St Benedict's Catholic Church

In the care of the Missionaries of God's Love

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

WEEKEND MASS TIMES: WEEKDAY MASS TIMES:

Tuesday Saturday 6pm 5.30pm 12.30pm Sunday Wednesday Sunday 6pm (Charismatic Mass) 5.30pm Thursday Sunday 6pm Youth Mass Friday 5.30pm (Healing Mass)

(every last Sun of the Month)

Saturday 8am

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

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Eucharistic Adoration has finished for the year. It will recommence on Monday 4 February 2019. Please call the Adoration Coordinator (0457500297) or Fr Dan (62396772) if you would like to commit to Adoration or change your current commitment.

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.



The family in the documents of the Church

"Blessed Paul VI, in the wake of the Second Vatican Council, further developed the Church's teaching on marriage and the family. In a par-ticular way, with the Encyclical Humanae Vitae he brought out the intrinsic bond between conju-gal love and the generation of life: 'Married love requires of husband and wife the full awareness of their obligations in the matter of responsible parenthood, which today, rightly enough, is much insisted upon, but which at the same time must be rightly understood... The exercise of responsible parenthood requires that husband and wife, keep-ing a right order of priorities, recognize their own duties towards God, themselves, their families and human society' (No. 10). In the Apostolic Exhor-tation Evangelii Nuntiandi, Paul VIhighlighted relationship between the family and the Church".60

(Cont.. paragraph 68 Amoris Laetitia)

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time 26 & 27 January 2019

FIRST READING

Neh 8:2-6, 8-10

A reading from the book of Nehemiah

They read from the book of Law and they understood what was read.

Ezra the priest brought the Law before the assembly, consisting of men, women, and children old enough to understand. This was the first day of the seventh month. On the square before the Water Gate, in the presence of the men and women, and children old enough to understand, he read from the book from early morning till noon; all the people listened attentively to the Book of the Law.

Ezra the scribe stood on a wooden dais erected for the purpose. In full view of all the people – since he stood higher than all the people – Ezra opened the book; and when he opened it all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people raised their hands and answered Amen! Amen!; then they bowed down and, face to the ground, prostrated themselves before the Lord. And Ezra read from the Law of God, translating and giving the sense, so that the people understood what was read.

Then Nehemiah – His Excellency – and Ezra, priest and scribe (and the Levites who were instructing the people) said to all the people, 'This day is sacred to the Lord your God. Do not be mournful, do not weep'. For the people were all in tears as they listened to the words of the Law.

He then said, 'Go, eat the fat, drink the sweet wine, and send a portion to the man who has nothing prepared ready. For this day is sacred to our Lord. Do not be sad: the joy of the Lord is your stronghold.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 18:8-10. 15. R. See Jn 6:63

(R.) Your words, Lord, are spirit and life.

- The law of the Lord is perfect, it revives the soul.
 The rule of the Lord is to be trusted, it gives wisdom to the simple. (R.)
- The precepts of the Lord are right, they gladden the heart.
 The command of the Lord is clear, it gives light to the eyes. (R.)
- The fear of the Lord is holy,abiding for ever.The decrees of the Lord are truthand all of them just. (R.)
- 4. May the spoken words of my mouth, the thoughts of my heart, win favour in your sight, O Lord, my rescuer, my rock! (R.)



SECOND READING

1 Cor 12:12-30

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

Just as a human body, though it is made up of many parts, is a single unit because all these parts, though many, make one body, so it is with Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised, Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well as citizens, and one Spirit was given to us all to drink.

Nor is the body to be identified with any one of its many parts. If the foot were to say, 'I am not a hand and so I do not belong to the body', would that mean that it stopped being part of the body? If the ear were to say, 'I am not an eye, and so I do not belong to the body,' would that mean that it is not a part of the body? If your whole body was just one eye, how would you hear anything? If it was just one ear, how would you smell anything?

Instead of that, God put all the separate parts into the body on purpose. If all the parts were the same, how could it be a body? As it is, the parts are many but the body is one. The eye cannot say to the hand, 'I do not need you,' nor can the head say to the feet, 'I do not need you.'

What is more, it is precisely the parts of the body that seem to be the weakest which are the indispensable ones; and it is the least honourable parts of the body that we clothe with the greatest care. So our more improper parts get decorated in a way that our more proper parts do not need. God has arranged the body so that more dignity is given to the parts which are without it, and so that there may not be disagreements inside the body, but that each part may be equally concerned for all the others. If one part is hurt, all parts are hurt with it. If one part is given special honour, all parts enjoy it.

Now you together are Christ's body; but each of you is a different part of it. In the Church, God has given the first place to apostles, the second to prophets, the third to teachers; after them, miracles, and after them the gift of healing; helpers, good leaders, those with many languages. Are all of them apostles, or all of them prophets, or all of them teachers? Do they all have the gift of miracles, or all have the gift of healing? Do all speak strange languages, and all interpret them?

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! The Lord sent me to bring Good News to the poor and freedom to prisoners. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Lk 1:1-4. 4:14-21

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Seeing that many others have undertaken to draw up accounts of the events that have taken place among us, exactly as these were handed down to us by those who from the outset were eyewitnesses and ministers of the word, I in my turn, after carefully going over the whole story from the beginning, have decided to write an ordered account for you, Theophilus, so that your Excellency may learn how well founded the teaching is that you have received.

Jesus, with the power of the Spirit in him, returned to Galilee; and his reputation spread throughout the countryside. He taught in their synagogues and everyone praised him.

He came to Nazara, where he had been brought up, and went into the synagogue on the sabbath day as he usually did. He stood up to read, and they handed him the scroll of the prophet Isaiah. Unrolling the scroll he found the place where it is written:

The spirit of the Lord has been given to me, for he has anointed me. He has sent me to bring the good news to the poor, to proclaim liberty to captives and to the blind new sight, to set the downtrodden free, to proclaim the Lord's year of favour.

He then rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the assistant and sat down. And all eyes in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to speak to them, 'This text is being fulfilled today even as you listen.'

PARISH NEWS

St Benedict's Social Group invites all parishioners to



the first monthly **Morning Tea** for 2019 in the Parish Centre next Sunday (3 Feb) after the 9am Mass.

SAUSAGE SIZZLE BUNNINGS - Help needed: Vinnies are



manning a Sausage Sizzle at Bunning's Fyshwick on Sat 9 Feb from 7am -4.30pm, as a fundraiser for the society. If you can help for a couple of hours please advise which time slot would suit you:

7am - 10.30am, 10.30 - 1.30pm or 1.30pm—4.30pm. For more information please contact Don Jeffery: sarlouali2@bigpond.com or 041894473. Thank you

DOORKNOCK APPEAL 2019: Volunteers are



requested to assist with the St Vincent de Paul Doorknock. The Doorknock is the major fundraising appeal for SVDP for the year, funds raised from the Doorknock are

used to assist the needy in the community. Volunteer's will be assigned a certain section in Narrabundah which can be completed usually in under 2 hours. Doorknocking can be carried out on any day in February in daylight hours at the Volunteers convenience. If you can assist or require any further info please contact Don Jeffery. Email: sarlouali2@bigpond.com. Phone: 0418944731.

HELP: Attention to 18 to 50 years old needing help to collect the bread from Brumbies Bakery in Kambah. Free food for pay. For more info please contact Caroline on 0499 002 813.

Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Persons WWVP Card Reminders:

If your **card** is **due to expire** in **January & February 2019** and you have renewed, are waiting to, or have received a new card **please bring the card to the Parish Office** as soon as you can. The Parish will take a copy of the both the front and back of the card. Thank you.

As A Parish Let Us Pray For...

Our Sick: Lorraine Davis, Betty O'Brien, Mathew, Pauline Bucovaz-Sezun, Noeleen Carrick, Pam Pini, Stan Marris, Flora Arias, Pat Atkins, Helen French, Ellen Brennan, Carol Rees, Rhys Evans, Jindalee & Mt View residents.

Recently Deceased & Anniversaries: Tom Daly, Margaret Burnell, Victor Martin, John Jnr Martin, Johannes Lemewu, Claire Connell, Tom French, Peter Knight, Sam & Nina Agius, Ian Smith, Correy Browning, Heather Daly, John De Freitas, Barney & Una Murphy, Gerry Agnew, Jim Kirkman, John Martin, Barbara Jeffery, Edna Keir, Lawrence Power, Barrie Marshall, Stella Ienco, Louise Agnew, Louis Camilleri.

ROSTER FOR THIS WEEKEND 26 & 27Jan 2019 Sat 6 pm Sun 9am Welcomers Alma Burg Louise Gaudry Readers Moira Nadjecki B Murphy & N Kensey Presentation Bennet family M & R Molyneux of the Gifts Eucharistic Mark Doverty T & K Flood Ministers Flowers, Altar M Wellspring, L Thomas & M Avellino Cleaning **Church Cleaners** Rita Caputo and Rosemary Caldwell Mt View Holiday break Jindalee Holiday break

READINGS & ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND 2 & 3 Feb 2019		
1st Reading Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19	2nd Reading 1 Corinthians 12:31 - 13:13	GOSPEL LUKE 4:21-30
	Sat 6 pm	Sun 9am
Welcomers	A Pace & S Cotsell	vacant
Readers	E Matthews & D Jeffery	P & C Moncuquet
Presentation of the Gifts	B & L Barron	Social Group
Eucharistic Ministers	R Parker & B Barron	J Douglas & M Molyneux
Flowers, Altar Cleaning	A Hobday, F Dowling, & S Neimanis	
Church Cleaners	Phillip Family	
Mt View	Julie Douglas	
Jindalee	Maja Leech	