## **PARISH NEWS**

#### Adoration

We encourage everyone to take up the centuries old practice of making a visit to Our Lord. It is now easier than ever to join the roster - on any day and any hour either as an ongoing commitment or an occasional substitute. Hours that are totally vacant and in urgent need of filling are: Tuesday 8-9am, 3-4pm & Saturday 6-7am

Please contact Anne Sutherland 0413203901

#### **PARISH OFFICE HOURS:**

Tues - Fri 9am - 12pm

TIMES: Saturday 6pm (Vigil) Tuesday 5.30pm Sunday 9am Wednesday 12.30pm Thursday 5.30pm (Streamed via Facebook)

Sunday 6pm (Charismatic Mass) Sunday 6pm Youth Mass

**WEEKEND MASS TIMES:** 

Saturday

Friday 5.30pm (Healing Mass)

8.00am

WEEKDAY 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

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

Adoration daily hours:

Monday 6am-10pm

Thursday 1pm-10pm Tuesday 6am-10pm

Wednesday 1pm-10pm

Friday 6am to Saturday 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.

ST BENEDICT'S WORSHIP GROUP gathers after Thursday evening 5.30pm Mass for an hour of adoration, worship and intercession. All welcome.

Recently Deceased: Moya Yozer, Agostino Luongo, Joseph Del Guidice, Kevin Allen, Jim Brophy.



Anniversaries: Antonia Martin, Fred Martin, Joseph Cachia, Kelvin Cremen, Cosare Davino, Catherine Devine, Simone Grant, Veronica

Hunt, Leonard Jenkins, Barbara Jubb, Chyde Knudsen, Maria Lopez, Gladys Robertson, Vincensa Scibberas, Lucia Vittorio.

#### Other Celebrations:

Our Sick: Germaphi, Leita Barron, Lorraine Davis, Frank Smith, Lyn Walker, Louis Pini, Anthony, Helen French, Clem Dick, Dorothy Lamb, Flora Arias, Pat Atkins, Carol Rees, Mathew, Jindalee & Mt View residents, Fr Laurie Blake; Mark Ransom, Pamela

ROSTER FOR THIS WEEKEND 30 & 31 October 2021				
	Sat 6 pm	Sun 9am		
Welcomers		Mel Stratford		
Readers	BA Daly & Louise Gaudry	Barry Murphy & Christopher Ruzario		
Presentation of the Gifts	Brian & Leita Barron	N.A		
Eucharistic Ministers	N.A	N.A		
Flowers, Altar Cleaning	Maria & John Michas			
<b>Church Cleaners</b>	Don and Jennifer Nguyen			
Mt View				
lindalee				

READINGS & ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND				
6 & 7 November 2021				
<u>1ST READING</u> 1 kg 17:10-16;	2ND READING Heb 9:24-28;	<u>GOSPEL</u> Mk 12:38-44		
	Sat 6 pm	Sun 9am		
Welcomers	Carmel and Peter Pistoor	Barry Murphy		
Readers	Moira Najdecki & H Bramanathan	Asterie ToNiyonsenge & Christopher Ruzario		
Presentation of the Gifts	Nick & Maria Marzano	N.A		
Eucharistic Ministers	Caroline Evans	Julie Douglas		
Flowers, Altar Cleaning	Claudine Smith, Louise Gaudry & Margie Avellino			
Church Cleaners	Shruti Ruzario & Nhung Booth			
Mt View				
Jindalee				

St Benedict's Catholic Parish acknowledge the Naunnawal 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.

## St Benedict's Catholic Church

In the care of the Missionaries of God's Love

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Corner of Sturt Ave & Jerrabomberra Ave (PO Box 55) Fr Rembert Fernando MGL (Administrator) Fr Baiju Thomas MGL (Mission Centre Director) Onela Iruthayaraj (Parish Secretary)

> Cathy Schneider (Finance Officer Wednesday 8.00am—12midday) Adrian Wellspring (Spiritual Direction & Personal Vocation)

## 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B 30 & 31 October 2021

#### Out of lockdown

Dear brothers and sisters, great news! Masses have recommenced at the usual times. **85 people** are able to attend each Mass in person. Please follow social distancing and sanitise before entry. Try booking will no longer be necessary as we return to our pre lockdown situation. Upon entry please sign in using the CBR app, if you are unable to do so please use the sign in sheets that are available. If you are unwell due to immunity issues it is better to stay home.

#### **CBR** check in card

A Check In CBR card is now available, designed for those people who do not own a smartphone or who are unable to download or use the Check In CBR app. This free card contains a unique QR code for each person, which can be scanned at the majority of businesses and venues across the ACT. This will make checking in a quick and private process for card holders. To apply for this card you can either call access Canberra on 13 22 81 or apply online using the following link; https://www.covid19.act.gov.au/stay-safe-and-

healthy/check-in-cbr-app/check-in-cbr-app-form

#### New youth coordinator.

We welcome the newest member of our St Benedict's parish team, a new youth coordinator; Jeremiah Wilkes.

#### Sacraments

Due to the Covid situation we have decided to postpone the Sacrament of Confirmations to next

#### St. Benedict's parish secretary position available

Tuesday to Friday, 9.00am to 12.00pm. Starting date will be the 16th of November 2021. If you would like more information please inquire at the parish office via email or phone as listed above.

#### From the Parish Pastoral Council

The Parish Presbytery is in urgent need of repairs. The PPC and the Parish Finance Council are concerned to ensure that these repairs can take place. Fr Rembert has noted in recent Bulletins the establishment of a Presbytery Renovation Fund to raise money to address the much-needed repairs and renovations.

However, one area of the Presbytery requires very urgent attention: the leaking roof has caused extensive damage in one bedroom and bathroom. Both these rooms are uninhabitable and unusable due to water damage and resultant mould. Ongoing negotiations with CCI Insurance have been unsuccessful in having an insurance claim met.

St Benedict's is a generous and supportive community and the donations that have come in thus far are gratefully acknowledged. If you are able to contribute to the Presbytery Renovation Fund the details are:

Account Name	BSB	Acc No
St Benedicts Parish	062.786	000014992

We are very thankful for all your generous donations. In future when making a donation please advice under the reference bar what the donation is for e.g. Donation for presbytery or donation for parish, as it would assist when dealing with the finances.

Thank you.

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## **Sunday 31 October 2021**

31 OT Year B.

## **Readings at Mass**

First reading

**Deuteronomy 6:2-6** 

## You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart

Moses said to the people: 'If you fear the Lord your God all the days of your life and if you keep all his laws and commandments which I lay on you, you will have a long life, you and your son and your grandson. Listen then, Israel, keep and observe what will make you prosper and give you great increase, as the Lord the God of your fathers has promised you, giving you a land where milk and honey flow.

'Listen, Israel: the Lord our God is the one Lord. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength. Let these words I urge on you today be written on your heart.'

## **Responsorial Psalm**

Psalm 17(18):2-4,47,51

## I love you, Lord, my strength.

I love you, Lord, my strength,
my rock, my fortress, my saviour.
My God is the rock where I take refuge;
my shield, my mighty help, my stronghold.
The Lord is worthy of all praise,
when I call I am saved from my foes.

## I love you, Lord, my strength.

Long life to the Lord, my rock!

Praised be the God who saves me,
He has given great victories to his king
and shown his love for his anointed.

I love you, Lord, my strength.

Second reading

## Christ, because he remains for ever, can never lose his priesthood

There used to be a great number of priests under the former covenant, because death put an end to each one of them; but this one, because he remains for ever, can never lose his priesthood. It follows, then, that his power to save is utterly certain, since he is living for ever to intercede for all who come to God through him.

To suit us, the ideal high priest would have to be holy, innocent and uncontaminated, beyond the influence of sinners, and raised up above the heavens; one who would not need to offer sacrifices every day, as the other high priests do for their own sins and then for those of the people, because he has done this once and for all by offering himself. The Law appoints high priests who are men subject to weakness; but the promise on oath, which came after the Law, appointed the Son who is made perfect for ever.

Gospel Acclamation

Gospel

John 14:23

**Hebrews 7:23-28** 

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

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Mark 12:28-34

## 'You are not far from the kingdom of God'

One of the scribes came up to Jesus and put a question to him, 'Which is the first of all the commandments?' Jesus replied, 'This is the first: Listen, Israel, the Lord our God is the one Lord, and you must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind and with all your strength. The second is this: You must love your neighbour as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these.' The scribe said to him, 'Well spoken, Master; what you have said is true: that he is one and there is no other. To love him with all your heart, with all your understanding and strength, and to love your neighbour as yourself, this is far more important than any holocaust or sacrifice.' Jesus, seeing how wisely he had spoken, said, 'You are not far from the kingdom of God.' And after that no one dared to question him any more.

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