

St Benedict's Family Trivia Night:

St Benedict's school is happy to announce the Family Trivia Night will be hosted on **Friday 14th June**, from 5:30pm to 9:30pm.

Tickets will be on sale from the 1st of May, and will cost \$25 for an individual or \$200 per table (max 8 people). BBQ dinner, snacks and drinks will be available for pre-purchase or at half-time.

Men's Sharing Group

The St Benedict's Men's Sharing group meets every **second Tuesday in the Parish Centre**, from 7:30pm. Next meeting is on the **11th June**.

For more details, please phone John Murray on 0480 257 761.

August 7 | Tim Fischer Oration on Ethics in Public and Political Life 2024 | 6PM

We are at the crossroads in Australia in particular, and in the Western World in general. Fundamental human values are under great strain, and so an overarching societal narrative is becoming opaque. The Tim Fischer Oration aims to enlighten and encourage us to seek out and promote a free and fair society. Do join us in our noble endeavour.

Speaker: Professor Helen Alvare, Levy Endowed Chair in Law and Liberty at Antonin Scalia Law School, George Mason University
Q&A: Chris Uhlmann, Political Journalist and TV Presenter

For more information & tickets visit www.tfo.org.au

22 June | Cultural Competency Workshop

The ACG Catholic Women's Taskforce presents a 1-day workshop on Cultural Competency: Ngunnawal Context, facilitated by Kylie Shea.

The workshop will be held at St Vincent de Paul's Parish Centre, 7 Bindel St Aranda ACT on Saturday 22 June 10.00am-2.00pm.

Registrations are essential and available at cgwomen.com.au at \$20 contribution towards costs.

Morning and afternoon tea will be provided.

Please bring your own Lunch.

ROSTER FOR THIS WEEKEND

8th & 9th June 2024

	Sat 5 pm	Sun 9am
Welcomers	Louise Gaudry	Alma Burg
Readers	BA Daly, Louise Gaudry	Josephus Bumaat, Barry Murphy
Offertory	BA Daly, Volunteer	Young family
Eucharistic Ministers	Sue Neimanis	Brendan Bergin
Flowers, Altar Clean	Anne Sutherland & Anne Hill	
Church Cleaners	Santhosh Jose	
Visitation	MGL Garran (Mt View & Jindalee)	
Sun 6pm Mass Readers	John & Diane Fulop	

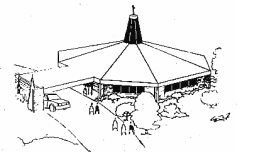
ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND

15th & 16th June 2024

	1ST READING EZEKIEL 17: 22-24	2ND READING 2 CORINTHIANS 5: 6-10	GOSPEL MARK 4: 26-34
	Sat 5 pm	Sun 9am	
Welcomers	Carmel & Peter Pistor	Robert Henry	
Readers	Marlene Keir, Robert Booth	Shiru Kinyanjui, Brendan Bergin	
Offertory	Volunteers	Jose family	
Eucharistic Ministers	Nhung Booth	Josephus Bumaat	
Flowers, Altar Clean	Loretta Thomas & Anne Hobday		
Church Cleaners	Nhung Booth		
Visitation	Jonavie & Grace (Jindalee)		
Sun 6pm Mass Readers	John & Monica Murray		

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: Tues—Friday, 9am—12pm
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Fr Tony Schick, MGL (Priest)

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Isabel Roberts (Parish Secretary)

Tenth Sunday of Ordinary Time 8th & 9th June 2024

Reflection on Gospel

In the section of the Gospel just before these verses, Jesus calls his Twelve Apostles. Now he performs his first exorcism. It is told within the context of conflict with his family.

A crowd so large has gathered that Jesus and his disciples are not even able to eat their bread. His family comes to take him away because they think he is beside himself. And the scribes think he is possessed by the devil. Jesus points out to them the absurdity of their thinking that he uses the devil to cast out demons. In fact, it is Jesus who ties up the strong man, Beelzebub, and overcomes him.

He concludes with a brief saying about the forgiveness of sins. All sin can be forgiven except for blasphemy against the Holy Spirit. It's not known exactly what he means by this. It could be that the only sin that can't be forgiven is the one that cuts you off from the source of forgiveness, the Holy Spirit.

Mark then brings Jesus' family back into the picture. They are not presented in a critical light but are just trying to see him. This gives Jesus the opportunity to point out that family for him is not based on blood.

June 14 | St. Thomas More Forum

St Thomas More Parish and Forum Annual Dinner 2024 and 19th Annual St. Thomas More Forum Lecture Engaging an AI Generation

Keynote Speaker: Fr Rob Galea, Founder FRG and ICON Ministry

Venue: Mercure Hotel, Braddon

Cost: \$99 (Two Course Dinner and Wine)

Book Now <https://bit.ly/stmf-140624>

Or Call 0416823447 or email

forum@stthomasmore.org.au



YOU ARE INVITED TO TRY ALPHA

Alpha is a series of sessions exploring Christian faith. Each week looks at different question around life and faith such as:

- Is there more to life than this?
- Who is Jesus?
- How can I make the most of the rest of my life?

Alpha is fun, relaxed and free - and you can ask anything you like. Millions around the world have found it a wonderful introduction to the Christian faith and a way to empower faith in people's life.

Each session starts with dinner at 7pm. There is a video presentation and plenty of time to ask questions and share opinions. It is designed to create conversation and there is no obligation and no pressure. Alpha will run every Thursday 7.00pm-8:45pm from 27 June to 12 September 2024 at the Collins Wing. For more information please contact the Parish office at Narrabundah@cg.org.au or contact Asterie Twizeyemariya on 0401540814 / tasterie@gmail.com

First reading

Genesis 3: 9-15

The Lord God called to the man after he had eaten of the tree. 'Where are you?' he asked. 'I heard the sound of you in the garden;' he replied 'I was afraid because I was naked, so I hid.' 'Who told you that you were naked?' he asked. 'Have you been eating of the tree I forbade you to eat?' The man replied, 'It was the woman you put with me; she gave me the fruit, and I ate it.' Then the Lord God asked the woman, 'What is this you have done?' The woman replied, 'The serpent tempted me and I ate.' Then the Lord God said to the serpent, 'Because you have done this, Be accursed beyond all cattle, all wild beasts.

You shall crawl on your belly and eat dust every day of your life.

I will make you enemies of each other:

You and the woman,

Your offspring and her offspring.

It will crush your head and you will strike its heel.'

Psalm 129: R. With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

Second reading

2 Corinthians 4: 13-5: 1

As we have the same spirit of faith that is mentioned in scripture—I believed, and therefore I spoke—we too believe and therefore we too speak, knowing that he who raised the Lord Jesus to life will raise us with Jesus in our turn, and put us by his side and you with us. You see, all this is for your benefit, so that the more grace is multiplied among people, the more thanksgiving there will be, to the glory of God.

That is why there is no weakening on our part, and instead, though this outer man of ours may be falling into decay, the inner man is renewed day by day. Yes, the troubles which are soon over, though they weigh little, train us for the carrying of a weight of eternal glory which is out of all proportion to them. And so we have no eyes for things that are visible, but only for things that are invisible; for visible things last only for a time, and the invisible things are eternal.

For we know that when the tent that we live in on earth is folded up, there is a house built by God for us, an everlasting home not made with human hands, in the heavens.

Gospel Acclamation

John 12: 31, 32

Alleluia, alleluia!

The prince of this world will now be cast out, and when I am lifted up from the earth

I will draw all to myself, says the Lord.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Mark 3: 20-35

Jesus went home with his disciples and such a crowd collected that they could not even have a meal. When his relatives heard of this, they set out to take charge of him, convinced he was out of his mind. The scribes who had come down from Jerusalem were saying, 'Beelzebul is in him,' and 'It is through the prince of devils that he casts devils out.' So he called them to him and spoke to them in parables, 'How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, the kingdom cannot last. And if a household is divided against itself, that household can never stand. Now if Satan has rebelled against himself and is divided, he cannot stand either—it is the end of him. But no one can make his way into a strong man's house and burgle his property unless he has tied up the strong man first. Only then can he burgle his house. I tell you solemnly, all men's sins will be forgiven, and all their blasphemies; but let anyone blaspheme against the Holy Spirit and he will never have forgiveness: he is guilty of an eternal sin.' This was because they were saying, 'An unclean spirit is in him.' His mother and brothers now arrived and, standing outside, sent in a message asking for him. A crowd was sitting round him at the time the message was passed to him, 'Your mother and brothers and sisters are outside asking for you.' He replied, 'Who are my mother and my brothers?' And looking round at those sitting in a circle about him, he said, 'Here are my mother and my brothers. Anyone who does the will of God, that person is my brother and sister and mother.'

NEEDS OF LAY CATHOLICS TODAY

What do adult lay Catholics need today to help them live a committed Catholic life amid the circumstances of modern society? To find out and to help improve their services to our Archdiocese, the Canberra Circle of The Catenians, an international association of lay Catholics, is conducting an Archdiocesan-wide online survey. Please help by completing this brief, anonymous, tick-box survey via this URL or QR code. Thank you. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CLTZGMW>



Contact: Phil Murray, President, Canberra Catenians 0419 695 927 or phil13murray@gmail.com

JOURNALIST/EDITOR

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Position Description: bit.ly/4aILK78

More information: Call Anthony Spata at Reach HR on 0402 210 055 or anthony@reachhr.com.au

Vocations Discernment Dinners-alternating between a presbytery and the Archbishop's House

Second Thursday of the month. For men interested in discerning a call to the Priesthood. A hearty meal provided with insightful discussions & prayer. To RSVP please contact vocations director Fr Emil emil.milat@cg.org.au.

October 17 | Ordination to the Priesthood of Rev. Mark Ha

Save the Date Thursday 17 October 2024 at 5.00pm at St Christopher's Cathedral Forrest, Canberra

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

Our Deceased: Louis Pini, Thomas Fernando, Barbara Parsons, Lorna & Stanley Evans, Noanie Kelly, Leita Barron, Rathesh Fernando, Ray Pasard, Catherine Cleary, Frank Fulop, Ronnie Van Belkom, Tom French, 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 & Marilyn 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, Brian Barron, Jackie Carpenter, Sagar Julie O'Brien, Tony Sealy, Tony Evans, Rose Mason, Clem Dick, Julia Brown, Mitchell White, Germaphi, Pat Atkins, Lorraine Davis, Mathew, Lyn Walker, 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, Edwina Gundelach, Daniel Collins, Rita Smith, Andrea Bernabeu.

Parish Office Hours

9am–12pm, Tuesday–Friday

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday: 5pm (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: 4pm-4:30pm 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:

Tuesday: 6pm-10pm

Thursday: 7-10pm

Contact: Anne Sutherland (0413203901) or Parish office for more information.

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.