

PARISH NEWS



Happy Father's Day

"On this Father's Day, in the Year of St. Joseph, we ask God's blessing on all fathers. May every grace be given them, and may the virtues of St. Joseph - prudence, bravery, obedience, loyalty, patience - be theirs in abundance."

— Bishop Barnes

St. Joseph, pray for us.



PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Tues – Fri 9am - 12pm

RECONCILIATION:

Done by appointment, please contact Fr Rem or Fr Baiju or by email to the parish office.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Monday to Friday 5.00pm

Mass times for Lockdown

Monday- Friday 5.30 pm

Saturday 10am

Saturday vigil 5.30 pm

Sunday 10am

Sunday charismatic 6pm (from Garran MGL ;

YouTube)

ROSARY:

After the weekday Masses

BAPTISMS: during Weekend Masses or by appointment

WEDDINGS: By appointment

ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

By appointment, please contact parish office

Recently Deceased: Iris Coppin, Olga Hector, Sr. Heather Roberts, John Ryan.



Anniversaries: Antonina Kaczor, Elsie Piper, Colleen Reynolds, Rita Schmelzenbart, Rolf Schmiedecki, Paul Tonna, Jacobus Zutt

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; Agostino Luongo, Pamela Brown, Rita Parker.

ROSTER FOR THIS WEEKEND

4 & 5 September 2021

	Sat 6 pm	Sun 9am
Welcomers		
Readers		
Presentation of the Gifts		
Eucharistic Ministers		
Flowers, Altar Cleaning		
Church Cleaners		
Mt View		
Jindalee		

READINGS & ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND

11 & 12 September 2021

1ST READING	2ND READING	GOSPEL
Is 50:5-9;	James 2:14-18;	Mk 8:27-35
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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

St Benedict's Catholic Church



In the care of the Missionaries of God's Love

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Fr Rembert Fernando MGL (Administrator)

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Onela Iruthayaraj (Parish Secretary)

Cathy Schneider (Finance Officer Wednesday 8.00am—12midday)

Adrian Wellspring (Spiritual Direction & Personal Vocation)

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B 4 & 5 September 2021

Extended lock down

For the extent of the lockdowns, the Archbishop invites all to pray the Rosary as a community via Zoom each **Wednesday and Friday at 4 pm. Zoom app Meeting ID: 850 2245 8332 Passcode: 543675543675** The 12.15 pm Monday to Saturday masses and the 11 am Sunday mass at St Christopher's Cathedral will continue to be live-streamed as normal at the following link: <https://www.catholicvoice.org.au/mass-online/>

Online parish mass link:

<https://www.facebook.com/stbenedictscanberra/> - Parish mass.

<https://youtu.be/cOb-nlQ0uA> - 5PM Sunday Charismatic mass telecasted from Garran MGL house.

Sacraments

Sacrament of confirmation has been postponed until further notice due to our Covid situation. Let us keep our school children, families and staff in our prayers.

Altar Cleaning and Flower Arranging.

Parishioners are invited to assist with the preparation of the church for weekly celebrations. More volunteers are needed to help with flower arranging and light cleaning, this does not include the vacuuming of the church. For more information or if you are able to offer your assistance please contact Sue (0407 269 193). A roster will be prepared from the beginning of October through till the end of March.

Rosters

Thank you to all who assist with the church ministries, your help is greatly appreciated, however the current rosters are finishing at the end of this month. Please let the office know if you would like to join or be taken off these rosters by the 20th of September, so that I may create a new roster inclusive from October to December .

Message from Father Rembert

Parish office is closed due to the lockdown but please do not hesitate to contact the parish via email. Funerals has been limited to only 20 persons. I have been praying for all of you, keep safe. We are hoping to move forward with renovations, so that we may live in safer conditions. I thank everyone for your generosity and ongoing support to the parish , it is greatly appreciated. The presbytery renovation fund envelopes will be distributed later but due to Covid, we would appreciate electronic donations. Our Parish bank account details are on our website as well; <http://cg.org.au/narrabundah/Home.aspx>.

Account Name	BSB	Acc No External
St Benedicts Parish	062.786	000014992

Resuming RCIA program (1st week of October)

St. Benedict's Parish is hoping to resume our RCIA program in the first week of October, for those who are interested in becoming Catholics at Easter. If you know anyone who is interested in that please ask them to contact the Parish office.

**23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B
4 & 5 September 2021**

Sunday 5 September 2021

23 Sunday in OT Year B.

First reading

Isaiah 35:4-7

The blind shall see, the deaf hear, the dumb sing for joy

Say to all faint hearts,
'Courage! Do not be afraid.
Look, your God is coming,
vengeance is coming,
the retribution of God;
he is coming to save you.'

Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened,
the ears of the deaf unsealed,
then the lame shall leap like a deer
and the tongues of the dumb sing for joy;

for water gushes in the desert,
streams in the wasteland,
the scorched earth becomes a lake,
the parched land springs of water.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 145(146):7-10

Praise the Lord, my soul!

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.

Praise the Lord, my soul!

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.

Praise the Lord, my soul!

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.

Praise the Lord, my soul!

Second reading

James 2:1-5

God chose the poor according to the world to be rich in faith

My brothers, do not try to combine faith in Jesus Christ, our glorified Lord, with the making of distinctions between classes of people. Now suppose a man comes into your synagogue, beautifully dressed and with a gold ring on, and at the same time a poor man comes in, in shabby clothes, and you take notice of the well-dressed man, and say, 'Come this way to the best seats'; then you tell the poor man, 'Stand over there' or 'You can sit on the floor by my foot-rest.' Can't you see that you have used two different standards in your mind, and turned yourselves into judges, and corrupt judges at that?

Listen, my dear brothers: it was those who are poor according to the world that God chose, to be rich in faith and to be the heirs to the kingdom which he promised to those who love him.

Gospel Acclamation

Matthew 4:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

**Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom
and healed all who were sick.**

Alleluia!

Gospel

Mark 7:31-37

'He makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak'

Returning from the district of Tyre, Jesus went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, right through the Decapolis region. And they brought him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they asked him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, put his fingers into the man's ears and touched his tongue with spittle. Then looking up to heaven he sighed; and he said to him, 'Ephphatha', that is, 'Be opened.' And his ears were opened, and the ligament of his tongue was loosened and he spoke clearly. And Jesus ordered them to tell no one about it, but the more he insisted, the more widely they published it. Their admiration was unbounded. 'He has done all things well,' they said 'he makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak.'