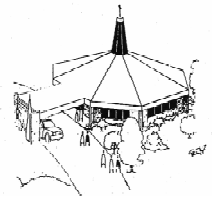


St Benedict's Catholic Church



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St Benedict's Catholic Parish aims to be a caring and prayerful community, committed to outreach & service, where each person is valued, and their gifts encouraged.

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time 26 & 27 August 2017

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

WEEKEND MASS TIMES:

Saturday 6pm

Sunday 9am

Sunday 7pm (*Charismatic Mass*)

Sunday 7pm Youth Mass
(every last Sun of the Month)

Saturday 8.00am

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Tuesday 5.30pm

Wednesday 12.30pm

Thursday 5.30pm

Friday 5.30pm (*Healing Mass*)

RECONCILIATION:

Friday following 6.15 –7.00pm a☩er

(Healing Mass)

Saturday 5pm – 5.30pm or by
appointment

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH:

Every 3rd Friday Padre Pio 5pm

Every Saturday 7.30am

ROSARY:

Saturdays a☩er 8.00am Mass

Thursdays – 7.30pm (*during May & October*)

BAPTISMS: 11am, 2nd & 4th Sundays of the month

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:

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

Monday 8am – 9pm

Tuesday 8am – 10pm

Wednesday 9am – 10pm

Thursday 9am – 10pm

Friday 6am – 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.



Readings for this weekend:

1st Reading: Isaiah 22:19-23

2nd Reading: Romans 11:33-36

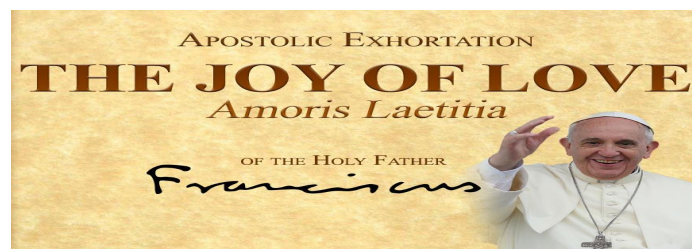
Gospel: Matthew 16:13-20

Responsorial Psalm:

Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! You are Peter, the rock on which I will build my Church; the gates of hell will not hold out against it. Alleluia!



7 Given the rich fruits of the two-year Synod process, this Exhortation will treat, in different ways, a wide variety of questions. This explains its inevitable length. Consequently, I do not recommend a rushed reading of the text. The greatest benefit, for families themselves and for those engaged in the family apostolate, will come if each part is read patiently and carefully, or if attention is paid to the parts dealing with their specific needs. It is likely, for example, that married couples will be more concerned with Chapters Four and Five, and pastoral ministers with Chapter Six, while everyone should feel challenged by Chapter Eight. It is my hope that, in reading this text, all will feel called to love and cherish family life, for “families are not a problem; they are first and foremost an opportunity”.

PARISH NEWS

Pastoral Statement from Archbishop Christopher Prowse regarding two significant public issues concerning the Church. Hard copies are available in the foyer.

St Benedict's Social Group invites all Parishioners to:

- ◆ come along to Morning Tea in the Parish Centre after the 9.00 am Mass next Sunday (3rd September), and
- ◆ join them at 'Gryphons At Griffith' on Thursday 14 September at 10.30 am for coffee and a chat.



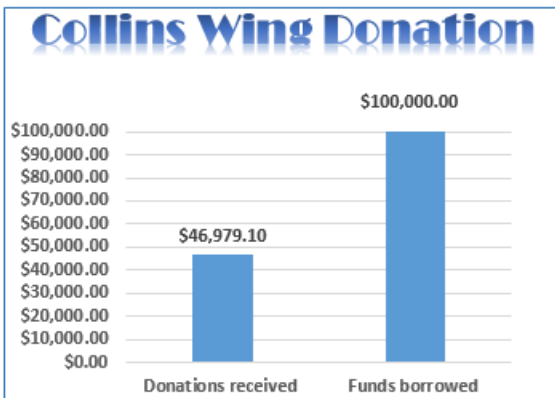
CONFIRMATION 2017: Enrolment is closed.



Retreat & Practice: 30 Aug Wed
9am-3pm Collins Wing
Celebration: 10 Sept Sunday at
9am Mass

Collins Wing Donations

We are already half-way to our target to pay for the Collins' Wing renovations – please support this important project by grabbing a donation envelope from the foyer and placing it in either of the collection bags, or hand it to a priest, a PPC member or the Parish Office. A big thank you to those who have generously contributed. For Direct Debit donations: St Benedict's Parish: BSB: 062 786 Account No: 0000 14992



Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Persons WWVP Card Reminders:

If your card is due to expire in August or September 2017 and you have renewed, are waiting to, or have received a new card please bring the card to the Parish Office with another form of identification, such as your driver's license that includes your date of birth on the information listed. The Parish will take a copy of the both the front and back of the card.

Please note: It is an offence to engage in regulated activity for vulnerable people without a current WWVP registration.

Adoration Vacancies:

We DESPERATELY need ADORERS Friday 9am -10am & 6pm-7pm . If you can help please contact Sally on 0422 066 080.

Padre Pio's Mission

It will be available for veneration during and after the 5 30 pm healing Mass on Friday 8th of September, at St Benedict's Church. For further information please contact Maria Ransom on 02 6286 5679.

ST BENEDICT'S MISSION CENTRE IS PRESENTING A TALK SERIES ON THE OLD TESTAMENT called "*The God of the Old Testament*" with cake and cuppa from 7.30pm-8.30pm on the following Thursdays in the Collins Wing CW & Parish Centre PC.

Session Dates:

- 14 PC & 28 CW Sept
- 5 PC & 26 Oct and 2 CW Nov

All are welcome. For more information please ring Fr Baiju on 0490 400 557 or email: baijuthomasis@gmail.com

*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.*

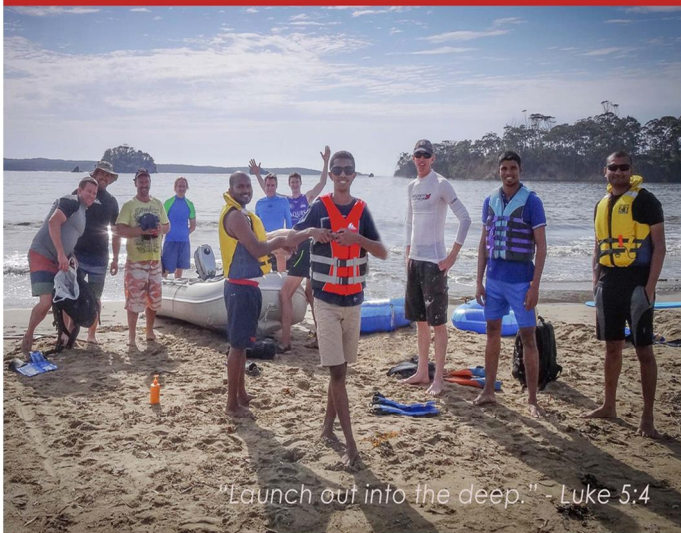


Connect with us on Facebook!

Like 'St Benedict's Church and Mission Centre, Canberra' to keep updated on events run by both the parish and its mission centre.

Missionaries of God's Love

- PRIESTS & BROTHERS -



"Launch out into the deep." - Luke 5:4

DISCERNMENT DAY

When: Saturday 2nd Sept 2017
9.00am to 9.30pm
(Includes Sunday Vigil Mass)

Cost: \$10 to help cover meals

Where: 6 Boake Pl, Garran, ACT

Topics include:

- Leaving a legacy
- Life is not about you!
- Identifying your passion
- What are you scared of?
- How do we go from here to there?

For all enquiries (RSVP by 30th Aug): ceatonmgl@gmail.com/0410935621

www.mglpriestsandbrothers.org

31 – August “Concerned Catholics”

Parishioners, clergy, and friends are invited to attend the meeting from 7.30pm – 9.30pm at the Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture, Blackall Street, Barton. Presenters will include Dr John Falzon (CEO of St Vincent de Paul Society National Council of Australia); Sr Ruth Durick OSU (President, Catholic Religious Australia) and Fr Peter Day.

YOUTH NEWS

Youth Mass is held every last Sunday of the month at 7pm Charismatic mass. Come and experience the liturgy run by the youth, for the youth.

Fusion Youth Group is held every 2nd Friday during the school term, from 7pm-9pm at the Collins Wing. This is for high school students to connect in fellowship and grow more in their faith. Like 'Fusion Youth Group' on Facebook to stay updated on our next gatherings.

CHILDREN NEWS

KINGDOM KIDS MINISTRY:

Next Mass 10 Sept (second Sunday of each month) Families are warmly invited to the 9am Mass and children are welcomed and encouraged to join in the activities of Kingdom Kids. For info email Anita on kingdomkidsministry01@gmail.com.

Remember the prayer wall for those intentions you want the children to pray for.

PRAYER WALL: The children from the 9am Mass continue to pray for the intentions of our parish community.

Marymead's Card Day on Thursday 31st August at Federal Golf Club. Tables of 4 can be booked to play cards, scrabble, mah-jong, board games etc and a hot lunch with wine, tea, coffee and pet fours is provided for \$45. There will also be a craft stall as well as preserves. For further information please contact Jacinta O'Brien 62900499. (All proceeds go to Marymead).

Father's Day Appeal – Collection for retired priests:

Will be conducted across the Archdiocese next weekend, the 3rd & 4th September. There are presently 24 priests who are supported by the *Clergy Retirement Foundation* so it is vital that this Appeal is supported to assist with their accommodation and care needs. All donations are tax deductible and receipts will be issued to donors using the Appeal envelopes. Please be generous.

New to St Benedict's Community? **W e l c o m e**

Please see all the ways you can be part of this community by checking out the contact list in the foyer and see the back page of the bulletin. Please fill out a new parishioner form in the foyer or download it from the website.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Graham Pollard	Julie Douglas	Fr Mat Wuwu
Helen Bennet	Ma ^a Wellspring	Fr Steve Fletcher
Meaghan Younger	Claudia Krebs	
Pat Doyle	Anita Zinkle	
Next PPC mee ^{ng} :	21 Sept at 7pm in Collins Wing	

ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND 2 & 3 September 2017

	Saturday 6pm	Sunday 9am
Welcomers	Leita & Brian Barron	Mary Smith
Readers	Moira Nadjecki & J Bramanathan	Terry & Karen Flood
Presenta^{on} of the Gi^{es}	Brian & Leita Barron	Social Group
Eucharis^c Ministers	A Thomas & A Alex	M Stra ^{ord} & J Kelly
Flowers & Altar Cleaning	Pat Doyle & Chi Holmick	
Sacristan	Margie Avellino	
Church Cleaners	Philip family	
Mt View	Maralyn Molyneux	
Jindalee	Bernice Marris	

FEASTS & IMPORTANT DATES THIS WEEK

28	Aug	St August ^{ne}
29	Aug	St John the Bap st
30	Aug	St Richard Mar ⁿ
31	Aug	St Aidan
1	Sept	St Anna the Prophetess

Readings for next weekend:

1st Reading: Jeremiah 20:7-9
 2nd Reading: Romans 12:1-2
 Gospel: Ma^{hew} 16:21-27

Collec^{ons} from the last weekend:

First Collec^{on}: \$ 1365.55
 Planned Giving Collec^{on}: \$ 740.00
 Loose Collec^{on}: \$ 500.25

The Catholic Weekly and *The Catholic Leader* are available at the Church foyer for \$2.
Please place money in the Poor Box.

PARISH MINISTRIES CONTACT LIST

Parish Pastoral Council RCIA Coordinator Sacramental Coordinator	Fr Stephen Fletcher 6295 7879 Frs Mat & Bajju 62957879 Melanie Stratford Melanie.Stratford@cg.catholic.edu.au Wendy Fisher-Hudson 6295 8791
School of Iconography	Bob O ^{heir} /GrahamTooth 0423 278 350
Parish Grounds/Maintenance	Parish Office 6295 7879
Liturgical Rosters	
Pastoral Groups	
Young Men of God	Fr Ken Barker 6281 0132
MenAlive	Torrien Lau 0432 679 630
Evenings for the Engaged	Mark & Kathy Haseler 6166 7634
Ministry to the Newly Married	Catharina & Graham Williams, Debbie & Brian Kensey 6231 3389
Healing/Prayer	Mark and Maria Ransom 6286 5679
Listening to Jesus/ Called & Gifted	Adrian Wellspring 62958532/0421451412
Visitation Group	Parish Office 6295 78789
Social Group	Sue Neimanis 6295 0687
Family Planning	Veronica & Pablo Jimenez 0406277365
Adoration	Frs Mat/ David 0424869539 /0435484608
Adoration Roster	Sally FitzGerald 0422066080
Neighborhood Care	
Gowrie Court Meals	Parish Office 6295 7879
MGL Sisters	Judy/Therese/Katherine 6166 6941
Bible Study & Prayer Groups	
Marian Devotions	Pat Hannan 6156 3882
Padre Pio Prayer Group	Maria Ransom 6286 5679
Bible Study	Parish Office
Mothers Prayers	Anne Hartwell 6282 0874
Cell Prayer Group	Maria Michas 0427092149
Living Water Prayer Group	Gary & Zenka Taffe 0423-707-838
Youth & Children Ministries	
Fusion DOJ Chaplain	Fr Chris Eaton 62953415
Youth Minister	Chiara Catanzariti 0429699322 chiaraccatanzariti@gmail.com
Kingdom Kids Ministry	Anita Zinkel kingdomkidsministry01@gmail.com
St Benedict's Primary School	6295 8027
School First Friday Mass is at 10am in the Church	

As A Parish Let Us Pray For...

Our Sick: Sr Zita Barron, Pat Evans, Dorothy Lamb, Jan Baker, Be^y O'Brien, Flora Arias, Phillip Cooney, Barrie Marshall, Brad Chalmers, Helen French, Jessica Rodriguez, Miguel Rodriguez, Wendy Gaudiosi-Logan, Rick Oxford, Ellen Brennan, Pauline Wilkie, Pat Atkins, Carol Rees, John Newlyn, George Durr, Jindalee & Mt View residents.

Recently Deceased & Anniversaries: Mark Doyle, Merv O'Brien, Mark Gobbin, James Kirkman, Gennaro Rosini Joan Evans, Kevin Brogan, Colin Ian Smith, Jane Evans, Bro Paul Nixon, Joseph O'Connor, Sam & Nina Aguis, Heather Daly, Ian Smith, Correy Browning, Barbara Jeffery, Edna Keir, Louise Agnew, Marea Brennan, Louis Camilleri.