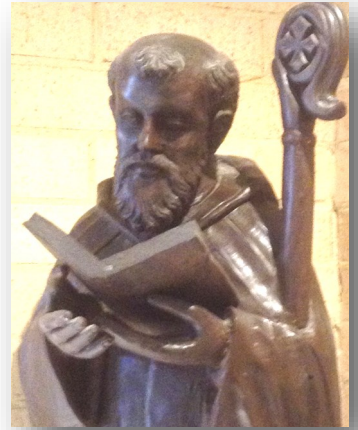


St Benedict's Parish

Arcadia

prefer nothing to the love of Christ

Rule of St Benedict, Chapter 4



Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

31 August & 1 September 2019

First Reading

A reading from the book of Ecclesiasticus 3:17-20, 28-29

Humble yourself and you will find favour with the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 67:4-7, 10-11

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

Second Reading

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24

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

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

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

Gospel

**A reading from the holy Gospel
according to Luke 14:1, 7-14**

*All who exalt themselves shall be humbled
and all who humble themselves shall be exalted.*

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.



Upcoming Events in the Diocese

14 September INTERNATIONAL GUEST SPEAKER

SHERRY WEDDELL—author of 'Forming intentional disciples' and co-founder of the Catherine of Siena Institute

"Making Disciples in the Catholic Parish"

9.30am to 4pm

Caroline Chisholm Centre,
Bldg 2, 423 Pennant Hills Road,
Pennant Hills

- ♦ Topics include:
 - the nature of intentional discipleship and the thresholds of discipleship
 - supporting people from one threshold stage to the next through a variety of entry points
 - practical ways that ministries and parish activity can foster intentional discipleship
 - the importance of discerning our gifts and using them to live the mission of Jesus

All clergy, parish leaders, ministers and all interested parishioners are warmly invited to attend.

If you would like to register as a parish group please contact the office on 9653 2312.

The annual **WOMEN FOR THE WORLD LUNCHEON** will be held in Sydney on **13 September**. This fundraiser supports 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>

17 September TWILIGHT TALKS for young adults **"Holy Spirit, Discernment and Discipleship"**

Featuring Fr David Ranson
Hotel Pennant Hills, Pennant Hills

11-12 October BIBLE CONFERENCE **"The Holy Spirit in Scripture"** Featuring Professor Ormond Rush and Dr Debra Snoddy Caroline Chisholm Centre, Pennant Hills

ST BENEDICT'S YOUTH GROUP

Date Friday 13 September, 5pm - 7.30pm

For more information please contact Nerida Woodbury on 0425 834 017 or nerida.woodbury@gmail.com

All youth ages 12 - 17 are welcome!
\$2 donation for pizzas.



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 & Sarah Gatt.

Congratulations to all who received the Sacrament of Confirmation this weekend!

Xavier Bohman Jayden Borck Nathan Camilleri
Mitchell Camilleri Drayton Carruthers
Daniella Cirignano Olivia Colombi
Bianca Colombi Eliza Dale
Adriana Dominello Aaleyah Fonsdituri
Donte Fonsdituri Jasmine Kennedy
Lachlan Kennedy Matthew Kilkelly
Caitlin Kilkelly Marley Frost
Jacob Lehmann Katie Pratt
Joseph Mawhinney Alexandra Mercieca
Ella Muscat Summer Nadwie
Ariana Parrin Lucas Parrin
Olivia Seale Stella Thomson

May the Holy Spirit bless you always

CATECHIST NEWS

Welcome to all families joining in our Children's Mass this weekend. Please stay for morning tea after Mass.

Our next Catechists' meeting is next Wednesday 4th September at 12:30pm. All are welcome!

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. If you don't feel that you can be a full-time Catechist, we also need part-time or casual helpers, just let me know your availability.

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

THE LOVE AND PRESENCE OF GOD

September 14 10.30am to 3.30pm

Presenter Deacon Peter Presdee

Cost \$30

Ph 02 8795 3400 retreats@carmelite.com.au

REIMAGINING LAND AS BELOVED COMPANION

Sunday 8 September 3-5.30pm

St Anthony's, Terrey Hills

Hosted by the Frenches Forest Parish Social Justice Group
m. 0408 279 871

ALPHA

For those who have been involved with Alpha in the parish: we are organising a catch up over dinner
on **Saturday, 21 September**

Time 6.30pm

At Glenorie RSL

RSVP Thursday 19 Sept Sandra 0410 587 735



Happy Father's day to all our dads



*That politicians, scientists and economists work
together to protect the world's seas and oceans
Pope Francis' prayer intention September 2019*

ST VINCENT DE PAUL: Please do not leave clothing or other items at the parish: please take directly to a Vinnies shop.

Some personal items have been left in the back pocket of a pair of men's jeans. If you have recently left clothing at the parish could you contact the office?
Ph 9653 2312

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. If you would like to attend please contact Sandra
m. 0410 587 735

Dates Friday, 6 December to Sunday, 8 December

Cost \$150 (\$120 for two nights' accommodation and \$30 for the retreat day on Saturday)

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

MEETINGS this week

Monday 2.30pm Italian Rosary
Wednesday 10.45am Christ Catholic Community
Friday 7.30pm Christ Catholic Community

Office for Safeguarding-Broken Bay

Safeguarding month in the Diocese of Broken Bay begins this weekend and continues throughout September. This year the Diocese is celebrating the theme: *A safe community is one in which all experience a sense of belonging.*

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 - 7 & 8 Sept

	7pm	9am
A	Paul Camilleri	Jim Shipley
R1	Miriam Brown	Melanie Hume
R2	Margaret Bensley	Gebran Azzi
P	Mary Cascun	Kath Moran
AS		
EM	Angela Scotti	Bernadette Watt
EM	Mary Camilleri	Nigel Morgan
EM		Trish Shipley
EM		Liliana Nati
M		Mark Quirk
M		Keith & Marisa
M		Helen & Karen
CL1		Gebran Azzi
CL2		Rosie Sakkal
MT		Teresa Gambino
CT		Lorraine & Peter
WEL		Kath and Jessie

PLAYGROUP every Monday during school term including Craft activities at Bunnings Dural on Monday 16 September

Contact Sandra on 0410 587 735 10am-12noon

Gospel reading for Next Week

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

A reading from the Gospel of Luke 14:25-33

All who do not renounce their possessions cannot be my disciples.

Great crowds accompanied Jesus on his way and he turned and spoke to them. 'If any man comes to me without hating his father, mother, wife, children, brothers, sisters, yes, and his own life too, he cannot be my disciple. Anyone who does not carry his cross and come after me cannot be my disciple.

'And indeed, which of you here, intending to build a tower, would not first sit down and work out the cost to see if he had enough to complete it? Otherwise, if he laid the foundation and then found himself unable to finish the work, the onlookers would all start making fun of him and saying, "Here is a man who started to build and was unable to finish." Or again, what king marching to war against another king would not first sit down and consider whether with ten thousand men he could stand up to the other who advanced against him with twenty thousand? If not, then while the other king was still a long way off, he would send envoys to sue for peace. So in the same way, none of you can be my disciple unless he gives up all his possessions.'

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

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

Office Hours: Thursday & Friday 10am to 2pm
Monastery: 9653 1159 Fax: 9653 1883
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.