PARISH NEWS

Request for volunteers to clean the Church

Recently a few of our wonderful volunteers who clean the Church have had to step back. If any parishioners have the time to volunteer to clean the Church for two hours on a Saturday morning (approximately once every six weeks), please contact the Parish office to be placed on the cleaning roster.

National Count of Attendance.

This happens every 4 years and is scheduled to take place over the first four weekends in May starting next weekend.

St Clare's 1979 Year 10/1981 Year 12 Class Reunion

A celebration of friendships since graduation is being planned for late 2021. If you are one of the 1979/1981 classes please contact us via classof1981reunion21@gmail.com or pass this message on.

GET VACCINATED FOR THE COMMON GOOD:

Vaccination against COVID-19 is a morally good thing, providing protection for the person vaccinated and the wider community. Some COVID-19 vaccines are associated with ethically questionable production and research practices, but Pope Francis and the Australian Bishops have advised that it is morally permissible to receive any vaccine made available. More information is available at https://www.catholic.org.au/coronavirus

Pro-Life Workshop

A Pro-Life Workshop will be held on 1 May (2.00pm-4.00pm) at Haydon Hall St Christopher's Pastoral Centre. Join us for a workshop with Rebecca Gosper of LifeChoice Australia and learn how to use social media to raise awareness of pregnancy support options and give hope to pregnant women in crisis. To attend please register via Social Media Workshop Registration https://us10.list-manage.com/survey? u=a5305e7c8cc648e13092d20f5&id=7054c9b639

Invest in Your Marriage! Starting Tuesday 11 May

Parish couples of every age and stage are warmly invited to join a 7 week course designed to strengthen your most important relationship. *The Marriage Course*, run via zoom by the Archdiocese from 7:15-9:30pm Tuesdays, starts 11 May. Watch presentations with other couples but discuss content privately with your spouse. The cost is \$70 including two workbooks. Register for a free 30min info

session 7.30pm, Tuesday 27 April at bit.ly/TMCinfonight Register and pay for course at https://bit.ly/TMCRegister General info at https://themarriagecourse.org/



Recently Deceased: Norma Boyd; Leah, Lynda McNally; Gwyneth Ellen Gleeson

Anniversaries: Margaret Bradbury; Kathleen Conrick; William Dennis; Claude Farretto; Cyril Gudeon; Eric

Herbert; Mary McPadden; Galina Nanninga; Catherine Pearce; Rita Smithhammer;

Other occasions:

Our Sick: Germaphi, Janice Kelly, Leita Barron, Lorraine Davis, Frank Smith, Lyn Walker, Louis Pini, Noeleen Carrick, Anthony, Helen French, Clem Dick, Dorothy Lamb, Flora Arias, Pat Atkins, Carol Rees, Simon Keay, Mathew, Jindalee & Mt View residents, Fr Laurie Blake; Corrine Gillard.

ROSTER FOR THIS WEEKEND 24 & 25 April 2021 Sat 6 pm Sun 9am Carmel & Peter Welcomers Barry Murphy Pistoor Moira Nadjecki C Ruzario Readers H Bramanathan Shiro Kinyanjui Presentation Jeffery family Not required of the Gifts Eucharistic Nhung Booth Janice Kelly Ministers Anne Hobday, Loretta Thomas & Flowers. Margie Avellino **Altar Cleaning Church Cleaners** Don & Jennifer Nguyen Mt View Carmel Henry Jindalee Anne Sutherland

READINGS & ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND 1 & 2 May 2021

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1ST READING Acts 9:26-31	2ND READING 1 John 3:18-24	GOSPEL John 15:1-8			
	Sat 6 pm	Sun 9am			
Welcomers	Louise Gaudry	Shiro Kinyanjui			
Readers	Robert Booth Marlene Keir	Julie Douglas			
Presentation of the Gifts	Brian Barron	Not required			
Eucharistic Ministers	Jesús Salazar	Julie Douglas			
Flowers, Altar Cleaning	Sue Neimanis & Tessa Oh				
Church Cleaners	Shruti Ruzario & Nhung Booth				
Mt View	Julie Douglas				
Jindalee	Maria Michas				

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

St Benedict's Catholic Church

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Fr Rembert Fernando MGL (Administrator)
Fr Baiju Thomas MGL (Mission Centre Director)
Monica Nulley-Valdes (Parish Secretary)

Cathy Schneider (Finance Officer Wednesday 8.00am—12midday)
Adrian Wellspring (Spiritual Direction & Personal Vocation)

Fourth Sunday of Easter Year B 24 & 25 April 2021

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Tues - Fri 9am - 12pm

WEEKEND MASS TIMES:		WEEKDAY MASS TIMES:		
Saturday	6pm (Vigil)	Tuesday	5.30pm	
Sunday (Streamed	9am via Facebook)	Wednesday	12.30pm	
		Thursday	5.30pm	
Sunday 6pm (Charismatic Mass)		Friday 5.30pm (Healing Mass)		
Sunday 6pm (Fourth Sun o	Youth Mass f the Month)	Saturday	8.00am	

RECONCILIATION:

Friday following Healing Mass from. 6:15-7pm Saturday 5pm – 5.30pm or by appointment

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH:

Every 3rd Friday Padre Pio 5pm Every Saturday 7.30am

ROSARY:

After the weekday Masses & Saturdays after 8.00am Mass Thursdays - 7.00pm (during May & October)

BAPTISMS: during Weekend Masses or by appointment

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

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Monday 6am – 9pm	Tuesday	6am – 9pm			
<i>Wednesday</i> 6am – 9pm	Thursday	6am - 10pm			
<i>Friday</i> 6am – midnight	Saturday	12am - 8am			
**hours may vary should the use of the Church be required					

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.

ST BENEDICT'S WORSHIP GROUP gathers after Thursday evening 5.30pm Mass for an hour of adoration, worship and intercession. All welcome.

Social Group

St Benedict's Social Group invites all parishioners to their monthly Morning Tea in the Parish Centre after 9.00 Mass <u>next Sunday</u>, 2 May.

Eucharistic Adoration

Vacant hours that urgently need an adorer this week:

Monday 12pm-2pm

Tuesday 11am-12pm

Thursday 7am-9am, 11am-1pm

If you would like to join the Adoration roster please contact: Anne Sutherland 0413 203 901, or Kathy Miller 0407 203 803.

Alpha Program

All are welcome to join us for the Alpha Program to be held on Thursdays from 6pm-9pm in the Collins Wing, with the first session beginning on **Thursday 6 May**. Please contact the Parish Office with any queries.

St Benedict's Primary School Open Days

The enrolment period for all Catholic Schools is fast approaching. St Benedict's School's next Open day is being held Friday, 30 April from 9.30am – 2.30pm. Other Open Day dates are:

- Tuesday 4/5 (week 3) 3.30pm 5.30pm
- Weds 5/5 (week 3) 9.30am 11.30am
- Monday 10/5 (week 4) 9.30am 11.30am
- Tuesday 11/5 (week 4) 3.30pm 5.30pm

We encourage any interested parents to attend; we would love to show you our wonderful school and all we have to offer.

4th Sunday of Easter Year B 24 & 25 April

First reading Acts 4:8-12

The name of Jesus Christ is the only name in which we can be saved

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Peter said: 'Rulers of the people, and elders! If you are questioning us today about an act of kindness to a cripple, and asking us how he was healed, then I am glad to tell you all, and would indeed be glad to tell the whole people of Israel, that it was by the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene, the one you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, by this name and by no other that this man is able to stand up perfectly healthy, here in your presence, today. This is the stone rejected by you the builders, but which has proved to be the keystone. For of all the names in the world given to men, this is the only one by which we can be saved.'

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 117(118): 1,8-9,21-23,26,28-29

The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end. It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in men; it is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in princes.

I will thank you for you have answered and you are my saviour. The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone. This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes.

Blessed in the name of the Lord is he who comes. We bless you from the house of the Lord; You are my God, I thank you. My God, I praise you. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good; for his love has no end.

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Second reading 1 John 3:1-2

We shall be like God because we shall see him as He really is

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us, by letting us be called God's children; and that is what we are. Because the world refused to acknowledge him, therefore it does not acknowledge us. My dear people, we are already the children of God but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed; all we know is, that when it is revealed we shall be like him because we shall see him as he really is.

Gospel Acclamation John 10:14

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep, and mine know me.

Alleluia!

Gospel John 10:11-18

The good shepherd is one who lays down his life for his sheep

Jesus said: 'I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd is one who lays down his life for his sheep. The hired man, since he is not the shepherd and the sheep do not belong to him, abandons the sheep and runs away as soon as he sees a wolf coming, and then the wolf attacks and scatters the sheep; this is because he is only a hired man and has no concern for the sheep.

'I am the good shepherd; I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for my sheep. And there are other sheep I have that are not of this fold, and these I have to lead as well. They too will listen to my voice, and there will be only one flock, and one shepherd.

'The Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me; I lay it down of my own free will, and as it is in my power to lay it down, so it is in my power to take it up again; and this is the command I have been given by my Father.'