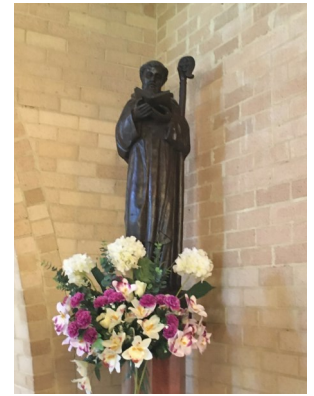


St Benedict's Parish

Arcadia

Not to do to another what one would not have done to oneself.
Rule of St Benedict, Chapter 4



COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS:

Church Attendance:
*One person per 4sqm,
maximum 100 people.*

**MASKS MUST NOW BE WORN
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Contact Paula for:
Parish bookings
on 9653 2312 (Mondays & Fridays)
or 0423 078 282

ONLINE Booking:
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PARISH MASSES

Weekend Mass:

Saturday	7:00pm
Sunday	9:00am
Sunday	10:30am
Sunday Latin	4.30pm

Weekday Mass:

Mondays to Thursdays 9:30am
Fridays 7:00pm followed by Confession
First Friday of the month 6.30pm Adoration

MONASTERY CHAPEL Mass

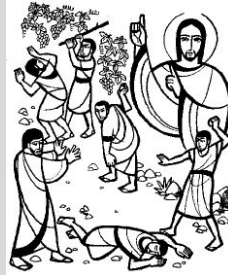
Contact Father David for:
Monastery Bookings on 0400 371 260

Sundays	7:00am
Daily	7:00am

Please contact Father Bernard for the following:

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Father Bernard: 0416 032 497



Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

3 & 4 October 2020

Entrance Antiphon

Within your will, O Lord, all things are established,
and there is none that can resist your will.
For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth,
and all that is held within the circle of heaven;
you are the Lord of all.

First Reading

A reading from the prophet Isaiah 5:1-7
The vineyard of the Lord God of hosts is the House of Israel.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 79:9. 12-16. 19-20. R Is 5-7
The vineyard of the Lord is the House of Israel.

Second Reading

A reading from the letter of St Paul
to the Philippians 4:6-9
Do these things and the God of peace will be with you.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
I call you friends, says the Lord,
Because I have made known to you
Everything I have learnt from my Father.
Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel
according to Matthew 21:33-43
He leased his vineyard to other farmers.

Communion Antiphon

The Lord is good to those who hope in him,
to the soul that seeks him.

TWENTY-SEVENTH Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gospel reading for this Week

A reading from the holy Gospel according to

Matthew 21:33-43

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

He leased his vineyard to other farmers.

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people: 'Listen to another parable. There was a man, a landowner, who planted a vineyard; he fenced it round, dug a winepress in it and built a tower; then he leased it to tenants and went abroad. When vintage time drew near he sent his servants to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his servants, thrashed one, killed another and stoned a third. Next he sent some more servants, this time a larger number, and they dealt with them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them. "They will respect my son," he said. But when the tenants saw the son, they said to each other, "This is the heir. Come on, let us kill him and take over his inheritance." So they seized him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?' They answered, 'He will bring those wretches to a wretched end and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will deliver the produce to him when the season arrives.' Jesus said to them, 'Have you never read in the scriptures:

It was the stone rejected by the builders
that became the keystone.
This was the Lord's doing
and it is wonderful to see?

'I tell you, then, that the kingdom of God will be taken from you and given to a people who will produce its fruit.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



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GOSPEL REFLECTION Matthew 21:33-43

By preserving this parable, Matthew reminds us to be fearless in the face of corruption. We are called to imitate Jesus by confronting those who fail to lead people down the paths of goodness and peace.

Leaders who cease to serve will witness their power slip away. Jesus knows that the days of the chief priests and elders are numbered. Indeed, all of Jerusalem is destroyed in AD 70.

It is important to remember that the Jesus of Matthew's Gospel takes issue with the *leadership* of Israel—the chief priests and elders—not the *people* of Israel. Interestingly, many of the individuals who make up Matthew's own community are converts from Judaism. Matthew affirms their goodness and invites them to continue to grow in faith through Jesus the Christ.

The invitation is ongoing, and it is ours to accept and share with others.

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SAINT OF THE WEEK



St Therese of the Child Jesus, Doctor of the Church

Feast day: **October 2**

Patron Saint of florists, missions and aviators.

Thérèse Martin was a weepy child, as emotionally brittle as porcelain. She was easily offended and easily pleased. A beautiful flower or a kind word and she would beam a smile. Her father, an uncle, and priests were the men in her life. Her parents were canonized in 2015, the only married couple ever raised to the altars. Thérèse and her four sisters all became nuns, with the cause for beatification and canonization of her sister Léonie being opened in 2015. The Martin home was totally absorbed in the mysteries of God, prayer, saints, the Sacraments, and the Church.

Thérèse grew up in Normandy, a region of Northern France. She left only once, to go on a month-long pilgrimage to Italy, where she met Pope Leo XIII at a public audience and begged his special permission to enter the Carmelites before the required age. She finally entered at the age of fifteen in 1888. She was given the religious name “of the Child Jesus” and received permission to adopt a second name too, “of the Holy Face.” Once the door of the convent shut behind her, it never reopened. Her short life ended there just nine years later.

Thérèse was a dedicated nun who strictly followed the demanding Carmelite rule. She kept silence when required, avoided seeking out her blood sisters, fasted, ingratiated herself with nuns she did not naturally find sympathetic, and spent long hours in prayer and work.

In the convent, Thérèse’s childish sweetness matured into a more durable spirituality. Her sensitivity mellowed. She was able to accept criticism. Her youthful presumption that all priests were as perfect as diamonds became more realistic, and she prayed and sacrificed ardently for priests. Her *petite voie* (“little way” or “by small means”) was to spiritually reduce herself to a tiny creature carried in the claws of the divine eagle, Jesus Christ. As Christ soared in the heavens, she would be in His grasp, going only where He could go, until she was burned up in the Father-Son-Spirit love of the fireball of the Trinity. This was no broad path or wide way, but a little way for a great soul. The goal was to reduce oneself to nothing so the Lord could transport you. The goal was to remove the “self” from “oneself.”

Saint Thérèse suffered intensely from tuberculosis and died at an age when many lives are just beginning to flower. She was canonized in 1925, declared co-patron of France in 1944, and named the thirty-third Doctor of the Church by Pope Saint John Paul II in 1997, the youngest Doctor to date and probably the youngest the Church will ever recognize.

Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus, you discovered deep truths in a confined space. Your soul was fertile ground for the mysteries of our faith. Lend heavenly assistance to all who try to emulate your example of suffering, prayer, and tender dedication to God. AMEN.

THE RULE OF ST BENEDICT

Chapter 4

To make peace with one's adversary before sundown.

POPE FRANCIS' INTENTIONS FOR OCTOBER 2020

The Laity's Mission in the Church

We pray that by the virtue of baptism, the laity, especially women, may participate more in areas of responsibility in the Church.

AMEN



Our Lady of Fatima Feast Day

WITH FR ALBERIC JACOVONE OSB
AND WITH FR HILARION FERNANDO OSB

Here at St Benedict's Parish, Sunday 11th October 2020 at 1:00pm
Commences with recital of the Rosary in five languages followed by Mass.

Bookings essential, limited numbers:

Paula 0423 078 282 <https://www.trybooking.com/BJSGK>

There will be a nine-day **"NOVENA"** held at 6.00pm in St Benedict's Church, starting Fri 2nd October 2020. (Adoration and First Friday Mass will follow)

PRAYER OF ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI (Feast day October 4)



Lord, make me an instrument of your peace.
Where there is hatred, let me sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light;
where there is sadness, joy.

O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek
to be consoled as to console,
to be understood as to understand,
to be loved as to love,
for it is in giving that we receive,
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

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We acknowledge the Traditional Owners of country throughout Australia and recognise their continuing connection to land, waters and culture. We pay our respects to their Elders past, present and emerging.

In Our Parish

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

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

We pray for the sick of our Parish, our country and throughout the world.

TAP AND GIVE—Donation Point Tap

Thank you to everyone who has been using our Tap and Give donation points. They have been pre-set at \$10. All you need to do is place your payWave debit or credit card on the front and it automatically deducts \$10 from your account. Thank you for your understanding and your kind weekly giving.

PETER'S PENCE APPEAL OCTOBER 4 2020



On 4th October we join with other Parishes across the world in taking up the Peter's Pence Collection. The Peter's Pence Collection provides for the charitable works and structures of mercy identified by His Holiness, Pope Francis.

The annual appeal is usually taken up all over the world around the time of the feast day of St Peter and St Paul (29 June). This year, due to COVID-19, His Holiness Pope Francis has asked that the annual appeal take place on 4 October, which is the Feast of St Francis Assisi.

By supporting this collection, you join with other Parishes across the world in supporting projects identified by the Pope including emergency assistance to those in need due to natural disaster, war, oppression and disease. Our generosity allows the Holy Father to respond to those suffering with love and compassion. Thank you for your generosity.

You are invited to donate by completing and returning to the parish the Peter's Pence collection envelope available at Masses, or online at our parish website/bank account using the reference: "Peter's Pence". Bank details are at the back of the bulletin.

LOST & FOUND

We now have a lost and found box at the entry of the Church. Please check for any of your lost items.

ROSTER FOR CHURCH CLEANING

Thank you so much to the wonderful ladies who have volunteered to keep our Church so clean!

If you can spare an hour every month to help clean please join the awesome team of volunteers! How beautiful it is to work for the Lord Himself! *Many hands makes the load light!*

If you are interested in helping out please call the office on 9653 2312 (Mondays & Fridays).

CCC PRAYER GROUP

Prayer meeting held every Friday night after 7pm Mass, and Wednesday mornings after 9.30am Mass.

Everyone welcome.

For more details call Mary Camilleri on 0403 116 987.

CATECHIST NEWS

Term 4 resumes on Monday 12th October. SRE (Scripture) classes will commence the first week. Wishing all a safe and enjoyable holiday break!

Reminder – for those who are registered - **Child Protection (Safeguarding Children) training next Wednesday 7th October from 9:30am – 11:30am via Zoom.**

Two Catechists required for Term 4 for a class of 13 students at Glenorie on Wednesdays 10:10 – 10:50am and a class of 9 students at Arcadia 11:30am – 12:10pm. Are you able to help for one term? If so, please call myself or Fr Bernard. Training and lesson plans are free.

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

MINI VINNIES FORMATION PROGRAM (MVFP)



The MVFP is an extracurricular program designed to deepen students' understanding of Vinnies and to nurture an active response to needs in their local and global communities. Students in Years 4 to 6 are invited to enrol in the Mini Vinnies Formation Program: <http://bit.ly/MVFPregistration>

OUR LADY OF FATIMA NOVENA

Please join us for the 9 day Novena which commenced on Friday 2nd October at 6pm Rosary for the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima. Adoration and First Friday Mass will follow. The Novena will continue every night until Saturday 10th of October. Everyone welcome, no need to book.

PLEASE NOTE THE FEAST DAY 11TH OCTOBER IS NOW BOOKED OUT. We have reached the maximum of 100.

10TH ANNIVERSARY OF MARY MACKILLOP'S CANONISATION

The date of 17 October 2020 marks the 10th anniversary of the canonisation of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop. The Sisters of St Joseph invite us to celebrate the wonderful life and inspirational legacy of our first Saint.



The theme for this celebration is "Take Fresh Courage", a quote written by Mary MacKillop on 21 May 1877.

Details of the celebrations and resources can be found at <https://www.sosj.org.au/10th-anniversary/>

A "Courage Hour" will be held on the vigil Friday 16 October at 8pm (your local time), where all can participate online via the Sisters of St Joseph website.

ITALIAN ROSARY GROUP

Every Monday 2.30pm. Everyone welcome.

For more details call Angela Egiziano. Ph: 9653 2312.



Most Rev Anthony Randazzo
Bishop of Broken Bay

Message for BBNeighbourhoods

29 September 2020

My dear sisters and brothers in Christ,

In a hymn cited by Saint Paul, the Church sings the mystery of the Incarnation:

“Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though He was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied Himself, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men, and being found in human form He humbled Himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross.” (cf. Phil 2:5-8; Liturgy of the Hours, Saturday, Canticle at Evening Prayer, Catechism of the Catholic Church, 461)

It is only when we understand the incarnate nature of our faith that we can really come to grips with the most dramatic implication of all. Our faith, centred on a God who pours out His love for us, draws us back to Himself, the font of love.

As He entices us back into His love, God invites us to bring along as many people with us as we can. God is living among us so that we can live in Him. This is an invitation for each one of us to enter into a life of discipleship.

Just as God has made His love incarnate for us to experience, we too are called to incarnate God’s love for others to experience, so that others can also “taste and see” the Lord’s goodness in their own lives.

Just as God is revealed in Jesus Christ with gentleness, humility, and poverty, so too we are invited to learn the path of gentleness and humility in communicating the truth of God’s goodness and mercy. This is particularly important because of another reality of our pilgrimage of faith with Jesus, that is, the reality of sin and our human weakness.

Baptism is not just the first Sacrament, but it is also the Sacrament of mercy.

In Baptism, we are plunged into the waters of death, but the Sacrament is a reminder that God in His mercy pulls us out from the waters, and brings us to new life in his Son by the power of the Holy Spirit.

What is important in our journey with Christ is not the number of times that we fall, nor is it the number of time that we get up again. It is the number of times that we are picked up by the merciful hand of God, outstretched to each and every sinner. We see this outstretched hand most vividly in the sacrament of Reconciliation and the Eucharist.

The emphasis on mercy is also why Pope Francis made 2016 a Jubilee Year of Mercy. At the end of that Jubilee Year, the Holy Father wrote a beautiful Apostolic exhortation called *Misericordia et Misera*.

There, Pope Francis said that “Mercy cannot become a mere parenthesis in the life of the church” (MM, 1) but must form the very heart of life in Christ.

After a personal encounter with the merciful gaze of Christ, we are enriched as women and men of faith and we become what the Pope called a missionary of mercy.

This week, I would like to invite you to that personal encounter with Jesus in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. I am confident that after your encounter, you will want to return over and over again to meet Christ face to face and to experience God’s merciful love. It is not difficult; all we have to do is make some space in our lives and Jesus will do the rest.

Let us pray for each other this week and for the attentiveness to hear the Lord’s call in each moment of our lives. Let’s also pray for the courage to respond to God’s call with an emphatic “yes”, not just at the important moments, but in every moment of our lives.

All mercy and peace to you,

+Anthony

POSITION VACANT – ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT, TOUKLEY - LAKE MUNMORAH PARISH

Toukley - Lake Munmorah Parish wishes to employ a casual Administrative Assistant to provide general admin assistance in the Parish Office.

For the full advertisement, please see the Diocesan website: bbcatholic.org.au/people/positions-vacant

CHILD PROTECTION SAFEGUARDING

St Benedict's Parish Arcadia, is committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people at risk in our community. We uphold that child protection and the dignity of every person is the responsibility of every adult.

We pray for those who have been abused, their families and supporters. We recognise and apologise for the harm done by priests, religious and lay people in Church settings.

The Church takes a zero-tolerance approach to child abuse. We recommit to practices that support survivors and make the Catholic Church and its ministries the safest possible place for children and people at risk.

RIGHTS OF CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE

Hi! I'm Bishop Anthony Randazzo.

Did you know that you were made in the image and likeness of God, with unique beauty and dignity? And God who created you, loves you very much.

It's my job to help you protect that beauty and dignity that belongs to every person.

Children in our Diocese of Broken Bay have rights that need protecting. It is important to know that you have human rights and spiritual rights. These rights are presented here in this poster.

You might be a member of a parish community, a student at one of our schools or connect with the services of CatholicCare.

It's important you know that certain rights belong to you and that adults of this Diocese are encouraged to learn about them.

Children have special rights because they are part of the human family. As a child, you need to be cared for and protected so that you have every possibility to grow and flourish in your human dignity. You have a right to seek help if ever you are in need.

These rights work together to help you live a good life. They may also help you to understand how to be kind and fair to yourself and others.

If you believe there is something more that is needed in raising awareness about these rights, please write to me. You can email me at bishop@bbcatholic.org.au.

God bless you and I am praying for you.

+Anthony

1 I have the right to be treated fairly and equally.
I can do my part – by being truthful and kind
I can bring the Spirit of Understanding



2 I have the right to voice my thoughts when decisions are being made about me.
I can do my part – by speaking confidently about my point of view and listening respectfully
I can bring the Spirit of Right Judgement



3 I have the right to know who I am and where I come from.
I can do my part – by being curious and open to my family origins
I can bring the Spirit of Joy



6 I have the right to go to school and receive an education.
I can do my part – by being attentive and an active learner
I can bring the Spirit of Knowledge



8 I have the right to live and grow in a healthy and clean environment.
I can do my part – by taking care of myself and my environment
I can bring the Spirit of Perseverance & Endurance



7 I have the right to privacy to enjoy and protect my life story.
I can do my part – by accepting who I am and respecting others and their story
I can bring the Spirit of Courage



4 I have the right to find out information and express myself.
I can do my part – by finding out about things that will help me make good choices
I can bring the Spirit of Discernment



5 I have the right to a safe and loving home with clothes to wear and food to eat.
I can do my part – by sharing and going to those in need when I can
I can bring the Spirit of Love



9 I have the right to be protected, no matter my ability, language, belief or who I am with.
I can do my part – by supporting peers and being inclusive to all people
I can bring the Spirit of Wonder



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Sr. Prof. Julia Upton, RSM, Ph.D. (Fordham) is Provost Emerita and retired Distinguished Professor in the Department of Theology and Religious Studies at St. John's University (NY), where she taught for 40 years. In addition to her expertise in liturgy and prayer, she recently completed a Masters' degree in Public Health.

Dr. Upton has been a member of the Liturgical Commission of the Diocese of Brooklyn since 1978 and served as an advisor to the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' Committee on Divine Worship (1978-1981; 2007-2010). Dr. Upton is author of *Worship in Spirit and Truth: The Life and Legacy of E.A. Reinhold* and is currently writing a biography of Adé Bethune, a liturgical artist, consultant and social activist associated with the *Catholic Worker*.



Online via Zoom

Monday October 12
10-11.30am (AEDT)
The Zoom link will be provided on 9 October 2020 to those who have registered.

Registration

Registration is essential for this free public lecture by 7 October.
www.acu.edu.au/LectureUpton

Contact

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