St Benedict's Catholic Church

In the care of the Missionaries of God's Love

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Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time C
26 & 27 October 2019

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Tues - Fri 9am - 12pm

WEEKEND MASS TIMES:		WEEKDAY MASS TIMES:	
Saturday	6pm	Tuesday	5.30pm
Sunday	9am	Wednesday	12.30pm
Sunday 6pm (Charismatic Mass)		Thursday	5.30pm
Sunday 6pm Youth Mass		Friday 5.30pm (Healing Mass	
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(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:

Monday 9am – 8pm
Tuesday 10am – 10pm
Wednesday 11am – 10pm
Thursday 11am – 10pm
Friday 9am – midnight
Saturday 12am – 8am

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.

2019 World Mission Sunday -Church Appeal – Ghana – 3 November

This year's Catholic Mission Church Appeal highlights the life-saving work supported by Catholic Mission in Ghana, through programs designed to rescue babies and children who are vulnerable and foster their personal development for a brighter future.

To view video about this project visit:

https://www.youtube.com/user/cathmission
Let's reach out to our brothers and sisters
who are in great need.

Special Birthdays and Anniversaries

If you know anyone who is celebrating a significant Birthday or Anniversary please let the Office know.

Christmas is coming Volunteers needed

The Parish Pastoral Council are looking for a team of volunteers to organise, set up and lead the St Benedict's Family Christmas Mass on Christmas Eve (in the school hall). This vi-

brant family celebration has become a wonderful tradition in our parish. If you are able to assist or would like more information, please contact the Parish Office.

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FIRST READING

Ecclesiasticus 35:12-14, 16-19

The humble man's prayer pierces the clouds

The Lord is a judge who is no respecter of personages. He shows no respect of personages to the detriment of a poor man, he listens to the plea of the injured party. He does not ignore the orphan's supplication, nor the widow's as she pours out her story. The man who with his whole heart serves God will be accepted, his petitions will carry to the clouds. The humble man's prayer pierces the clouds, until it arrives he is inconsolable, And the Lord will not be slow, nor will he be dilatory on their behalf.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 33(34):2-3,17-19,23

The Lord hears the cry of the poor

I will bless the Lord at all times, his praise always on my lips; in the Lord my soul shall make its boast. The humble shall hear and be glad.

The Lord turns his face against the wicked to destroy their remembrance from the earth. The just call and the Lord hears and rescues them in all their distress.

The Lord is close to the broken-hearted; those whose spirit is crushed he will save.
The Lord ransoms the souls of his servants.
Those who hide in him shall not be condemned.

SECOND READING

2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

All there is to come now is the crown of righteousness reserved for me

My life is already being poured away as a libation, and the time has come for me to be gone. I have fought the good fight to the end; I have run the race to the finish; I have kept the faith; all there is to come now is the crown of righteousness reserved for me, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that Day; and not only to me but to all those who have longed for his Appearing. The first time I had to present my defence, there was not a single witness to support me. Every one of them deserted me – may they not be held accountable for it. But the Lord stood by me and gave me power, so that through me the whole message might be proclaimed for all the pagans to hear; and so I was *rescued from the lion's mouth*. The Lord will rescue me from all evil attempts on me, and bring me safely to his heavenly kingdom. To him be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

2 Cor 5:19

Alleluia. alleluia!

God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself; and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 18:9-14

The tax collector, not the Pharisee, went home justified.

Jesus spoke the following parable to some people who prided themselves on being virtuous and despised everyone else: 'Two men went up to the Temple to pray, one a Pharisee, the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood there and said this prayer to himself, "I thank you, God, that I am not grasping, unjust, adulterous like the rest of mankind, and particularly that I am not like this tax collector here. I fast twice a week; I pay tithes on all I get." The tax collector stood some distance away, not daring even to raise his eyes to heaven; but he beat his breast and said, "God, be merciful to me, a sinner." This man, I tell you, went home again at rights with God; the other did not. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the man who humbles himself will be exalted.'

PARISH NEWS

St Bendict's Social Group invites all parishioners to their monthly morning tea in the Parish Centre on Sunday 3rd November after the 9.00am Mass.

National Drought Prayer Campaign: The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference have asked us to devote November as a month to pray for those affected by the drought and to pray for the gift of rain. Resources can be found at: www.catholic.org.au/drought

Memorial Mass for loved ones who have died by suicide will be held at St Joseph's O'Connor Church on November 8 at 6pm. Everyone is welcome. A light supper with follow and Specialist Counsellors will be present.

Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Persons WWVP Card Reminders: If your card is due to expire in November or December 2019 and you have renewed, are waiting to, or have received a new card please bring the card to the Parish Office.

Altar cleaning and flower arranging: Parishioners are invited to assist with the weekly preparation of the church by helping with the arrangement of flowers and light cleaning, this does not include vacuuming the church. At present only a few ladies are involved in this service and they would very much welcome additional assistance. Volunteers are rostered every 4-6 weeks, usually for about an hour on Saturday morning. The next roster period will run from early November till May next year. For further information or to offer to join the roster please call Sue on 0407 269 193.

Rosary for the month of Mary: Rosary will be held in the Church every Thursday evening in October, beginning at 7pm.

Marian Statue: If you would like to have Our Lady in your home, please write your name and contact details in the "Marian Statue" record book which will live on a table in the confessional. It will then be your responsibility to co-ordinate the exchange of Our Lady with the previous custodian. We ask that visits be kept to around 2 weeks duration. If there is nobody next on the list, please keep her safely with you until somebody requests a visit! If you have any questions or any issues arise, please contact Ingrid Kensey on <u>0401 489 525</u> or ingridparker86@gmail.com.

Palms Australia Outreach: Communities in Africa, Asia and the Pacific seek medics, teachers, tradies, business and admins to assist their development. Come and join Tony Bozicevic and Ivapene Seiuli, who will share their experience of communities in Papua New Guinea and Samoa, and explain how sharing your skills with Palms support can immerse you in a world of deep cultural discovery. The meeting will be held on Saturday, 16 November at 11:00am, at King O'Malley's Pub in Civic.

As A Parish Let Us Pray For...

Our Sick: Lyn Walker, Louis & Pam Pini, Andrew Italiano, Anthony, George Douglas, Susan Spruce, Clem Dick, Dorothy Lamb, Lorraine Davis, Mathew, Noeleen Carrick, Stan Marris, Flora Arias, Pat Atkins, Helen French, Carol Rees, Rhys Evans, Jindalee & Mt View residents.

Recently Deceased & Anniversaries: 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 26 & 27 October 2019				
	Sat 6 pm	Sun 9am		
Welcomers	Anna Pace	Vacant		
Readers	Moira Najdecki	Barry Murphy		
	H Bramanathan	P Kinyanjui		
Presentation	Brian & Leita Barron	Maralyn & Ron		
of the Gifts		Molyneux		
Eucharistic	Rita Parker	B Murphy		
Ministers	B Barron			
Flowers, Altar	Margie Avellino, Louise Gaudry and			
Cleaning	Claudine Smith			
Church Cleaners	Rita Caputo & Rosemary Caldwell			
Mt View	Carmel Henry			
Jindalee	Brendan			

READINGS & ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND 2 & 3 November 2019

1ST READING	2nd Reading	GOSPEL	
Wis 11:22-12:2	2 Thess 1:11-2:2	Lk 19:1-10	
	Sat 6 pm	Sun 9am	
Welcomers	Leita & B Barron	Alma Burg	
Readers	Don Jeffery	Louise O'Rance Julie Douglas	
Presentation of the Gifts	BA Daly	Social group	
Eucharistic Ministers	S Neimanis	Mr Stratford Janice Kelly	
Flowers, Altar Cleaning	Loretta Thomas, Sue Neimanis & Mattia Wellspring		
Church Cleaners			
Mt View	Julie Douglas		
Jindalee	N/A		

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