

St Benedict's Catholic Church

In the care of the Missionaries of God's Love

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31 August & 01 September 2019

NEW PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Tues – Fri 9am - 12pm

WEEKEND MASS TIMES:

Saturday 6pm
Sunday 9am
Sunday 6pm (Charismatic Mass)
Sunday 6pm Youth Mass
(every last Sun of the Month)
Saturday 8am

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES:

Tuesday 5.30pm
Wednesday 12.30pm
Thursday 5.30pm
Friday 5.30pm (Healing 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

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

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Monday 9am – 8pm
Tuesday 10am – 10pm
Wednesday 11am – 10pm
Thursday 11am – 10pm
Friday 9am – 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.

Message from Fr Dan:

A warm Happy Father's day to all the dads, and also to the Spiritual fathers. Today we would like to also recognise the retired priests of the Archdiocese. This weekend we are promoting the Father's appeal for the retired appeal. Please give generously. Please be assured of my prayers, especially for all the dads. Fr Dan Benedetti MGL PP



RCIA St Benedict's style!

Our first Welcome/Intro meeting for the RCIA will be this Thursday **September 5 at 7:30pm** at the Collins Wing at St Benedict's. All are welcome to come along for this journey.

Plenary 2020 update: the church has now entered into the discernment phase as we journey towards the council. The themes for our discernment are:

- Missionary and Evangelising;
- Inclusive, Participatory and Synodal;
- Prayerful and Eucharistic;
- Humble, Healing and Merciful;
- A Joyful, Hope-Filled and Servant Community;
- Open to Conversion, Renewal and Reform.

In this **Discernment** phase, we continue to seek the wisdom of the Holy Spirit. We invite the groups who participated in Listening and Dialogue to now reconvene in communal Discernment on any one of the six themes. Each Discernment session is expected to result in a submission that can be summarised in 1000 characters and that can be submitted through a form on the Discernment page (to be opened September 1). This period for group discernment and submissions will be open until the first few months of 2020. Please visit the website www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au

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FIRST READING

Ecclesiasticus 3:19-21,30-31

Behave humbly, and you will find favour with the Lord

My son, be gentle in carrying out your business, and you will be better loved than a lavish giver.

The greater you are, the more you should behave humbly, and then you will find favour with the Lord; for great though the power of the Lord is, he accepts the homage of the humble. There is no cure for the proud man's malady, since an evil growth has taken root in him. The heart of a sensible man will reflect on parables; an attentive ear is the sage's dream.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 67(68):4-7,10-11

God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor.

The just shall rejoice at the presence of God,
they shall exult and dance for joy.

O sing to the Lord, make music to his name;
rejoice in the Lord, exult at his presence.

Father of the orphan, defender of the widow,
such is God in his holy place.

God gives the lonely a home to live in;
he leads the prisoners forth into freedom:

You poured down, O God, a generous rain:
when your people were starved you gave them new life.
It was there that your people found a home,
prepared in your goodness, O God, for the poor.

SECOND READING

Hebrews 12:18-19,22-24

You have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God

What you have come to is nothing known to the senses: not a blazing fire, or a gloom turning to total darkness, or a storm; or trumpeting thunder or the great voice speaking which made everyone that heard it beg that no more should be said to them. But what you have come to is Mount Zion and the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem where the millions of angels have gathered for the festival, with the whole Church in which everyone is a 'first-born son' and a citizen of heaven. You have come to God himself, the supreme Judge, and been placed with spirits of the saints who have been made perfect; and to Jesus, the mediator who brings a new covenant and a blood for purification which pleads more insistently than Abel's.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Matt 11:29ab

Alleluia, alleluia!

Take my yoke upon you;
learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 14:1,7-14

Everyone who exalts himself shall be humbled

On a Sabbath day Jesus had gone for a meal to the house of one of the leading Pharisees; and they watched him closely. He then told the guests a parable, because he had noticed how they picked the places of honour. He said this, 'When someone invites you to a wedding feast, do not take your seat in the place of honour. A more distinguished person than you may have been invited, and the person who invited you both may come and say, "Give up your place to this man." And then, to your embarrassment, you would have to go and take the lowest place. No; when you are a guest, make your way to the lowest place and sit there, so that, when your host comes, he may say, "My friend, move up higher." In that way, everyone with you at the table will see you honoured. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and the man who humbles himself will be exalted.'

Then he said to his host, 'When you give a lunch or a dinner, do not ask your friends, brothers, relations or rich neighbours, for fear they repay your courtesy by inviting you in return. No; when you have a party, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; that they cannot pay you back means that you are fortunate, because repayment will be made to you when the virtuous rise again.'

PARISH NEWS

St Benedict's Social Group invites all parishioners to their monthly morning tea in the Parish Centre today Sunday (1st September) after the 9.00 Mass.

Euthanasia & Suicide: There will be a Free Public Lecture "Living, Dying and the Power of Presence" by the Kevin Dunn - International Film Maker and Speaker on Saturday 31st August 2.30-4.00pm Haydon Hall (behind St Christopher's Cathedral) Manuka. No need to RSVP and for any enquiries lara.kirk@cg.org.au 0429 192 869

Volunteers Needed :The Parish Pastoral Council are looking for a team of volunteers to organise, set up and lead the St Benedict's Family Christmas Mass on Christmas Eve (in the school hall). This vibrant family celebration has become a wonderful tradition in our parish. If you are able to assist or would like more information, please contact the Parish Office.

Father's Day Appeal – Collection for retired priests: Please show your commitment to care for our retired priests by giving generously to the Father's Day Appeal conducted at all Masses this weekend. Special envelopes are available in the church and donation slips are printed in the Catholic Voice. Donors will be issued with a tax deductible receipt for gifts over \$2.00. Donations can also be made online at www.cgatholic.org.au/donate or on the Qkr! app.

Mass & Procession Feast of Birthday of Mary: Sunday Sept 8 Mass at 2pm St Benedict's Church followed Procession, Rosary and a cuppa in the Parish Centre.

The Padre Pinto Mitten will be available for veneration at St Benedict's Church Narrabundah at and after the 5.30 pm healing Mass on Friday 13th September. All are most welcome to attend. For further information, contact Maria Ransom 0405717890.

MGL SPIRITUAL ASSOCIATION MEETING: All are welcome to attend the next MGL Spiritual Association afternoon on Saturday 21st September commencing with Mass at 2.00pm, followed by afternoon tea and MGL news from the Brothers and Sisters. The afternoon will finish at about 5.00pm after Benediction and rosary. The venue is the Chapel at MGL House, 6 Boake Place, Garran. RSVP is not required, but feel free to contact Anne and Jim Foster on 02 4455 5542 / 0402 904 188 if you have any queries

Social Justice Sunday: We celebrate Social Justice Sunday on **29 Sept.** This year, the Australian Bishop's Social Justice Statement is titled: Making it real: "Genuine human encounter in our digital world". For further details visit the office for Social Justice website: www.socolajustice.catholic.org.au or call 02 8306 3499.

As A Parish Let Us Pray For...

Our Sick: Richard (Dick) Brennan, Andrew Italiano, Anthony, George Douglas, Susan Sprece, Zeta Evans, Clem Dick, Dorothy Lamb, Lorraine Davis, Betty O'Brien, Mathew, Noeleen Carrick, Pam Pini, Stan Marris, Flora Arias, Pat Atkins, Helen French, Carol Rees, Rhys Evans, Jindalee & Mt View residents.

Recently Deceased & Anniversaries: Frank Pantano, Brian Power, John Agius, Joyce Cremer, Sr Anne Derwin RSJ, John Newlyn, 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, Gerry Agnew, Jim Kirkman, Barbara Jeffery, Edna Keir, Lawrence Power, Barrie Marshall, Stella Ienco, Louis Camilleri, Sam & Nina Agius

ROSTER FOR THIS WEEKEND 31 August & 01 September 2019

	Sat 6 pm	Sun 9am
Welcomers	Anna Pace Sally Cotsell	Alma Burg
Readers	Helen Bennett	Nathan Kensey
Presentation of the Gifts	Jeffery Family	Social Group
Eucharistic Ministers	Rita Parker B Barron	School
Flowers, Altar Cleaning	Louise Gaudry, Margie Avellino & Claudine Smith	
Church Cleaners	Rita Caputo & Rosemary Caldwell	
Mt View	Julie Douglas	
Jindalee	Vacant	

READINGS & ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND 7 & 8 September 2019

1ST READING Wis 9:13-18	2ND READING Phil 9-10, 12-17	GOSPEL Luke 14: 25-33
	Sat 6 pm	Sun 9am
Welcomers	Leita & B Barron	M Stratford
Readers	Moira Najdecki H Bramanathan	P Moncuquet C Moncuquet
Presentation of the Gifts	Bennett Family	Children's Liturgy
Eucharistic Ministers	Sue Neimanis	Terry & Karen Flood
Flowers, Altar Cleaning	Loretta Thomas, Mattia Wellspring & Sue Neimanis	
Church Cleaners	Ian Smith	
Mt View	MGL Garran	
Jindalee	MGL Garran	

*St Benedict's Catholic Parish acknowledge the **Ngannawal 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.*