

# St Benedict's Parish

## Arcadia



To listen gladly to Holy reading.  
*Rule of St Benedict, Chapter 4*

**COVID-19  
RESTRICTIONS UPDATE:**

**MASSES SUSPENDED  
UNTIL 9TH OF JULY 2021**

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after sanitizing.*



## Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

3 & 4 July 2021

### 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 Hilarion for the following:

**BAPTISMS  
RECONCILIATION  
FOR THE SICK  
MARRIAGES  
FUNERALS**

**Fr Hilarion: 0478 909 541**

### Entrance Procession

Your merciful love, O God,  
we have received in the midst of your temple.  
Your praise, O God, like your name,  
reaches the ends of the earth;  
your right hand is filled with saving justice.

### First Reading

*Ezekiel 2:2-5 (JB)*

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel  
*The people are rebellious; they shall know there will be a  
prophet in their midst.*

### Responsorial Psalm

**R.** Our eyes are fixed on the Lord,  
pleading for his mercy.

### Second Reading

*Corinthians 12:7-10 (JB)*

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Corinthians  
*I will glory in my infirmities so that the power of Christ may  
dwell in me.*

### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me;  
he sent me to bring Good News to the poor.  
Alleluia!

### Gospel

*Mark 6:1-6 (JB)*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark  
*A prophet is despised only in his own country.*

### Communion Antiphon

Come to me, all who labour and are burdened,  
and I will refresh you, says the Lord.

## Gospel reading for this Week

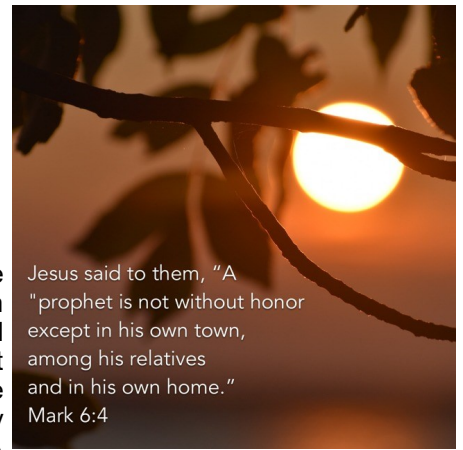
**Mark 6:1-6 (JB)**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark  
*A prophet is despised only in his own country.*

Jesus went to his home town and his disciples accompanied him. With the coming of the sabbath he began teaching in the synagogue and most of them were astonished when they heard him. They said, 'Where did the man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been granted him, and these miracles that are worked through him? This is the carpenter, surely, the son of Mary, the brother of James and Joset and Jude and Simon? His sisters, too, are they not here with us?' And they would not accept him. And Jesus said to them, 'A prophet is only despised in his own country among his own relations and in his own house'; and he could work no miracle there, though he cured a few sick people by laying his hands on them. He was amazed at their lack of faith.

**The Gospel of the Lord**

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**



Jesus said to them, "A  
 "prophet is not without honor  
 except in his own town,  
 among his relatives  
 and in his own home."  
 Mark 6:4

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**GOSPEL REFLECTION****Mark 6:1-6 (JB)**

Jesus went home. But, he wasn't at home. In spite of his powerful teaching, his family and old friends met him with skepticism. In a static culture that measured a person's worth on their place in society, Jesus had clearly overstepped his bounds. Carpenters had the lowly reputation of traveling salesmen. Men who left their wives and mothers without physical and economic security to seek work did not have even the respect of their own families. People gossiped and speculated about carpenters' activities away from their families. Jesus came from such a profession.

The static culture also cast a critical eye toward those who stepped above their station in life. Such people did not fit into the world of family and old friends, no matter what these people did, no matter what kind of reputation they built up.

Jesus exercised a ministry different from his previous profession. He went from the marginally honorable to the highly respected (notice Jesus referred to himself in the third person as a "prophet," while those in Nazareth insisted on calling him a "carpenter"). But, he was no longer what people of Nazareth expected him to be. So, he could not lead family and old friends to faith in God through his miracles, simply because they did not trust him. Any acts of "power" would be futile. So, he went back out on the road to serve the surrounding villages.

Jesus came home, but he wasn't at home.

**How have you been disrespected by those close to you? How does their opinion affect you? Have you ever treated old friends or family in the same way? How have your opinions and acts against others affected you? How can God help you in these areas?**

Jesus tried to work with the people who thought they knew him. Like Thomas, they were stubborn. They judged Jesus. It's hard to work with someone who judges you and puts you down. That's what Jesus found out, so he left his hometown and taught in a neighboring area. At least those people would treat him with respect.

Sometimes, we think we know people. Sometimes they surprise us by doing something we don't expect. We might be tempted to treat them with disrespect, but we should not be too stubborn. We need to treat them the way we would treat Jesus.

**How can you treat others the way you would treat Jesus?**

Source of Content: mycatholic.life

## SAINT OF THE WEEK

### *Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati*

1901 - 1925

**Feast Day: June 26**



Pier Giorgio Michelangelo Frassati was born in Turin, Italy on April 6, 1901. His mother, Adelaide Ametis, was a painter. His father Alfredo, was the founder and director of the newspaper, "La Stampa," and was influential in Italian politics, holding positions as an Italian Senator and Ambassador to Germany.

At an early age, Pier Giorgio joined the Marian Sodality and the Apostleship of Prayer, and obtained permission to receive daily Communion (which was rare at that time). He developed a deep spiritual life which he never hesitated to share with his friends. The Holy Eucharist and the Blessed Virgin were the two poles of his world of prayer. At the age of 17, he joined the St. Vincent de Paul Society and dedicated much of his spare time to serving the sick and the needy, caring for orphans, and assisting the demobilized servicemen returning from World War I.

He decided to become a mining engineer, studying at the Royal Polytechnic University of Turin, so he could "serve Christ better among the miners," as he told a friend.

What little he did have, Pier Giorgio gave to help the poor, even using his bus fare for charity and then running home to be on time for meals. The poor and the suffering were his masters, and he was literally their servant, which he considered a privilege. His charity did not simply involve giving something to others, but giving completely of himself. This was fed by daily communion with Christ in the Holy Eucharist and by frequent nocturnal adoration, by meditation on St. Paul's "Hymn of Charity" (I Corinthians 13), and by the writings of St. Catherine of Siena. He often sacrificed vacations at the Frassati summer home in Pollone (outside of Turin) because, as he said, "If everybody leaves Turin, who will take care of the poor?"

Mountain climbing was one of his favorite sports. Outings in the mountains, which he organized with his friends, also served as opportunities for his apostolic work. He never lost the chance to lead his friends to Mass, to the reading of Scripture, and to praying the rosary. He often went to the theater, to the opera, and to museums. He loved art and music and could quote whole passages of the poet Dante. Fondness for the epistles of St. Paul sparked his zeal for fraternal charity, and the fiery sermons of the Renaissance preacher and reformer Girolamo Savonarola and the writings of St. Catherine impelled him in 1922 to join the Lay Dominicans (Third Order of St. Dominic). He chose the name Girolamo after his personal hero, Savonarola. "I am a fervent admirer of this friar, who died as a saint at the stake," he wrote to a friend.

Just before receiving his university degree, Pier Giorgio contracted poliomyelitis, which doctors later speculated he caught from the sick whom he tended. Neglecting his own health because his grandmother was dying, after six days of terrible suffering Pier Giorgio died at the age of 24 on July 4, 1925. His last preoccupation was for the poor. On the eve of his death, with a paralyzed hand he scribbled a message to a friend, asking him to take the medicine needed for injections to be given to Converso, a poor sick man he had been visiting. Pier Giorgio's funeral was a triumph. The streets of the city were lined with a multitude of mourners who were unknown to his family -- the poor and the needy whom he had served so unselfishly for seven years. Many of these people, in turn, were surprised to learn that the saintly young man they knew had actually been the heir of the influential Frassati family.

Pope John Paul II, after visiting his original tomb in the family plot in Pollone, said in 1989: "I wanted to pay homage to a young man who was able to witness to Christ with singular effectiveness in this century of ours. When I was a young man, I, too, felt the beneficial influence of his example and, as a student, I was impressed by the force of his testimony." On May 20, 1990, in St. Peter's Square which was filled with thousands of people, the Pope beatified Pier Giorgio Frassati, calling him the "Man of the Eight Beatitudes."

His mortal remains, found completely intact and incorrupt upon their exhumation on March 31, 1981, were transferred from the family tomb in Pollone to the cathedral in Turin. Many pilgrims, especially students and the young, come to the tomb of Blessed Frassati to seek favors and the courage to follow his example.

Source of content: [frassatiusa.org/frassati-biography](http://frassatiusa.org/frassati-biography)

## In Our Parish

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

**We welcome into God's family all who were recently baptised.**

**We pray for the sick of our Parish, especially Brother Mario, Theresa Gittany (Lila Bacha's mum) and all those we hold in the silence of our hearts.**

# THE RULE OF ST BENEDICT

## Chapter 4

*Not to render cursing for cursing, but rather blessing.*

### MESSAGE FROM FR HILARION

Thank you for the volunteers that helped me clean up the sacristy. It is greatly appreciated.

Thanks and God's blessings,  
Dom Hilarion OSB

### PARISH WORKING BEE SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

In preparation for the Feast of St Benedict and Fr Alberic's 60th Jubilee on 11th July, a parish working bee has been organised for Saturday 3rd July from 10am to 12noon to clean the church and tidy the gardens.

All are invited to assist. Please bring own tools and cleaning equipment.

### NEEDED VOLUNTEER RCIA CO-ORDINATOR

We are looking for an RCIA Co-Ordinator. This position requires you to have a sound knowledge in liturgy and **adult catechesis**. Must be an effective communicator with managerial skills. Training will be provided. Contact Fr Hilarion on 0416 032 497.

### MESSAGE FROM BISHOP ANTHONY RANDAZZO ON SATURDAY 26 JUNE 2021

The current COVID outbreak in Sydney has intensified significantly overnight which has lead the Premier to place a stay at home order for the Greater Sydney Area, including Central Coast, Blue Mountains and Wollongong, effective from 6pm Saturday 26 June 2021, through to at least 11:59pm 9 July 2021.

In light of this, and in order that our people be kept as safe as possible, I ask that **all our churches in Diocese of Broken Bay be closed from 6pm, 26 June 2021.**

Since this is at my request, the obligation for the faithful to participate in Sunday Mass (can.1247) is lifted for the people of Broken Bay for the duration of this stay at home order. I will review the situation as we approach 9 July or if the stay at home order is lifted earlier. I would encourage you to resume livestreaming the Mass where possible. This service continues to be made available from our Cathedral on Sunday mornings at 9.30AM as well as weekdays at 7.00AM.

I am particularly mindful of the disruption in people's lives and plans that this development will occasion, cause distress once again for our people. I hold you all in my prayer, asking that the Lord may keep us all safe during this time.

### ST BENEDICT'S FEAST DAY FATHER ALBERIC'S 60TH ANNIVERSARY

**In July Father Alberic Jacovone will celebrate his 60 years of Ordination to the Priesthood.**

**Any of you who know Father Alberic will also know he has been part of the St Benedict's community for many years and has brought his compassion, kindness and spirit to many of us in so many ways.**

**Celebration will be held at our parish on  
Sunday July 11th 2021 - 10.30am Mass  
followed by barbecue, cake and jumping castle.**

**Please help us celebrate this special feast and our wonderful Fr Alberic's anniversary!**

**Everyone Welcome!**

### PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION – 4 JULY 2021

On 4 July 2021, we join with many Parishes across the world in taking up the Peter's Pence Collection. The Peter's Pence Collection provides for the charitable works and structures of mercy identified by His Holiness, Pope Francis.

By supporting this collection, you join with others across the world in supporting urgent projects including emergency assistance to those in need due to natural disasters, communities impacted by COVID, conflict, oppression and disease. Our generosity allows the Holy Father to respond to those suffering with love and compassion. Thank you for your generosity.

Last year, the Peter's Pence appeal was severely impact by COVID-19 and your support this year is gratefully received by the Holy See.

Please respond to the Peter's Pence collection occurring at Masses this weekend, or by donating online at the parish website using the reference "Peter's Pence".



### SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2021

The **Sacrament of Confirmation** will take place on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> August at 6:30pm.

Enrolment forms will be available on the Parish Website and from the Sacristy from Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> May. All enrolment forms need to be returned by Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> July.

If you have any queries regarding enrolments please ring Theresa Neely on 0447 425 077.

## ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND

The new Roster is now available to be picked up from the sacristy.

### SUSPENDED

	Saturday 7pm	Sunday 9am
<b>Acolyte</b>		Paul El-Chaar
<b>Reader1</b>	Miriam Brown	Peter Goodwin
<b>Reader2</b>	Maria Gambino	Gebran Azzi
<b>Prayers</b>	Mary Cascun	Nigel Morgan
<b>TV</b>		Tyrone El-Chaar
<b>Music</b>		Mark Quirk
<b>Music</b>		Theresa Neely
<b>Music</b>		Marisa Quattrocchi
<b>Music</b>		

If you would like to help out in any of the ministries above please contact the Parish office on 9653 2312.

Honouring the life of  
*James Christopher  
Shipley*

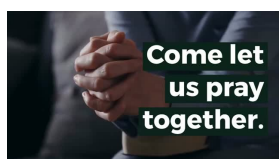


*Beloved husband of Patrisha  
Shipley*

BORN 6TH FEBRUARY 1937 DIED 12TH  
JUNE 2021

### CCC PRAYER GROUP **SUSPENDED**

Prayer meeting held every  
**Friday nights:**  
after 7pm Mass  
**Wednesday mornings:**  
after 9.30am Mass.



Everyone welcome.  
For more details call Mary Camilleri on 0403 116 987.

## CATECHIST NEWS

Term 3 commences the week of Monday 12<sup>th</sup> July with SRE (Scripture classes) due to start in the first week. Wishing all our Catechists, the children that they teach and their families a safe and restful holiday. Please continue to keep all in your prayers over this holiday time.

Face-to-face training these holidays has been cancelled, the Zoom sessions will go ahead. At this stage the training session booked to be held in the parish on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> July from 10:30am -12:30pm will still go ahead. This free training is open to all Catechists. Please RSVP to 8379 1643,

or [registrations@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:registrations@bbcatholic.org.au) or to myself, thanks.

God bless,  
Miriam Brown 9652 0558 or [srearcadia@gmail.com](mailto:srearcadia@gmail.com)  
Parish Catechist Co-ordinator

## LOST AND FOUND

There are hats, glasses, umbrellas, jumpers and a lovely Japanese hand fan in the lost and found box.

Please come and collect if it's yours otherwise it will be donated to St Vinnies by next week.



### PLAYGROUP **SUSPENDED**

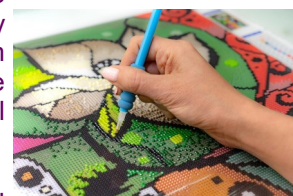
**Every Monday 10am to 12pm.**  
We meet every Monday during school terms.

No need to book just turn up. Everyone welcome!

## PARISH STALL

Our next stall will be on the weekend 11th July Sunday 10.30am for St Benedict's Feast day.

It will be a craft stall for children and adults. Some things we will be selling are diamond art, paint by numbers, all types of puzzles and more. We will also be selling beautiful holy puzzles and donating \$10 from every puzzle sold. You'll be able to buy activities to keep all age children and adults busy.



Thank you and God bless you all!

Lila Bacha Ph: 96521113 or 0418360024.

### ITALIAN ROSARY GROUP **SUSPENDED**

Every Monday 2.00pm. Everyone welcome.  
For more details call Angela Egiziano. Ph: 9653 2312.

## SPIRITUAL FRIENDSHIPS



***Standing by the cross of Jesus were his mother and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary of Magdala. John 19:25***

By the providence and will of God, our Blessed Mother was not at the foot of the Cross alone. She was joined by two other holy women as well as by Saint John the Apostle. Together they stood at the foot of the sacrifice of Jesus.

The strength of our Blessed Mother was unmatched. She and she alone could have stood at the foot of the Cross gazing in faith and perfect trust as she watched her Son endure His sacrifice. However, it was the will of the Father in Heaven that she not endure this alone. She was given certain spiritual companions with whom she would walk through this suffering.

In many ways, our Blessed Mother was more of a pillar of strength for her companions than they were for her. But we can also be certain that she allowed the companionship of Saint John and these holy women to bring comfort and strength to her own heart.

It is not the will of God that we face the hardships of life alone. Even if we were as strong and immaculate as our Blessed Mother, we could still be certain that God would want us to face the challenges of life with the assistance and consolation of others. Human life is made for communion with one another. Offering and receiving strength and consolation makes up part of who we are. Therefore, we must allow this holy scene at the foot of the cross to remind us of our need for the spiritual friendship of others. We must daily seek to embrace those friendships that God has given us and be open to new ones that He sends our way.

Reflect, today, upon two things. First, reflect in gratitude upon the people in your life who act as a source of strength and support in times of need. No one but Jesus and our Blessed Mother will be a perfect support, but if we are open, we will come to realize that there are many whom God uses to offer us strength and support in various ways. Reflect, also, upon those who need your spiritual friendship. Who has God placed on your heart to reach out to and to console? Stand with them, at the foot of their daily crosses, and together you will be gazing at our Lord Himself.

***Dearest Mother, as you stood at the foot of the Cross you were joined by Saint John and the holy women. You allowed them to be a source of consolation to you who were immaculate in every way. You invited them into your own grieving heart and allowed their mutual love of your Son to bring you joy and strength.***

***Dear Mother, draw me also close to your heart. May I also become a spiritual consolation to you in this agony. As I do so, I trust that this closeness to you will also be a source of consolation to me in my suffering and pain. I thank you for standing by me throughout life and I renew my trust in your motherly care.***

***My dear Jesus, you draw me to Yourself and invite me to gaze upon You in Your agony. As I do so, give me the grace of true friends who will join me in my gaze of love towards you. May these friends strengthen me and may I always provide consolation to those in need.***

***Mother Mary, pray for us. Jesus, I trust in You.***

**AMEN.**

## POSITIONS VACANT

### **Personal Assistant to the Vicar General, Office of the Bishop**

Permanent, part-time position (3 days per week, 10:00am to 4:00pm)

Role split between Pennant Hills and Chatswood locations

The Catholic Diocese of Broken Bay, under the leadership of Bishop Anthony Randazzo, serves the People of God in the northern regions of Sydney, North Shore, Northern Beaches and NSW Central Coast.

We are seeking an experienced Personal Assistant to support the Vicar General.

In this role you will provide personal and administrative support to the Vicar General, including providing support for his dual role as Parish Priest.

Your prior experience with providing high level administrative support for a senior executive or similar, with responsibility for diary and event management combined with an understanding of the level of personal support required to assist the Vicar General in balancing his busy work and personal commitments will be crucial to your success.

The Diocese of Broken Bay is committed to and promotes a culture of safety and care for all people, especially for children and others in the community who are vulnerable. Our Diocese has no tolerance to child abuse and is committed to ensuring our staff and volunteers understand the joint responsibility to safeguard all those within our community.

The successful applicant must meet the following criteria:

1. Demonstrated experience working with senior executives with similar level responsibilities
2. A thorough understanding of priorities and expectations of a senior member of the clergy
3. Excellent organisational skills and an ability to reprioritise and reorganise priorities
4. Experience and comfort with working with minimal supervision
5. The right to work in Australia with no limitations, and

Will be required to undertake a National Police History Check and Working with Children Check.

To obtain a copy of the position description or for further details, please contact [recruitment@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:recruitment@bbcatholic.org.au)  
If you are interested in applying please send your CV and a brief cover letter addressing the skillsets required for this role to [recruitment@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:recruitment@bbcatholic.org.au). **Applications close Friday 9 July 2021.**

### **Archivist & Records Management Officer—Permanent, part-time (3 days per week) Based in Pennant Hills**

The Diocese is seeking to recruit a permanent part-time Archivist & Records Management Officer.

This role is accountable to the Executive Officer & Chancellor and provides archiving and records management services to the Chancery including document storage, search and retrieval services.

Your experience and knowledge in managing contemporary electronic archival and records management systems coupled with an understanding of canonical archival responsibilities will be crucial to your success.

You'll have a demonstrated ability to change culture and influence staff to adapt to the everyday use of electronic record management systems, with a thorough understanding of the application of technology in digital storage, access and use of records.

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The successful applicant must meet the following criteria:

1. tertiary qualifications in records management, archiving, library, information services or a minimum 3+ years' experience as a records or archives manager or similar role,
2. understanding of canonical archival responsibilities,
3. the right to work in Australia with no limitations, and

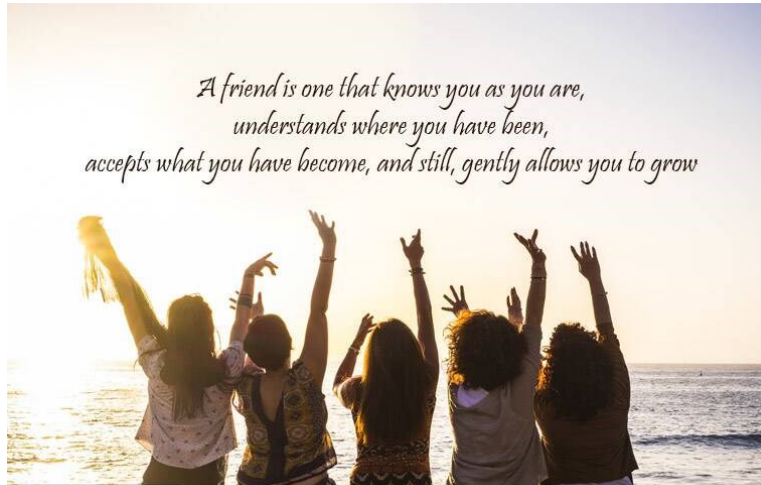
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If you are interested in applying for this position, please send your CV and a brief cover letter addressing the skillsets required for this role to [recruitment@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:recruitment@bbcatholic.org.au). **Applications close on Friday 16 July.**

## PRAYER FOR FRIENDSHIP

*"This is my commandment: Love each other in the same way I have loved you. There is no greater love than to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command... Now you are my friends, since I have told you everything the Father told me." - John 15:12-15*



## POPE FRANCIS' INTENTIONS FOR JULY

### "SOCIAL FRIENDSHIP"

**We pray that, in social, economic and political situations of conflict, we may be courageous and passionate architects of dialogue and friendship.  
AMEN.**



## COVID 19 RESTRICTIONS—ALL MASSES SUSPENDED

PLEASE WEAR MASKS.

Please use QR CODE or write your name and phone number on the sheets provided at both entries.  
Please adhere to social distancing guidelines of 2sqms and sanitize your hands at the door.  
Also wipe seats down afterwards with wipes provided at both entries.

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

## SAFEGUARDING MISSION STATEMENT

*We the people of St Benedict's Parish are committed to fostering a community of safety and care for all people, especially for children and others in the community who are vulnerable. Our commitment is underscored by our faith in Jesus Christ.*

*If you have a concern for the safety and wellbeing of a child, young person or vulnerable adult, tell someone who can help. These people in our parish can help: Fr Hilarion 0478 909 541, Lorraine Dailey 0416 081 882, Office for Safeguarding 83791605.*

## ACKNOWLEDGMENT

*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 & Fridays:  
10.30am to 2.30pm**

**Parish Office: 9653 2312**

**Parish Priest: Fr. Hilarion Fernando OSB**

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**Monastery: 9653 1159**

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

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