROSTER FOR THIS WEEKEND 2nd & 3rd December 2023 | | |
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| | Sat 5 pm | Sun 9am |
| Welcomers | Louise Gaudry | Robert Henry |
| Readers | Robert Booth, Moira Najdecki | Christopher Ruzario, Grace De Zilva |
| Offertory | Helen Bennett, volunteer | Social group |
| Eucharistic Ministers | Brian Barron | Josephus Bumaat |
| Flowers, Altar Clean | Loretta Thomas & Anne Hobday | |
| Church Cleaners | Jeanne Eri, Nhung Booth | |
| Visitation | Carmel Henry, (Mt View) Jindalee (N/A) | |
| Sun 6pm Mass Readers | | |

Empower Night

Tuesday 28 November is our last Empower night for the year. All welcoming 6.40pm- 8.30pm We thank all of you for your support over this year. We wish to invite you to a dinner at Caph's on the 5th of Dec after 5.30pm mass and rosary to celebrate.

Ring Monica 0410156564

The Sydney Centre for Evangelisation is inviting members of the CG Archdiocese to their upcoming [Summer Series](#) featuring internationally renowned speakers - Matt Fradd, Jason Evert and Dr Christopher West - in support of their Archdiocesan mission plan to 'Go Make Disciples'.

The CG Archdiocese MFR team and Youth & Young Adults team consider these very valuable opportunities which will bless and enrich you & your staff & parishioners. As none of the events clash with events organised by our Archdiocese we would encourage you to promote them.

There will be six (6) engaging and formative events between December 2023 and January 2024 catering to women, men, high schoolers, young adults & parents, as well as to formators & educators.

The Summer Series [Website](#) will have more information, allow you to register for the events and download the digital files of promotional materials mentioned above. See <https://www.sydneycatholic.org/events/summer-series/>. contact lara.kirk@cg.org.au lifemarriagefamily@sydneycatholic.org

| ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND 9th & 10th December 2023 | | |
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| 1ST READING | 2ND READING | GOSPEL |
| | Sat 5 pm | Sun 9am |
| Welcomers | Marlene Keir | Alma Burg |
| Readers | BA Daly, Louise Gaudry | Loreena D'Silva, Maria Mendoza |
| Offertory | Volunteers | Young family |
| Eucharistic Ministers | Sue Neimanis | Julie Douglas |
| Flowers, Altar Clean | Claudine Smith & Louise Gaudry | |
| Church Cleaners | Brad Hogno | |
| Visitation | MGL (Garran) | |
| Sun 6pm Mass Readers | | |

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 and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of Reconciliation.

St Benedict's Catholic Church



In the care of the Missionaries of God's Love

Parish Team:

Parish Office Hours: Thurs 9am-1pm, Fri 9am-4:30pm Fr Rembert Fernando, MGL (Parish Priest)

Corner of Sturt Ave & Jerrabomberra Ave (PO Box 55) Fr Baiju Thomas, MGL (Mission Centre Director)

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1st Sunday of Advent 2nd & 3rd of December 2023

VINNIES GIVING TREE

Each year The St Benedicts Vinnies Conference delivers 60 food and toy hampers to needy families in Narrabundah. We rely on donations to fill the hampers. We seek your support in donating non perishable hamper food. please take a tag from the tree to donate an age/ sex appropriate toy. There is no need to wrap gifts and all donations can be left under the tree. Thanks in anticipation of your generosity

CHRISTMAS FUNDRAISER

Christmas celebration lunch for St Benedict's Church, Sunday December 3rd 2023. All are invited to come and enjoy live singing, with well known Christmas songs and carols, from our St Benedict's music ministry. Food, fun and prizes to be won!

When: Sunday 3rd December 2023, 11am to 3pm

Where: St Benedict's School Hall (opposite church)

Cost: \$15 a ticket (family passes available) Tickets can be purchased online on try-booking.com

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

St Benedict's Social Group invites all

Parishioners, to join them for morning tea in the Parish Centre this Sunday after the 9am mass.



First reading

Isaiah 63:16-17,64:1,3-8

You, Lord, yourself are our Father, 'Our Redeemer' is your ancient name.

Why, Lord, leave us to stray from your ways and harden our hearts against fearing you? Return, for the sake of your servants, the tribes of your inheritance.

Oh, that you would tear the heavens open and come down!— at your Presence the mountains would melt. No ear has heard, no eye has seen any god but you act like this

for those who trust him. You guide those who act with integrity and keep your ways in mind. You were angry when we were sinners; we had long been rebels against you.

We were all like men unclean, all that integrity of ours like filthy clothing. We have all withered like leaves and our sins blew us away like the wind. No one invoked your name or roused himself to catch hold of you. For you hid your face from us and gave us up to the power of our sins. And yet, Lord, you are our Father; we the clay, you the potter, we are all the work of your hand.

Responsorial Psalm 79(80):2-3,15-16,18-19 R.

Lord make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved.

1. O shepherd of Israel, hear us, shine forth from your cherubim throne. O Lord, rouse up your might, O Lord, come to our help. **R**

2. God of hosts, turn again, we implore, look down from heaven and see. Visit this vine and protect it, the vine your right hand has planted. **R**

3. May your hand be on the man you have chosen, the man you have given your strength. And we shall never forsake you again; give us life that we may call upon your name. **R**

Second reading

1 Corinthians 1:3-9

May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ send you grace and peace. I never stop thanking God for all the graces you have received through Jesus Christ. I thank him that you have been enriched in so many ways, especially in your teachers and preachers; the witness to Christ has indeed been strong among you so that you will not be without any of the gifts of the Spirit while you are waiting for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed; and he will keep you steady and without blame until the last day, the day of our Lord Jesus Christ, because God by calling you has joined you to his Son, Jesus Christ; and God is faithful.

Gospel Acclamation Ps 84:8

Alleluia, alleluia! Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation. Alleluia

Gospel

Mark 13:33-37

If he comes unexpectedly, he must not find you asleep

Jesus said to his disciples: 'Be on your guard, stay awake, because you never know when the time will come. It is like a man travelling abroad: he has gone from home, and left his servants in charge, each with his own task; and he has told the doorkeeper to stay awake. So stay awake, because you do not know when the master of the house is coming, evening, midnight, cockcrow, dawn; if he comes unexpectedly, he must not find you asleep. And what I say to you I say to all: Stay awake!'

Canberra Carols

Canberra Carols by Candlelight 2023
December 9 @ 7:00 PM - 9:30 PM
Free

Come and join us at the annual The Canberra Times Carols by Candlelight. An evening of family, fun and celebration, brought to the national capital by the Woden Valley Youth Choir and The Canberra Times.

Food stalls available or bring a picnic. Plenty of space for everyone. And it's free!

Midday Webinar re ACT's Radical Euthanasia Proposal

November 29 @ 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

Alex Schadenberg has been a tireless campaigner on behalf of the Euthanasia Prevention Coalition in Ontario, Canada, for 25 years. He has successfully engaged in numerous lawsuits on behalf of vulnerable individuals. Amongst many other works, he published *Exposing Vulnerable People to Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide*, re-printed by Connor Court Publishing in Australia.

With the ACT government pushing a radical euthanasia bill, Alex provides a timely and much needed warning and encouragement to Australians: "You don't want this!"

DATE: Wednesday 29 November, 2023

TIME (State specific): (12 midday EADT)

Registration: www.familyvoice.org.au/events

Donating to the parish

To deposit directly into the Parish account, please use the following details:

BSB: 062 786

Account number: 000014992

Please include your Planned Giving (envelope) number in the reference if you have one, otherwise your surname and 'Donation'.

Please pray for the sick and deceased of the parish

Anniversaries: Agnes Calvert, Clare Connell, Pat Connors, Doris Flaherty, Maud Inch, Monica Knight, Mario Krajina, Leonard Legge-Wilkinson, Kenneth Lentell, Lorna Ludwig, Antonia Martin, Fred Martin, Ronald Molyneux, Marie Morgan, Joan Parker, Alice Smith, Stephanie Stoddard, Monica Thomas, Fr Richard Daly, Fr Bill Keating, Fr Francis Hartigan, Fr Thomas Hilly, Fr Joseph Keating.

Our Sick: Jindalee & Mt View residents, Rose Mason, Clem Dick, Julia Brown, Mitchell White, Germaphi, Pat Atkins, Lorraine Davis, Mathew, Lyn Walker, Louis Pini, Anthony, Helen French, Flora Arias, Mark Ransom, Ben Melbourne, Pamela Brown, Anne Rosewarne; Carol Rees, Monica Boyton, Mary Smith, Colin Paley, Janice Paley, Caroline Evans, Gert Fletcher, Anna Pace, Barbara Parsons, Edwina Gundelach, Daniel Collins, Rita Smith, Ronnie van Belkom.

Parish Office Hours

New hours TBC

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

Vacant hours that urgently need filling:

Monday 12noon-1pm, 5pm-6pm;

Tuesday 3pm-4pm; Friday 11am-12noon

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.