

PARISH NEWS

and papers carry news of refugees fleeing from hunger, war and other grave dangers, in search of security and a dignified life for themselves and for their families" (Angelus, 29 December 2013). In each of these people, forced to flee to safety, Jesus is present as he was at the time of Herod. In the faces of the hungry, the thirsty, the naked, the sick, strangers and prisoners, we are called to see the face of Christ who pleads with us to help. If we can recognise him in those faces, we will be the ones to thank him for having been able to meet, love and serve him in them. *Pope Francis*

THE PALLIATIVE CARE PACKAGES Sally FitzGerald

(Archdiocesan Aboriginal Catholic Ministry and parishioner) As an initiative of NATSICC, we are developing Palliative Care Packages for all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples who are deemed to be palliative-regardless of any or no religious beliefs.

These Packages will include-blankets, beanies, shawls, music CDs and notebooks. As such, we are appealing to all people who would like to participate in these Packages by knitting or crocheting blankets and beanies. For further information please contact Sally FitzGerald on 0422 066 080 or salfitz50@live.com

If you cannot knit or crochet but would like to contribute, we are happy to accept financial donations-no matter how big or small. Our bank details are: **Name: NATSICC; BSB: 085 005; Account no: 55331 6507; Reference: calculatorpalliative**

Upcoming Rosary Gatherings in City

Rosary Prayers (socially distanced) outside the Canberra Legislative Assembly on 2pm Wednesday 7 October Feast of *Our Lady of the Rosary* to pray for the ACT election. All welcome as we ask Our Lady to intercede, as she has so often in church history when Christianity has been under threat. *Public Square Rosary on Sunday 11 October* 2pm in the city, Garema place near merry-go-round.

HELP FOR MARRIAGES UNDER STRESS: The BreakThrough Online Course created by SmartLoving will enable you to identify your conflict triggers, learn strategies to de-escalate an argument and find constructive ways to re-establish connection. Restore hope for your relationship's future. Visit: www.smartloving.org/breakthrough tloving.org/breakthrough Mary Undoer of Knots Discount - 50% | until September 30, 2020.

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Our Sick: Frank Smith, Lyn Walker, Louis 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: Mary Grech, Charles Morella, Francesco Barbero, Kevin Power, Caroline Brunner, John and Antoinette Martin, Pam Pini, Albert Alfred Bonansea, Donal Dwyer, Kathleen Kensey, Antonia Martin, Lino Lanza, Ian Patterson, Marie-Josepha Mukankuranga, Rosa and Ilario Gallace, Tom Daly, Cyril Power, Margaret Burnell, Ruth Uwimana, Fred Martin, George Douglas, Patsy Wyer, Stanley Marris, Merle Taylor, Betty O'Brien, Gerry Agnew, Zeta Evans, Brian Power, John Agius, Joyce Cremer, 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, Louis Camilleri, Jim Kirkman, Barbara Jeffery, Lawrence Power, Edna Keir, Stella Ienco, Barrie Marshall, Louis Camilleri, Sam & Nina Agius; Maria (Bishop Pat Power's sister); Tony Patterson (Fr Bernie Patterson's brother);

ROSTER FOR THIS WEEKEND 26/27 September 2020

	Sat 6 pm	Sun 9am
Flowers, Altar Cleaning	Sue Neimanis & Tessa Oh	
Church Cleaners	Don & Jennifer Nguyen	

READINGS & ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND 3 & 4 October 2020

	Sat 6 pm	Sun 9am
1ST READING Isaiah 5:1-7	2ND READING Phil 4:6-9	GOSPEL Mt 21:33-43
Welcomers	Louise Gaudry	Priscilla Kinyanjui
Readers	BA Daly & Louise Gaudry	Barry Murphy & Asterie ToNiyonsenge
Presentation of the Gifts	Sally Cotsell & BA Daly	Social Group
Eucharistic Ministers	Sue Neimanis & Noreen Dick	Barry Murphy & Peter Stauffer
Flowers, Altar Cleaning	Margie Avellino, Anne Hobday and Noreen Dick	
Church Cleaners	Ian Smith and volunteer	

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

St Benedict's Catholic Church



In the care of the Missionaries of God's Love

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Cathy Schneider & Sandra Wera (acting Parish Secretaries)

Karina Widjaja (Finance Officer)

Adrian Wellspring (Spiritual Direction & Personal Vocation)

Twenty Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time 26 & 27 September 2020

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Tues – Fri 9am - 12pm

WEEKEND MASS TIMES:

Saturday 6pm (Vigil)
Sunday 9am
(Streamed via Facebook)

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES:

Tuesday 5.30pm
Wednesday 12.30pm
Thursday 5.30pm
Friday 5.30pm (Healing Mass)
Saturday 8.00am
Sunday 6pm (Charismatic Mass)
Sunday 6pm Youth Mass
(every last Sun of the Month)

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 – 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.

Dear brothers and sisters,

Congratulations to Alma Burg on her 80th birthday this week. May the Lord continue to bless her.

ARCHBISHOP CHRISTOPHER PROWSE is coming to visit this parish on **7 October** between 2.30—4pm. If you would like to attend to meet him please contact the parish office or Fr Dan

106TH WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES is acknowledged this Sunday 27 September. This year's theme for the Holy Father's Message for 2020 World Day of Migrant and Refugee is: "Forced like Jesus Christ to flee". If you would like to assist our Parish Manus Lives Matter Group who support refugees, their bank details are: **Account Name: Manus Lives Matter**

BSB: 062922 Acct Number: 10204914

OZANAM SUNDAY ST VINCENT DE PAUL TWINNING APPEAL

The St Vincent de Paul Society is conducting its Ozanam Sunday appeal for our Twinned Conferences in Indonesia and India. Twinning is the program by which our members support fellow Vincentians in developing countries spiritually, financially and through mutual encouragement. If you would like to make a donation towards supporting our brothers and sisters in our twinned conferences (in lieu of cash donations) you can make an electronic contribution to **BSB: 062 786, Account No: 14760, Reference: Ozanam Sunday** and the parish name. If you require a donation receipt, please email finance.cg@vinnies.org.au with your name, donation amount, donation date and the parish name.

MESSAGE (EXTRACT) OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS FOR THE 106TH WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES 2020:

In the light of the tragic events that have marked 2020, I would like this Message, although concerned with internally displaced persons, to embrace all those who are experiencing situations of precariousness, abandonment, marginalisation and rejection as a result of COVID-19. I would like to start with the image that inspired Pope Pius XII in his Apostolic Constitution *Exsul Familia* (1 August 1952). During the flight into Egypt, the child Jesus experienced with his parents the tragic fate of the displaced and refugees, "which is marked by fear, uncertainty and unease. Unfortunately, in our own times, millions of families can identify with this sad reality. Almost every day the television

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
26 & 27 September 2020

First reading

Ezekiel 18:25-28

When the sinner renounces sin, he shall certainly live

The word of the Lord was addressed to me as follows: 'You object, "What the Lord does is unjust." Listen, you House of Israel: is what I do unjust? Is it not what you do that is unjust? When the upright man renounces his integrity to commit sin and dies because of this, he dies because of the evil that he himself has committed. When the sinner renounces sin to become law-abiding and honest, he deserves to live. He has chosen to renounce all his previous sins; he shall certainly live; he shall not die.'

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 24(25):4-9

Remember your mercies, O Lord.

Lord, make me know your ways.

Lord, teach me your paths.

Make me walk in your truth, and teach me:

for you are God my saviour.

Remember your mercy, Lord,

and the love you have shown from of old.

Do not remember the sins of my youth.

In your love remember me,

because of your goodness, O Lord.

The Lord is good and upright.

He shows the path to those who stray,

He guides the humble in the right path,

He teaches his way to the poor.

Second reading

Philippians 2:1-11

Be united in your love

If our life in Christ means anything to you, if love can persuade at all, or the Spirit that we have in common, or any tenderness and sympathy, then be united in your convictions and united in your love, with a common purpose and a common mind. That is the one thing which would make me completely happy. There must be no competition among you, no conceit; but everybody is to be self-effacing. Always consider the other person to be better than yourself, so that nobody thinks of his own interests first but everybody thinks of other people's interests instead. In your minds you must be the same as Christ Jesus:

His state was divine, yet he did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave, and became as men are; and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross.

But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Gospel Acclamation

John 10:27

Alleluia, alleluia!

My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord;

I know them, and they follow me.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 21:28-32

Tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God before you

Jesus said to the chief priests and elders of the people, 'What is your opinion? A man had two sons. He went and said to the first, "My boy, you go and work in the vineyard today." He answered, "I will not go," but afterwards thought better of it and went. The man then went and said the same thing to the second who answered, "Certainly, sir," but did not go. Which of the two did the father's will?' 'The first' they said. Jesus said to them, 'I tell you solemnly, tax collectors and prostitutes are making their way into the kingdom of God before you. For John came to you, a pattern of true righteousness, but you did not believe him, and yet the tax collectors and prostitutes did. Even after seeing that, you refused to think better of it and believe in him.'