

St Benedict's Catholic Church

In the care of the Missionaries of God's Love

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Third Sunday of Ordinary Time 25 January & 26 January 2020 (Australia Day weekend)

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Tues – Fri 9am - 12pm

WEEKEND MASS TIMES:

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

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES:

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 – 7.00pm (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

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Monday 9am – 8pm
Tuesday 10am – 9pm
Wednesday 11am – 10pm
Thursday 11am – 10pm
Friday 9am – 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.

Message from Father Dan

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I pray you have started the year well. We continue to be challenged by the bushfire situation and the recent hail storm. I pray you haven't been overly affected. The Church and the Presbytery sustained some minor damage which is being taken care of and our cars, like many, had windscreen damage. We are continuing our connection with the Tumut/Batlow/Adelong communities. I am hoping to visit there in February.

Father Rem and I are happy to welcome back Father Baiju to our MGL Narrabundah mission. It is a blessing to have three MGL priests again. Father Baiju will be arriving in February.

God bless, Fr Dan Benedetti MGL PP

Adoration Roster 2020

If anyone wishes to be part of the Adoration Roster, please add your name to the Adoration Roster in the Church foyer or contact Monica at the Parish office.

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FIRST READING

Isaiah 8:23-9:3

In Galilee of the nations the people have seen a great light

In days past the Lord humbled the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in days to come he will confer glory on the Way of the Sea on the far side of Jordan, province of the nations. The people that walked in darkness has seen a great light; on those who live in a land of deep shadow a light has shone. You have made their gladness greater, you have made their joy increase; they rejoice in your presence as men rejoice at harvest time, as men are happy when they are dividing the spoils. For the yoke that was weighing on him, the bar across his shoulders, the rod of his oppressor – these you break as on the day of Midian.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 26(27):1,4,13-14

The Lord is my light and my salvation.

The Lord is my light and my help;
whom shall I fear?

The Lord is the stronghold of my life;
before whom shall I shrink?

There is one thing I ask of the Lord, for this I long,
to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life,
To savour the sweetness of the Lord,
to behold his temple.

I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness
in the land of the living.
Hope in him, hold firm and take heart.
hope in the Lord!

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 1:10-13,17

Make up the differences between you instead of disagreeing among yourselves

I appeal to you, brothers, for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ, to make up the differences between you, and instead of disagreeing among yourselves, to be united again in your belief and practice. From what Chloe's people have been telling me, my dear brothers, it is clear that there are serious differences among you. What I mean are all these slogans that you have, like: 'I am for Paul', 'I am for Apollos', 'I am for Cephas', 'I am for Christ'. Has Christ been parcelled out? Was it Paul that was crucified for you? Were you baptised in the name of Paul? For Christ did not send me to baptise, but to preach the Good News, and not to preach that in the terms of philosophy in which the crucifixion of Christ cannot be expressed.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Matthew 4:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom
and healed all who were sick.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Matthew 4:12-23

He went and settled in Capernaum: in this way the prophecy of Isaiah was fulfilled

Hearing that John had been arrested, Jesus went back to Galilee, and leaving Nazareth he went and settled in Capernaum, a lakeside town on the borders of Zebulun and Naphtali. In this way the prophecy of Isaiah was to be fulfilled:

'Land of Zebulun! Land of Naphtali! Way of the sea on the far side of Jordan, Galilee of the nations! The people that lived in darkness has seen a great light; on those who dwell in the land and shadow of death a light has dawned.'

From that moment Jesus began his preaching with the message, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.' As he was walking by the Sea of Galilee he saw two brothers, Simon, who was called Peter, and his brother Andrew; they were making a cast in the lake with their net, for they were fishermen. And he said to them, 'Follow me and I will make you fishers of men.' And they left their nets at once and followed him. Going on from there he saw another pair of brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John; they were in their boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. At once, leaving the boat and their father, they followed him. He went round the whole of Galilee teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the Good News of the kingdom and curing all kinds of diseases and sickness among the people.

PARISH NEWS

RCIA St Benedict's: Our first meeting for 2020 will be on **Thursday 30 January at 7:30pm** at the Collins Wing at St Benedict's. All are welcome to come along and support our candidates.

Parish Pilgrimage: In the Footsteps of Sts Benedict, Francis & Anthony—Consider Joining **Father Dan** on a magnificent pilgrimage **with St Benedict, St Francis and St Anthony:** Rome, Subiaco/Montecassino/Pompeii/Norcia, Assisi, Siena, Florence, Padua, Venice and more! With daily mass at sacred sites and the Wednesday Audience with Pope Francis. **Departing September 2020.** For more information call or email the Parish Office or Fr Dan.

Special Teaching Days on the New & Divine Holiness: On **26 and 27 January** Fr Hugh Thomas and Fr Emil will give reflective/prayer teaching days (Dickson Parish hall) on what was coined by St Pope John Paul II "the New and Divine Holiness". It is a deep look at the purpose of being a Catholic and the purpose of life. For the seminar brochure please see parish website <http://cg.org.au/canberra-central> or contact Fr Emil- emil.milat@cg.org.au

St Benedict's Social Group invites all parishioners to join them for their first monthly morning tea in 2020. The gathering will be in Parish Centre on **Sunday 2 February** after the 9:00am Mass.

MGL Spiritual Association Gathering: Everyone is invited to the next gathering of the Missionaries of God's Love Spiritual Association, to be held in the Collins Wing immediately following the 6pm Charismatic Mass on **Sunday 9 February**. Please bring a plate to share for a light meal and a chat followed by words of encouragement from Fr Ken Barker MGL. All are welcome – come along and bring a friend.

Twilight Retreat: All are welcome to attend 5.30pm Mass on **Thursday 13 February 2020**, to be followed by a light supper in the Parish Centre. Fr Ken will give a talk that leads into a time of reflection and prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. Gold coin donation.

Pastoral Care Course: Are you interested in learning the basics of Pastoral Care and increasing your capacity to be a reflective listener, to support others in a spiritual and empathic form of supportive care? Clinical Pastoral Education is an internationally recognised course and a 5 week Introductory Course will be running at Queanbeyan Hospital on Wednesdays, 9-5, from **19 February to 18 March**. Cost is from \$350-\$400. Contact Susanne Schmidt on 0431 243 486 or at susannecpe@gmail.com for more details.

Vinnies Night Patrol: Some parishioners have mentioned that they would be interested in volunteering for Vinnies Night Patrol. If this is something that you might like to do please contact the Parish Office. For more information about St Vincent de Paul Night Patrol please see: https://www.vinnies.org.au/page/Find_Help/ACT/Food/Night_Patrol/

As A Parish Let Us Pray For...

Our Sick: Frank Smith, Lyn Walker, Louis & Pam Pini, Anthony, Clem Dick, Dorothy Lamb, Lorraine Davis, Mathew, Noeleen Carrick, Flora Arias, Pat Atkins, Helen French, Carol Rees, Rhys Evans, Jindalee & Mt View residents.

Recently Deceased & Anniversaries: Ian Patterson, Tom Daly, Cyril Power, Margaret Burnell, Ruth Uwimana, Fred Martin, Andrew Italiano, George Douglas, Patsy Weyer, Stanley Marris, Merle Taylor, Richard (Dick) Brennan, Betty O'Brien, Zeta Evans, Frank Pantano, Brian Power, John Agius, Joyce Cremer, Sr Anne Derwin RSJ, John Newlyn, Ray Coppin, Ellen Brennan, Sr Zita Barron, Pat Evans, Joan Evans, William Smith, Athol Knight, Beth Moran, Clare Drinkwater, Ian Smith & family, Heather Daly, John De Freitas, Gerry Agnew, Jim Kirkman, Barbara Jeffery, Edna Keir, Lawrence Power, Barrie Marshall, Stella Ienco, Louis Camilleri, Sam & Nina Agius

ROSTER FOR THIS WEEKEND

25 & 26 January 2020

| | Sat 6 pm | Sun 9am |
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| Welcomers | Brian and Leita Barron | M Stratford |
| Readers | Marlene Keir | Paula Keating Nathan Kensey |
| Presentation of the Gifts | Sally Cotsell BA Daly | Vacant |
| Eucharistic Ministers | Noreen Dick | M & B Boland |
| Flowers, Altar Cleaning | Mary Brown and Leita Barron | |
| Church Cleaners | Ian Smith | |
| Mt View | n/a | |
| Jindalee | n/a | |

READINGS & ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND

1 & 2 February 2020

| | 1ST READING Malachi 3:1-4 | 2ND READING Heb 2:14-18 | GOSPEL Lk 2:22-40 |
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| | Sat 6 pm | | Sun 9am |
| Welcomers | Louise Gaudry | | Alma Burg |
| Readers | Don Jeffery Helen Bennett | | Louise O'Rance Julie Douglas |
| Presentation of the Gifts | Bennett Family | | Social Group |
| Eucharistic Ministers | Rita Parker B Barron | | B Murphy |
| Flowers, Altar Cleaning | Claudine Smith, Louise Gaudry & Margie Avellino | | |
| Church Cleaners | Shruti Ruzario and Nhung Booth | | |
| Mt View | Julie Douglas | | |
| Jindalee | n/a | | |

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