

Christ the King Adoration Vigil:

St Benedict's is having a 40 hour adoration vigil in honour of the feast of Christ the King. The vigil will begin on **6am** on **Friday 22 November** and will finish at **10pm** on **Saturday 23 November**.

Everyone is welcome to come and pray before the Blessed Sacrament during that time.

There will be a roster covering the 40 hours. Any parishioner wishing to be included on the roster should contact **Kathy Miller** on **0407 203 803**.

1 November | Catholic Women's Taskforce Annual Fundraising Dinner:

The 2024 Catholic Women's Taskforce annual fundraising dinner for MacKillop House, Lyneham will take place on 1st November 2024 at the Canberra Southern Cross Club from 6.30 pm. For more information or to register go to <https://www.catholicvoice.org.au/event/cwtad/>
Enquiries: Monica Phelan on **0413 315 486**

Help Wanted on Saturday 2nd November

The parish would like to ask any and all parishioners willing to help with the cleaning up of the Collins Wing and Parish Centre to attend our clean up on **Saturday 2nd November** at **9am**.

A skip bin has been hired and a BBQ lunch will be provided to all those who assist. The parish would like to thank in advance any who assist with this task, your help in the parish is invaluable.

All Saints Day Party:

Join us for the annual All Saints Day Party at St Christopher's Cathedral on **Sunday November 3, 2024!**

Dress as your favourite Saint and enjoy fun activities, a costume parade, and a family-friendly atmosphere after the **11 AM** Mass at **Haydon Hall, 55 Franklin Street, Forrest**.

Phone: Anita Piper 02 6239 9846

Teresa Benedicta—Women's House of Prayer:

A residence for young adult women, in full-time work or study, interested in their Catholic Faith and participating in the Cathedral Parish. Living individual freedom and commitment to common life of prayer and sorority.

The house is located in Red Hill, has a chapel, garden, kitchen and common area, with five bedrooms. \$400 per week per person.

Expressions of interest to cathedral@cg.org.au

ROSTER FOR THIS WEEKEND

26th & 27th October 2024

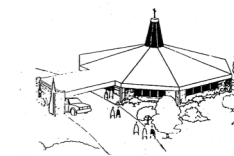
	Sat 6 pm	Sun 9am
Welcomers	Louise Gaudry	Robert Henry
Readers	Marlene Keir, Robert Booth	Josephus Bumaat, Shiru Kinyanjui
Offertory	Volunteers	Jose family
Eucharistic Ministers	Sue Neimanis	Barry Murphy
Flowers, Altar Clean	Ann Hill & Anne Sutherland	
Church Cleaners	Santhosh Jose	
Visitation	Jonavie & Grace (Jindalee)	
Sun 6pm Mass Readers		

ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND

2nd & 3rd November 2024

	Sat 6 pm	Sun 9am
1 ST READING DEUTERONO MY 6: 2-6	2 ND READING HEBREWS 7: 23-28	GOSPEL MARK 12: 28-34
Welcomers	Carmel & Peter Pistor	Robert Henry
Readers	Marlene Keir, Moira Najdecki	Maria Mendoza, Santhosh Jose
Offertory	Volunteers	Ruzario family
Eucharistic Ministers	Nhung Booth	Julie Douglas
Flowers, Altar Clean	Grace De Silva & Sherice Kazzi	
Church Cleaners	Santhosh Jose	
Visitation	Julie Douglas (Mt View)	
Sun 6pm Mass Readers		

St Benedict's Catholic Church



In the care of the Missionaries of God's Love

Parish Team:

Parish Office Hours: Tues-Thursday, 9am—12pm

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Fr Chris Eaton, MGL (Parish Priest & Mission Centre Director)

Fr Tony Schick, MGL (Priest)

Fr Samson, MGL (Priest)

Adrian Wellspring (Spiritual Direction & Personal Vocation)

Isabel Roberts (Parish Secretary)

Thirtieth Sunday of Ordinary Time 26th & 27th October 2024

Reflection on Gospel

Today we continue to read from Mark's Gospel. In this Gospel, we find evidence of Jesu' fame in the sizable crowd that accompanies him as he journeys to Jerusalem. Jesus' reputation as a healer has preceded him. When the blind man, Bartimaeus, hears that Jesus of Nazareth is passing by, he calls out to him, asking for his pity.

When Bartimaeus calls out to Jesus, the crowd around him tries to silence him. Yet Bartimaeus persists, calling out more loudly and with greater urgency. He will not be silenced or deterred from getting Jesus' attention. We notice how quickly the crowd's reaction changes when Jesus calls for Bartimaeus. Those who sought to quiet him now encourage him.

When Jesus restores Bartimaeus's sight, no elaborate action is required. (In other healing stories in Mark's Gospel, actions accompany Jesus' words). In this instance, Jesus simply says that Bartimaeus's faith has saved him. Throughout Mark's Gospel, the success of Jesus' healing power has often been correlated with the faith of the person requesting Jesus' help. For example, it is because of her faith that the woman with the hemorrhage is healed. When faith is absent, Jesus is unable to heal; we see this after his rejection in Nazareth.

Once his sight has been restored, Bartimaeus follows Jesus on his way to Jerusalem. In Mark's Gospel, Bartimaeus is the last disciple called by Jesus before he enters Jerusalem. Bartimaeus hears that Jesus of Nazareth is passing by, but he calls out to Jesus using words of faith—"Son of David." Many in Jesus' time believed that the anticipated Jewish Messiah would be a descendent of King David. Bartimaeus's words prepare us for the final episodes of Mark's Gospel, which begin with Jesus' preparation for the Passover and his triumphant entry into Jerusalem. As Mark has shown us in our readings over the past few Sundays, however, Jesus will be the Messiah in a way that will be difficult for many to accept. Jesus will show himself to be the Messiah through his suffering and death.

Notifications for Parishioners:

Saturday mass will be returning to **6pm** from **12th October**.

The parish office is no longer open on Fridays. Opening hours are Tues-Thurs from 9am-12pm.

The parish secretary will be absent from **25th Oct** to **1 Nov**. Thank you for your understanding.

The Wild Goose Series

This series will help you discover a deeper relationship with the Holy Spirit.

If you allow him, the Holy Spirit will lead you on an adventure greater than you can imagine. The Spirit will lead you to a place of mercy, healing, peace, and presence. The Holy Spirit has been given to us not as a possession to be tamed or controlled, but rather as a Person that will lead us to the Heart of God.

Topics Covered:

1. God's Love Poured Out
2. The Spirit and Our Lady
3. The Spirit and the Eucharist
4. Baptism in the Spirit and Fire

Four Thursday Night's (Oct 10, 17, 24, 31) Starts 6:30pm with dinner.

Finishes 8:45pm at the Collin's Wing.

All welcome.

To register or find out more email:

tasterie@gmail.com

Please Hold the Date:

Parish Social Event
Saturday 23 November 2024
7pm—9:30pm
St Benedict's School Hall

Family friendly, Music, Food, Fun and Dancing

More information to follow.

First reading

The Lord says this:
Shout with joy for Jacob!
Hail the chief of nations!
Proclaim! Praise! Shout:
‘The Lord has saved his people,
The remnant of Israel!’

See, I will bring them back
From the land of the North
And gather them from the far ends of earth;
All of them: the blind and the lame,
Women with child, women in labour:
A great company returning here.

They had left in tears,
I will comfort them as I lead them back;
I will guide them to streams of water,
By a smooth path where they will not stumble.
For I am a father to Israel,
And Ephraim is my first-born son.

Psalm 125 (126): R. The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

Second reading

Every high priest has been taken out of mankind and is appointed to act for men in their relations with God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins; and so he can sympathise with those who are ignorant or uncertain because he too lives in the limitations of weakness. That is why he has to make sin offerings for himself as well as for the people. No one takes this honour on himself, but each one is called by God, as Aaron was. Nor did Christ give himself the glory of becoming high priest, but he had it from the one who said to him: *You are my son, today I have become your father*, and in another text: *You are a priest of the order of Melchizedek, and for ever*.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death,
And brought us life through his gospel.
Alleluia!

Gospel

As Jesus left Jericho with his disciples and a large crowd, Bartimaeus (that is, the son of Timaeus), a blind beggar, was sitting at the side of the road. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout and to say, ‘Son of David, Jesus, have pity on me.’ And many of them scolded him and told him to keep quiet, but he only shouted all the louder, ‘Son of David, have pity on me.’ Jesus stopped and said, ‘Call him here.’ So they called the blind man. ‘Courage,’ they said ‘get up; he is calling you.’ So throwing off his cloak, he jumped up and went to Jesus. Then Jesus spoke, ‘What do you want me to do for you?’ ‘Rabbuni,’ the blind man said to him ‘Master, let me see again.’ Jesus said to him, ‘Go; your faith has saved you.’ And immediately his sight returned and he followed him along the road.

Jeremiah 31: 7-9

Hebrews 5: 1-6

2 Timothy 1: 10

Mark 10: 46-52

Wanted Urgently:

Church family of 3 adults in need of a 4 bedroom, 2 bathroom, garage home in Woden/ Inner South. Please contact Margaret on: 0417 486 574.

Marian Procession:

Date: Sunday, October 27, 2024

Place: Starts at 11 AM, Anglican Cathedral of St Saviours, Goulburn

Reconciliation: Sts Peter and Paul’s Old Cathedral & Our Lady of Mercy Chapel, 12:30 – 1:30 PM

Mass: 2:00 PM at Sts Peter and Paul’s Old Cathedral, celebrated by Archbishop Christopher Prowse. Includes installation of a reliquary with relics of Sts Peter and Paul, St Brigid, St Charbel, and St Therese of Lisieux.

Youth Rally: Right after the Rosary Procession

Date: Sunday, October 27, 2024

Place: St Saviour’s Anglican Cathedral Hall

Includes: Food, entertainment, and guest speaker

Contact: Diane Green or Heather Moss:
Goulburn@cg.org.au | Phone: 0403 631 797.

Christopher Gilroy: christopher.gilroy@cg.org.au

Visio Divina Group, next meeting is November 21st.

Visio Divina (Latin for “divine seeing”) is similar to Lectio Divina (“divine reading”). Where Lectio Divina uses Scripture, Visio Divina uses visual imagery such as artwork to lead us into prayerful reflection and listening to the Holy Spirit.

New members welcome, no prior experience of this type of prayer necessary.

Where: St Benedict’s Parish Centre
When: Every 3rd Thursday of the month. Arrive 6.45pm for a 7pm start, finishing about 8.30pm.
Register or for more info: Mattia Wellspring on 0434558734

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: Trevor Wright, Jonathan Crowley, Keith Crowley, Pollie Crowley, Alfie McKenna, Brian Barron, Pat Evans, Zeta Evans, Fr Peter Gannon, Cain Rogers, Elaine French,, Antoinette Martin, Louis Pini, Thomas Fernando, Barbara Parsons, Noanie Kelly, Leita Barron, Rathesh Fernando, Catherine Cleary, Frank Fulop, Ronnie Van Belkom, Tom French, Agnes Calvert, Clare Connell, Pat Connors, Doris Flaherty, Maud Inch, Monica Knight, Mario Krajina,

Our Sick: Jindalee & Mt View residents, Jackie Carpenter, Sagar Julie O’Brien, Tony Evans, Rose Mason, Clem Dick, Julia Brown, Mitchell White, Germaphi, Pat Atkins, Lorraine Davis, Mathew 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 Bernabey.

Parish Office Hours

9am–12pm, Tuesday–Thursday

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:

Monday: 8-9am, 9am-10am

Tuesday: 9am-10am, 11am-midday, 6pm-7pm, 7pm-8pm.

Thursday: 3pm-4pm, 4pm-5pm

Friday: 2-3pm, 8pm-9pm

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

Hearing Loop is currently not working in the church. We apologise for the inconvenience.