

## INTRODUCTORY CPE COURSE

Two Introductory Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) courses are being offered online using Zoom by the Southern Tablelands CPE Centre, a registered Centre with the NSW College of Clinical Pastoral Education Inc. These short 40-hour courses will comprise of six sessions each. The first to commence October 30 and run each Wednesday until December 4. The second to commence on January 29, 30, February 5,6 & 12, 13, 2025.

Applications for the October 30 course close on October 23, 2024. A few vacancies are still available. For more information please contact Barbara Hall:

[barbarahall1909@gmail.com](mailto:barbarahall1909@gmail.com)

or phone: **0418 413 731**

### 17 November | Mass for deceased members of the Knights of the Southern Cross | 10am

Archbishop Prowse has offered to include the deceased members of the Knights of the Southern Cross and their families in the Mass at 11.00am at St Christopher's Cathedral on 17 November 2024 being offered for all the deceased bishops and priests from the Archdiocese. All families of deceased members from all parishes are warmly invited to attend. Bob Perkins 6231 8472 or [perkins.family@aapt.net.au](mailto:perkins.family@aapt.net.au)

### 16 November | Monster Christmas Garage & Plant Sale | 9am

The Monster Christmas Garage & Plant Sale is our biggest sale of the year, with toys, books, clothes and much more! With unique vintage pieces, there is something for everyone. This Garage and Plant Sale will be run on Saturday 16 November from 9am to 1pm at our location at 255 Goyder Street Narrabundah.

### 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](mailto:cathedral@cg.org.au)

## ROSTER FOR THIS WEEKEND

9th & 10th November 2024

	Sat 6 pm	Sun 9am
<b>Welcomers</b>	Volunteer	Alma Burg
<b>Readers</b>	Helen Bennett, Robert Booth	Julie Douglas, McKinley Molina
<b>Offertory</b>	Volunteers	Young family
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Sue Neimanis	Josephus Bumaat
<b>Flowers, Altar Clean</b>	Louise Gaudry & Claudine Smith	
<b>Church Cleaners</b>	Jeanne Eri	
<b>Visitation</b>	MGL Garran (Mt View & Jindalee)	
<b>Sun 6pm Mass Readers</b>		

## ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND

16th & 17th November 2024

	Sat 6 pm	Sun 9am
<b>1ST READING</b> DANIEL 12: 1-13	<b>2ND READING</b> HEBREWS 10: 11-14, 18	<b>GOSPEL</b> MARK 13: 24-32
<b>Welcomers</b>	Louise Gaudry	Robert Henry
<b>Readers</b>	BA Daly, Louise Gaudry	Shiru Kinyanjui, Loreena D'Silva
<b>Offertory</b>	BA Daly, Helen Bennett	Jose family
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Nhung Booth	Barry Murphy
<b>Flowers, Altar Clean</b>	Margie Arvellino & Sue Neimanis	
<b>Church Cleaners</b>	Nhung Booth, John Murray	
<b>Visitation</b>	Jonavie & Grace (Jindalee)	
<b>Sun 6pm Mass Readers</b>		

# 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)**

## Thirty Second Sunday of Ordinary Time 9th & 10th November 2024

### Reflection on Gospel

The context for today's Gospel continues to be mounting tension between Jesus and the Jewish authorities. Mark reports some of Jesus' teaching in the Temple area in today's reading and in the preceding verses not included in our Lectionary sequence. In the first part of today's Gospel, we hear Jesus warn the crowds not to follow the example of the scribes in seeking honor and attention from others. It is important to recall that Mark indicates that Jesus taught these things while in the vicinity of the Temple in Jerusalem. Mark is setting the stage for Jesus' passion.

Jesus then observes how Jewish pilgrims are making their contributions to the temple treasury. The Temple in Jerusalem was the center of Jewish worship in the time of Jesus. It was expected that observant Jews would make pilgrimages to the Temple to offer prayer and sacrifices. Pilgrims were also expected to make a financial contribution to the temple treasury.

As we would expect to be the case, Jesus observes that those who were rich contributed large sums to the treasury. Those with less means made smaller contributions. A similar situation exists in most of our parishes as well. Jesus calls attention, however, to a poor widow who makes the smallest of contributions—two coins of little value. Jesus upholds the poor widow's offering for his disciples' consideration, commending her because her small offering was an act of profound generosity, giving from her livelihood rather than her surplus.

To give from our livelihood is not only an act of generosity, it is also an act of trust in God. We can only give from our need if we trust that God will provide for us. Jesus himself demonstrates the ultimate act of generosity and trust in God as he gives his life for us on the cross.

### 17 November | St Thomas More Parish - 60th Anniversary Celebration | 10AM

We invite you to celebrate 60 years with us! Celebrations commence at 10am with a family Mass, which will be followed by BBQ brunch and lawn games. 30 White Crescent, Campbell.

### 40 Hour Adoration

St. Benedict's is having a 40hr adoration vigil in honour of the feast of Christ the King. The vigil will begin **6am Friday 22 Nov** and will finish **10 pm Saturday 23 Nov 2024**.

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

There will be a roster covering the 40 hours. Contact Kathy Miller on **0407 203 803** if you would like to be on the roster.

### Kingdom Kids

We are thrilled to announce the re-establishment of **Kingdom Kids** at St Benedict's! This children's ministry program is designed for kids aged **3-12yrs**, allowing them to grow in faith through prayer, stories, songs, and activities **every Sunday starting 24th November - except long weekends and school holidays**.

Children will be invited to join at the beginning of mass and will return to their families before Holy Communion. **Under school age kids** will need a carer to attend with them. We will be looking for parents who can join the leadership team and teen leaders wishing to volunteer for community service. There will be announcements regarding ways you can get involved to support this important ministry.

Reach out to Sherice Kazzi **0408 259 502** our program lead to learn more.

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.

## First reading

### 1 Kings 17: 10-16

Elijah the Prophet went off to Sidon. And when he reached the city gate, there was a widow gathering sticks; addressing her he said, 'Please bring me a little water in a vessel for me to drink.' She was setting off to bring it when he called after her. 'Please' he said 'bring me a scrap of bread in your hand.' 'As the Lord your God lives,' she replied 'I have no baked bread, but only a handful of meal in a jar and a little oil in a jug; I am just gathering a stick or two to go and prepare this for myself and my son to eat, and then we shall die.' But Elijah said to her, 'Do not be afraid, go and do as you have said; but first make a little scone of it for me and bring it to me, and then make some for yourself and for your son. For thus the Lord speaks, the God of Israel:

"Jar of meal shall not be spent,  
Jug of oil shall not be emptied,  
Before the day when the Lord sends  
Rain on the face of the earth."

The woman went and did as Elijah told her and they ate the food, she, himself and her son. The jar of meal was not spent nor the jug of oil emptied, just as the Lord had foretold through Elijah.

## Psalm 145 (146): 7-10 R. Praise the Lord, my soul!

## Second reading

### Hebrews 9: 24-28

It is not as though Christ had entered a man-made sanctuary which was only modelled on the real one; but it was heaven itself, so that he could appear in the actual presence of God on our behalf. And he does not have to offer himself again and again, like the high priest going into the sanctuary year after year with the blood that is not his own, or else he would have had to suffer over and over again since the world began. Instead of that, he has made his appearance once and for all, now at the end of the last age, to do away with sin by sacrificing himself. Since men only die once, and after that comes judgement, so Christ, too, offers himself only once to take the faults of many on himself, and when he appears a second time, it will not be to deal with sin but to reward with salvation those who are waiting for him.

## Gospel Acclamation

### Matthew 5: 3

Alleluia, alleluia!  
Happy the poor in spirit;  
The kingdom of heaven is theirs.  
Alleluia!

## Gospel

### Mark 12: 38-44

In his teaching Jesus said, 'Beware of the scribes who like to walk about in long robes, to be greeted obsequiously in the market squares, to take the front seats in the synagogues and the places of honour at banquets; these are the men who swallow the property of widows, while making a show of lengthy prayers. The more severe will be the sentence they receive.'  
He sat down opposite the treasury and watched the people putting money into the treasury, and many of the rich put in a great deal. A poor widow came and put in two small coins, the equivalent of a penny. Then he called his disciples and said to them, 'I tell you solemnly, this poor widow has put more in than all who have contributed to the treasury; for they have all put in money they had over, but she from the little she had has put in everything she possessed, all she had to live on.'

## St. Benedict's End of Year Community Night

Join us for our celebration of **Music through Time** on **23rd November 2024 7pm-9.30pm** at the St. Benedict's School Hall. \$15 Tickets (Entry Only) & Family ticket passes also available.

There shall be food, drinks for purchase and raffle tickets for the silent auction.

Come dressed in our theme colours of **Blue, Red & White** and bring along your family and friends too.

All proceeds are towards St. Benedict's Church for general upkeep and maintenance.

Tickets are available for purchase online on **Trybooking.com**

## 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:** Joan Evans, Rose Mason, Pat Atkins, 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, David J Keay, Daniel Boone, retired Bishop Pat Power, Carmel Henry, Jackie Carpenter, Sagar Julie O'Brien Tony Evans, Rose Mason, Clem Dick, Julia Brown, Mitchell White, Germaphi, 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: 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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month,  
10.30am at Mt View 3<sup>rd</sup> 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.