

# St Benedict's Parish

## Arcadia

*Listen carefully ... and incline the ear of your heart.*

*Rule of St Benedict, Prologue*



## Pentecost

19 and 20 May 2018

### First Reading

**A reading from the Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11**  
*They were all filled with the Holy Spirit,  
and began to speak different languages.*

### Responsorial Psalm

**Psalm 103: 1:24, 29-31, 34**  
**Lord, send out your Spirit  
and renew the face of the earth.**

### Second Reading

**A reading from the letter of St Paul  
to the Galatians 5:16-25**  
*The fruit of the Spirit.*

### Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia, alleluia!**  
**Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful  
and kindle in them the fire of your love.**  
**Alleluia!**

### Gospel

**A reading from the holy Gospel  
according to John 15:26-27; 16:12-15**  
*The Spirit of truth will guide you into all the truth.*

### Weekend Mass

Saturday at Parish Church 7:00pm  
Sunday at Monastery Chapel 7:00am  
Sunday at Parish Church 9:00am

### 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

#### Italian Mass

2nd Tuesday 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.

## Pentecost - Sunday, 20 May

This Pentecost, Bishop Peter has written to the people of Broken Bay calling on them to reflect deeply on what it means to be Young in Christ. In this Year of Youth and as we journey towards the Plenary Council of 2020, this question in itself is a way to direct our hearts and minds to the journey ahead.

Copies of this letter have been placed at each entrance to the Church.

**ALPHA** 6.30pm to 8.30pm

21 and 28 May  
4, 11, 18 and 25 June &  
2 July.

Retreat day Sunday, 17 June

You are welcome to join us for an evening of dinner, a talk and small group discussion.

If you would like to come and see what Alpha is like, the first introductory talk will be replayed on **Monday, 21 May at 11.30am.**

The Alpha series of talks are an introduction to the Christian faith with topics such as Who is Jesus? and Why and how do I read the Bible. As Father Raniero Cantalamessa - preacher to the Papal Household - states, Alpha 'is not the Alpha and Omega (meaning 'end') course' - 'Alpha focuses on the kerygma, which is the starting point of faith'.

Alpha is an opportunity to grow closer to Jesus - and to each other - and to invite family and friends to encounter Jesus.

We still need help with **MEALS:** if you are able to provide a meal please complete the roster found at the front of the Church. Thank you! Sandra M.0410 587 735 e. arcadia.parish@bigpond.com

## BROKEN BAY BIBLE CONFERENCE 2018

**ST PAUL:  
PERSECUTOR TO  
PREACHER"**

27-28 July  
2018



A 2 day conference, presented by Oxford Biblical Scholar Fr Nicholas King SJ; Dr Catherine Playoust from the Catholic Theological College, University of Divinity Melbourne; Most Rev David L Walker, and with participation by Most Rev Peter A Comensoli.

In 1 Corinthians, St Paul says, "*woe betide me if I do not proclaim the gospel!*" Come and meet this endlessly fascinating man. Journey with him on his path from persecutor to preacher, and celebrate his great love in announcing the Gospel.

Venue The Heritage Function Centre  
Ryde-Eastwood Leagues Club  
117 Ryedale Rd, West Ryde 2114  
Cost \$110 or single day \$55

Register [www.trybooking.com/UFJU](http://www.trybooking.com/UFJU)  
by 11 July

## Plenary Council 2020 Listen to what the Spirit is saying

Pope Francis has approved the Australian Bishops' decision to hold a Plenary Council in Australia in 2020 and 2021. It is a significant moment for the Church in Australia to make decisions about the future.

To prepare the agenda for the Plenary Council, all of God's people are invited to reflect on the question: "*What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?*" Find out more about the **Plenary Council 2020** at the new website now online:

[www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au](http://www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au)

## FATIMA MEETING

The Fatima Committee is meeting:

On Wednesday, 23 May

At 7pm

in the Parish Meeting Room.

All are welcome to attend

## Open Day - Wednesday, 30 May

The Personalised Tutorial System, pioneered in Australia by PARED (Parents for Education Foundation) ensures that each child has the guidance of a personal mentor, the Tutor. They meet one-on-one throughout the year to work on goals for academic and character development, in close partnership with parents.

**Tangara School, Cherrybrook (Reception to Yr 1, All girls from Yrs 2 to 12)**

10am - 12.30pm

**Redfield College, Dural (K to Yr 12)**

12pm - 2.30pm

[www.tangara.nsw.edu.au](http://www.tangara.nsw.edu.au)  
p.9680 4844

[www.redfield.nsw.edu.au](http://www.redfield.nsw.edu.au)  
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## 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 recently baptised.

We pray for the sick of our Parish ~ Terri Butler, David Todd, John Poole, Maria Jasser, Annabelle Twyford, Jo-Ann Mathyi, Peter Mathyi, Rita (Lorraine Dailey's sister), Howard Batchelor & Sr Monica.

## Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 13-20 May

The week of 13-20 May 2018, between Ascension and Pentecost, is the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. This year's theme is "Your right hand, O Lord, glorious in power", from the triumphant song of Moses and Miriam in Exodus 15:1-21. The theme also reflects the saving action of God through Christ.

We pray:

God of love, you created us in your image and have redeemed us in Christ. God of glory, you are all-powerful, yet in Jesus you chose to make your home in a human family, and in the waters of Baptism have adopted us as your children.

Help us to strengthen the bonds of communion with our brothers and sisters in Christ.

God, One in Three Persons, in Christ you have made us one with you and with one another. By the power and consolation of the Holy Spirit, free us from self-centredness, arrogance and fear that prevent us from striving towards the full visible unity of your Church.

We make this prayer through Christ our Lord.

Amen

**ACU SHORT COURSES** The ACU Centre for Liturgy is offering a public Short Course 'From death to new life: preparing and celebrating Catholic funerals' at Strathfield in the Gleeson Auditorium on 4 Wednesday evenings in July.

Leading scholars will investigate a Christian theology of dying and death and explore how the Order of Christian Funerals celebrate death in a specifically Catholic way. Experienced priests and funeral directors will discuss how they care for the dead and for those who grieve.  
[http://www.acu.edu.au/acu\\_centre\\_for\\_liturgy/short\\_courses](http://www.acu.edu.au/acu_centre_for_liturgy/short_courses). Ph. 02 9701 4751

### **SWEETER THAN HONEY—TEACHING SCRIPTURE SUMMIT**

**Date Wed 25 July to Thurs 26 July**  
Venue Northside Conference Centre, St Leonards  
Presenters Fr Nicholas King SJ, Australian scholars and educators and Broken Bay teachers  
Cost Free for Clergy and Parents \$50 Catechists  
<https://sweeterthanahoney.dbbcso.org/july-summit.html>

### **PARISH MASS COUNT THIS WEEKEND**

**CATECHIST NEWS** The CCD provides free training for all Catechists or for those thinking of becoming a Catechist. Upcoming training for this term includes "Teaching Strategies : Prayer in the Classroom and Listening and Questioning" on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> June from 9:30am - 2:30pm at Pennant Hills. During the July holidays there will be Safeguarding Children and Classroom Management sessions on Wednesday 18 July from 9:30am-2:30pm at Pennant Hills. RSVP 8379 1643

Please keep our Catechists in your prayers and the children whom they teach. If you are interested in knowing more about being a Catechist/ Scripture teacher, please give me a call or see me at church.

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

## OUTBACK OUTREACH

The **ARCADIA VINNIES CONFERENCE** are planning an outreach in June to Brewarrina. We are requesting that you hang on to any clothing and bedding which you might want to donate. We will advise on a collection point shortly. Please talk to Karen Desouza (0402 105 431) if you are able to help drive the collected goods to Brewarrina. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

### **RENEWING PARISH CULTURE—RON HUNTLEY FROM DIVINE RENOVATION AT BROKEN BAY ON 22 JULY**

Ron Huntley works closely with Fr James Mallon in Halifax, Canada, as the Divine Renovation Ministry, Director of Coaching & Development. Ron has extensive experience as a coach for parishes, accompanying many diverse parishes from around the world in their journey of parish renewal from maintenance to mission, in particular in the areas of creating a healthy parish culture and skilled leadership.

There will be time for group discussion and Q&A. Lunch will be provided. Time 11am - 3pm  
Venue Caroline Chisholm Centre, Bldg 2, 423 Pennant Hills Road, Pennant Hills  
RSVP 16 July 2018 [faith.formation@bbccatholic.org.au](mailto:faith.formation@bbccatholic.org.au)

### **MEETINGS this week**

Monday	2.30pm	Italian Rosary
Tuesday	7.30pm	Catholic Charismatic Renewal
Wednesday	10.45am	Christ Catholic Community
Wednesday	7pm	Fatima Committee
Friday	7.30pm	Christ Catholic Community

## The Mission of the Laity

That the lay faithful may fulfil their specific mission, by responding with creativity to the challenges that face the world today.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for May

## Office of Safeguarding~ Broken Bay

Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults is a practical living out of the baptismal vocation of every member of the Church to ensure the safety and well being of those whom the Lord sets before us as those to whom the 'Kingdom of God' belongs (Mt 19:14)

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### ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEK - 26-27 May 2018

	7pm	9am
A	Paul Camilleri	
R1	Miriam Brown	Peter Goodwin
R2	Teresa Gambino	Helen Facione
P	Mary Camilleri	Jo-Anne Mathyi
AS		
EM	Caterina Vaccarella	Nigel Morgan
EM	Pip Gibian	Trish Shipley
EM		Jessie Guiana
EM		Kath Moran
M		Karina Takchi
M		Takchi family
M		
CL1		Gebran Azzi
CL2		Rosie Sakkal
MT		Rosie Sakkal
CT		Margaret & Bernadette
WEL		Grace & Jessie

**PLAYGROUP** Monday 10am-12noon (during school term) Contact Sandra 0410 587 735

All children and their carers welcome!

## Gospel reading for Next Week

**Pentecost Sunday**

**Year B**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John  
15:26-27, 16:12-15

*The Spirit of truth will guide you into all the truth.*

Jesus said to his disciples:

'When the Advocate comes,  
whom I shall send to you from the Father,  
the Spirit of truth who issues from the Father,  
he will be my witness.

And you too will be witnesses,  
because you have been with me from the outset.

I still have many things to say to you  
but they would be too much for you now.  
But when the Spirit of truth comes  
he will lead you to the complete truth,  
since he will not be speaking as from himself  
but will say only what he has learnt;  
and he will tell you of the things to come.  
He will glorify me,  
since all he tells you  
will be taken from what is mine.  
Everything the Father has is mine;  
that is why I said:  
All he tells you  
will be taken from what is mine.

### The Gospel of the Lord

Memorial of Mary, Mother of the Church

Monday, 21 May 2018

Mass 7am Monastery Chapel

Feast Day Our Lady Help of Christians

Thursday, 24 May 2018

Next **PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL** meeting  
Tuesday, 5 June

Parish Office: 9653 2312  
Parish Priest: Fr. Bernard McGrath osb  
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Office Hours: Thursday & Friday 10am to 2pm  
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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.