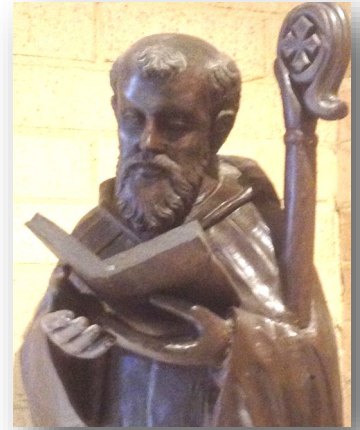


St Benedict's Parish

Arcadia

Look forward to holy Easter with joy and spiritual longing
Rule of St Benedict, Chapter 49



Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

13 & 14 April 2019

First Reading

A reading from the prophet Isaiah 50:4-7
*I did not cover my face against insult
and I know I will not be ashamed.*

Responsorial Psalm

My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

Second Reading

**A reading from the letter
of St Paul to the Philippians 2:6-11**
*He humbled himself to become like us
and God raised him on high.*

Gospel Acclamation

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!
Christ became obedient for us even to death,
dying on the cross.
Therefore God raised him on high
and gave him a name above all other names.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!**

Gospel

**A reading from the holy Gospel
according to Luke 22:14-23:56**

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:

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| 5.45am | Office of Readings |
| 6.30am | Morning prayer |
| 12.45pm | Midday prayer |
| 6pm | Evening prayer |
| 8pm | Night prayer |

CHRISM MASS

Tuesday, 16 April at 7.30pm
at Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral,
Waitara.

Please let Fr Bernard know if you are able to attend Mass and receive the Oils on behalf of the parish.

Formation of New Parish Pastoral Council

Expressions of Interest are asked for from those with the following:

- ◆ A passion for and commitment to the life and mission of the Parish
- ◆ An understanding of the vision of the parish in the Benedictine spirit
- ◆ A capacity to assist in pastoral planning for the life and mission of the parish
- ◆ An ability to investigate, consider and propose practical conclusions to the Parish Priest about pastoral matters
- ◆ Good communication skills
- ◆ An ability to collaborate with others

As per directions from the Diocese we will end up with six elected members, two appointed by the Parish Priest and three ex-officio members, this making a total of 11 members.

Please contact Fr Bernard by 6 May.

The new Council will meet on Tuesday, 4 June.

Easter Mass Times

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| Mass of the Lord's Supper | Holy Thursday, 7.30pm |
| Stations of the Cross | Good Friday, 10.30am |
| Passion of the Lord | Good Friday, 3pm |
| Easter Vigil | Holy Saturday, 7.30pm |
| Easter Sunday | Monastery, 7am |
| | Parish, 9am and Latin Mass, 4.30pm |

DRAFT ROSTER The draft roster is available outside the sacristy. Please check your name and make any necessary changes.

EASTER ROSTER If you would like to be involved with the Easter liturgies, please write your name on the draft roster outside the sacristy.

EASTER MUSIC - THIS SUNDAY, 14 APRIL

There will be music practise for the Easter liturgies after 9am Mass this Sunday.

NEW WEBSITE ADDRESS

Please note our new website address
www.bbcatholic.org.au/arcadia

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 ~ Terri Butler, David Todd, John Poole, Maria Jasser, Annabelle Twyford, Freya Sunderland & Carol Aviani.

EXPLORE LIFE, FAITH & MEANING

TRY ALPHA



Mondays from 6.30 to 8.30pm
commencing Monday, 6 May (9 weeks)

Wednesdays at 1-2pm
commencing Wednesday, 8 May

Please come and join us for a meal,
a talk on aspects of Christian faith such as
Who is Jesus?
followed by a small group discussion.

Alpha helps promote a culture of hospitality and invitation, creating a space where everyone is welcome regardless of where they are on their faith journey. What is highlighted is a personal encounter with Jesus: people are introduced to Jesus and given the opportunity to respond to him.

In *Evangelii Gaudium* - the Joy of the Gospel - Pope Francis invites all of us to become missionary disciples. Alpha is a tool that both allows us to take up this challenge in our local communities and also creates an opportunity for people to meet Jesus - for the first time, or, to further strengthen their relationship with him.

A book to read in relation to making disciples - or what the author refers to as forming intentional disciples is by Sherry Weddell and called *Forming Intentional Disciples: The Path to Knowing and Following Jesus*. In this book Weddell writes that the way to be a disciple is simply to, like Simon Peter, drop our nets and follow Jesus. Alpha is one such program that provides a space to foster a friendship with Jesus and put him first.

What we found when we ran Alpha last year was that either new friendships were created or existing friendships deepened: in this, the hope would be that St Benedict's could truly become a community of friends - of each other and of Jesus - where all feel they are welcome and that they belong.

Come and see what Alpha is about: a card is found at both entrances to the Church
~ invite family and friends.

Please also let us know if you are able to help in any way, in particular with meals.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM Resumes with the first Session on the First Eucharist at 4.15pm on **Monday 20 May**

CATECHIST NEWS A big thanks to the Bible Society for providing the little booklets "The Seriously Surprising Story" which follows the Emmaus story for children. We were able to provide each student a copy to take home.

Term One ended this week and Term 2 will start on **Monday 29 April**. The CCD will be providing training in Classroom Management for all Catechists during the school holidays, being held on **Wednesday 24 April** from 9:30am-12:30pm at Pennant Hills **RSVP 8379 1643**

Wishing all a safe and enjoyable holiday break! May the peace and joy of Easter be with all families!

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

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY—28 APRIL

Venue St Agatha's Pennant Hills
Time 1.30pm to 5pm including Reconciliation (1pm), Mass (2pm), Benediction and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Veneration of the Divine Mercy Image.
Enquiries Greg 0419 228 199

PALM SUNDAY WALK FOR JUSTICE FOR REFUGEES

Date this Sunday 14 April
Time 2pm
Venue Belmore Park, Sydney

ST DYMPHNA HEALING SERVICE AND MASS **WEDNESDAY 8 MAY**

Mass 7pm Prayer and Healing Ministry 8pm
Venue Sacred Heart Church, 2 Richard Porter Way, Pymble **RSVP Monday 6 May 2019**
steven.buhagiar@bbccatholic.org.au or ph 8379 1630

WALKING GROUP Would anyone like to join a morning walking group around Arcadia and Galston?
Contact Lisa 0405 305 393

THE FRIDGE IS ON THE BLINK! Would anyone consider donating a new fridge to the parish?
If so, please talk to Fr Bernard or contact the parish office on 9653 2312.

MEETINGS this week

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| Monday | 2.30pm | Italian Rosary |
| Wednesday | 10.45am | Christ Catholic Community |
| Wednesday | 1pm | Lenten group |
| Friday | 7.30pm | Christ Catholic Community |

Office for Safeguarding-Broken Bay

A culture of Safeguarding values
commitment

“Speak out and judge fairly, defend the rights of
the poor and needy.”

Proverbs 31:9

safeguarding@bbcatholic.org.au
ph. 8379 1605

Gospel reading for Next Week

Easter Sunday

Year C

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John
20:1-9

*The teaching of scripture is that he must rise from
the dead*

It was very early on the first day of the week and
still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb.
She saw that the stone had been moved away from
the tomb and came running to Simon Peter and the
other disciple, the one Jesus loved. ‘They have
taken the Lord out of the tomb’ she said ‘and we
don’t know where they have put him.’

So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the
tomb. They ran together, but the other disciple,
running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first;
he bent down and saw the linen cloths lying on the
ground, but did not go in. Simon Peter who was
following now came up, went right into the tomb,
saw the linen cloths on the ground, and also the
cloth that had been over his head; this was not
with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by
itself. Then the other disciple who had reached
the tomb first also went in; he saw and he
believed. Till this moment they had failed to
understand the teaching of scripture, that he must
rise from the dead.

The Gospel of the Lord

ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEK - 20 & 21 April

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PLAYGROUP resumes Monday, 29 April

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

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

7.30pm Monday, 6 May 2019

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

7.30pm Tuesday, 7 May 2019

Parish Office: 9653 2312

Parish Priest: Fr. Bernard McGrath osb

After hours: 0416 032 497

Good Samaritan Sisters: 9653 1231

Facebook: stbenedictsarcadia

Office Hours: Thursday & Friday 10am to 2pm

Monastery: 9653 1159 Fax: 9653 1883

Email: arcadia.parish@bigpond.com

Website: www.bbcatholic.org.au/arcadia

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