

St Benedict's Catholic Church



In the care of the Missionaries of God's Love

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21st Sunday in Ordinary Time 25 & 26 August 2018

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Tues-Thurs from 9am to 3pm

WEEKEND MASS TIMES:

Saturday 6pm
Sunday 9am
Sunday 6pm (*Charismatic Mass*)
Sunday 6pm Youth Mass
(every last Sun of the Month)
Saturday 8am

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Tuesday 5.30pm
Wednesday 12.30pm
Thursday 5.30pm
Friday 5.30pm (*Healing Mass*)

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:

Saturdays after 8.00am Mass
Thursdays – 7.30pm (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: TEMPORARILY CLOSED

Half hour before every weekday Mass as well as the following:

Monday 7am – 9pm
Tuesday 7am – 10pm
Wednesday 7am – 10pm
Thursday 7am – 10pm
Friday 8am – midnight
Saturday 12am – 8am



*Please
sign up
for an
hour*

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.

READINGS FOR THIS WEEKEND:

1ST READING: JOSHUA 24:1-2, 15-18

RESP PSALM: Ps 33:2-3, 16-23

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

2ND READING: EPHESIANS 5:21-32

ACCLAMATION:

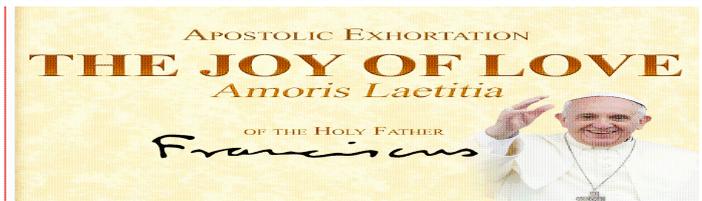
Alleluia, alleluia!

Your words, Lord, are spirit and life:

You have the words of everlasting life.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL: JOHN 6:60-69



The current reality of the family

The Fathers also called particular attention to “families of persons with special needs, where the unexpected challenge of dealing with a disability can upset a family’s equilibrium, desires & expectations... Families who lovingly accept the difficult trial of a child with special needs are greatly to be admired. They render the Church & society an invaluable witness of faithfulness to the gift of life. In these situations, the family can discover, together with the Christian community, new approaches, new ways of acting, a different way of understanding & identifying with others, by welcoming & caring for the mystery of the frailty of human life. People with disabilities are a gift for the family and an opportunity to grow in love, mutual aid & unity... If the family, in the light of the faith, accepts the presence of persons with special needs, they will be able to recognize & ensure the quality & value of every human life, with its proper needs, rights & opportunities. This approach will promote care & services on behalf of these disadvantaged persons & will encourage people to draw near to them & provide affection at every stage of their life”.³³ Here I would stress that dedication & concern shown to migrants & to persons with special needs alike is a sign of the Spirit. Both situations are paradigmatic: they serve as a test of our commitment to show mercy in welcoming others & to help the vulnerable to be fully a part of our communities.

(Cont.. paragraph 49 Amoris Laetitia)

PARISH NEWS

Listening to Jesus: Next meeting Thursday 30 August at the Collins Wing from 7.30-9:30pm.

The St Benedict's Social Group invites all to morning tea in the Parish Centre on Sunday 2 September after the 9.00 Mass.

Perpetual Adoration:

Dear brothers and sisters, you would have noticed that Perpetual Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament has **temporarily** stopped. This is due to the break in and the need to make sure our Church and this very special ministry is safe and running well. There are also some organizational issues that need to be resolved with Perpetual Adoration so it can start up as soon as possible and better than ever. I again thank all those from near and far who are Committed Adorers, Guardians of the Blessed Sacrament, who make Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament possible for others. We cannot take Perpetual Adoration for granted and we must ensure that its done with the reverence and respect it deserves. Please pray that the work needed to be done in the Church can be completed speedily and well so that Adoration can resume as soon as possible.



Yours in Christ, Fr Dan Benedetti MGL PP.

Lectures on Gospels: One Gospel, Four Versions: We proclaim to you what we have seen and heard 1John 1:3. Thursday nights, Collins Wing at 7.30pm.

The Topics and dates are:

- 6 Sept: Gospel of Mathew
- 20 Sept: Gospel of Luke
- 4 Oct: Acts of the Apostles
- 25 Oct: Gospel of John1
- 8 Nov: Gospel of John2
- 15 Nov: Jesus of the Gospels and Historical Jesus



READINGS & ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND (1 & 2 SEPT 2018)

1ST READING DEUTERONOMY 4:1-2, 6-8	2ND READING JAMES 1:17- 18, 21-22, 27	GOSPEL MARK 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23
	Sat 6 pm	Sun 9am
Welcomers	Brian & Leita Barron	Melanie Stratford
Readers	Claire & Grace Bennett	Barry Murphy & Jessica Pearson
Presentation of the Gifts	Sally Cotsett & BA Daly	Social Group
Eucharistic Ministers	Rita Parker & Brian Barron	Julie Douglas & Maralyn Molyneux
Flowers, Altar Cleaning	Mary Brown & Leita Barron	
Church Cleaners	Brad Hogno	
Mt View	Maralyn Molyneux	
Jindalee	Brendan Price	

As A Parish Let Us Pray For...

Our Sick: Jeanette Cullen, Noeleen Carrick, Charles Morella, Pam Pini, Stan Marris, Pat Evans, Jan Baker, Flora Arias, Pat Atkins, Phillip Cooney, Anita Sellan, Helen French, Ellen Brennan, Carol Rees, Michael Croft, Jindalee & Mt View residents.

Recently Deceased & Anniversaries: Antonio Nardi, Pat Hannan, Jim Kirkman, William Smith, Allen Palmer, Gregoria Ferrer, Christine Kirchner, Imaculada Buonopane, John Martin, Lawrence Power, Barrie Marshall, Stella Ienco, Barbara Jeffery, Edna Keir, Louise Agnew, Ian Smith, Sam & Nina Agius, Cory Browning, Louis Camilleri, Barney Murphy and John Newlyn, Antoinette Martin Robertson.

Religious Freedom: Please join us to hear Kevin Andrews speak on the 'Need for Christianity in politics' and how we can help him to defend Christian values in parliament on Tues 11 Sept, 7.30-9pm at Parish Centre. Tea and coffee will be served before the talk. Please register for a ticket at <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/kevin-andrews-religious-freedom-tickets-49175635650>.

Father's Day Appeal – Annual collection for retired priests: There are 23 priests of our Archdiocese who come under the care of the Clergy Retirement Foundation. This Appeal raises much needed funds to meet the needs of these priests and to give them security in their retirement years. At next weekend's Masses, you will have the opportunity to make a donation to this Appeal and all gifts are tax deductible. Please give generously as you have done in the past.

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.