

# St Benedict's Parish

## Arcadia



To prefer nothing to the love of Christ.  
*Rule of St Benedict, Chapter 4*

### COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS UPDATE:

**Church Attendance:**  
**One person per 4sqm,**  
**maximum 150 people.**

**Masks are strongly**  
**recommended by the Bishop and**  
**Government.**

**ONLINE Booking:**  
<https://www.trybooking.com/BJSGK>  
**Or call Paula on 0423 078 282**



### 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

Sundays	7:00am
Daily	7:00am

Please contact Father Bernard for the following:

**BAPTISMS**  
**RECONCILIATION**  
**FOR THE SICK**  
**MARRIAGES**  
**FUNERALS**

**Fr Bernard: 0416 032 497**  
**(Fr Bernard is away until November 13th,**  
**if it's urgent please contact**  
**Fr David on 0400 371 260).**

## All Saints

### Year A

31 October & 1 November 2020

#### Entrance Antiphon

Let us all rejoice in the Lord,  
as we celebrate the feast day in honour of all the Saints,  
at whose festival the Angels rejoice  
and praise the Son of God.

#### First Reading

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse 7:2-4. 9-14  
*I saw an immense crowd, beyond hope of counting, of people  
from every nation, race, tribe and language.*

#### Responsorial Psalm

Ps 23:1-6. R v.6  
*Lord, this is the people that longs to see your face.*

#### Second Reading

A reading from the first letter of St John 3:1-3  
*We shall see God as he really is.*

#### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!  
Come to me, all you that labour and are burdened,  
And I will give you rest, says the Lord.  
Alleluia!

#### Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to  
Matthew 5:1-12  
*Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.*

#### Communion Antiphon

Blessed are the clean of heart, for they shall see God.  
Blessed are the peacemakers,  
for they shall be called children of God.  
Blessed are they who are persecuted  
for the sake of righteousness,  
for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.



## SAINT OF THE WEEK



### ALL SAINTS November 1 Solemnity

Martyrs were so revered in the early Church that their places and dates of death were sanctified by the candles, prayers, and votive offerings of the faithful grateful for their witness. So many were the martyrs, though, that by the early fourth-century it became impossible to solemnize each individually on the Church's crowded calendar. There thus arose, over centuries, and in different ways in different regions, the custom of commemorating the memory of all the holy ones on one specific day of the year. By the early eighth-century, a Feast of All Saints was celebrated in Rome on November 1. The Feast was extended to the entire Church in the next century.

The Church defines a saint as a soul enjoying the Beatific Vision in heaven. So, besides the famous saints found on the universal calendar and the lesser-known saints not on that calendar, there are still many more souls in heaven not officially recognized as saints at all. These are the saints we celebrate in a particular way today.

The Solemnity of All Saints commemorates all those holy men, women, children, martyrs, confessors and unknown others who lived lives of such holiness that upon death they either entered directly into God's presence in heaven or duly purified their soul of every imperfection in purgatory before then advancing into His presence. All-Star saints such as Saint Augustine and Saint Francis of Assisi stand shoulder to shoulder in heaven with forgotten grandmas, quiet uncles, and unknown martyrs. These unrecognized but holy souls did not convert entire tribes, or found religious communities.

The dense population of heaven is unknown to us on earth, but not to God, the audience of One we should most desire to please. There are as many pathways to God as there are people, since God wants to make a project of each and every one of us. All the saints lived heroic lives in their own unique ways. Some were the steeple to the village, seen by all and inspiring others to greatness. But most saints had lower profiles. They were more like the squat stone blocks forming the church's foundation, silently holding up the entire structure. They received little notice or credit despite buttressing the entire building. Without their support the church, and all of its flash, would collapse. Today we commemorate those silent and sturdy ones who, without cease and without complaint, strengthened the family, the marriage, the parish, the Church, the community, the faith. Among the communion of saints are some few illustrious citizens whose virtues sparkle on their special days. But today we honour, remember, and seek to imitate that broader population of heaven never raised to the public altars but who offered their lives in quiet ways to God. They received the Body of Christ and lived His teachings in an exemplary manner in season and out of season until all seasons converged and God called them back to Himself.

*All holy men and women, so close to us yet still so far, gather our prayers to yourselves and intercede in heaven on our behalf. May our holy desires be accomplished through that chorus of prayers you constantly present to the Father surrounded by all His angels in heaven. AMEN.*

## THE RULE OF ST BENEDICT

### Chapter 4

*In the first place, to love the Lord God with all one's heart, all one's soul, and all one's strength.  
Then, one's neighbour as oneself.*

## POPE FRANCIS' INTENTIONS FOR NOVEMBER 2020

### ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

**We pray that the progress of robotics and  
Artificial intelligence may always serve humankind.**



**AMEN**

## ALL SAINTS DAY SOLEMNITY

All Saints Day is a major Catholic Holy day celebrating every saint, known to us, and the unknown ones who served God without human recognition. The eve of this festival is Halloween, also known as "All Hallows Eve." All Saints Day is celebrated November 1.

How shining and splendid are your gifts, O Lord  
which you give us for our eternal well-being  
Your glory shines radiantly in your saints, O God  
In the honour and noble victory of the martyrs.  
The white-robed company follow you,  
bright with their abundant faith;  
They scorned the wicked words of those with this world's power.  
For you they sustained fierce beatings, chains, and torments,  
they were drained by cruel punishments.  
They bore their holy witness to you  
who were grounded deep within their hearts;  
they were sustained by patience and constancy.  
Endowed with your everlasting grace,  
may we rejoice forever  
with the martyrs in our bright fatherland.  
O Christ, in your goodness,  
grant to us the gracious heavenly realms of eternal life.

*Unknown author, 10th century*

## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Last Sunday Mitchell and Nathan Camilleri received their First Holy Communion at St. Benedict's Parish.

As you commemorate the love of Jesus for the World through the sacrament of the Holy Communion, we pray that peace of Christ be always with you and that you will forever be blessed as you continue to trust God and grow in His grace.

***Congratulations!***



***Please contact parish office if you would like us to add to the below to pray for someone as we need permission to include it in the bulletin.***

***Call 9653 2312 or email [arcadia.pariah@bigpond.com](mailto:arcadia.pariah@bigpond.com)***

## In Our Parish

We remember in our prayers, all our dearly beloved who have died, especially ***Jeanette West.***

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

***John Graham, Isabelle Attard, Santino Volpato and Elena Muscat.***

We pray for the sick of our Parish, especially ***Sister Clem and Nancy Kazzi.***

### 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 kind weekly giving.

### A DIFFERENT CHRISTMAS AT VINNIES THIS YEAR

Because of Covid regulations and restrictions, your Conference members will **not** be packing grocery hampers this Christmas. Instead, we hope to give our few clients Gift Vouchers. We will use any money that you place in the **Poor Boxes** at the Church during November/early December to buy these vouchers and send what money is not used on to Vinnies head office, as usual.

If you need a receipt for your donation, please leave the details in an envelope in the box or let Paula at the Parish Office know.

We thank you, in anticipation, for your understanding and support in these unusual times.

### GCEA MEETING

It's been a difficult 7 months, but God, in his kindness, has enabled the ministry at Galston High school to continue, with little interruption. In a few weeks time, we'll have an opportunity to thank God for his kindness to us.

Here are the details for the upcoming prayer luncheon.

**What:** GCEA Prayer Luncheon

**When:** Sunday, 15th November @ 12pm

**Where:** Galston Seventh Day Adventist Church

**RSVP:** Monday 9th November to Richard Young - [yorich45@outlook.com](mailto:yorich45@outlook.com)

### CHURCH CLEANING VOLUNTEERS

Have you noticed how clean and shiny our Church has been lately? Thanks to the group of volunteers for making time to scrub and polish!

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! Church volunteers exist to fill God's greatest commandment: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind." This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is: "Love your neighbour as yourself." (Matthew 22:37-39)

***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

Unfortunately we are still unable to hold our Children's Masses at present but as soon as we are able, we will recommence these Masses.

Our next Catechist meeting will be held next Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> November at 12:30pm. All are welcome to attend!

God bless,

Miriam Brown 9652 0558

Parish Catechist Co-ordinator

### FATHER BERNARD AWAY

Father Bernard will not be available from the 28th of October until the 13th of November as he will be having knee surgery next week and will be out of action. For anything urgent during that time please contact:

Father David on 0400 371 260.

Please keep Father Bernard in your prayers.

### YOUTH CORNER PRAISEFEST

CYBB presents the last PRAISEFEST of 2020! Book it in your calendar and get ready for a night of fun, good laughs, and a message from very special INTERNATIONAL guest, Chris Padgett!

ZOOM link is available to all youth coordinators and school ministry coordinators! LIVESTREAM will be available! See you there!!

6:00pm on Friday 13 November 2020

Facebook

Event: <https://www.facebook.com/events/368646487881204>

Enquiries Email: [youth@bbccatholic.org.au](mailto:youth@bbccatholic.org.au)



### 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

**27 October 2020**

My dear sisters and brothers in Christ,

Tomorrow, Wednesday 28 October, marks the centenary of the birth of Bishop Patrick Murphy, the First Bishop of Broken Bay.

Bishop Murphy was born at Eastwood. He attended St Kevin's Catholic Primary School for his early education, completing his schooling at St Patrick's Christian Brothers College, Strathfield. After high school, he worked for six months in the Commonwealth Bank.

Patrick Murphy undertook studies at St Columba's Seminary Springwood from 1937 to 1940 and then at St Patrick's College, Manly, from 1941 to 1944. He was ordained a priest on 22 July 1944 in St Mary's Cathedral Sydney. On 20 December 1976, after 32 years of priestly ministry, academic studies, and teaching, he was named a bishop by Pope Paul VI and consecrated on 22 January 1977. Bishop Murphy was appointed as an Auxiliary Bishop to the Archbishop of Sydney, Cardinal James Freeman. On 8 April 1986, Pope John Paul II nominated him as the Bishop of the newly established Diocese of Broken Bay. He was installed on 28 May 1986.

It has been said that during his episcopate, Bishop Murphy maintained a style of hard-work, lean administration, and firm leadership, right through to his retirement on 9 July 1996. He lived quietly until his death at the age of 86 on 18 March 2007.

I commend Bishop Murphy to your prayers, as we give thanks to God for his life and ministry as priest and bishop.

Over the past year since my installation as the Fourth Bishop of Broken Bay I have written a short message to you each week in BBNeighbourhoods. I have found it to be a very useful way to keep in touch, especially during the periods of restricted movement and physical distancing.

I am grateful for the numerous people throughout the diocese who have either spoken to me personally or written to me expressing their gratitude for these short messages, which communicate something of the vox Episcopi, "the voice of the bishop".

Beginning in November, I have decided that I will invite different members of our community of the Church around Broken Bay to join me in BBNeighbourhoods. I hope that it will be one way to give expression to the vox Populi, "the voice of the people". This will occur on alternate weeks to my message.

It is not meant to be a political manifesto, nor a sermon, or a homily on the Sunday Scripture readings. What I am hoping to do is highlight the unique and Spirit-filled perspective in our community as you live out your baptismal vocation as a young / senior / married / single / religious / priestly / diaconal / professional person. I am confident that by listening respectfully to the voices from around our community, we might also listen and discern what the Spirit is saying to us as the community of the Church of Broken Bay.

Please join with me in praying that the Holy Spirit will move the hearts, minds, and lives of all people in our community. Pray also for spiritual insight based on your life and relationship with God. I trust that your unique experience and perspective will speak to others and contribute to the shared wisdom in our Church community and beyond.

Peace be with you,

+Anthony

## FREE Natural Fertility Education

You are invited to a free Zoom introductory session in managing fertility naturally and effectively, presented by Katie Fullilove, Fertilitycare Practitioner in the Diocese of Broken Bay . Open for all couples wanting to know about natural fertility.

**When: Tuesday, 10 November**

**Time: 8-9pm**

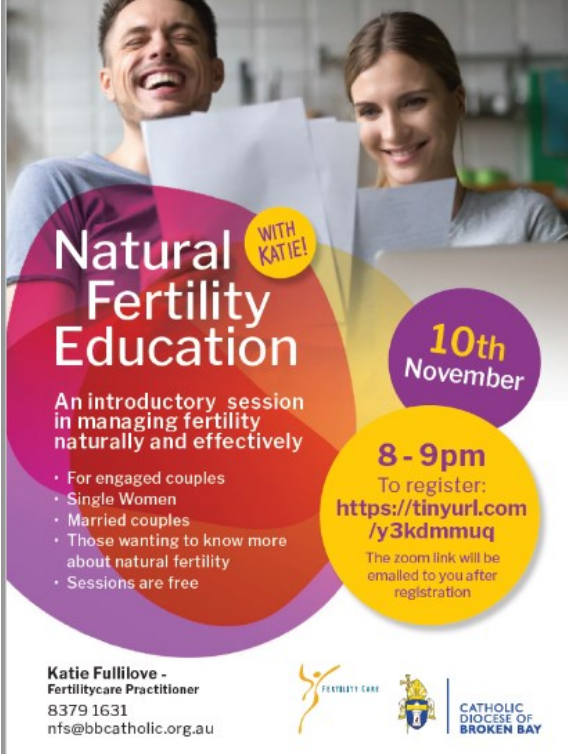
**Registration:** <https://tinyurl.com/y3kdmmuq>

The zoom link will be emailed to you after registration.

**For more information on Fertilitycare, please visit:**

Website: <https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/parish-community/ministries/womens-ministry/natural-family-planning>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/nfsbdd/>



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An introductory session in managing fertility naturally and effectively

- For engaged couples
- Single Women
- Married couples
- Those wanting to know more about natural fertility
- Sessions are free

**Katie Fullilove - Fertilitycare Practitioner**  
8379 1631  
nfs@bbcatholic.org.au

FERTILITY CARE

CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF BROKEN BAY

## INSPIRING QUOTES FROM CATHOLIC SAINTS

"Genuine love is demanding, but its beauty lies precisely in the demands it makes." *Pope Francis*

"We cannot all do great things, but we can do small things with great love." *St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta*

"To have a right to do a thing is not at all the same as to be right in doing it." *G.K. Chesterton*

"The saints did not all begin well, but they ended well." *St. John Vianney*

"Hold your eyes on God and leave the doing to Him. That is all the doing you have to worry about." *St. Jane Frances de Chantal*

"The devil fears hearts on fire with love of God." *St. Catherine of Siena*

"To be tempted is a sign that the soul is very pleasing to the Lord." *St. Padre Pio of Pietrelcina*

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## 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.**

## COVID 19 RESTRICTIONS

**Bookings is still essential or write your name and phone number on the sheets provided at both entries. Please adhere to social distancing guidelines of 4sqms and sanitize your hands at the door. Also wipe seats down afterwards with wipes provided at both entries.**

**MASKS ARE STRONGLY RECOMMENDED.  
IF YOU ARE NOT WELL OR EXPERIENCING FLU-LIKE SYMPTOMS,  
PLEASE STAY HOME, ISOLATE AND GET TESTED.**

*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.*

**Office Hours: Mondays 10.30am to 2.30pm**

**Fridays 10am to 3pm**

**Parish Office: 9653 2312**

**Parish Priest: Fr. Bernard McGrath OSB**

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**Monastery: 9653 1159**

**Good Samaritan Sisters: 9653 1231**

**For all parish Occupational Health & Safety and Safeguarding Children matters  
Contact: Lorraine Dailey on 0416 081 882.**

**Bank Details for ONLINE only donations:**

**BSB: 062 784**

**Acct: 1446 8001**