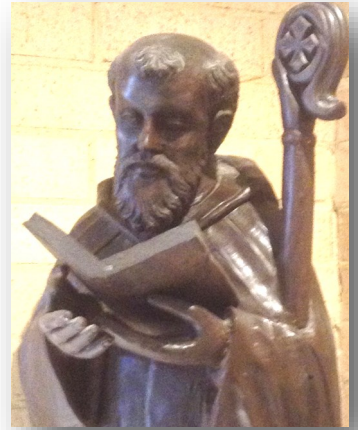


St Benedict's Parish

Arcadia

prefer nothing whatever to Christ

Rule of St Benedict, Chapter 72



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.

Christ the King

25 to 26 November 2017

First Reading

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17
You, my flock, I judge between sheep and sheep.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm: 22:1-3, 5-6

The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.

Second Reading

A reading from the letter of
St Paul to Corinthians 15:20-26, 28
*He will hand over the kingdom to God the Father,
so that God may be all in all.*

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord!
Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David.
Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel
according to Matthew 25:31-46
*He will take his seat on his throne of glory,
and he will separate men one from another.*

Liturgy of the Hours

Seven times a day I will praise you
Psalm 119:164

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

WHATSOEVER YOU DO

Willard F. Jabusch

Refrain

What-so - ev - er you do to the least of my peo - ple, that you

Verses

do un - to me.

1. When I was hun - gry, you gave me to
2. When I was home - less, you o - pened your
3. When I was wea - ry, you helped me find
4. When in a pris - on, you came to my
5. When I was laughed at, you stood by my

1. eat; When I was thir - st - y, you gave me to drink.
2. door; When I was na - ked, you gave me your coat.
3. rest; When I was anx - ious, you calmed all my fears.
4. cell; When on a sick - bed, you cared for my needs.
5. side; When I was hap - py, you shared in my joy.

to Refrain

1-5. Now en - ter in - to the home of my Fa - ther.

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Playgroup Christmas Party

We will be having our Christmas Party on **Monday, 4 December** between 10am to 12noon. Please bring a plate to share.

Our last playgroup for the year will be on **Monday, 11 December**. We will be meeting at the Galston Club - come for a coffee and a babycino!

Date Monday, 11 December

Venue The Galston Club
Arcadia Road, Galston

Time 10am- 12noon

There is a playground at the Club for children.

Any questions please contact Sandra on 0410 587 735.

ALL CHILDREN AND THEIR CARERS ARE WELCOME!

PARISH LOG BOOK

We will soon start compiling our annual record of life in the parish for the year.

COULD ALL the different groups in the parish please provide a short article?

COULD individual parishioners consider contributing an article as well, especially about an event you have attended over the year and would like to comment on, or maybe a funny story or poem!

Please leave items in the parish office or email to arcadia.parish@bigpond.com.

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 La Spina, Maria Jasser, Annabelle Twyford, Jo-Ann Mathyi, Peter Mathyi & Rita (Lorraine Dailey's sister).

Spirit of Christmas Dinner

Date Monday, 25 December 2017
Time 6pm to 9pm
Venue St Benedict's Parish Arcadia
RSVP 23 December 2017

For the 8th year our parish will be hosting a Christmas Dinner for everyone to share this special time to celebrate Christmas on Christmas night.

Even if you are not religious it is enjoyable to spend time with other people. Christmas is all about giving, not just gifts, but giving of yourself to others.

Join in for fun, food and friendship. Everyone is welcome, singles, couples and families. You do not need to be part of the parish of St Benedict to attend. There will be music, violins and singing!

Come help us celebrate this special time of year!

Please inform your family and friends about this special occasion if they know anyone who is away from family or have nowhere to go on Christmas day or just want to join in the celebration, we will be happy to make them feel part of our community.

For any further information or if you need transport please do not hesitate to contact us.

Also if you are available to volunteer that night or help with food, gifts, music, entertainment, etc. It would be greatly appreciated. After all, that's what Christmas is about!

Paul & Paula El-Chaar 0423 078 282
Jim & Trish Shipley 9654 2551

CATECHIST NEWS

The year is rapidly coming to an end.

Combined Christmas Assemblies are as follows:

Middle Dural and Glenorie this week Wednesday 29th November

Hillside this Friday 1st December

Galston and Arcadia on Wednesday 6th December

Final SRE classes will be held the week prior to the Assemblies.

All families are invited to join in the next Children's Mass on Sunday 3rd December. If you have a child in Year 6 who will be attending, please let myself or Lyla know as a Bible and certificate will be presented to those in Year 6.

Our **Annual Catechist Christmas Dinner** will be held at Rose Granata's place this year on Friday 8th December starting at 7pm. All current and past Catechists are warmly invited to attend.

RSVP 4th December to Rose or myself.

If you can help out as a Catechist or helper next year, please let Fr Bernard or myself know.

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

Christmas Appeal—St Vincent de Paul

Over the next two weekends, we are launching the 2017 Appeal, both for financial donations and/or goods for the Christmas Hampers. Conference members will speak at Masses in the Parish this weekend and at the Mass at the Monastery on Sunday, 3 December.

The theme of this year's Appeal is "Your donation can make wishes come true." We remember with gratitude how generous you were last year and hope that you will help us again on this occasion.

Christ's kingship is in fact a revelation and actuation of that of God the Father, who governs all things with love and justice. The Father entrusted to the Son the mission of giving mankind eternal life by loving it to the point of supreme sacrifice and, at the same time, conferred upon him the power of judging humanity, since he made himself Son of Man, like us in all things.

Pope Benedict XVI, Angelus, 23 November 2008

SAFEGUARDING EDUCATION

A Key Principle of Catholic Social Teaching—*Option for the Poor and Vulnerable* proclaims that a basic moral test is how our most vulnerable members are faring. In a society marred by deepening divisions between rich and poor, our Tradition recalls the story of the Last Judgement (Mt 25) and instructs us to put the needs of the poor and vulnerable first.

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ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEK - 2–3 December

	7pm	9am
A	Paul Camilleri	Paul El-Chaar
R1	Mary Cascun	CHILDREN'S
R2	Margaret Bensley	MASS
P	Mary Camilleri	
AS		
EM	Angela Scotti	Lorraine Dailey
EM	Caterina Vaccarella	Margaret Florian
EM		Pam Galbraith
EM		Trish Shipley
M		Karina Takchi
M		Noelle & Natasha M
M		Youth Choir
CL1		N/A
CL2		N/A
MT		Catechists
CT		Lyla & Peter
WEL		Teresa & Margaret Mc

PLAYGROUP: EACH MONDAY from 10-12noon

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

Office Hours: Monday & Friday 9.30am-2.30pm
Monastery: 9653 1159 Fax: 9653 1883
Email: arcadia.parish@bigpond.com
Website: www.arcadia.dbb.org.au

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.

Gospel reading for Next Week

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

YEAR B

A reading from the holy Gospel according to
Matthew 22:32-40

Stay awake! You never know when the Lord will come.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'Be on your guard, stay awake, because you never know when the time will come. It is like a man travelling abroad: he has gone from home, and left his servants in charge, each with his own task; and he has told the doorkeeper to stay awake. So stay awake, because you do not know when the master of the house is coming, evening, midnight, cockcrow, dawn; if he comes unexpectedly, he must not find you asleep. And what I say to you I say to all: Stay awake!'

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.

REMINDER: Parents please keep children out of the garden because it is dangerous.