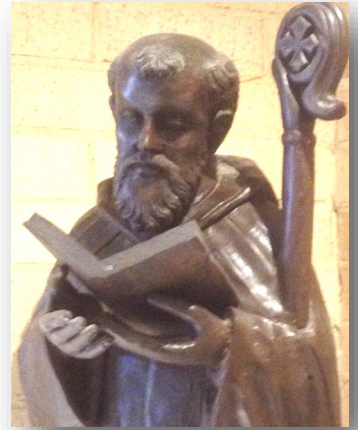


St Benedict's Parish

Arcadia

prefer nothing to the love of Christ

Rule of St Benedict, Chapter 4



Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

17 & 18 August 2019

First Reading

A reading from the book of Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10
You bore me to be a man of strife for the whole world.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 39:2-4, 18
Lord, come to my aid!

Second Reading

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews 12:1-4
Let us bear patiently the struggle placed upon us.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord;
I know them, and they follow me.
Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel
according to Luke 12:49-53
I have come not to give peace, but discord.

Weekend Mass

Saturday at Parish Church 7:00pm
Sunday at Monastery Chapel 7:00am
Sunday at Parish Church 9:00am
Sunday Latin Mass at Church 4.30pm

Weekday Mass

Daily at Monastery Chapel 7:00am
Wednesday at Parish Church 9:30am

Special Masses at the Parish

Monthly Mass

1st Friday of the month 7:00pm

Children's Mass

1st Sunday of each month 9:00am

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Every Friday 7:00pm

Liturgy of the Word invites all children to attend during 9:00am Mass.

Baptisms are celebrated at 11.00am on the 2nd & 4th Sunday of the month. Please see Father Bernard.

Reconciliation is on every Friday evening at the Parish Church from 7.00pm to 7.45pm and available by appointment.

For the sick who require a priest, please call Father Bernard.

Marriages by appointment, please see Father Bernard.

Funerals to be arranged through Father Bernard.

Liturgy of the Hours

The liturgy of the hours is recited in the Monastery Chapel at the following times:

5.45am	Office of Readings
6.30am	Morning prayer
12.45pm	Midday prayer
6pm	Evening prayer
8pm	Night prayer

Plenary Council 2020

The final report for the Listening and Dialogue stage of the Plenary Council was released on Sunday 28 July. *Listen to what the Spirit is Saying* is available to download on the Plenary Council website.



www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/resources/reports.

As we now enter the crucial phase of Listening & Discernment may we be open to the wisdom of the Holy Spirit who will lead us to the fullness of Truth.

Resources to support engagement with the National Themes of Discernment will be made available in the coming weeks.

Seed, Scattered and Sown

Dan Feiten

Seed, scattered and sown,
wheat, gathered and grown,
bread, broken and shared as one,
the Living Bread of God.
Vine, fruit of the land,
wine, work of our hands,
one cup that is shared by all;
the Living Cup, the Living Bread of God.

Is not the bread we break a sharing in our Lord?
Is not the cup we bless the blood of Christ outpoured?

The seed which falls on rock will wither and will die.
The seed within good ground will flower and have life.

As wheat upon the hills was gathered and was grown,
So may the church of God be gathered into one.

The annual **WOMEN FOR THE WORLD LUNCHEON** will be held in Sydney on **13 September**. This fundraiser support the work of Caritas in empowering a worldwide community of women to enable them to uphold dignity, tackle poverty and overcome injustice.

For more information go to <https://www.womenfortheworld.org.au>

PUTTING RUNGS ON THE LADDER—29 August

Join Catholics from the Diocese of Parramatta, the Archdiocese of Sydney, and the Diocese of Broken Bay for a dinner event to celebrate our social justice work and reflect on the themes of this year's Social Justice Statement "A Place to Call Home: Making a home for everyone in our land." This is a free event and will include a presentation by Sue Mowbray, CEO of the Mercy Foundation.

Date **Thursday, 29 August 6.30-9pm**
Venue Cathedral Hall, Marist Place, Parramatta

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MOUNT ST BENEDICT COLLEGE - COLLEGE TOUR

Wednesday, 21 August at 11am Ph 9980 0444

449C Pennant Hills Road, Pennant Hills www.msb.nsw.edu.au

In Our Parish

We remember in our prayers ~ all our dearly beloved who have died.

We welcome into God's family ~ all who were recently baptised.

We pray for the sick of our Parish ~ Terri Butler, David Todd, John Poole, Maria Jasser, Annabelle Twyford, Freya Sunderland & Carol Aviani.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM—CONFIRMATION

Information Sessions on **Mondays at 4.15pm**

Session 3 19 August
Session 4 26 August

The children will be presented to the parish at the 9am Mass on Sunday, 25 August.

Confirmation will take place on
Saturday, 31 August at 3pm.

EILEEN O'CONNOR FILM We will be showing a film about the life of Eileen O'Connor **after the 9am Mass this Sunday, 18 August.**

Eileen O'Connor (1892-1921) was the co-founder of the Society of Our Lady's Nurses for the Poor ('Brown Nurses'). She is currently being considered for beatification. See www.ourladynurses.org.au

A bus will be leaving from the Parish at 8.30am on **Friday, 30 August** to go to the Eileen O'Connor museum at Coogee. If anyone is interested please contact Angela Scotti on 9652 1184 or 0432 856 941 as soon as you can. BYO lunch.

GCEA Spring Dinner - Saturday, 7 September

Time 6pm
Venue The Galston Club
2 course meal, tea & coffee
Tickets \$50 Concession \$60 Adult RSVP 23 August
springdinner@GCEA.org.au
The easiest way to register and pay is through the website - <http://www.gcea.org.au/springdinner>
Account Name GCEA BSB: 633 000 ACC: 157 591 371
Reference (Your Name)
Contact Lisa 0405 305 393 for any queries

Thanks for your continued support of this event,
and the ministry of the GCEA.

That families, through their life in prayer and love,
become ever more clearly
'schools of true human growth'
Pope Francis' prayer intention August 2019

CATECHIST NEWS

'As an SRE teacher and disciple of Jesus then, we must convey the joy of the message that we are proclaiming to the children. We need to be enthusiastic and welcoming. We not only teach by what we say but also what we do, how we relate to the children and the way we interact with all the other SRE teachers at the school.'

Michael Tebbutt on 'Being a Disciple of Jesus'

Please keep in your prayers all our Catechists, and the students that they teach. If you would like to know more about this ministry, please talk to Fr Bernard or myself.

God bless, Miriam Brown 9652 0558
Parish Catechist Co-ordinator

FOUND If you have lost rings in the parish please contact the office on 9653 2312
arcadia.pariah@bigpond.com

FATIMA COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: **Tuesday 20 August** at 7pm
in the Parish Meeting Room.

All Committee members are asked to attend, guests welcome.

JAMBEROO ABBEY—RETREAT 6-8 DECEMBER A group of parishioners are heading to Jamberoo Abbey in December for a silent retreat. We have two cottages booked with twelve spots available.

Dates Friday, 6 December to Sunday, 8 December
Cost \$150 (\$120 for two nights' accommodation and \$30 for the retreat day on Saturday)
RSVP by **30 August** Sandra 0410 587 735 (to confirm numbers)

Saturday 7 December: **"Gods Constant Gift"** This day retreat gives you an opportunity to stop and receive whatever gift He has for you at this year's end. Presenters Sr Hilda Scott osb & Sr Hannah Massy-Greene osb

MEETINGS this week

Monday	2.30pm	Italian Rosary
Tuesday	7pm	Fatima Committee
Wednesday	10.45am	Christ Catholic Community
Friday	7.30pm	Christ Catholic Community

Office for Safeguarding-Broken Bay

September is Safeguarding Month in the Diocese. This year the Diocese of Broken Bay is celebrating the theme, *A safe community is one in which all experience a sense of belonging*. All are invited to the Diocesan Liturgy which signifies the start of Safeguarding Month.

LITURGY OF INCLUSION AND CARE

Date Tuesday 3 September at 7pm
Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral, Waitara.

ONLINE SAFETY MASTERCLASS FOR PARENTS

Date Thursday 5 September 6-8pm
Caroline Chisholm Centre, Pennant Hills.

safeguarding@bbcatholic.org.au ph. 8379 1605

ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEK - 24 & 25 August

	7pm	9am
A	Caterina Vaccarella	Lorraine Dailey
R1	Margaret Bensley	Karen DeSouza
R2	Mary Gambino	Peter Goodwin
P	Teresa Gambino	Bernadette Watt
AS		
EM	Lorna Boniel	Catherine Colman
EM	Pip Gibian	Jessie Guiana
EM		Marisa Quattrocchi
EM		Kiara Cianci
M		Melanie Hume
M		Theresa & Keith
M		Helen & Liz
CL1		Peter Goodwin
CL2		Teresa Gambino
MT		Karen DeSouza
CT		Lorraine and Rosie
WEL		Jessie and Grace

PLAYGROUP every Monday during school term including Craft activities at Bunnings Dural on Monday 23 September

Contact Sandra on 0410 587 735 10am-12noon

Parish Office: 9653 2312
Parish Priest: Fr. Bernard McGrath osb
After hours: 0416 032 497
Good Samaritan Sisters: 9653 1231
Facebook: stbenedictsarcadia

Gospel reading for Next Week

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

A reading from the Gospel of Luke 13:22-30

From East and West they will come to take their place in the kingdom of God.

Through towns and villages Jesus went teaching, making his way to Jerusalem. Someone said to him, 'Sir, will there be only a few saved?' He said to them, 'Try your best to enter by the narrow door, because I tell you, many will try to enter and will not succeed.

'Once the master of the house has got up and locked the door, you may find yourself knocking on the door, saying, "Lord, open to us" but he will answer, "I do not know where you come from." Then you will find yourself saying, "We once ate and drank in your company; you taught in our streets" but he will reply, "I do not know where you come from. Away from me, all you wicked men!"

'Then there will be weeping and grinding of teeth, when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, and yourselves turned outside. And men from east and west, from north and south, will come to take their places at the feast in the kingdom.

'Yes, there are those now last who will be first, and those now first who will be last.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

TRADITIONAL OWNERS

St Benedict's Parish, Arcadia, acknowledges the Darug and Guringai 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 people to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of Reconciliation.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING
7.30pm Tuesday, 3 September 2019

Office Hours: Thursday & Friday 10am to 2pm
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Email: arcadia.parish@bigpond.com
Website: www.bbcatholic.org.au/arcadia

For all parish Occupational Health & Safety and Safeguarding Children matters please contact Lorraine Dailey on 0416 081 882. All information will be well received.