

PARISH NEWS

Mother's Day with Our Lady at the Cathedral

The Church designates the month of May for the Blessed Virgin Mary. Join us 9 May from 3-5pm at St Christopher's Cathedral (Manuka) to honour our Heavenly Mother on Mother's Day. There will be a crowing ceremony, adoration, confession, rosary recitation, hymns of praise and benediction. Bring flowers for Our Lady if possible.

Invest in Your Marriage! Starting Tuesday 11 May

Parish couples of every age and stage are warmly invited to join a 7 week course designed to strengthen your most important relationship. *The Marriage Course*, run via zoom by the Archdiocese from 7:15-9:30pm Tuesdays, starts 11 May. Watch presentations with other couples but discuss content privately with your spouse. The cost is \$70 including two workbooks. To register and pay for course at

<https://bit.ly/TMCRegister>

Enquiries steph.ransom@cg.org.au General info at <https://themarriagecourse.org/>

Parish Pastoral and Finance Committees

If you are interested in what happens at these meetings and would like to explore the possibility of joining them please have a word with Fr Rembert.

One day retreat in Canberra

"The Lord is the strength of His people" (Psalm 28:8)

With Fr Roni George and Fr Joby George, VC on Saturday 22 May (9.30am—4.30pm) at St Benedict's Catholic Church. Admission is free BYO lunch. A boxed lunch is available at nominal cost, RSVP by 19 May to pl.rebello@gmail.com For inquires please contact: Parveen 0439 642 571; Winnie 0451 015 527; Prakash 0406 381 446; Shan 0412 310 364; Tom 0434 689 957

Protection of Babies who Survive Abortion

Sponsored by ACT Right to Life Association the 1st of 2 talks by George Christensen will be held at Holy Trinity Parish Centre, 3 Strangways St Curtin 23 May (7:00—8.30pm). The second talk is on 27 May (6:00—7.30pm). Light refreshments will be provided. For catering purposes please respond to the Bev Cains: 345bevc@gmail.com; phone: 0418718713

Plenary Zoom Gatherings

To prepare for the Plenary Council of Australia in October, Archbishop Prowse will be hosting a series of Zoom meetings for each Deanery location. All

welcome. 4-28 - May. To find out details about the meetings and to register please go to <https://cgatholic.org.au/plenary/> A copy of the working document 'Continuing the Journey' can also be downloaded from the website.



Recently Deceased: Simon Keay, Corrine Gillard; Norma Boyd; Leah, Lynda McNally; Gwyneth Ellen Gleeson

Anniversaries: Peter Kulczycki; Elva Bogie; Michael Caruana;

Margaret Coan; Margaret Rooke; George Taylor

Other occasions:

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

ROSTER FOR THIS WEEKEND

8 & 9 May 2021

	Sat 6 pm	Sun 9am
Welcomers	Vacant	Alma Burg
Readers	Don Jeffery Helen Bennett	P Moncuquet Coline Moncuquet
Presentation of the Gifts	Nick & Maria Marzano	Not required
Eucharistic Ministers	Maria Lunn	M Molyneux
Flowers, Altar Cleaning	Louise Gaudry, Claudine Smith & Margie Avellino	
Church Cleaners	Rita Caputo & Loreena	
Mt View	MGL Garran	
Jindalee	MGL Garran	

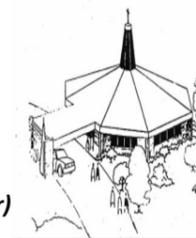
READINGS & ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND

15 & 16 May 2021

	Sat 6 pm	Sun 9am
1ST READING Acts 9:26-31	2ND READING 1 John 3:18-24	GOSPEL John 15:1-8
Welcomers	Leita & Brian Baron	Mel Stratford
Readers	BA Daly & Louise Gaudry	Barry Murphy A ToNiyonsenge
Presentation of the Gifts	Jane Camilleri Noreen Dick	Not required
Eucharistic Ministers	Robert Booth	Barry Murphy
Flowers, Altar Cleaning	Anne Hobday; Loretta Thomas & Maggie Avellino	
Church Cleaners	Ian Smith and Volunteers	
Mt View	Maralyn	
Jindalee	MGL Narrabundah	

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)

Fr Baiju Thomas MGL (Mission Centre Director)

Monica Nulley-Valdes (Parish Secretary)

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

Adrian Wellspring (Spiritual Direction & Personal Vocation)

Sixth Sunday of Easter Year B 8 & 9 May 2021

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Tues – Fri 9am - 12pm

WEEKEND MASS TIMES:

Saturday 6pm (Vigil)

Sunday 9am

(Streamed via Facebook)

Sunday 6pm (Charismatic Mass)

Sunday 6pm Youth Mass

(Fourth Sun of the Month)

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES:

Tuesday 5.30pm

Wednesday 12.30pm

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:

After the weekday Masses & 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

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Monday 6am – 9pm **Tuesday** 6am – 9pm

Wednesday 6am – 9pm **Thursday** 6am – 10pm

Friday 6am – 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.

National Count of Attendance

This happens every 4 years and is scheduled to continue over the next three weekends in May.

Eucharistic Adoration

Vacant hours that urgently need an adorer this week:

Monday: 5-6pm

Tuesday: 11am-12pm

Thursday: 7am-9am, 10am-11am

Friday: 8am-9am

If you would like to join the Adoration roster please contact: Anne Sutherland 0413 203 901, or Kathy Miller 0407 203 803.

Parish Secretary Vacancy

St Benedict's is advertising for a new permanent part time Secretary to work the current office hours of Tuesday to Friday, 9am—12 noon. If anyone is interested, please contact Father Rembert or the Parish Office for more information. Start date is from mid May.

St Benedict's Youth Sacramental Coordinator

St Benedict's are looking for someone to take on this youth ministry within the Parish. For more information please contact the Parish Office.

Alpha Program

All are welcome to join us for the Alpha Program to be held on Thursdays from 6pm-9pm in the Collins Wing. Please contact the Parish Office with any queries.

St Benedict's Primary School Open Days

The enrolment period for all Catholic Schools is fast approaching. St Benedict's School's final two open days are being held Monday 10 May, from 9.30am – 11:30am, and Tuesday 11 May from 3.30pm – 5.30pm. We encourage any interested parents to attend; we would love to show you our wonderful school and all we have to offer.

6th Sunday of Easter Year B 8 & 9 May 2021

First reading

Acts 10:25-26,34-35,44-48

The pagans have received the Holy Spirit just as much as we have

As Peter reached the house Cornelius went out to meet him, knelt at his feet and prostrated himself. But Peter helped him up. 'Stand up,' he said 'I am only a man after all!'

Then Peter addressed them: 'The truth I have now come to realise' he said 'is that God does not have favourites, but that anybody of any nationality who fears God and does what is right is acceptable to him.'

While Peter was still speaking the Holy Spirit came down on all the listeners. Jewish believers who had accompanied Peter were all astonished that the gift of the Holy Spirit should be poured out on the pagans too, since they could hear them speaking strange languages and proclaiming the greatness of God. Peter himself then said, 'Could anyone refuse the water of baptism to these people, now they have received the Holy Spirit just as much as we have?' He then gave orders for them to be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ. Afterwards they begged him to stay on for some days.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 97(98):1-4

The Lord has revealed to the nations His saving power.

Sing a new song to the Lord
for he has worked wonders.
His right hand and his holy arm
have brought salvation.

The Lord has made known his salvation;
has shown his justice to the nations.
He has remembered his truth and love
for the house of Israel.

All the ends of the earth have seen
the salvation of our God.
Shout to the Lord, all the earth,
ring out your joy.

Second reading

1 John 4:7-10

Let us love one another, since love comes from God

My dear people, let us love one another since love comes from God and everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God.

Anyone who fails to love can never have known God, because God is love.

God's love for us was revealed when God sent into the world his only Son so that we could have life through him; this is the love I mean: not our love for God, but God's love for us when he sent his Son to be the sacrifice that takes our sins away.

Gospel Acclamation

John 14:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

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

Alleluia!

Gospel

John 15:9-17

No one can have greater love than to lay down his life for his friends

Jesus said to his disciples:

As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you. Remain in my love.

If you keep my commandments you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love.

I have told you this so that my own joy may be in you and your joy be complete.

This is my commandment: love one another, as I have loved you.

A man can have no greater love than to lay down his life for his friends.

You are my friends, if you do what I command you.

I shall no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know the master's business; I call you friends, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father.

You did not choose me, no, I chose you; and I commissioned you to go out and to bear fruit, fruit that will last; and then the Father will give you anything you ask him in my name.

What I command you is to love one another."