PARISH NEWS

SUMMER SOIREE AND WINE-TASTING 13 NOVEMBER 6:30PM Join Catholic young adults for a tutored wine-tasting and three-course dinner at the prestigious Clonakilla winery in Murrumbateman. For enquiries contact Belle on 0412 689 book ticket, https://catholicsummersoiree.eventbrite.com.au.

EXPLOSION YOUTH PRESENTS: SANCTIFY an end of year retreat for young people in grades 10-12. Join us for a weekend of games, music, prayer, dramas, and more! Date: 20-21 November Where: St Benedict's Church Narrabundah. Cost: \$45. For more information and to register visit us at explosionyouth.org and follow us on instagram @explosionyouth

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ENGAGED ENCOUNTER RETREAT 20-21 February 2021. How prepared are you for marriage? Engaged Encounter provides you with deeper insights into each other and into married life. For further information visit: www.engagedencounter.org.au.

GIFTS OF FAITH A Gift of Faith is a Christmas present given in place of a material gift. One can arrange multiple Gifts of Faith for children, grandchildren, godchildren, siblings, cousins, co-workers, friends and parishioners. Find out more: www.thatcatholicshop.com/giftsoffaith

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER

My Jesus,

I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Our Sick: Frank Smith, Lyn Walker, Louis Pini, Anthony, Clem Dick, Dorothy Lamb, Lorraine Davis, Mathew, Noeleen Carrick, Flora Arias, Pat Atkins, Helen French, Carol Rees, Rhys Evans, Jindalee & Mt View residents.

Recently Deceased & Anniversaries: Mary Grech, Charles Morella, Francesco Barbero, Kevin Power, Caroline Brunner, John and Antoinette Martin, Pam Pini, Albert Alfred Bonansea, Donal Dwyer, Kathleen Kensey, Antonia Martin, Lino Lanza, Ian Patterson, Marie-Josepha Mukankuranga, Rosa and Ilario Gallace, Tom Daly, Cyril Power, Margaret Burnell, Ruth Uwimana, Fred Martin, George Douglas, Patsy Wyer, Stanley Marris, Merle Taylor, Betty O'Brien, Gerry Agnew, Zeta Evans, Brian Power, John Agius, Joyce Cremer, 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, Louis Camilleri, Jim Kirkman, Barbara Jeffery, Lawrence Power, Edna Keir, Stella Ienco, Barrie Marshall, Louis Camilleri, Sam & Nina Agius; Marlic Erland;

ROSTER FOR THIS WEEKEND 7 & 8 November 2020		
	Sat 6 pm	Sun 9am
Flowers, Altar Cleaning	Tessa Oh & Sue Neimanis	
Church Cleaners	Rita Caputo & Rosemary Caldwell.	

READINGS & ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND 14 & 15 November 2020 **1ST READING** 2ND READING GOSPEL 1 Thess 5:1-6 Mat 25:14-30 19-20, 30-31 Sat 6 pm Sun 9am Leita & Brian Welcomers M Stratford Barron Christopher Ruzario Moira Najdecki Readers H Bramanathan & Priscilla Kinyanjui Jane Camilleri & Presentation volunteers of the Gifts Noreen Dick Eucharistic Rita Parker & Maralyn Molyneux **Ministers Brian Barron** Flowers, Maria & John Michas **Altar Cleaning** Church Ian Smith Cleaners

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

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Cathy Schneider & Sandra Wera (acting Parish Secretaries) Karina Widjaja (Finance Officer)

Adrian Wellspring (Spiritual Direction & Personal Vocation)

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time 7 & 8 November 2020

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Tues - Fri 9am - 12pm

WEEKEND MASS TIMES:

Saturday

Sunday

6pm (Vigil)

9am

Tuesday 5.30pm Wednesday 12.30pm

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES:

Sunday 6pm (Charismatic Mass) Sunday 6pm Youth Mass (Fourth Sun of the Month)

(Streamed via Facebook)

Thursday 5.30pm Friday 5.30pm (Healing Mass) Saturday 8.00am

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 - 9pm Wednesday 11am - 10pm Thursday 11am - 10pm 9am – midnight Saturday 12am - 8am **hours may vary should the use of the Church be required

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.

THIS SUNDAY'S GOSPEL REFLECTION

There is a strange paradox in Christian revelation. The coming of the Son of God in Jesus and in his life, death and resurrection reveals the overwhelming love of God for humankind, yet Jesus repeatedly demands that we make this love real in our lives. Jesus is warning us that we cannot take God's love for granted. All the bridesmaids, whether sensible or stupid, were caught asleep when the bridegroom arrived but only five were ready with oil. This oil has traditionally be interpreted as love - both of God and of neighbour. The women with oil had prepared for the coming of the bridegroom by the quality of their lives. They had been loving and so could respond to the coming of the bridegroom. Yes, we will be judged in the love of God, but we will also be judged according to how we have loved. We have to practice love in the ordinary circumstances of life so that when the great revelation of love come at our death, we can respond with love.

SIGNING IN AT MASS: Please when you are signing in to attend Mass, if you are signing in for your family please put the numbers attending. Just sayingFamily doesn't give us any indication of how many are attending and we need to know to comply with the government Covid-19 requirements.

WE WELCOME INTO OUR CHRISTIAN **COMMUNITY Marley June Murray-Brooks,**

daughter of Shanoa (Brooks) and Arthur, who will be Baptised this Saturday. Please remember them in your prayers.

MARIAN STATUE: If you would like to have Our Lady in your home, please write your name and contact details in the "Marian Statue" record book which will live on a table in the confessional. It will then be your responsibility to co -ordinate the exchange of Our Lady with the previous custodian. We ask that visits be kept to around 2 weeks duration. If there is nobody next on the list, please keep her safely with you until somebody requests a visit! If you have any questions or any issues arise, please contact Ingrid Kensey on 0401 489 525 or

ingridparker86@gmail.com



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First reading Wisdom 6:12-16

Wisdom is found by those who look for her

Wisdom is bright, and does not grow dim.

By those who love her she is readily seen, and found by those who look for her.

Quick to anticipate those who desire her, she makes herself known to them.

Watch for her early and you will have no trouble;

you will find her sitting at your gates.

Even to think about her is understanding fully grown;

be on the alert for her and anxiety will quickly leave you.

She herself walks about looking for those who are worthy of her

and graciously shows herself to them as they go,

in every thought of theirs coming to meet them.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 62(63):2-8

My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

O God, you are my God, for you I long; for you my soul is thirsting. My body pines for you like a dry, weary land without water.

So I gaze on you in the sanctuary to see your strength and your glory. For your love is better than life, my lips will speak your praise.

So I will bless you all my life, in your name I will lift up my hands. My soul shall be filled as with a banquet, my mouth shall praise you with joy.

On my bed I remember you.

On you I muse through the night for you have been my help; in the shadow of your wings I rejoice.

Second reading

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Do not grieve about those who have died in Jesus

We want you to be quite certain, brothers, about those who have died, to make sure that you do not grieve about them, like the other people who have no hope. We believe that Jesus died and rose again, and that it will be the same for those who have died in Jesus: God will bring them with him. We can tell you this from the Lord's own teaching, that any of us who are left alive until the Lord's coming will not have any advantage over those who have died. At the trumpet of God, the voice of the archangel will call out the command and the Lord himself will come down from heaven; those who have died in Christ will be the first to rise, and then those of us who are still alive will be taken up in the clouds, together with them; to meet the Lord in the air. So we shall stay with the Lord for ever. With such thoughts as these you should comfort one another.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
Be watchful and ready:

you know not when the Son of Man is coming. Alleluia.

Gospel

Matthew 24:42,44

Matthew 25:1-13

The wise and foolish virgins

Jesus told this parable to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven will be like this: Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five were sensible: the foolish ones did take their lamps, but they brought no oil, whereas the sensible ones took flasks of oil as well as their lamps. The bridegroom was late, and they all grew drowsy and fell asleep. But at midnight there was a cry, "The bridegroom is here! Go out and meet him." At this, all those bridesmaids woke up and trimmed their lamps, and the foolish ones said to the sensible ones, "Give us some of your oil: our lamps are going out." But they replied, "There may not be enough for us and for you; you had better go to those who sell it and buy some for yourselves." They had gone off to buy it when the bridegroom arrived. Those who were ready went in with him to the wedding hall and the door was closed. The other bridesmaids arrived later. "Lord, Lord," they said "open the door for us." But he replied, "I tell you solemnly, I do not know you." So stay awake, because you do not know either the day or the hour.'

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