

St Benedict's Catholic Church

In the care of the Missionaries of God's Love

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Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time C

28 & 29 September 2019

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 – 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.

Sacrament of Confirmation

Last Sunday we celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation for 27 of our young people with Fr Tony Percy VG, the Archbishop's representative. It was a very special event in their lives and in the life of our St Benedict's Community. May they be strengthened by their commitment and filled with the Holy Spirit each day of their lives. A big thanks to all who contributed to the preparation and celebration of the Liturgy. A special thanks you Ms Nat Wright, our Primary School REC, who was outstanding in her generosity and organization.

Pray for rain

Dear brothers and Sisters, the long-running dry conditions which have affected much of eastern Australia since April 2017 have had a severe impact on water resources in the Murray–Darling Basin. These rainfall deficiencies are some of the lowest on record. Please join me in praying for rain and for those whose livelihoods are impacted by this.

Prayer for the Blessing of Rain

Lord God,

Bless Australia – our *Great South Land of the Holy Spirit*.

Grant, that as the *Cross* shines in our southern skies, so may Christ bring light to our nation, to its peoples old and new.

May we receive the blessing of abundant rain so that the "desert blooms with the life that lies in wait."

We ask this through Christ, Our Lord.

Amen.

From Fr Tony Percy VG

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FIRST READING

Amos 6:1, 4-7

Woe to those who live in luxury

The almighty Lord says this: Woe to those ensconced so snugly in Zion and to those who feel so safe on the mountain of Samaria, those famous men of this first of nations to whom the House of Israel goes as client. Lying on ivory beds and sprawling on their divans, they dine on lambs from the flock, and stall-fattened veal; they bawl to the sound of the harp, they invent new instruments of music like David, they drink wine by the bowlful, and use the finest oil for anointing themselves, but about the ruin of Joseph they do not care at all. That is why they will be the first to be exiled; the sprawlers' revelry is over.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 145(146):7-10

My soul, give praise to the Lord

It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever,
who is just to those who are oppressed.
It is he who gives bread to the hungry,
the Lord, who sets prisoners free.

It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind,
who raises up those who are bowed down.
It is the Lord who loves the just,
the Lord, who protects the stranger.

The Lord upholds the widow and orphan
but thwarts the path of the wicked.
The Lord will reign for ever,
Zion's God, from age to age.

SECOND READING**1 Timothy 6:11-16*****Do all that you have been told, until the Appearing of the Lord***

As a man dedicated to God, you must aim to be saintly and religious, filled with faith and love, patient and gentle. Fight the good fight of the faith and win for yourself the eternal life to which you were called when you made your profession and spoke up for the truth in front of many witnesses. Now, before God the source of all life and before Christ, who spoke up as a witness for the truth in front of Pontius Pilate, I put to you the duty of doing all that you have been told, with no faults or failures, until the Appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, who at the due time will be revealed by God, the blessed and only Ruler of all, the King of kings and the Lord of lords, who alone is immortal, whose home is in inaccessible light, whom no man has seen and no man is able to see: to him be honour and everlasting power. Amen.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**2 Co8:9****Alleluia, alleluia!**

Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor,
to make you rich out of his poverty.

Alleluia!**GOSPEL****Luke 16:19-31**

Jesus said to the Pharisees: 'There was a rich man who used to dress in purple and fine linen and feast magnificently every day. And at his gate there lay a poor man called Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to fill himself with the scraps that fell from the rich man's table. Dogs even came and licked his sores. Now the poor man died and was carried away by the angels to the bosom of Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. 'In his torment in Hades he looked up and saw Abraham a long way off with Lazarus in his bosom. So he cried out, "Father Abraham, pity me and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in agony in these flames." "My son," Abraham replied "remember that during your life good things came your way, just as bad things came the way of Lazarus. Now he is being comforted here while you are in agony. But that is not all: between us and you a great gulf has been fixed, to stop anyone, if he wanted to, crossing from our side to yours, and to stop any crossing from your side to ours." 'The rich man replied, "Father, I beg you then to send Lazarus to my father's house, since I have five brothers, to give them warning so that they do not come to this place of torment too." "They have Moses and the prophets," said Abraham "let them listen to them." "Ah no, father Abraham," said the rich man "but if someone comes to them from the dead, they will repent." Then Abraham said to him, "If they will not listen either to Moses or to the prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone should rise from the dead.'"

PARISH NEWS

St Benedict's Social Group invites all parishioners to their monthly morning tea in the Parish Centre on **Sunday 6 October** after the 9.00 Mass. A **coffee and catch up** at 10.30am on **Thursday 10 October** at 'Gryphons At Griffith'.

Caritas Project Compassion Appeal: The appeal was very successful and raised \$2,972.90. Caritas have thanked all Parishioners for their generosity.

Ozanam Sunday Appeal 2019: The appeal raised \$916.75. We would like to thank all Parishioners who donated so generously. St Vincent de Paul does many activities reaching out to those in need both in Australia and overseas. Please contact the Parish Office if you'd like to get involved.

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 roster every 4-6 weeks, usually for about an hour on Saturday morning. The next roster period will run from early November till about May next year. For further information or to offer to join the roster please call Sue on 0407 269 193 **before 18 October**.

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

RCIA St Benedict's: Everyone is welcome to come anytime and join the journey. Our next meeting will be on **Thursday 3 October at 7:30pm** at the Collins Wing at St Benedict's.

Feast of St. Therese of Lisieux: Mass for the feast of St Therese of Lisieux will be concelebrated by Archbishop Christopher Prowse and His Excellency Archbishop Adolfo Tito Yllana at **10.30am on Tuesday 1 October** at the Carmelite Monastery, 28 Mugga Way, Red Hill, ACT. The traditional Blessing of Roses will take place after the Mass, and the Nuns would be grateful for roses prior to the Feast or before the Mass.

St Benedict's Mens BBQ Lunch: Saturday, 12 October. The Parish will be having a Men's BBQ lunch on **Saturday 12 October** at 12 noon, at the Parish Centre. All are welcome. To have an idea of numbers and if you would like to assist with the organising, please contact the Parish office or Father Dan on Daniel.benedetti@cg.org.au.

Marian Procession: come and join pilgrims from across the Archdiocese at the beautiful St Clements Monastery, Galong on **Sunday 27 October** as we honour Our Lady and her son, Jesus. There will be activities for the family, a coffee van and opportunities for prayer. If you would like to bring a statue of Our Lady, these will be blessed on the day. Details: 9.30am - Youth Pilgrimage from Galong Village, 10.30am - Confession, 11.30am - Mass, 2pm - Procession. For more information, including transportation, go to www.marianprocession.org.au

As A Parish Let Us Pray For...

Our Sick: 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: 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 28 & 29 September 2019

	Sat 6 pm	Sun 9am
Welcomers	Leita	Alma Burg
Readers	Moira Najdecki	Barry Murphy Priscilla Kinyanjui
Presentation of the Gifts	Sally Cotsell BA Daly	Vacant
Eucharistic Ministers	Rita Parker B Barron	B Murphy
Flowers, Altar Cleaning	Louise Gaudry, Margie Avellino and Claudine Smith	
Church Cleaners	Rita Caputo and Rosemary Caldwell	
Mt View	Rita Parker	
Jindalee	MGL Narrabundah	

READINGS & ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND 5 & 6 October 2019

<u>1ST READING</u>	<u>2ND READING</u>	<u>GOSPEL</u>
Hab 1:2-3, 2:2-4	2 Tim 1:6-8, 13-14	Luke 17:5-9
Sat 6 pm		Sun 9am
Welcomers	Louise Gaudry	M Stratford
Readers	Don Jeffery Christopher Ruzario	P & C Moncuquet
Presentation of the Gifts	Brian and Leita Barron	Social group
Eucharistic Ministers	S Neimanis	M Stratford Janice Kelly
Flowers, Altar Cleaning	Mattia Wellspring, Loretta Thomas, and Sue Neimanis	
Church Cleaners	Shruti Ruzario	
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*