

# 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.*

## 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

28 & 29 Oct 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<sup>er</sup>

(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<sup>er</sup> 8.00am Mass

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

**BAPTISMS:** 11am, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month

**WEDDINGS:** By appointment

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK:**

During the 5.30pm Mass on first Fridays,

10.30am at Jindalee 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month

10.30am at Mt View 3<sup>rd</sup> 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: Exodus 22:20-26

2nd Reading: Thessalonians 1:5-10

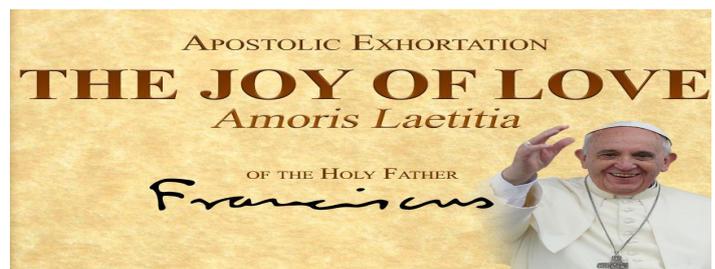
Gospel: Matthew 22:34-40

### Responsorial Psalm:

I love you, Lord, my strength.

### Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them and we will come to them. Alleluia!



## Your children are as the shoots of an olive tree

Parents have a serious responsibility for this work of education, as the Biblical sages of-ten remind us (cf. *Prov* 3:11-12; 6:20-22; 13:1; 22:15; 23:13-14; 29:17). Children, for their part, are called to accept and practice the command-ment: “Honour your father and your mother” (*Ex* 20:12). Here the verb “to honour” has to do with the fulfilment of family and social commitments; these are not to be disregarded under the pretence of religious motives (cf. *Mk* 7:11-13). “Whoever honours his father atones for sins, and whoever glorifies his mother is like one who lays up treasure” (*Sir* 3:3-4).

# PARISH NEWS

**Church Life Survey Meeting:** Feedback from our first meeting about discernment, reflection and mission of St Benedict's are available in the foyer.

## A Prayer for this time of discernment and reflection for the future mission and ministry of St Benedict's

*Mary, Virgin and Mother,  
you who, moved by the Holy Spirit,  
welcomed the word of life  
in the depths of your humble faith:  
as you gave yourself completely to the Eternal One,  
help us to say our own "yes"  
to the urgent call, as pressing as ever,  
to proclaim the good news of Jesus.  
Filled with Christ's presence,  
you brought joy to John the Baptist,  
making him exult in the womb of his mother.  
Brimming over with joy,  
you sang of the great things done by God.  
Standing at the foot of the cross  
with unyielding faith,  
you received the joyful comfort of the resurrection,  
and joined the disciples in awaiting the Spirit  
so that the evangelizing Church might be born.  
Obtain for us now a new ardour born of the resurrection,  
that we may bring to all the Gospel of life  
which triumphs over death.  
Give us a holy courage to seek new paths,  
that the gift of unfading beauty  
may reach every man and woman.*

Prayer from Pope Francis: Evangelii Gaudium

**St Benedict's Social Group** will host morning tea in the Parish Centre after the 9.00 am Mass next Sunday, 5 November.

**Adoration Vacancies:** We DESPERATELY need ADORERS Thurs 1pm-2pm. If you can help please contact Sally on 0422 066 080.

**Columban Calendar 2018 \$10 each:** When you purchase this calendar, you are participating in God's Mission and assisting Columbans in meeting the needs of the poor. Please put your money in the envelope provided and place it in the poor box.

**ACCOMMODATION NEEDED:** A father and young son looking for accommodation unit/flat to rent within the parish. Please contact George Wyer . 6295 7042.



Is coming to St Benedict's soon. The new way to make Parish Donations through a phone app. To be launched soon!

## Raffle Tickets

**Super Christmas Raffle** to be drawn 4 December - great prizes including an overnight stay and breakfast at the Ibis; voucher for \$200 from ACT Optical; Cruise and meal on the Southern Cross Cruiser; Bike helmet; Timex Health Tracker and many more prizes. **Tickets \$2 or three for \$5.** Books available after Masses and also at the Parish Office. Please support this important work by buying or selling raffle tickets or picking up a pledge envelope in the foyer. Place the envelope in the collection bags, Parish Office or hand it to a priest or a PPC member. Or for Direct Debit donations: St Benedict's Parish:  
BSB: 062 786 Account No: 0000 14992  
Ref: CWDonation: Surname.

**RCIA: Saturday 11 November:** Starts 10am-3pm in Collins Wing. If you know anyone interested in becoming Catholic please contact Fr Baiju on 0490400557.

### Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Persons WWVP Card Reminders:

If your card is due to expire in **October or November 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.

**Twilight Retreat**  
**FOR ADORERS**  
Thursday 16 Nov 2017  
at St Benedict Church  
5.30 pm Mass  
6pm Light Supper (BYO finger food)  
7pm Teaching & Sharing  
8pm Adoration

When you look at the crucifix, you understand how much Jesus loved you then.  
When you look at the Sacred Host, you understand how much Jesus loves you now.

St Teresa of Calcutta



I have  
COME so that  
they may have  
**life**  
and have it to  
the FULL  
— John 10:10 —

**catholic mission**  
Reach out. Give life.

Thank you for supporting this year's Catholic Mission Church Appeal through your kind gifts and prayers—for joining in Jesus' life-giving mission and supporting women and children's health in Uganda and around the world.

Your generosity makes it possible for local missionaries like Sister Mary Goretti to provide essential services for women and children in their time of need. We invite you to consider partnering with us through a regular monthly gift and continuing your support of this life-giving work of mission.

Freecall: 1800 257 296  
catholicmission.org.au/uganda

### St Benedict's Mission Centre Events:

- 1) **SPIRIT FILLED LIFE:** Do you want to know more about *a personal friendship with Jesus* and be equipped with the gifts of the **Holy Spirit** to live life to the full? Come to the **Spirit Filled Life**, a 6 week program during the 7pm Masses with testimony, teaching and sharing from the **29<sup>th</sup> of Oct to the 3<sup>rd</sup> of Dec.** Great for Advent preparation!
- 2) **YOUTH MASS:** Let's celebrate the Eucharist with a vibrant music and powerful testimony. Meet new friends and other young people at the Cafe after Mass. When: **Sunday 29 Oct and 26 Nov at 7pm.**

## 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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.

Like 'St Benedict's Youth' on Facebook. Keep updated on the latest events that involve the youth in this parish, the Archdiocese, and schools.

## CHILDREN NEWS

### KINGDOM KIDS MINISTRY:

**Next Mass 12 Nov (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.

**THE PSYCHOLOGY AND SPIRITUALITY OF RELATIONSHIP - Depth** Psychology has much to teach us about relationship and works hand in glove with Spirituality to build a love that is rich, solid and inspired for a less-conflicted road. Dr Patricia Moroney, Jungian Analyst/Psychotherapist and Spiritual Director will present this topic on **Mon 13 Nov at Holy Trinity, Strangway St, Curran at 6.50pm FREE ENTRY** Phone 6286 6939 to register numbers. See Flyers in the foyer.

**Spirit Filled Life**

Yes there is more...

Know more about a personal friendship with Jesus and be equipped with the gifts of the Holy Spirit to live life to the full!

Oct 29th, Nov 5, 12, 26th & Dec 3rd 2017  
Every Sunday @ 7pm Mass

St Benedict's Mission Centre  
0435 484 608 Jerrabomberra Ave, Narrabundah ACT

St Benedict's Catholic Parish acknowledges 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.

## New to St Benedict's Community? **Welcome**

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 <sup>a</sup> Wellspring	Fr Steve Fletcher
Meaghan Younger	Claudia Krebs	
Pat Doyle	Anita Zinkel	
Next PPC mee <sup>ng</sup> :	16 Nov at 7pm in Collins Wing	

### PARISH MINISTRIES CONTACT LIST

Parish Pastoral Council RCIA Coordinator Sacramental Coordinator	Fr Stephen Fletcher 6295 7879 Frs Mat & Baiju 62957879 Melanie Stratford Melanie.Stratford@cg.catholic.edu.au Wendy Fisher-Hudson 6295 8791 Bob O'Heir/GrahamTooth 0423 278 350
School of Iconography Parish Grounds/Maintenance	Bob O'Heir/GrahamTooth 0423 278 350 Parish Office 6295 7879
Liturgical Rosters	Parish Office 6295 7879

#### Pastoral Groups

Young Men of God MenAlive Evenings for the Engaged Ministry to the Newly Married	Fr Ken Barker 6281 0132 Torrien Lau 0432 679 630 Mark & Kathy Haseler 6166 7634 Catharina & Graham Williams, Debbie & Brian Kensey 6231 3389 Mark and Maria Ransom 6286 5679
Healing/Prayer	

#### Listening to Jesus/ Called & Gifted

Visitation Group Social Group Family Planning Adoration Adoration Roster	Adrian Wellspring 62958532/0421451412 Parish Office 6295 78789 Sue Neimanis 6295 0687 Veronica & Pablo Jimenez 0406277365 Frs Mat/ David 0424869539 /0435484608 Sally FitzGerald 0422066080
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#### Neighborhood Care

Gowrie Court Meals MGL Sisters	Parish Office 6295 7879 Judy/Therese/Katherine 6166 6941
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#### Bible Study & Prayer Groups

Marian Devotions Padre Pio Prayer Group Bible Study Mothers Prayers Cell Prayer Group Living Water Prayer Group	Pat Hannan 6156 3882 Maria Ransom 6286 5679 Parish Office Anne Hartwell 6282 0874 Maria Michas 0427092149 Gary & Zenka Taffe 0423-707-838
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#### Youth & Children Ministries

Fusion DOJ Chaplain Youth Minister	Fr Chris Eaton 62953415 Chiara Catanzariti 0429699322 <a href="mailto:chiaraccatanzariti@gmail.com">chiaraccatanzariti@gmail.com</a> Anita Zinkel kingdomkidsministry01@gmail.com
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#### Kingdom Kids Ministry

**St Benedict's Primary School 6295 8027**  
**School First Friday Mass is at 10am in the Church**

## ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND 4 & 5 November 2017

	Saturday 6pm	Sunday 9am
<b>Welcomers</b>	Louise Gaudry	Mary Smith
<b>Readers</b>	BA Daly & Louise Gaudry	Louise O'Rance & Julie Douglas
<b>Presenta<sup>on</sup> of the Gi<sup>s</sup></b>	Jeffery family	Social Group
<b>Eucharis<sup>c</sup> Ministers</b>	A Thomas & R Alex	A & M Wellspring & Janice Kelly
<b>Flowers &amp; Altar Cleaning</b>	Claudine Smith & Louise Gaudry	
<b>Sacristan</b>	Susanna Taylor	
<b>Church Cleaners</b>	Brad Hogno	
<b>Mt View</b>	Julie Douglas	
<b>Jindalee</b>	Pat Doyle	

### FEASTS & IMPORTANT DATES THIS WEEK

30	Oct	St Dorothy
31	Oct	St Quen <sup>n</sup>
1	Nov	All Saints
2	Nov	All Souls
3	Nov	Bl Rupert & St Mar <sup>n</sup> de Porres

#### Readings for next weekend:

1st Reading:	Malachi 1:14 - 2:2. 8-10
2nd Reading:	Thessalonians 2:7-9. 13
Gospel:	Ma <sup>hew</sup> 23:1-12

#### Collec<sup>ons</sup> from the last weekend:

First Collec <sup>on</sup> :	\$ 1213.45
Planned Giving Collec <sup>on</sup> :	\$ 675.00
Loose Collec <sup>on</sup> :	\$ 356.80

## As A Parish Let Us Pray For...

**Our Sick:** Stan Marris, Sr Zita Barron, Pat Evans, Jan Baker, Be<sup>y</sup> 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:** Shirley Parsons Lorna Evans, Gerard Agnew, Alfred Zammit, Marie Bauer, John Hamilton, Antonio Nardi, Joan Evans, Kevin Brogan, 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.

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