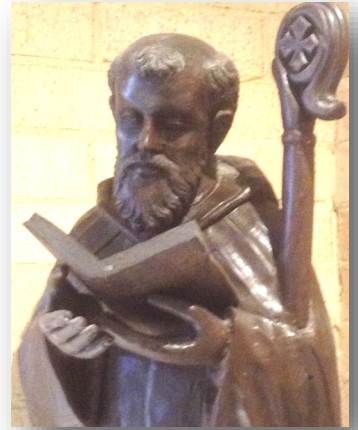


St Benedict's Parish

Arcadia

put nothing before the love of Christ
Rule of St Benedict, Chapter 4



Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

19 & 20 October 2019

First Reading

A reading from the book of Exodus 17:8-13
*As long as Moses kept his arms raised,
Israel had the advantage.*

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 120

**Our help is from the Lord,
who made heaven and earth**

Second Reading

**A reading from the second letter of St Paul
to Timothy 3:14-4:2**
*This is how the people of God become
equipped and ready for every good work.*

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

**The word of God is living and active;
it probes the thoughts and motives of our heart.
Alleluia!**

Gospel

**A reading from the holy Gospel
according to Luke 18:1-8**
God will see those who cry to him vindicated.

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

World Mission Sunday - 20 October

Today is World Mission Sunday, a day to rediscover the missionary dimension of our faith in Jesus Christ. Pope Francis reminds us that the mission of the Church is our own personal mission as well.

He says,

This missionary mandate touches us personally: I am a mission, always; you are a mission, always; every baptised man and woman is a mission. People in love never stand still: they are drawn out of themselves; they are attracted and attract others in turn; they give themselves to others and build relationships that are life-giving. As far as God's love is concerned, no one is useless or insignificant. Each of us is a mission to the world, for each of us is the fruit of God's love. Even if parents can betray their love by lies, hatred and infidelity, God never takes back his gift of life. From eternity he has destined each of his children to share in his divine and eternal life (cf. Eph 1:3-6).

(Message for World Mission Day 2019)

2019 COLUMBAN ART CALENDAR

Calendars are now available. Please see Fr Bernard or contact the office if you would like to purchase a copy.

Price \$10 p.9653 2312

EXTRAORDINARY MISSION MONTH

October 2019 has been designated an Extraordinary Missionary Month to celebrate the 100th anniversary of Pope Benedict XV's Apostolic Letter *Maximum Illud*, on the propagation on the faith throughout the world.



The theme is "Baptized and Sent: the Church of Christ on Mission in the World".

***Heavenly Father,
when your only begotten Son Jesus Christ
rose from the dead,
he commissioned his followers
to "go and make disciples of all nations"
and you remind us that through our Baptism
we are made sharers in the mission of the Church.***

***Empower us by the gifts of the Holy Spirit
to be courageous and zealous
in bearing witness to the Gospel,
so that the mission entrusted to the Church,
which is still very far from completion,
find new and efficacious expressions
that bring life and light to the world.***

***Help us make it possible for all peoples
to experience the saving love
and mercy of Jesus Christ,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
One God, forever and ever.
Amen.***

Further information can be found at <http://www.october2019.va/en.html>

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.

Apparitions of Our Lady of Fatima

FEAST DAY

Last Sunday we celebrated with a captivating children's play reenacting the story of Fatima; the recital of the holy rosary in five different languages; a procession with the statue of Our Lady outside; culminating in a splendid holy Mass celebrated by *Fr John Rizzo, Fr Hilarion Fernando osb and Fr Alberic Jacovone osb*. The day finished with a delightful Afternoon Tea and Raffle. Thanks to all those who helped to make the day so beautiful, and all those who came along and enjoyed the day. Our Lady would be most happy with our efforts! *God bless!*

PARISH SAFEGUARDING PRESENTATION BY THE OFFICE OF SAFEGUARDING (CHANCERY) DIOCESE OF BROKEN BAY

All Parish Staff, Volunteers and those interested in learning more about Safeguarding are invited to attend.

Topics covered:

Introduction to safeguarding; what we learnt from the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse; Our Commitment to Safeguarding; Introduction to the National Catholic Safeguarding Standards; Best Practice for Safeguarding in the Parish

Dates Wednesday, 30 October 10.30am to 12.30pm
Venue St Gerard Majella Church Meeting Room
543 North Rocks Road, Carlingford
or

Saturday, 2 November 11am to 1pm
Venue Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral, Fr Nulty Room, 23 Yardley Avenue, Waitara

These two sessions will have the same content; therefore, you will only need to attend once.

Please register by email safeguarding@bbcatholic.org.au or contact Anita 02 8379 1605

CATECHIST NEWS Please consider if you could give an hour a week to teach the students in our local schools about the love of God. If you would like to know more, please talk to Fr Bernard or myself.

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

VINNIES SOCIAL HOUSING PETITION TO NSW LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

Across NSW, thousands of people, including children, are without a place to call home. Many are living on the streets, sleeping in parks and living out of their cars. Others rely on emergency accommodation, boarding houses and the generosity of families and friends. Some are forced to live in severely overcrowded conditions. In the most tragic of circumstances, women and children are staying with violent partners because they have nowhere else to go.

At the same time, many people are living with chronic housing stress. This can mean they do not have enough money to pay for other household essentials, including food and electricity, once they have paid their rent.

Social housing should be a safety net to support people experiencing homelessness and housing stress but there is not enough of it. More than 50,000 applicants are waiting for social housing in NSW. In parts of the state, the wait time is in excess of 10 years.

The Petition is asking the NSW Government to build 5,000 new social housing dwellings each year

The ROSTER is available for collection in the sacristy

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

A gentle and respectful reminder:

If you are rostered on, please make your way to the altar promptly

If you are not rostered on, please allow enough time for rostered ministers to walk to the altar, before you act as a replacement

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

How did we celebrate Safeguarding Month?
A 3 question survey can be found at
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MP2JC8F>

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ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEK - 26 & 27 October

	7pm	9am
A	Paul Camilleri	Nigel Morgan
R1	Mary Camilleri	Peter Goodwin
R2	Mary Cascun	Gebzan Azzi
P	Mary Gambino	Lorraine Dailey
TV		Cali Family
EM	Lorna Boniel	Catherine Colman
EM	Caterina Vaccarella	Jessie Guiana
EM		Trish Shipley
EM		Pam Galbraith
M		Melanie Hume
M		Karen & Marisa
M		Teresa G
CL1		Peter Goodwin
CL2		Rosie Sakkal
MT		Silvana Calvi
CT		Rosie & Lorraine
WEL		Jessie

PLAYGROUP every Monday during school term
including Craft activities at Bunnings Dural
on Monday 21 October and Monday 25 November

Contact p.9653 2312

10am-12noon

Parish Office: 9653 2312

Parish Priest: Fr. Bernard McGrath osb

After hours: 0416 032 497

Good Samaritan Sisters: 9653 1231

Facebook: [stbenedictsarcadia](https://www.facebook.com/stbenedictsarcadia)

Gospel reading for Next Week

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

A reading from the Gospel of Luke 18:9-14

The publican returned to his home justified; the Pharisee did not.

Jesus spoke the following parable to some people who prided themselves on being virtuous and despised everyone else. 'Two men went up to the Temple to pray, one a Pharisee, the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood there and said this prayer to himself, "I thank you, God, that I am not grasping, unjust, adulterous like the rest of mankind, and particularly that I am not like this tax collector here. I fast twice a week; I pay tithes on all I get." The tax collector stood some distance away, not daring even to raise his eyes to heaven; but he beat his breast and said, "God, be merciful to me, a sinner." This man, I tell you, went home again at rights with God; the other did not. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the man who humbles himself will be exalted.'

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.

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

7.30pm Monday, 4 November 2019

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.