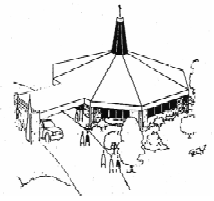


St Benedict's Catholic Church



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Luz Carlile (Parish Secretary)

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.

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

4 & 5 November 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 after

(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 after 8.00am Mass

Thursdays – 7.30pm (during May & October)

BAPTISMS: 11am, 2nd & 4th Sundays of the month

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:

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: Malachi 1:14 - 2:2. 8-10

2nd Reading: Thessalonians 2:7-9. 13

Gospel: Matthew 23:1-12

Responsorial Psalm:

In you, Lord, I have found my peace.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! You have one Father, your Father in heaven; you have one teacher: the Lord Jesus Christ. Alleluia!

CHANGES AND NEW APPOINTMENTS

Dear St Benedict's

At the MGL council last week it was decided that Fr Mat and myself would finish our appointments at St Benedict's and take up new appointments in 2018.

Fr Dan Benede MGL, who is known to many at St Benedict's, will join with Fr Dave and Fr Baiju and the wonderful community of St Benedict's. This is an exciting time as we reflect and discern the future mission and ministry of St Benedict's. It has been a great privilege to be part of such a gifted, vibrant and welcoming community. **Thank you** for your courage and openness in trying new ways of building community and reaching out to those not around the church. We will take up new appointments in early February 2018. In the meantime there is much to do as we continue to reflect on and discern the future mission of St Benedict's and build the community of faith.

Blessings Fr Steve

PARISH NEWS

Church Life Survey Meeting and Next Meeting

This time of Community Reflection and Discernment is shaped by Pope Francis' Vision for the Parish to continue to be 'the Church living in the midst of the homes of her sons and daughters' and in all its activities the parish encourages and trains its members to be evangelisers' ie share the faith. (Pope Francis Para 28 Evangelii Gaudium).

At our first meeting on the 15th October we used the information from the NCLS (National Church Life survey) to draw out what is going well and what needs work. The top four areas that people wanted to work on in the near future were identified broadly as Spiritual Growth, Ministry to Children and Youth, Liturgies that nurture faith, and Building a strong sense of Community. The discussion in these areas was focussed on: What to Keep; What to Try; What to Change.

(A summary of the feedback has been provided.)

The next meeting is on the **Sunday 19th November at 10:15am** for an hour and half. In this meeting we will ask how these areas can better serve the vision of Pope Francis and our vision for the Parish. How will this focus on Spiritual growth, Children and youth ministry, Liturgies and Building a strong sense of Community enable us to be *the Church in the midst of the homes of people* and help to *encourage and train people in being able to share their faith more effectively in our culture?*

Are you passionate about any of these areas? What commitment can you give to this passion?

Can't come to the meeting? Please pick up the summary of the first meeting provided. Pray and think about the areas identified by people in the Church life survey. How might these areas enable a faith connection with people of our culture? Do any of these areas encourage you to grow in being a witness and sharer of the faith?

(Please send your response to the St Benedict's office email by 10th Nov—thank you)

Prayer: It is a time of **Discernment** which means we are prayerfully considering how the Holy Spirit is creatively guiding all our discussions and planning for the future mission from St Benedict's. So please pray regularly for this time as we seek new ways to bring the Gospel of Jesus to our culture.

*Star of the New Evangelization,
help us to bear radiant witness to communion,
service, ardent and generous faith, justice and love of the
poor, that the joy of the Gospel may reach to the ends of the
earth, illuminating even the fringes of our world.
Mother of the living Gospel, wellspring of happiness for
God's little ones, pray for us. Amen. Alleluia!*

Prayer from Pope Francis: Evangelii Gaudium



Working Bee for church buildings, grounds and Music Ministry with Sausage Sizzle:

We need help to clean up the parish grounds, sacristy, Collins Wing, music related work and to do some window cleaning on **Saturday 18 Nov commencing 9am**. Please help get the grounds and church prepared for the Holiday and Christmas period. Bring along garden tools, trailer, barrow etc (we do have some at the Parish too). Also need people with window cleaning skills and window cleaning materials. For further info or to let us know of your capacity to help, please call Bob O'Heir on 0435 203 438 or email boboheir68@gmail.com.

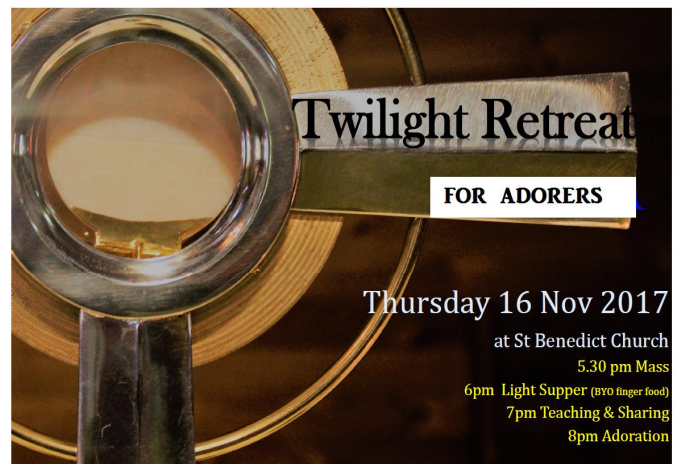


Super Christmas Raffle Tickets (to be

drawn 4 December): **LAST CHANCE THIS WEEKEND TO GET YOUR RAFFLE BOOKS.** Tickets \$2 or three for \$5. We have great prizes including an overnight stay and breakfast at the Ibis; voucher for \$200 from ACT Opal; Cruise and meal on the Southern Cross Cruiser; Bike helmet; Timex Health Tracker and many more prizes. 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.



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



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

St Benedict's Social Group invites all parishioners to:



* come along to Morning Tea in the Parish Centre after the 9am Mass this weekend, and

* join them at 'Gryphons At Griffith' on Thurs 9 Oct at 10.30am for coffee and a chat.

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.

Transport for Helen French: She is living in Charnwood now and needs help getting to Mass at Narrabundah. If you are living on the North side and able to help Helen please ring the Parish Office on 6295 7879. She is particularly keen to get to the Friday evening Healing Mass.

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 **29th of Oct to the 3rd of Dec**. Great for Advent preparation!
- 2) HEALING MASS FOR ADDICTION:** Pray together to break the bondage of all kinds of addiction. **Friday 10th Nov, 5.30pm.**
- 3) 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 26 Nov at 7pm. See flyers in the foyer.**

Sisterhood Connect Mornings: You do not want to miss this sisterhood connect morning with Special guest speaker Jonathan Doyle. *Do you desire deeper friendship with other women, hungry for spiritual food and nourishment, need to be inspired and encounter the grace of God?* Then come along to the Sisterhood connect mornings on the first Tuesday of the month (except during school holidays) for women of all ages and seasons of life, beginning on Tuesday 7th November at 10am in the Greg Collins Wing.

*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.*

Healing Mass for Addiction

St Benedict's Narrabundah warmly invites all to pray on

Friday 10th Nov, 5.30pm



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 2nd 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:

Mass is next Sunday 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.

New to St Benedict's Community? **W e l c o m e**

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 ^a Wellspring	Fr Steve Fletcher
Meaghan Younger	Claudia Krebs	
Pat Doyle	Anita Zinkle	
Next PPC mee ^{ing} :	30 Nov 2017 7pm	

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
School of Iconography Parish Grounds/Maintenance	Bob O'Heir/GrahamTooth 0423 278 350
Liturgical Rosters	Parish Office 6295 7879

Pastoral Groups

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

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 chiaraccatanzariti@gmail.com 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 11 & 12 November 2017

	Saturday 6pm	Sunday 9am
Welcomers	Anna Pace, Sally Cotsell	Alma Burg
Readers	Claire and Grace Bennet	Nathan Kensey & Adrian Wellspring
Presenta^{on} of the Gi^s	Sally Cotsell & BA Daly	Children Liturgy
Eucharis^c Ministers	Rita Parker & B Barron	M Stra ^{ord} & B Murphy
Flowers & Altar Cleaning	Pat Doyle & Chi Holmick	
Sacristan	Margie Avellino	
Church Cleaners	Philip family	
Mt View	MGL Brothers	
Jindalee	Rita Parker	

FEASTS & IMPORTANT DATES THIS WEEK

6	Nov	St Leonard
7	Nov	St Ernest
8	Nov	St Paul
9	Nov	The Dedic ^{on} of the Lateran Basilica
10	Nov	St Leo the Great

Readings for next weekend:

1st Reading:	Wisdom 6:12-16
2nd Reading:	Thessalonians 4:13-18
Gospel:	Ma ^{hew} 25:1-13

Collec^{ons} from the last weekend:

First Collec ^{on} :	\$ 1234.75
Planned Giving Collec ^{on} :	\$ 460.00
Loose Collec ^{on} :	\$ 290.35

The Catholic Weekly and *The Catholic Leader* are available at the Church foyer for \$2.

Please place money in the Poor Box.

As A Parish Let Us Pray For...

Our Sick: Stan Marris, Sr Zita Barron, Pat Evans, Jan Baker, Be^y 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: Brian Kelly, 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.