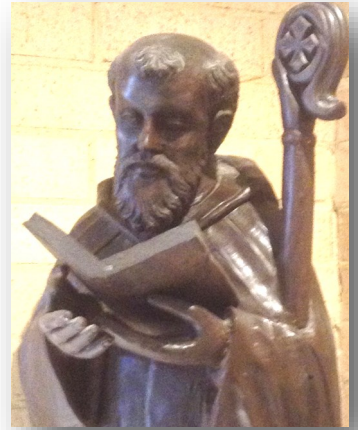


St Benedict's Parish

Arcadia

*do not aspire to be called holy before you really are,
but first be holy that you may more truly be called so*

Rule of St Benedict, Chapter 62



Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

23 & 24 February 2019

First Reading

**A reading from the first book
of Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23**
*The Lord has put you in my power,
but I will not raise my hand against you.*

Responsorial Psalm

The Lord is kind and merciful.

Second Reading

**A reading from the first letter
of St Paul to the Corinthians 15:45-49**
*Just as we have carried the earthly image,
we must carry the heavenly image.*

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

**I give you a new commandment;
love one another as I have loved you.
Alleluia!**

Gospel

**A reading from the holy Gospel
according to Luke 6:27-38**
Be merciful as your Father is merciful.

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.

Parish Fete Sunday, 10 March 2019

SPARE RAFFLE TICKETS are available in the Church

Donations of **CAKES, BOOKS, CRAFT ITEMS** and **TRASH N TREASURE** are needed for the fete.

Can anyone provide **SCONES** on the day for the Devonshire Tea stall?

WE ALSO NEED HELP WITH ALL STALLS

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

Ash Wednesday 6 March 2019

Mass and distribution of ashes will take place at the following times

- 7am Monastery Chapel
- 9.30am Parish Church
- 7pm Parish Church

Ash Wednesday is a day of fasting and abstinence from meat.

Lent begins with Ash Wednesday and is the season of the Church's year where we look to renew our relationship with God. A letter from the Very Rev Dr David Ranson regarding Lenten Penance for 2019 is available at both entrances to the Church.

Parish Lenten Groups Wednesdays during Lent

1pm Parish Centre
Contact - Miriam 9652 0558
Start Date Wednesday, 13 March

7.30pm 726A Old Northern Road, Dural
Contact - Margaret 9653 3377
Start Date Thursday, 7 March
and then each Wednesday during Lent

Project Compassion Please take home a Project Compassion box and/or a set of donation envelopes and support Caritas Australia this Lenten season themed "Give Lent 100%".

The Light is On During Lent our Church will also take part in *The Light is On*, an initiative where churches throughout the Diocese will be open on the following Friday evenings from 7pm to 8pm **8, 15, 22, 29 March and 5, 12 April**
In our Parish this coincides with exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 7pm and the first Friday of the month Mass.

Reconciliation will be available on **Friday, 12 April**.

Volunteer Stall Holders

- Main Raffle** Liz & Keith Wallace
0402 479 291
- Chocolate Wheel** David Camilleri
0407 466 244
- Fruit & Veg** Kazzi Family 0418 295 597
- Cake Stall** Bernadette Watt 9653 2616
- Flower Stall** Jessie Guiana 9651 1136
Peter Goodwin 9652 2952
- Devonshire Teas** Catherine Colman 9653 1034
- BBQ** Sakkal Family 9653 2627
- Craft/Gifts** Helen Facione 9653 1203
- Kids Activities** Sakkal Family 9653 2627
- Gelato** Silvana 0434 001 572
- Plants** Judy Horton 0419 604 701
- Trash n Treasure/books** Robin Barbara 0405 482 222

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The Catholic Schools Guide 2019 is available at the front entrance to the Church. Upcoming Open Days include:

- Mount St Benedict College - 3 March
- Marian College - 5 March
- Oakhill College - 10 March
- Redfield College - 20 March

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 ~ Eloise Hannah Basha who was recently baptised.
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 & Carol Aviani.

**FR BERNARD'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF
MONASTIC PROFESSION ~ SUNDAY, 3 MARCH**

On 22 February we will be celebrating Fr Bernard's golden anniversary of Profession to our monastic community.

Next Sunday, 3 March, we will mark his anniversary during the 9am Mass. All are welcome.

Morning tea will follow with a bbq and jumping castle.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM DATES

Parent Information Evening - Monday, 4 March 7pm

Information sessions will be held at 4.15pm in the Parish on the following Mondays. Information sessions are to be attended by each child and at least one parent.

RECONCILIATION

Session 1 11 March
Session 2 18 March
Session 3 25 March

Presentation at 9am Mass on Sunday, 31 March

Session 4 1 April
Reconciliation will take place on
Saturday, 6 April at 3pm.

FIRST EUCHARIST

Session 1 20 May
Session 2 27 May
Session 3 3 June

Presentation at 9am Mass on Sunday, 16 June

Session 4 17 June
First Eucharist will take place during the 9am Mass
on Sunday, 23 June.

For any enquiries please contact the office
on 9653 2312.

PLENARY COUNCIL Listening & Dialogue stage will close
on Ash Wednesday, 6 March.

Have your say ~ www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au

Jessie Guiana would like to thank everyone who
prayed for her son, Guy, who was unwell.

She is very grateful for all your prayers.
Guy is now in good health.

All SRE classes are resumed and our Catechists are
busy getting to know their students!

Next Sunday 9am Mass we will be holding our first
Children's Mass for the year and we will also be
commissioning our Catechists in their ministry of
evangelisation. If any children would like to be
involved in this Mass please let me know.
God bless, Miriam Brown 9652 0558

WOULD YOU LIKE TO LEARN HEBREW?

Dates Wednesdays during Lent
 13, 20, 27 March
 3, 10, 17 April

Time 7.30pm

Presenter Fr Bernard McGrath

RSVP 9653 2312 or e.arcadiaparish@bigpond.com

LENTEN REFLECTION Mount St Benedict Centre

Date Saturday, 9 March 10am to 3pm

Presenters Sr Patty Fawkner sgs

& Sr Catherine McCahill sgs Cost \$30

e.mtstbenedict@goodsams.org.au or p.8752 5390

-This is the last event being offered at the Centre-

CHOIR MEMBERS NEEDED! Singers and Musicians
from across the Diocese are warmly invited to lead
the congregation in prayerful song at **Our Lady of
the Rosary Catholic Cathedral**, 23 Yardley Ave,
Waitara for the following diocesan events:

Rite of Election 10 March

Rehearsal on the day in the Cathedral from 12.45pm
for 2pm ceremony start

Chrism Mass 16 April 2019 (Tuesday)

Rehearsal on the day in the Cathedral from 6pm for
7.30pm Mass start (Supper provided).

RSVP (to ensure we have enough seats and music/
hymn books) cathedral@bbcatholic.org.au
on the subject line type "CHOIR RSVP".

MEETINGS this week

Monday 2.30pm Italian Rosary

Wednesday 10.45am Christ Catholic Community

Friday 7.30pm Christ Catholic Community

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.

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

Office for Safeguarding-Broken Bay

A culture of Safeguarding values Compassion

“Finally, all of you, have unity of spirit, sympathy, love for one another, a tender heart and a humble mind.”

1 Peter 3:8

safeguarding@bbcatholic.org.au

ph. 8379 1605

ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEK - 2 & 3 March

	7pm	9am
A	Paul Camilleri	Paul El Chaar
R1	Mary Cascun	CHILDREN'S
R2	Miriam Brown	MASS
P	Margaret Bensley	
AS		
EM	Emelie De Leon	Margaret Florian
EM	Mary Camilleri	Robin Barbara
EM		Nigel Morgan
EM		Angela Scotti
M		Karina Takchi
M		Takchi Family
M		
CL1		N/A
CL2		N/A
MT		Catechists
CT		Bernadette & Margaret
WEL		Jessie & Marg Mc

PLAYGROUP Mondays during school term(s)

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

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.arcadia.dbb.org.au

Gospel reading for Next Week 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 6:39-45

A person speaks from what is in his heart

Jesus told a parable to his disciples, 'Can one blind man guide another? Surely both will fall into a pit? The disciple is not superior to his teacher; the fully trained disciple will always be like his teacher. Why do you observe the splinter in your brother's eye and never notice the plank in your own? How can you say to your brother, "Brother, let me take out the splinter that is in your eye," when you cannot see the plank in your own? Hypocrite! Take the plank out of your own eye first, and then you will see clearly enough to take out the splinter that is in your brother's eye.

'There is no sound tree that produces rotten fruit, nor again a rotten tree that produces sound fruit. For every tree can be told by its own fruit: people do not pick figs from thorns, nor gather grapes from brambles. A good man draws what is good from the store of goodness in his heart; a bad man draws what is bad from the store of badness. For a man's words flow out of what fills his heart.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

TRADITIONAL OWNERS

St Benedict's Parish, Arcadia, acknowledges the Darug and Guringai people, the traditional owners who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of Reconciliation.

FR BERNARD will be on leave from 6 to 27 February

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING
7.30pm Tuesday, 5 March 2019

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