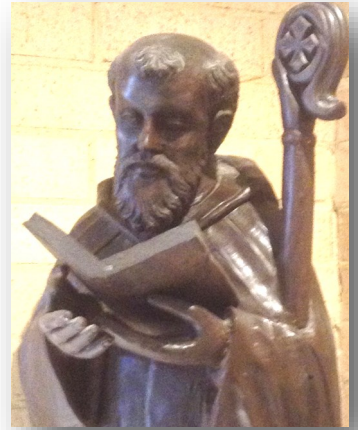


St Benedict's Parish

Arcadia

put one's hope in God

Rule of St Benedict, Chapter 4



The Holy Family

29 & 30 December 2018

First Reading

A reading from the Book of Ecclesiasticus 3:2-6, 12-14
Whoever fears the Lord honours his parents.

Responsorial Psalm

Happy are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.

Second Reading

A reading from the letter
of St Paul to the Colossians 3:12-21
Concerning the Christian life in the world.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
May the peace of Christ rule in our hearts,
and the fullness of his message live within you.
Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel
according to Luke 2:41-52
*His parents found him in the temple,
sitting among the learned men, listening to them.*

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



Thank you!

Thank you to all involved with our Christmas season celebrations

A special thanks in particular to

~ our liturgy committee and musicians for our Christmas liturgies

~ the Nati family for our beautiful church flowers

~ Karl and Marianne Maurer for our Christmas tree and

~ Aurelia, Joseph, Eliane and Leo for their decorating skills

Thank you to all who joined in our Spirit of Christmas dinner and to all who donated food. It was a lovely night spent with parish family and friends.

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 baptised this weekend.

We pray for the sick of our Parish ~ Terri Butler, David Todd, John Poole, Maria Jasser, Annabelle Twyford, Rita (Lorraine Dailey's sister), Freya Sunderland & Guy Guiana.

PARISH LOG BOOK:

If you would like to include an article or story please leave your item in the parish office or email to arcadia.pariah@bigpond.com.



DOES ANYONE KNOW WHERE BABY JESUS IS?

If you know where the larger baby Jesus figurine is (like the one shown in the photo) could you let Fr Bernard know his location?

Plenary Council Welcome Postcards

Plenary Council Christmas postcards have been placed on pews in the Church.

The reverse side of the postcard invites people to share their experiences of faith and Church toward the Plenary Council. This is a way of inviting responses from people who may be less engaged with the Church or faith but who can nevertheless enrich the Church throughout their varied perspectives.

These cards can then be forwarded to the Plenary Council, PO Box 747, North Sydney 2059 or the Office for Evangelisation at PO Box 340, Pennant Hills 1715.

PLENARY COUNCIL 2020: If you are interested in running a listening and dialogue session within the Parish please contact Zdenka Marinov on 0417 385 218.

Listening and Dialogue encounter leaflets are located at both entrances to the church for your information.

ALPHA - 2019 - Come and See!

Would you be interested in joining us for a meal, a talk and a small group discussion. Alpha is a ten week programme that looks at different aspects of faith such as Who is Jesus? Why did Jesus die?

Times and dates for 2019 to be confirmed.
Contact Sandra 0410 587 735 or 9653 2312
e.arcadia.pariah@bigpond.com

Parish Fete ~ Sunday, 10 March 2019

Keep this date in your diary!

This is the only fundraiser we do for our parish, please help us make next year's fete a success.

- ◆ We need somebody, or a small group, to coordinate the major raffle. This isn't a massive job especially if a group of friends or a family are working together.
- ◆ If anybody is able to donate a prize for the major raffle - that would be awesome.
- ◆ We need donations for the Chocolate Wheel, things you yourself would like to win!

The Fete is a great family day in our parish calendar, please support your parish.

If you are able to help in any way please contact Theresa Neely 9653 3473 or the parish office 9543 2312.

Prayer for a New Bishop

Heavenly Father and Eternal Shepherd, you watch over and govern your flock with vigilance and concern. In your immense love, grant to your Church a pastor who will please you by his holiness and aid us with his unfailing care.

In your time, grant us the joy of welcoming a shepherd formed after your own heart. May he be an example of virtue to your people and, imbued with the power of the Holy Spirit, fill their minds with the truth and beauty of the Gospel.

Grant wisdom, O Lord, to those now discerning your holy will in the selection of our new bishop.

We ask this in the name of Jesus our Lord and through the intercession of our Mother, Mary Star of the Sea.

That people, who are involved in the service and transmission of faith, may find, in their dialogue with culture, a language suited to the conditions of the present time. Pope Francis' Prayer Intention December 2018

PLEASE NOTE: the Parish Meeting room is out of bounds until further notice. Do not enter.

Office for Safeguarding-Broken Bay

During this Christmas season let us be reminded that we become the face of Christ as we discern the face of Christ in the children we encounter.

(CESA)

safeguarding@bbcatholic.org.au
ph. 8379 1605

ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEK - 5 & 6 January 2019

	7pm	9am
A	Paul Camilleri	Nigel Morgan
R1	Teresa Gambino	Peter Goodwin
R2	Margaret Bensley	Judy Horton
P	Mary Camilleri	Helen Facione
AS		
EM	Pip Gibian	Bernadette Watt
EM	Caterina Vaccarella	Jessie Guiana
EM		Sophie Rebula
EM		Kath Moran
M		Karina Takchi
M		Takchi family
M		
CL1		School Holidays
CL2		School Holidays
MT		Rosie Sakkal
CT		Bernadette & Peter G
WEL		Kath & Margaret Mc

Gospel reading for Next Week

The Epiphany

Year C

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew 2:1-12

We have come from the East to worship the king.

After Jesus had been born at Bethlehem in Judaea during the reign of King Herod, some wise men came to Jerusalem from the east. 'Where is the infant king of the Jews?' they asked. 'We saw his star as it rose and have come to do him homage.' When King Herod heard this he was perturbed, and so was the whole of Jerusalem. He called together all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, and enquired of them where the Christ was to be born. 'At Bethlehem in Judaea,' they told him 'for this is what the prophet wrote:

And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah you are by no means least among the leaders of Judah, for out of you will come a leader who will shepherd my people Israel.'

Then Herod summoned the wise men to see him privately. He asked them the exact date on which the star had appeared, and sent them on to Bethlehem. 'Go and find out all about the child,' he said 'and when you have found him, let me know, so that I too may go and do him homage.' Having listened to what the king had to say, they set out. And there in front of them was the star they had seen rising; it went forward and halted over the place where the child was. The sight of the star filled them with delight, and going into the house they saw the child with his mother Mary, and falling to their knees they did him homage. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts of gold and frankincense and myrrh. But they were warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, and returned to their own country by a different way.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Mary, Mother of God - Tuesday, 1 January

Mass Monastery Chapel 7 am

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