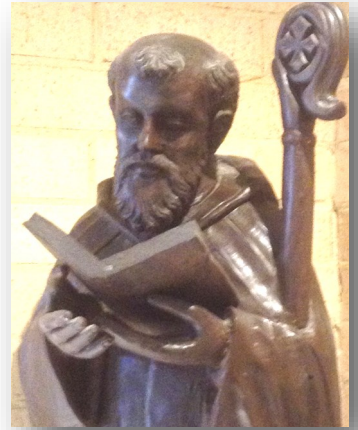


St Benedict's Parish

Arcadia



Wash away during these holy days all the negligences of other times.

Rule of St Benedict, Chapter 49

Second Sunday of Lent

24th and 25th February 2018

First Reading

A reading from the book of
Genesis 22:1-2, 9-13, 15-18

The sacrifice of Abraham, our father in faith.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 115:10, 15-19

I will walk in the presence of the Lord
in the land of the living.

Second Reading

A reading from the letter of
St Paul to the Romans 8:31-34

God did not spare his own Son.

Gospel Acclamation

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!
From the shining cloud, the Father's voice is heard:
this is my beloved Son, hear him.
Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel
according to Mark 9:2-10
This is my Son, the beloved; listen to him.

Weekend Mass

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

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

Italian Mass

2nd Tuesday 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.

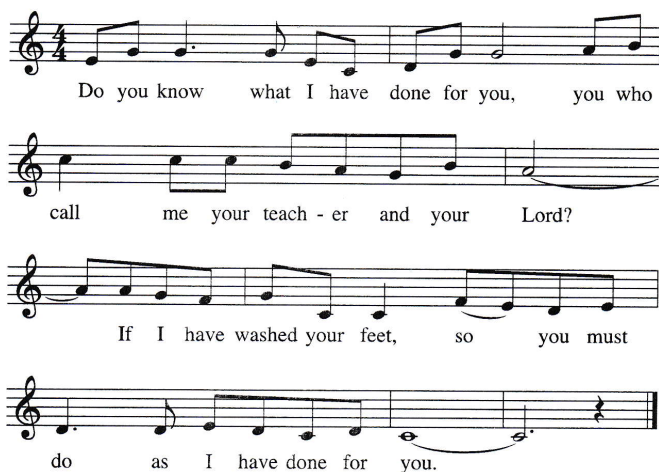
Funerals to be arranged through
Father Bernard.

World Day of Prayer—2 March

Friday, 2 March is **World Day of Prayer**, a global ecumenical movement which brings Christians of many traditions together to observe a common day of prayer each year, leading to closer fellowship and action throughout the year. It is a prayer movement developed from a Christian women's perspective as a creative response to issues of concern around the world. In 2018, we pray especially for the Republic of Suriname in South America, and the theme is "All God's creation is very good!"

Song of the Lord's Command

David Haas



Do you know what I have done for you, you who
call me your teach - er and your Lord?
If I have washed your feet, so you must
do as I have done for you.

Go, and live in my love.
You will live in my love if you keep my commands.

Go, and love as I have shown you.
Love one another as I have loved you.

You did not choose me, I chose you;
I chose you to go forth and bear fruit that will
endure.

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Parish Lenten Groups : each Wednesday during lent

1pm Parish Meeting Room
Contact Miriam 9652 0558
7.30pm 726A Old Northern Road, Dural
Contact Margaret 9653 3377

The Light is On: The Church will be open on **Fridays** during Lent from 7-8pm. The Sacrament of **Reconciliation** will also be offered.

Stational Mass

All parishioners are invited to gather and pray as one body on this graced journey to Easter. Please join us at one or all of the following Masses celebrated at 7.30pm by Bishop Peter:

20 February St Patrick's, East Gosford
27 February Mary Immaculate Church, Manly
6 March St Agatha's Church, Pennant Hills
13 March Our Lady of the Rosary Church, The Entrance
22 March St Philip Neri Church, Northbridge



Rattanak in Cambodia contracted polio as a child and also became deaf. The Deaf Development Program, supported by Caritas Australia, helped him become a barber and he is now supporting himself, his wife and baby.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2018 and help deaf youth in Cambodia to build a just future, and live in communities that uphold everyone's dignity.

A Just Future starts with your support! You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.

In Our Parish

We remember in our prayers ~ all our dearly beloved who have died. May they Rest in Peace.

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, Jo-Ann Mathyi, Peter Mathyi, Rita (Lorraine Dailey's sister) and Sr Monica.

St Benedict's Parish Fete 11 March 2018

PLEASE COLLECT YOUR RAFFLE TICKETS AT THE FRONT OF THE CHURCH THIS WEEKEND.

PLEASE TAKE RAFFLE TICKETS FOR FRIENDS AND FAMILY AND FLYERS.

Are you fit young(ish) healthy and strong(ish)? Can you spare an hour or so on **Saturday 10 March** about **2pm** to assist setting up the marquees and stalls and/or at the end of the fete to dismantle and clear up? WE NEED YOU!

Please contact me to pledge your support 0416 081

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL: next meeting **Tuesday, 6 March** at 7.30pm

NEW ROSTER AVAILABLE: for collection in the sacristy.

EASTER ROSTER: The draft roster is available outside the sacristy. Please complete if you are able to assist with the Easter liturgy.

EASTER MUSIC: Music practice for Easter will take place on **Sunday, 18 March** after mass.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Please see Father Bernard if you are interested in assisting as an Eucharistic minister. Training will be available in this ministry after Easter.

FRANKLY magazine available at the front of the Church.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME: Information

Sessions on Reconciliation are as follows:

- Session 1 **Monday, 26 February** at 4.15pm
- Session 2 **Monday, 5 March** at 4.15pm
- Session 3 **Monday, 12 March** at 4.15pm
- Session 4 **Monday, 19 March** at 4.15pm.

Reconciliation will take place on **Saturday, 24 March** at **2pm**. Information on the next Sacramental Programme will be available in May. Confirmation will take place on Saturday, 4 August.

Volunteer Stall Holders

Main Raffle	Jim Shipley Margaret Florian Peter Goodwin	9885 7039 9653 3377 9652 2952
Stall (on the day)	Theresa Neely Joe West	9653 3473 9653 2521 0478 803 341
Chocolate Wheel	David Camilleri	0407 466 244
Greengrocery	Kazzi Family	Daniel 0418 295 597
Cake Stall	Bernadette Watt	9653 2616
Flower Stall	Jessie Guina Peter Goodwin	9651 1136 9652 2952
Devonshire Tea	Rosie Sakkal	9652 0121
Barbeque Stall	Sally Sakkal & Family	9653 2627
Fancy Goods/craft	Helen Facione	9653 1203
Kids Activities	Andrew Sakkal	0419 333 134
Gelato	Sylvia	0434 001 572
Treasure Hunt	Jo & girls	
Plants	Judy Horton	0419 604 701
General Assistance	Eamon Julianne	0404 173 757 0415 448 797
Advertising	Paula El Char Kath	
Books/Trash & Treasure	Theresa Neely	9653 3473

MEETINGS for 26 February to 2 March

Monday	2.30pm	Italian Rosary
Monday	4.15pm	Sacramental Programme
Tuesday	7.30pm	Catholic Charismatic Renewal
Wednesday	10.45am	Christ Catholic Community
Friday	7.30pm	Christ Catholic Community

Say "No" to Corruption

That those who have material, political or spiritual power may resist any lure of corruption.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for February

CATECHIST NEWS: Thanks to Margaret Long for coming forward to help as a Catechist at Glenorie! Being a Catechist is such a rewarding way to deepen your faith as well as bringing the message to the children (as phrased by Alison Newell from CCD) "God loves them, God will always forgive them and that they are unique in God's eyes." This is a message we all need reminding.

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

Gospel reading for Next Week

3rd Sunday of Lent

YEAR B

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John 2:13-25

Destroy this sanctuary, and in three days I will raise it up.

Just before the Jewish Passover Jesus went up to Jerusalem, and in the Temple he found people selling cattle and sheep and pigeons, and the money changers sitting at their counters there. Making a whip out of some cord, he drove them all out of the Temple, cattle and sheep as well, scattered the money changers' coins, knocked their tables over and said to the pigeon-sellers, 'Take all this out of here and stop turning my Father's house into a market.' Then his disciples remembered the words of scripture: Zeal for your house will devour me. The Jews intervened and said, 'What sign can you show us to justify what you have done?' Jesus answered, 'Destroy this sanctuary, and in three days I will raise it up.' The Jews replied, 'It has taken forty-six years to build this sanctuary: are you going to raise it up in three days?' But he was speaking of the sanctuary that was his body, and when Jesus rose from the dead, disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the scripture and the words he had said.

During his stay in Jerusalem for the Passover many believed in his name when they saw the signs that he gave, but Jesus knew them all and did not trust himself to them; he never needed evidence about any man; he could tell what a man had in him.

The Gospel of the Lord

ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEK - 3 & 4 March 2018

	7pm	9am
A	Paul Camilleri	Paul El Chaar
R1	Miriam Brown	Virginia Tanna
R2	Margaret Bensley	Peter Bellew
P	Jim O'Connor	Karen DeSouza
AS		
EM		Lorraine Dailey
EM	Mary Camilleri	Margaret Florian
EM	Caterina Vaccarella	Bernadette Watt
EM		Pam Galbraith
M		Mark Quirk
M		Helen
M		Theresa N & Nigel
CL1		Peter Goodwin
CL2		Teresa Gambino
MT		Karen DeSouza
CT		Lyla & Peter
WEL		Teresa & Margaret Mc

PLAYGROUP Each Monday 10am to 12noon
Contact Sandra 0410 587 735

All carers and children welcome!

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Parish Priest: Fr. Bernard McGrath osb
After hours: 0416 032 497
Good Samaritan Sisters: 9653 1231
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Monastery: 9653 1159 Fax: 9653 1883
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For all parish Occupational Health & Safety comments please write them in the OH&S book in the sacristy or phone Lorraine Dailey 0416 081 882. All information will be well received.