St Benedict's Catholic Church

In the care of the Missionaries of God's Love

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Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time C

03 & 04 August 2019

NEW 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)

(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.

<u>Thanks to Luz our Secretary:</u> Luz has decided to finish as our secretary. We would like to thank Luz for her generous service to the Parish. We assure her of our prayers for her and her family and for the future. We look forward to having a celebration in honour for her service.

<u>New Parish Secretary:</u> We are now inviting applications for a new secretary. More information can be obtained from the Parish office.

National Vocations Awareness Week (4-11 Aug) This week we focus on all our vocations. Today we thank God and pray for vocations to consecrated life: Sisters, Brothers and Priests. Next Sunday we will focus on the Lay vocation: Single & married life. Let's pray that the Lord will strengthen all our vocations and particularly help those who are discerning their calling.



Rite of Christian Initiation

RCIA St Benedict's style!

Last Easter we were blessed to welcome Sarah, Ben and Damon into full communion with the Catholic Church. We are looking at beginning the next RCIA journey in

August. We need a team who will welcome and journey with our Catechumens and Candidates. Please contact the office if you would like to join the team or if you know anyone who like to take this journey of discernment and discovery and maybe thinking about becoming a Catholic Christian.

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FIRST READING

Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23

A reading from the book of Ecclesiastes

What do people gain by all their work?

Vanity of vanities, the Preacher says. Vanity of vanities. All is vanity!

For so it is that a man who has laboured wisely, skilfully and successfully must leave what is his own to someone who has not toiled for it at all. This, too, is vanity and great injustice; for what does he gain for all the toil and strain that he has undergone under the sun? What of all his laborious days, his cares of office, his restless nights? This, too, is vanity.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 89:3-6. 12-14. 17. R. v.1

(R.) In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

- 1. You turn men back into dust and say: 'Go back, sons of men.'
 To your eyes a thousand years are like yesterday, come and gone, no more than a watch in the night. (R.)
- 2. You sweep men away like a dream, like grass which springs up in the morning. In the morning it springs up and flowers: by evening it withers and fades. (R.)
- 3. Make us know the shortness of our life that we may gain wisdom of heart.

 Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever?

 Show pity to your servants. (R.)
- 4. In the morning, fill us with your love; we shall exult and rejoice all our days. Let the favour of the Lord be upon us: give success to the work of our hands. (R.)

SECOND READING

Col 3:1-5, 9-11

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians

Seek the things that are above where Christ is.

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

That is why you must kill everything in you that belongs only to earthly life: fornication, impurity, guilty passion, evil desires and especially greed, which is the same thing as worshipping a false god; and never tell each other lies. You have stripped off your old behaviour with your old self, and you have put on a new self which will progress towards true knowledge the more it is renewed in the image of its creator; and in that image there is no room for distinction between Greek and Jew, between the circumcised or the uncircumcised, or between barbarian and Scythian, slave and free man. There is only Christ: he is everything and he is in everything.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mt 5:3

Alleluia, alleluia! Happy the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs! Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Lk 12:13-21

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

To whom will all this wealth of yours go?

A man in the crowd said to Jesus, 'Master, tell my brother to give me a share of our inheritance.' 'My friend,' he replied, 'who appointed me your judge, or the arbitrator of your claims?' Then he said to them, 'Watch, and be on your guard against avarice of any kind, for a man's life is not made secure by what he owns, even when he has more than he needs.'

Then he told them a parable: 'There was once a rich man who, having had a good harvest from his land, thought to himself, "What am I to do? I have not enough room to store my crops." Then he said, "This is what I will do; I will pull down my barns and build bigger ones, and store all my grain and my goods in them, and I will say to my soul: My soul, you have plenty of good things laid by for many years to come; take things easy, eat, drink, have a good time." But God said to him, "Fool! This very night the demand will be made for your soul; and this hoard of yours, whose will it be then?" So it is when a man stores up treasure for himself in place of making himself rich in the sight of God.'

PARISH NEWS

St Benedict's Social Group invites all parishioners to:

- their Monthly Morning Tea in the Parish Centre this Sunday 4th August after the 9.00 Mass.
- a Coffee and Catch up at 10.30am this Thursday 8th August at 'Gryphons At Griffith'.

Planned Giving Receipts 2018-2019 and **Project Compassion Receipts** are available in the foyer in alphabetical order and have been emailed to those who have requested. If there are any discrepancies please ring the Parish Office.

St Benedict's Men Alive Retreat: save the date October 12-13. St Benedict's will be hosting a Men Alive Retreat. More info to come, you can also go to their website: www.menalive.org.au

<u>Union with the Lord Retreat:</u> This retreat will be held at St Benedict's on 31 August 2019 from 9.00 a.m-4.30pm and will be led by Fr Roni and Fr Joby from the Divine Retreat Centre, Sydney. Admission is free, but BOY Lunch. All are welcome and for more information, please see the poster on the foyer.

<u>Have A Go fete:</u> This will take place after 9am Mass this Sunday. Have A Go is a charity supported by the Disciples of Jesus Community. It provides financial assistance to children in need in Indonesia and Papua New Guinea.

Manus Lives Matter: Hosting Father Giorgio Licini Visit to Canberra on Wed 14 Aug 2019 at 7pm, Parish Hall - Sacred Heart Church, 115 Hodgson Cres in Pearce. Father Giorgio is the General Secretary of the Catholic Bishops Conference of PNG and the Solomon Islands. He has been working tirelessly for the refugees and asylum seekers in PNG over many months. All are most welcome to attend.

St Mary Mackillop Pilgrimage to Eden; Sat 10 Aug: With only four and a half weeks before the St Mary Mackillop Pilgrimage to Eden, Corpus Christi Parish would like to finalise numbers in order to book the Murrays Coach. This is open to everyone so if you, your family, friends or members of other parishes or churches are interested in attending, please call or email the Parish Office 6291 6688 / tuggeranongsouth@cg.org.au. We need to have around 25-30 people to enable us to cover the coach hire fee. without having a really high ticket cost.

Social Justice Sunday: We celebrate Social Justice Sun on **29 Sept.** This year, the Australian Bishop's Social Justice Statement is titled: Making it real: "Genuine human encounter in our digital world". For further details visit the office for Social Justice website: www.socolajustice.catholic.org.au or call 02 8306 3499.

As A Parish Let Us Pray For...

Our Sick: Richard (Dick) Brennan, Andrew Italiano, Anthony, George Douglas, Dragica Tomiljenic, Susan Sprece, Zeta Evans, Clem Dick, Dorothy Lamb, Lorraine Davis, Betty O'Brien, Mathew, Noeleen Carrick, Pam Pini, Stan Marris, Flora Arias, Pat Atkins, Helen French, Carol Rees, Rhys Evans, Jindalee & Mt View residents.

Recently Deceased & Anniversaries: 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.

ROSTER FOR THIS WEEKEND 03 & 04 August 2019			
	Sat 6 pm	Sun 9am	
Welcomers	Louise Gaudry	M Stratford	
Readers	Marlene Keir Michael Slee	Loise O'Rance Julie Douglas	
Presentation of the Gifts	Sally Cotsell B A Daly	Social Group	
Eucharistic Ministers	Rita parker B Barron	M Stratford Janice Kelly	
Flowers, Altar	Mary Brown, Leita Barron		
Church Cleaners	Rita Caputo, Rosemary Caldwell		
Mt View	MGL Narrabundah		
Jindalee	Rita Parker		

READINGS & ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND 10 & 11 August 2019		
1ST READING	2nd Reading	GOSPEL
Wis18:6-9	Heb 11:1-2, 8-19	Luk 12:32-48
	Sat 6 pm	Sun 9am
Welcomers	Anna Pace Sally Cotsell	P Kinyanjui
Readers	B A Daly Louise Gaudry	Paula Keating Nathan Kensey
Presentation of the Gifts	Jeffery Family	Children's Liturgy
Eucharistic Ministers	S Neimanis Mark Doverty	Terry & Karen Flood
Flowers, Altar Cleaning Church Cleaners	Anne Hobday, Frances Dowling & Margie Avellino Ian Smith	
Mt View	MGL Garran	
Jindalee	MGL Garran	

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.