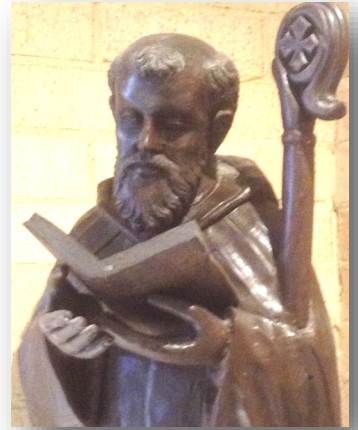


# St Benedict's Parish

## Arcadia

*Live by God's commandments every day*  
*Rule of St Benedict, Chapter 4*



## Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

2 & 3 March 2019

### First Reading

A reading from the first book  
of Ecclesiasticus 27:4-7

*Do not praise someone before they have spoken.*

### Responsorial Psalm

Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

### Second Reading

A reading from the first letter  
of St Paul to the Corinthians 15:54-58

*Victory has been given to us through Jesus Christ.*

### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Shine on the world like bright stars;  
you are offering it the word of life.

Alleluia!

### Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel  
according to Luke 6:39-45

*A person speaks from what is in his heart.*

### 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.

## Parish Fete Sunday, 10 March

**SPARE RAFFLE TICKETS** are available in the Church

- 1st prize** A week's holiday in a luxury holiday unit at Hawks Nest  
**2nd prize** A Limousin Steer  
**3rd prize** X-box/PS4  
**4th prize** Bike  
**5th prize** \$300 Bunnings voucher



Donations of **CAKES**, **BOOKS**, **CRAFT ITEMS** and **TRASH N TREASURE** are needed for the fete.

Can anyone provide **SCONES** on the day for the Devonshire Tea stall?

**WE ALSO NEED HELP WITH ALL STALLS**

If you are able to help in any way please contact Theresa Neely 9653 3473 or the parish office 9653 2312.

Volunteer Stall Holders

<b>Main Raffle</b>	Liz & Keith Wallace 0402 479 291
<b>Chocolate Wheel</b>	David Camilleri 0407 466 244
<b>Fruit &amp; Veg</b>	Kazzi Family 0418 295 597
<b>Cake Stall</b>	Bernadette Watt 9653 2616
<b>Flower Stall</b>	Jessie Guiana 9651 1136 Peter Goodwin 9652 2952
<b>Devonshire Teas</b>	Catherine Colman 9653 1034
<b>BBQ</b>	Sakkal Family 9653 2627
<b>Craft/Gifts</b>	Helen Facione 9653 1203
<b>Kids Activities</b>	Sakkal Family 9653 2627
<b>Gelato</b>	Silvana 0434 001 572
<b>Plants</b>	Judy Horton 0419 604 701
<b>Trash n Treasure/books</b>	Robin Barbara 0405 482 222

## Project Compassion Sunday ~ 3 March

Please take home a **Project Compassion box** and/or a set of donation envelopes and support Caritas Australia this Lenten season themed "**Give Lent 100%**".

You are empowering communities with hope and helping those in great need to shape a better future for themselves, their families and their communities.

## Ash Wednesday 6 March 2019

Mass and distribution of ashes will take place at the following times

<b>7am</b>	Monastery Chapel
<b>9.30am</b>	Parish Church
<b>7pm</b>	Parish Church

Ash Wednesday is a day of fasting and abstinence from meat.

Lent begins with Ash Wednesday and is the season of the Church's year where we look to renew our relationship with God.

Copies of the **2019 Lenten Message of His Holiness Pope Francis** have been placed at both entrances to the Church together with a letter from the Very Rev Dr David Ranson regarding **Lenten Penance** and copies of the booklet **Discerning the Way of Jesus: Lectio Divina, Praying the Scriptures in Lent.**

Parish Lenten Groups Wednesdays during Lent

<b>1pm</b>	Parish Centre Contact - Miriam 9652 0558 <b>Start Date Wednesday, 13 March</b>
<b>7.30pm</b>	726A Old Northern Road, Dural (Benigna's house) Contact - Margaret 9653 3377 <b>Start Date Thursday, 7 March and then each Wednesday</b>

**The Light is On** During Lent our Church will also take part in **The Light is On**, an initiative where churches throughout the Diocese will be open on the following Friday evenings from 7pm to 8pm - **8, 15, 22, 29 March and 5, 12 April**. In our Parish this coincides with exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 7pm and the first Friday of the month Mass.

**Reconciliation** will be available on **Friday, 12 April**.

The **Catholic Schools Guide 2019** is available at the front entrance to the Church. Upcoming **Open Days** include:

- Mount St Benedict College ~ 3 March
- Marian College ~ 5 March
- Oakhill College ~ 10 March
- St Leo's Catholic College ~ 12 March
- Redfield College ~ 20 March

**FR BERNARD'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF  
MONASTIC PROFESSION ~ THIS SUNDAY, 3 MARCH**

On 22 February we celebrated Fr Bernard's golden anniversary of Profession to our monastic community. This **Sunday** we mark his anniversary during the 9am Mass. All are welcome.

Morning tea will follow with a bbq and jumping castle.

**SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM DATES**

**Parent Information Evening - this coming Monday, 4 March at 7pm**

Information sessions on **Reconciliation** will be held at **4.15pm** in the Parish on the following **Mondays**.

Information sessions are to be attended by each child and at least one parent.

Session 1           **11 March**

Session 2           **18 March**

Session 3           **25 March**

Presentation at **9am Mass on Sunday, 31 March**

Session 4           **1 April**

Reconciliation will take place on **Saturday, 6 April at 3pm.**

For any enquiries please contact the office on 9653 2312.

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY NSW  
ELECTION STATEMENT**

The St Vincent de Paul Society NSW has released an Election Statement for the NSW state election. There are seven recommendations calling on the State Government to deliver more affordable and social housing, reduce the number of people experiencing homelessness, reform rental laws and make energy more affordable. With NSW the richest state in Australia, it is well within our means to break down the barriers preventing people in our community from living well. It is time to prioritise fairness and compassion. For more information go to [www.vinnies.org.au/NSW2019ElectionStatement](http://www.vinnies.org.au/NSW2019ElectionStatement).

**PLENARY COUNCIL** Submissions to the Plenary Council 2020 close on **Ash Wednesday, 6 March**. Your voice matters! Make a personal submission now or join a small group or call Zdenka 0417 385 218. Our question is for everyone: **"What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?"** Have your say ~ [www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au](http://www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au)

**MEETINGS** this week

Monday	2.30pm	Italian Rosary
Monday	7pm	Parent Information Evening
Tuesday	7.30pm	Parish Pastoral Council
Wednesday	10.45am	Christ Catholic Community
Wednesday	12.30pm	Catechist Meeting
Friday	7.30pm	Christ Catholic Community

**CATECHIST NEWS** Welcome to all families attending our first **Children's Mass** for the year! All are welcome to remain for morning tea after Mass. As our Catechists begin another year of teaching Special Religious Education (Scripture) in the local public schools of the parish, let us give thanks for this ministry and pray that it will bear fruit in the hearts and minds of the children and their families.

This year our Catechists and helpers are:

At **Arcadia PS** ~ Lyla Abood, Bernadette Watt, Miriam Brown, Luke Neely and Virginia Tanna.

At **Galston PS** ~ Rose Granata, Lucy Sorbello, Bernadette Watt, Pauline Honor, Gebran Azzi, Paula El-Chaar, Paul El-Chaar and Tony Jasprizza

At **Glenorie PS** ~ Mary Abood, Leonie Miller, Glenice Lui, Natalie Kazzi, Rita Sarkis, Nancy Kazzi, Colleen Appino and Luke Neely

At **Hillside PS** ~ Marinka Marinov and Therese Jasser

At **Middle Dural PS** ~ Josephine Letteri and Delel Touma

Our **Reserve Catechists** are Lisa Welsman, Margaret Florian, Noelle Takchi and Teresa Gambino

Our next Catechist meeting is this

**Wednesday 6 March** at 12:30pm. All are welcome!

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

**WOULD YOU LIKE TO LEARN HEBREW?**

**Dates**               Wednesdays during Lent  
13, 20, 27 March  
3, 10, 17 April

**Time**               7.30pm

**Presenter**       Fr Bernard McGrath

RSVP 9653 2312 or [e.arcadiaparish@bigpond.com](mailto:e.arcadiaparish@bigpond.com)

**CHOIR MEMBERS NEEDED!** Singers and Musicians from across the Diocese are warmly invited to lead the congregation in prayerful song at **Our Lady of the Rosary Catholic Cathedral**, 23 Yardley Ave, Waitara for the following diocesan events:

**Rite of Election           10 March**

Rehearsal on the day in the Cathedral from 12.45pm for 2pm ceremony start

**Chrism Mass               16 April (Tuesday)**

Rehearsal on the day in the Cathedral from 6pm for 7.30pm Mass start (Supper provided).

RSVP (to ensure we have enough seats and music/hymn books) [cathedral@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:cathedral@bbcatholic.org.au) on the subject line type "CHOIR RSVP".

## Office for Safeguarding-Broken Bay

A culture of Safeguarding values  
servant leadership

“Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received.”

1 Peter 4:10

safeguarding@bbcatholic.org.au  
ph. 8379 1605

## Gospel reading for Next Week First Sunday of Lent Year C

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 4:1-13

**Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus was led by the Spirit through the wilderness where he was tempted**

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit through the wilderness, being tempted there by the devil for forty days. During that time he ate nothing and at the end he was hungry. Then the devil said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, tell this stone to turn into a loaf.' But Jesus replied, 'Scripture says: Man does not live on bread alone.'

Then leading him to a height, the devil showed him in a moment of time all the kingdoms of the world and said to him, 'I will give you all this power and the glory of these kingdoms, for it has been committed to me and I give it to anyone I choose. Worship me, then, and it shall all be yours.' But Jesus answered him, 'Scripture says:

You must worship the Lord your God, and serve him alone.'

Then he led him to Jerusalem and made him stand on the parapet of the Temple. 'If you are the Son of God,' he said to him, 'throw yourself down from here, for Scripture says:

He will put his angels in charge of you to guard you,

and again:

They will hold you up on their hands in case you hurt your foot against a stone.'

But Jesus answered him, 'It has been said:

You must not put the Lord your God to the test.'

Having exhausted all these ways of tempting him, the devil left him to return at the appointed time.

The Gospel of the Lord.

### ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEK - 9 & 10 March

	7pm	9am
A	Caterina Vaccarella	Nigel Morgan
R1	Miriam Brown	Karen DeSouza
R2	Mary Cascun	Jo-Ann Mathyi
P	Mary Camilleri	Margaret McKinley
AS		
EM	Margaret Bensley	Catherine Colman
EM	Pip Gibian	Jessie Guiana
EM		Emelie DeLeon
EM		Kiara Cianci
M		Melanie Hume
M		Mark & Marisa
M		
CL1		Peter Goodwin
CL2		
MT		Fete
CT		
WEL		Jessie & Grace

### **PLAYGROUP** Mondays during school term(s)

Please contact Sandra on 0410 587 735 if you would like to join us. 10am-12noon

**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING**  
7.30pm Tuesday, 5 March 2019

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

Office Hours: Thursday & Friday 10am to 2pm  
Monastery: 9653 1159 Fax: 9653 1883  
Email: arcadia.parish@bigpond.com  
Website: www.arcadia.dbb.org.au

*For all parish Occupational Health & Safety and Safeguarding Children matters please contact Lorraine Dailey on 0416 081 882. All information will be well received.*