

St Benedict's Parish

Arcadia



PARISH Masses

Weekend:

Saturday 7:00pm Vigil
Sunday 9:00am
Sunday 10:30am

Weekday:

Mondays to Thursdays 9:30am
Fridays 6.30pm Adoration
7:00pm Mass & Confession
(Reconciliation)
Saturdays 10am to 11am
Adoration & Confession
(Reconciliation)

MONASTERY CHAPEL Masses

Sundays 7:00am
Daily 7:00am

Please contact Father Shansana for the following:

BAPTISMS
RECONCILIATION
FOR THE SICK
MARRIAGES
FUNERALS

Fr Shansana: 0437 884 233

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Year C
2 & 3 July 2022

Whatever house you enter,
first say,
'Peace be to this house!'
Luke 10:5 (ESV)



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

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.

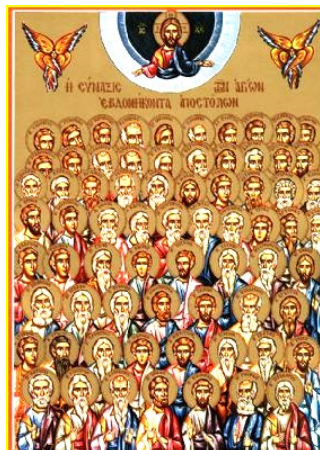
SUNDAY HOLY MASS PRAYER

Let us pray:

O God, who in the abasement of your Son
have raised up a fallen world,
fill your faithful with holy joy,
for on those you have rescued from slavery to sin
you bestow eternal gladness.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

MISSION AND VOCATION

*How have you followed Jesus?
Do you have the courage to live your commitment?
How are you sharing your mission?*



Lord Jesus,
You love us all and make us your
brothers and sisters.
You call us to follow you.
You invite us to announce the Good
News.
Lord, grant us the courage to live our
commitment.
Teach us to go beyond our borders.
Teach us to discover you in the
lowliest.
Teach us to see with the eyes of faith.
Teach us to share our mission with
everyone throughout the whole world.
Amen.

First Reading**Isaiah 66:10-14 (JB)**

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

I will send toward Jerusalem peace like a river.

Rejoice, Jerusalem, be glad for her, all you who love her! Rejoice, rejoice for her, all you who mourned her!

That you may be suckled, filled, from her consoling breast, that you may savour with delight her glorious breasts.

For thus says the Lord:

Now towards her I send flowing peace, like a river, and like a stream in spate the glory of the nations.

At her breast will her nurslings be carried and fondled in her lap. Like a son comforted by his mother will I comfort you. And by Jerusalem you will be comforted.

At the sight your heart will rejoice, and your bones flourish like the grass. To his servants the Lord will reveal his hand.

The word of the Lord.**Thanks be to God.****Responsorial Psalm:****R. Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.****Second Reading****Galatians 6:14-18 (JB)**

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Galatians

The marks I carry on my body are those of Jesus Christ.

The only thing I can boast about is the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom the world is crucified to me, and I to the world. It does not matter if a person is circumcised or not; what matters is for him to become an altogether new creature. Peace and mercy to all who follow this rule, who form the Israel of God.

I want no more trouble from anybody after this; the marks on my body are those of Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, my brothers. Amen.

The word of the Lord.**Thanks be to God.****Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the peace of Christ rule in your hearts,
and the fullness of his message live within you.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL**Luke 10:1-12, 17-20 (JB)**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Your peace will rest upon him.

The Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them out ahead of him, in pairs, to all the towns and places he himself was to visit. He said to them, 'The harvest is rich but the labourers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to his harvest. Start off now, but remember, I am sending you out like lambs among wolves. Carry no purse, no haversack, no sandals. Salute no one on the road. Whatever house you go into, let your first words be, "Peace to this house!" And if a man of peace lives there, your peace will go and rest on him; if not, it will come back to you. Stay in the same house, taking what food and drink they have to offer, for the labourer deserves his wages; do not move from house to house. Whenever you go into a town where they make you welcome, eat what is set before you. Cure those in it who are sick, and say, "The kingdom of God is very near to you." But whenever you enter a town and they do not make you welcome, go out into its streets and say, "We wipe off the very dust of your town that clings to our feet, and leave it with you. Yet be sure of this: the kingdom of God is very near." I tell you, on that day it will not go as hard with Sodom as with that town.'

The seventy-two came back rejoicing. 'Lord,' they said, 'even the devils submit to us when we use your name.' He said to them, 'I watched Satan fall like lightning from heaven. Yes, I have given you power to tread underfoot serpents and scorpions and the whole strength of the enemy; nothing shall ever hurt you. Yet do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you; rejoice rather that your names are written in heaven.'

The Gospel of the Lord.**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

GOSPEL REFLECTION

3 Sunday, July 3
Isaiah 66:10-14
Psalm 66:1-7, 16, 20
Galatians 6:14-18
Luke 10:1-12, 17-20

I have observed Satan fall like lightning from the sky. (Luke 10:18)

Imagine the impact these seventy-two disciples must have made as they fanned out through the regions of Galilee and Samaria. Thousands of people up and down the Jordan Valley were hearing the good news of salvation. The mercy of God flowed freely as they were healed and delivered from the grip of demons. It's no wonder the disciples were so excited when they returned!

It's no wonder, too, that Jesus told them he had seen Satan fall from the sky while they were gone (Luke 10:18). The mission of the seventy-two marked a dramatic escalation in God's plan of salvation. Now, instead of having to contend with only Jesus and the Twelve, the devil was seeing a lot more people driving out his minions in a lot more places. And it was only going to keep growing.

This is your story as well. You are part of a two thousand-year long line of men and women whom Jesus has empowered to announce the good news. Your spiritual lineage includes great saints like Francis of Assisi and Mother Teresa of Calcutta, but it also includes millions upon millions of unknown saints who have pushed back the darkness of the devil. It includes you.

Every time you forgive someone, you are snuffing out another fiery dart from the "accuser of our brothers" (Revelation 12:10). Every time you reach out to give generously of your time or resources to someone who is hurting, you are disarming the one who is a "thief" and whose only goal is to "destroy" (John 10:10). Every time you share the truth about God's love, you are silencing the "father of lies" (8:44). Bit by bit, step by step, you are contributing to the devil's ultimate defeat.

Yes, you! Clothed with the authority of Christ, you can make a world of difference.

"All praise to you, Jesus, for letting me share in your victory over the evil one!"

(Source: Word Among Us India Pg33)

LITURGICAL FEASTS AND EVENTS OF THE WEEK

Monday	July 4, 2022:	<i>St Elizabeth of Portugal</i> Readings: Hosea 2:16-18, 21-22. Mt 9:18-26.
Tuesday	July 5, 2022	<i>St Anthony Zaccaria, priest</i> Readings: Hosea 8:4-7, 11-13. Mt 9:32-38.
Wednesday	July 6, 2022	<i>St Maria Goretti, virgin, martyr</i> Readings: Hosea 10:1-3, 7-8, 12. Mt 10:1-7.
Thursday	July 7, 2022	<i>Blessed Peter to Rot, martyr</i> Readings: Hosea 11:1-4, 8-9. Mt 10:7-15.
Friday	July 8, 2022	Readings: Hosea 14:2-10. Mt 10:16-23.
Saturday	July 9, 2022	<i>St Augustine Zhao Rong, priest, and companions, martyrs</i> Readings: Is 6:1-8. Mt 10:24-33.

Source: Ordo 2022

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR JULY 2022

FOR THE ELDERLY

We pray for the elderly, who represent the roots and memory of a people.

May their experience and wisdom help young people to look towards the future with hope and responsibility.



THE RULE OF ST BENEDICT

Chapter 4

To pray for one's enemies in the love of Christ.

PARISH FUNDS

Your support as always is much appreciated. For those wanting to make payments directly to our bank account here are the details:

PLEASE NOTE NEW BANK DETAILS

Bank Details for ONLINE only donations:

BSB: 062 784

Acct: 100002141

Name: Catholic Parish of Arcadia Bank:

CBA—Catholic Development Fund

HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETING

Sunday 9 July all are welcome to the Dural & District Historical Society meeting for a talk on a fascinating and historic local house:

Mount Orient at Berrilee.

Owner, Rhonda Ramsey, will tell us the amazing tale of the succession of owners of her National Trust heritage-listed home.

Date: Saturday 9th of July, 2pm.

Where: Galston Uniting Church
School Road, Galston.

YOUNG ADULTS BUSH WALK

Young Adults are invited to join the Catholic Youth Broken Bay team for a bush walk on Sunday, 17th July. We will be walking part of the Crosslands to Berowra Waters track, following 10:00am Mass at St Patrick's Church, Asquith.

This return walk starts from the Crosslands Reserve and follows the Great North Walk along Berowra creek, a beautiful place of natural flora and fauna. The walk is relatively flat, with the final part of the hike leading to Naa Badu Lookout, offering magnificent views over Berowra Creek, as well as Sams and Calna Creeks.

Bring your own snacks/lunch and water for the hike, as well as a water bottle, hat and sunscreen.

Contact Jen for more information:
jen.healey@bbcatholic.org.au.

ST BENEDICT'S FEAST DAY

NEXT SUNDAY 10TH JULY 10.30AM MASS

Saint Benedict's feast day is next Sunday 10.30am. After the 10.30am Mass we will have a sausage sizzle (thanks Gebran), donuts (thank you Robin), sweets and morning tea (thank you Sophie). Lila Bacha will also hold her famous cake stall. Yummy!

Have a great Sunday!

Regards,
Paul El-Chaar
Parish Council Chairperson



Aid to the
Church in Need



ACN AUSTRALIA

A message from Aid to the Church in Need Australia:
In 2021 alone, 565,000 religious books were produced and distributed with the help of ACN. Often in poor countries, the child's Bible is the first book that children receive in their own language and frequently it is the only picture book that the little ones can get hold of in their entire lives.

Can you help us continue this important work in distributing religious books throughout the world?

Visit : www.aidtochurch.org/bibles

WORLD YOUTH DAY LISBON 2023

Thinking about World Youth Day 2023?
Bishop Anthony Randazzo is inviting young people of the Diocese to join him on an experience of a lifetime.

Go on pilgrimage to Italy to see the homes and sites of the saints, and on to Lisbon, Portugal to join youth from around the world for WYD23. Check out the CYBB WYD website for further information and subscribe to join the mailing list to start your journey.
<https://bbwyd.org.au/>

In Our Parish

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

We pray for the sick of our Parish, especially Brother Mario, Leanne Miller (Leonie's daughter), and Mary Camilleri.

We remember in our prayers all our dearly beloved who have died, especially:
Lyla Abood...may they Rest in Peace.



NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER NOW AT BACK PAGE

PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION

2 & 3 July 2022

On 2 & 3 July 2022, we join with many Parishes across the world in taking up the annual Peter's Pence Collection.

The Peter's Pence Collection provides for the charitable works and structures of mercy identified by His Holiness, Pope Francis.

Funds assist projects including emergency help to those in need due to natural disasters, communities impacted by COVID, war, 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 in Australia was largely cancelled due to COVID-19 and your support this year is gratefully received by the Holy See.

Please give generously to the Peter's Pence collection occurring at Masses on weekend of 3 July 2022. Or jump online to donate at our parish website using the reference "Peter's Pence".



SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2022/2023

Enrolments for the next Sacramental Program has now commenced. It's still not too late! Please email the parish for a copy of the enrolment form:

arcadia.pariah@bigpond.com
or pick up a copy from the sacristy.
You can also find the form online:

<https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/arcadia/sacraments/confirmation>

Just a reminder that classes commence Monday 18th of July 4.15pm for Group 1 & Wednesday 20th of July 5.30pm for Group 2.

For more information please contact Paula on 9653 2312

CCC PRAYER GROUP

Prayer meeting held every

Friday nights: after 7pm Mass

Wednesday mornings: after 9.30am Mass.

Everyone welcome. **Come and meet new people.**

For more details call Mary Camilleri on 0403 116 987.



CATECHIST NEWS

Welcome to all families joining in our Children's Mass this weekend. Term 2 concluded this week, I wish all Catechists, students and families a restful, enjoyable and safe holiday! Term 3 will commence on Monday 18th July. SRE (Scripture) classes will re-commence the first week of term for Glenorie, Hillside and Middle Dural schools and the second week of term for Arcadia and Galston schools.

The CCD will be holding free training during the holidays with Safeguarding Children training being held via Zoom on Thursday 14 July from 10am to 12:30pm. RSVP registrations@bbcatholic.org.au

After the school holidays a free training day for Catechists has been organised in the parish on Friday 29 July with Lesson Planning: Teaching the Authorised Curriculum 9:30am – 12 noon and Classroom Management 12:45pm – 2:45pm. Please ensure you RSVP to me prior to this day.

Also we were all saddened to hear of the passing of Lyla Abood last weekend. She has been a loving and dedicated parish Catechist for 45 years, teaching various classes starting at Berrilee, then Arcadia, Middle Dural, Galston and Hillside and likely as reserve Catechist for Glenorie also; as well as being involved in many other areas of parish life. It can be appropriately said of her life "Well done, good and faithful servant". Vale Lyla, may you rest in eternal peace.

God bless,
Miriam Brown srearcadia@gmail.com
Parish Catechist Coordinator

Laying a Missionary Foundation Course

A 6-session hybrid course to equip parish leaders, ministers and parishioners with knowledge and skills needed to live out the mission of the Church fruitfully today.

“ to evangelise, to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ, gathered as one body and sent out to be missionary disciples. ”

LAYING A MISSIONARY FOUNDATION COURSE

To effectively live out our evangelising mission today in our parishes and communities requires a reorientation towards a missionary mindset where we focus on taking the Good News outwards from our parishes through both word and action. This six session Diocesan Course will lay a foundation for such a missionary mindset, by equipping participants with effective knowledge and skills to be fruitful in this mission.

For further information, please contact Pina Bernard, Team Leader Parish Renewal and Discipleship, on [0432 682 239](tel:0432682239) or pina.bernard@bbcatholic.org.au

ITALIAN ROSARY GROUP

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



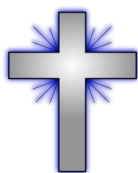
REST IN PEACE

It is with great sadness we announce the passing of:

LYLA ABOOD

Born: 27 of March 1947

Entered Eternal Life on: 25 of June 2022



Last Friday we said goodbye to Lyla Abood at the funeral at St Benedict's parish. Lyla was a very special person in our parish. She has done so much and we are so blessed to have had her in our community. Lyla definitely was a true Christian.

The Abood Family would Like to Thank all who prayed, visited or just asked how Lyla was, the family is very grateful to everyone.

Even though she struggled with pain, she kept on fighting and kept her faith in God. She surprised us with her strength, but in the end God called her home. She has touched so many people in many ways and put others first.

Lyla is now at rest, however she will always be in our hearts.

Rest in Peace we will miss you our beautiful Lyla.

*Eternal Rest grant to her O Lord,
And let the Perpetual light shine upon her,
May she Rest in Peace.
Amen*



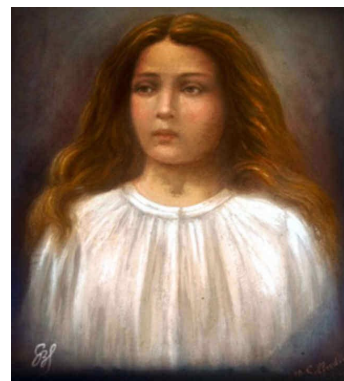
SAINT OF THE WEEK

Saint Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr

Feast Day: July 6

1890-1902

Patron Saint of rape victims and teenage girls



An uneducated country girl pays the highest price for knowing right from wrong

The family of today's saint was so poor that they farmed other people's fields. They lost their own land and became migrant laborers who ate what they grew and harvested, their rough fingers rarely touching a coin or printed money. It was a hardship for the parents to house, feed, clothe, and educate their seven children. And then things got bad. The father died of malaria. The family was now forced to share a modest home with another family, and the mother had to work the fields alongside her children day in and day out. In the midst of all this cruel hardship, tragedy struck.

Maria typically stayed home to cook, clean, sew, and care for her baby sister. It was while she was alone with the baby at home one day, mending a shirt of Alessandro's, the teenage boy of the family that shared the house, that Maria was attacked. Alessandro had returned—and he wasn't looking for his shirt. It was not the first time he had imposed himself on eleven-year-old Maria. And it was not the first time she had refused. She tried to stop him again. She screamed that it was a mortal sin. She yelled that he would go to hell. Alessandro didn't care. She ran for the door, but it was too late. He stabbed her multiple times in the throat, heart, and lungs.

Little Maria was brought to the hospital where doctors tried in vain to save her life. Before dying, she revealed to her mother, and to the police, for the first time, that Alessandro had tried to rape her twice before. Since he had threatened her with death if she told anyone, she had kept silent. Before succumbing to her wounds, Maria forgave her attacker and said she wanted Alessandro to one day be with her in paradise. Maria's last twenty-four hours were dramatic. She explicitly chose death rather than to allow another's mortal sin. She suffered sexual violence like so many female martyrs of the early Church. And on her deathbed, with her body weakening, she forgave her murderer. This was all extraordinary. This was the stuff of saints.

Maria Goretti was canonized in 1950 by Pope Pius XII in St. Peter's Square in Rome. The huge number of the faithful made it impossible to say the Mass inside St. Peter's Basilica. Maria's mother and siblings were at the canonization, as was Alessandro. After initially refusing to communicate with anyone about the murder, he opened up to a local bishop who took the time to visit him in jail. Alessandro told the bishop he had a dream in which Maria presented him with lilies, symbols of purity. But the lovely flowers scorched his hands as soon as he touched them. He later asked Maria's mother, Assunta, forgiveness for his crime. Like her daughter, she forgave him. Alessandro served twenty-seven years of his thirty-year sentence. After being released, he became a lay Franciscan and served as a gardener in a monastery until his death.

Saint Maria showed uncommon maturity for her age. Her poor, rugged life in the fields, and her father's early death, made life itself serious very early on. Starving people are not frivolous. Death, suffering, poverty, migration, and loss figured prominently in her life before she ever even attended school. She knew no comfort apart from the closeness of family life and the security of faith. When she chose to give up her life rather than participate in another's sin, she was not saying goodbye to a beautiful house, creature comforts, or earthly possessions. She had the clothes on her back and sanctifying grace in her soul. Nothing else. That grace was the secret possession she would not trade for life itself. She kept a tight grip on her soul, and God rewarded her tenacity by granting her life in heaven with Him forever.

Saint Maria Goretti, mature beyond your years, inspire all young people to value purity and chastity as God-given gifts. Help them to follow your example in valuing virtue over vice, love of God over love of man, and a rich future in heaven over a poor future on earth. Amen.

ST BENEDICT'S FEAST DAY
NEXT SUNDAY 10TH JULY 10.30AM MASS
FOLLOWED BY SAUSAGE SIZZLE & MORNING TEA

NEXT WEEKEND'S ROSTER 9/7/22 to 10/7/22 15th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME Year C			
	Saturday 7pm	Sunday 9am	Sunday 10.30am FEAST DAY
Acolyte		Nigel Morgan	Paul El-Chaar
Reader1	Mary Cascun	Bernadette Watt	Lorraine Dailey
Reader2	Margaret Bensley	Judy Horton	Matthew Wall
Prayers	Miriam Brown	Kath Moran	Paula El-Chaar
TV		Mary Abood	Tyrone El-Chaar
Music		Melanie Hume	Melanie Hume
Music		Theresa Neely	Theresa Neely
Music		Robin Barbara	Robin Barbara
Music		Marisa Quattrocchi	Marisa Quattrocchi
Morning Tea		CANCELLED We apologise there will be no morning tea after the 9am Mass due to the Feast after the 10.30am Mass.	Lyla Basha Robin Barbara Sophie Rebula
BBQ		N/A	Gebran Azzi

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.

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 Shansana 0437 884 233, Lorraine Dailey 0416 081 882, Office for Safeguarding 8379 1605.

Office Hours:

Mondays & Fridays 9.30am to 2.30pm

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BSB: 062 784

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Name: Catholic Parish of Arcadia Bank:

CBA—Catholic Development Fund

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