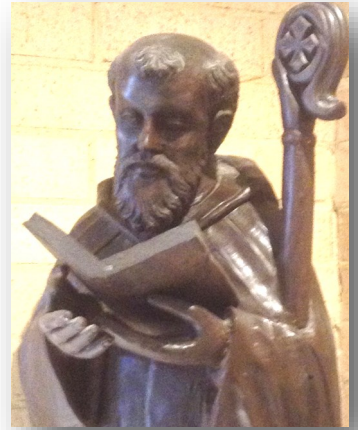


St Benedict's Parish

Arcadia



*First of all, love the Lord God with your whole heart,
your whole soul and all your strength, and love your neighbour as yourself*

Rule of St Benedict, Chapter 4

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.

The Ascension of the Lord

12th and 13th May 2018

First Reading

**A reading from the Acts of
the Apostles 1:1-11**

*Why are you standing here looking into the sky?
Jesus has been taken into heaven.*

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 46:2-3, 6-9

**God mounts his throne to shouts of joy:
a blare of trumpets for the Lord.**

Second Reading

**A reading from the letter of St Paul
to the Ephesians 1:17-23**

He made Jesus to sit at his right hand in heaven.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

**Go and teach all people my gospel.
I am with you always, until the end of the world.
Alleluia!**

Gospel

**A reading from the holy Gospel
according to Mark 16:15-20**

*The Lord Jesus was taken into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of God.*

Liturgy of the Hours

The liturgy of the hours is recited in the Monastery Chapel at the following times:

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

ALPHA



Monday nights from 6.30 - 8.30pm for dinner, a talk and group discussion
14, 21 and 28 May
4, 11, 18 and 25 June, 2 July.

We need help with meals: If you are able to provide a meal or food and drinks could you please complete the meal roster?

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Galston 500—Galston Valley Railway—27 May:

Fundraising event to raise money for research towards multiple sclerosis. Galston Valley Railway is asking for **Musicians, Artists, Stall Holders and Entertainers** who may come on this day and help provide entertainment.

www.galston500.com
 Contact Allie 0402 474 636
 e. info@galston500.com

Hail Mary: Gentle Woman

Hail Mary, full of grace,
 The Lord is with you.
 Blessed are you among women,
 and blest is the fruit of your womb, Jesus.

Holy Mary, Mother of God,
 pray for us sinners now and
 at the hour of death. Amen.

Refrain: All

Verses: All

1. You were cho - sen by the Fa - ther;
 2. Bless - ed are you a - mong wom - en,

1. you were cho - sen _____ for the Son. You were
 2. blest in turn _____ all wom - en, too. Bless - ed

1. cho - sen _____ 7 from all wom - en and for
 2. they _____ 7 with peace - ful spir - its. Bless - ed

to Refrain

1. wom - an, _____ shin - ing one.
 2. they _____ with gen - tle hearts.

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WALKING THE WAY - The Catholic Schools Office Broken Bay is offering a Parent Retreat for parents, grandparents and carers of students living in the Broken Bay diocese.

18 May 6.30-8.30pm and 19 May 9am-4pm Venue Canisius Spirituality Centre, 102 Mona Vale Road, Pymble
 Cost \$30 Bookings Sallyanne.butel@dbb.catholic.edu.au

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

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME The programme will resume on the following Mondays at 4.15pm

FIRST EUCHARIST:

Session 1	7 May	Session 2	14 May
Session 3	21 May	Session 4	28 May

First Eucharist will take place during the 9am mass on **Sunday, 3 June**, the Feast of Corpus Christi.

NEXT SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME The Enrolment Form for the **NEXT SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME** will be available **THIS WEEKEND**.

Forms will need to be returned to the parish by **Sunday, 27 May**.

PLEASE NOTE the **PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT** will be held on **Monday, 11 June at 6.30pm**, followed by weekly sessions on Mondays at 4.15pm

Session 1	18 June	Session 2	25 June
Session 3	2 July	Session 4	30 July

CONFIRMATION will take place at 3pm on **Saturday, 4 August**.

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

◇ **PARISH CENSUS FORMS** Over the next few weeks, new **PARISH CENSUS FORMS** will be made available during Mass. Please take a moment to update your details. Please also complete the form if you are new to the parish.

Extra copies will be kept at the back of the Church.

Copies of the **PRIVACY COLLECTION NOTICE** for parishioners are available at both entrances to the Church.

◇ **DIOCESAN COUNT OF MASS ATTENDANCE** The **2018 DIOCESAN COUNT** will take place **THIS WEEKEND**

The count consists of a simple headcount of all people attending Sunday masses (beginning with the Vigil).

Children should never be made to feel responsible for their own safety—this is the responsibility of the adults who care for them.

If you are uncomfortable talk to several adults you can trust.

- ◇ Children have a right to feel safe at all times
- ◇ Nothing is so awful that you can't talk about it
- ◇ Children should be listened to
- ◇ Children will be believed

Office of the Children's Guardian
e.www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/SAFE
p.(02) 8219 3600

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 - 19-20 May 2018

	7pm	9am
A	Paul Camilleri	Nigel Morgan
R1	Miriam Brown	Gebran Azzi
R2	Teresa Gambino	Peter Bellew
P	Mary Cascun	Judy Horton
AS		
EM	Mary Camilleri	Lorraine Dailey
EM	Caterina Vaccarella	Margaret Florian
EM		Bernadette Watt
EM		Pam Galbraith
M		Melanie Hume
M		Keith & Liz
M		Helen & Karen
CL1		Gebran Azzi
CL2		Teresa Gambino
MT		Silvana Calvi
CT		Lyla & Peter
WEL		Teresa & Margaret Mc

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

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.

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

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

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