

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)

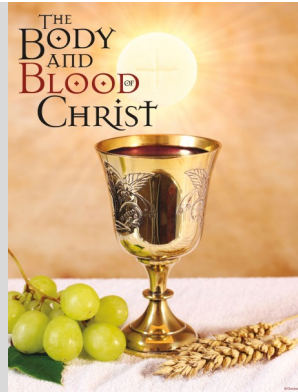
MONASTERY CHAPEL Masses

Sundays 7:00am
Daily 7:00am

Please contact Father Shansana for the following:

BAPTISMS
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FUNERALS

Fr Shansana: 0437 884 233



THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

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18 & 19 June 2022

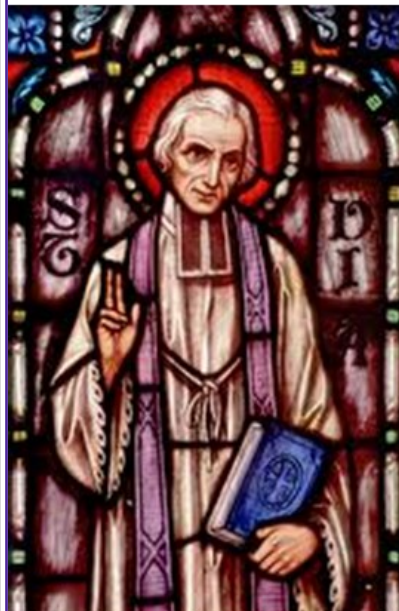
ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

He fed them with the finest wheat and satisfied them with honey from the rock.

SUNDAY HOLY MASS PRAYER

Let us pray:

O God, who in this wonderful Sacrament have left us a memorial of your Passion, grant us, we pray, so to revere the sacred mysteries of your Body and Blood that we may always experience in ourselves the fruits of your redemption. Who live and reign with God the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**



A Prayer for Priests

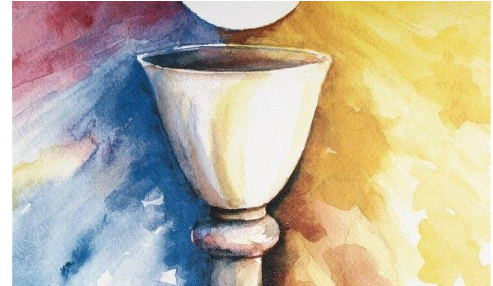
Lord Jesus,
we your people
pray to You for our priests.
You have given them
to us for our needs.
We pray for them
in their needs...
Let them see You
face to face
in the breaking of the
Eucharistic Bread.

St John Vianney,
patron saint of priests,
pray for us.



First Reading**Genesis 14:18-20**

A reading from the book of Genesis

*Melchisedek brought bread and wine..**Melchizedek king of Salem brought bread and wine; he was a priest of God Most High.**He pronounced this blessing:**'Blessed be Abraham by God Most High, creator of heaven and earth, and blessed be God Most High for handing over your enemies to you.'**And Abraham gave him a tithe of everything.***The word of the Lord.****Thanks be to God.****Responsorial Psalm:****R. You are a priest for ever, in the line of Melchizedek.****Second Reading****1 Corinthians 11:23-26 (JB)**

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

*Every time you eat this bread and drink this cup, you are proclaiming the death of the Lord.**This is what I received from the Lord, and in turn passed on to you: that on the same night that he was betrayed, the Lord Jesus took some bread, and thanked God for it and broke it, and he said, 'This is my body, which is for you; do this as a memorial of me.' In the same way he took the cup after supper, and said, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Whenever you drink it, do this as a memorial of me.' Until the Lord comes, therefore, every time you eat this bread and drink this cup, you are proclaiming his death.***The word of the Lord.****Thanks be to God.****Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord; whoever eats this bread will live for ever.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL**Luke 9:11-17 (JB)**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

*They all ate and were filled.**Jesus made the crowds welcome and talked to them about the kingdom of God; and he cured those who were in need of healing.**It was late afternoon when the Twelve came to him and said, 'Send the people away, and they can go to the villages and farms round about to find lodging and food; for we are in a lonely place here.' He replied, 'Give them something to eat yourselves.' But they said, 'We have no more than five loaves and two fish, unless we are to go ourselves and buy food for all these people.' For there were about five thousand men. But he said to his disciples, 'Get them to sit down in parties of about fifty.' They did so and made them all sit down. Then he took the five loaves and the two fish, raised his eyes to heaven, and said the blessing over them; then he broke them and handed them to his disciples to distribute among the crowd. They all ate as much as they wanted, and when the scraps remaining were collected they filled twelve baskets.***The Gospel of the Lord.****Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Source: Liturgia Brisbane 2022

LITURGICAL FEASTS AND EVENTS OF THE WEEK

Tuesday	June 21, 2022:	St Aloysius Gonzaga, religious
Wednesday	June 22, 2022	Sts John Fisher, bishop and Thomas More, martyrs
Thursday	June 23, 2022	St Paulinus of Nola, bishop
Friday	June 24, 2022	The Most SACRED HEART of Jesus, solemnity
Saturday	June 25, 2022	The Nativity of St John the Baptist, solemnity

Source: Ordo 2022

GOSPEL REFLECTION
THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST
Luke 9:11-17

In the gospels there are plenty of times when Jesus is with people eating and drinking and today's gospel is no exception. As always, Jesus is concerned with people and their real needs. They are hungry, so he feeds them. He is gracious in his abundant giving. But he feeds them not only with food; he also feeds them at a much deeper level. He teaches them, he welcomes them and he heals them. He treats us the same way; when we gather to celebrate the Eucharist, Jesus welcomes us, he speaks to us and through his Body and Blood, we are nourished and we are healed.

The Eucharist is God's greatest gifts to us. But it is not our right and we cannot demand it. Pope Francis reminds us of this when he says, 'the Eucharist is not a prize for the perfect, but a powerful medicine and nourishment for the weak.' That's all of us and each of us!

Today, we are not only celebrating receiving the Body and Blood of Christ, we are called to remember that we are the Body of Christ, the Church. As St. Paul reminds us, 'Now Christ's body is yourselves, and each of you with a part to play in the whole.' (1 Cor. 12.27). Today reminds and challenges to realise that we are the living Church, the Body of Christ, whose head is Jesus himself. Through our communion with Jesus and each other we are called to be living stones making a spiritual house.

St. Augustine, the great church writer said, 'become what you receive.' If we celebrate the Eucharist with each other and receive the Body and Blood of Christ, then we are called to be the Body of Christ, the Church today. And we are asked to be a missionary church. At the end of every celebration of the Eucharist we are sent out with this great prayer of mission, let us go now to love and serve the Lord. If we share in the gift of Jesus' Body and Blood, then we are also asked to share this with others when leave church. Today on this wonderful feast, may each of us be fed, nourished and healed through the Body and Blood of Christ.

(Source: Michael Moore OMI)

INTRODUCTION TO THE MASS
THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

The feast of Corpus Christi, also called the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, celebrates the institution of the Blessed Sacrament, or Holy Communion, and proclaims the truth of the transubstantiation of bread and wine into the actual body of Christ during Mass or the real presence of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist.

Traditionally Corpus Christi has been celebrated on the Thursday after Trinity Sunday which this year would be Thursday 16 June. However not being a holy day of obligation it has been assigned to Sunday after the Most Holy Trinity, and so will be celebrated this Sunday 19 June.

The feast of Corpus Christi originated in 1246 when the Bishop of Liège (in present day Belgium) ordered the festival be celebrated in his Diocese after being persuaded by a young prioress who had experienced a vision. This woman, Juliana of Mount Cornillon, was officially recognised as a saint by Pope Pius IX in 1869.

The festival did not spread until Pope Urban IV ordered the whole Church to observe the feast. Shortly before Pope Urban issued his 1264 bull, St Thomas Aquinas had undertaken and completed the task of composing both the office, or official set of prayers for the Church, and the Mass for the feast. In some parts of the liturgy today Aquinas' work remains, in others it has been replaced. One hymn that has been excised but still remains well known, and performed, begins with the words Panis angelicus.

Pope Clement V proclaimed the feast universal and by the 15th century it had become one of the principal feasts in the Church.

Corpus Christi processions also became widespread and continue today where the consecrated host or Blessed Sacrament is displayed in a monstrance held aloft by a priest under a canopy, and followed by the faithful to the Church or Cathedral where there will be Benediction.

This Sunday everyone is invited to join the Walk With Christ Eucharistic Procession through the Sydney CBD. It begins at 2.30pm on the corner of Martin Place and Pitt Street, finishing at St Mary's Cathedral.

THE RULE OF ST BENEDICT

Chapter 4
To reverence the old.

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

ST VINCENT DE PAUL WINTER APPEAL



The Winter Appeal will be held this weekend 18th & 19th June. We will have our envelopes available for the collection as well as boxes to collect non-perishable food items you may like to donate. The boxes for food will be there for the next few weeks.

Please support the wonderful work Vinnies is doing to help the community in this very difficult time.

Regards, Lila, Karen, Arcadia Conference.

SAVE THE DATE!!!

26 June 2pm

After being postponed for a year due to the COVID 19 pandemic, Pope Francis has asked dioceses around the world to celebrate the 10th World Meeting of Families locally, making it possible for every family to participate. While Rome will be the main venue for the event, each diocese will promote local events for its own families and communities based on the theme:

“Family love: a vocation and a path to holiness.

All families are invited to celebrate with:

Bishop Anthony Randazzo

Mass on Sunday 26 June 2022 at Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral Waitara at 2pm.

This will be followed by food, formation, and fun games for kids. More details to come!

HOLY WATER DISPENSERS



Thank you for the kind generosity to the **Jutrisa family** for donating the Holy Water Dispensers. God bless you!

How wonderful to finally have Holy Water again at our entries!

OFFERING BAGS

Thank you to Mary Cascun, Glenice Lui and Paul El-Chaar for donating the new offering bags. Also a big thank you to Samuel Letteri for modifying the handles to a long one so people can be reached in the pews without having to pass them around. What a beautiful job!

God bless you all!



PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

Thank you for everyone who helps our parish by using the planned giving envelopes. This helps us with our budgets.

The planned giving envelopes for 2022/2023 are now available for collecting in church entrance. These will be labelled alphabetically with your envelope number for easy access. Please collect your envelopes as soon as possible otherwise they will be posted which adds to the cost. We really appreciate it!

If you are interested in planned giving envelopes please contact the office as we would really appreciate it.

We thank you for your continued support to the Parish!

In Our Parish

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

We pray for the sick of our Parish, especially *Lyla Abood, Brother Mario, Leanne Miller (Leonie's daughter)*

We remember in our prayers all our dearly beloved who have died, especially:
John Chedid and Patricia Foote...may they Rest in Peace.



NEXT WEEKEND'S ROSTER 25/6/2022 to 26/6/2022 13th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME Year C		
	Saturday 7pm	Sunday 9am
Acolyte		Nigel Morgan
Reader1	Margaret Bensley	Melanie Hume
Reader2	Miriam Brown	Matt Wall
Prayers	Sr Carol Tomlinson	Marcelle Douglas
TV		Sebastian Wall
Music		Mark Quirk
Music		Theresa Neely
Music		Keith Wallace
Music		
MT		Rosie Sakkal

WE APOLOGISE THERE WILL BE NO MORNING TEA THIS SUNDAY 19TH JUNE AFTER THE 9AM MASS DUE TO THE HOLY COMMUNION CEREMONY AT 10.30AM

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

We especially welcome this Sunday the young people who are to receive the Blessed Eucharist for the first time. Welcome to all their family and friends who have come to support them on this special day.

Please continue to pray for these children as they receive the Sacrament of First Holy Communion -

Xavier	Jake	Summer
Drayton	Jett	Siena
James	Max	Jack
Benjamin	Christian	Liesl
Marley	Anastasia	Georgia
Aliyah	Caleb	Oliver
Theresa	Abigael	Leon
Illiana	Lourdes	Erica
Arianna	Alexander	Breanna
Katie	Teannah	Isaiah
Hayley-Rose	Dean	Miriam
Jacob		



A special thanks also to Nerida and Gebran for preparing the children over the past four weeks.

ITALIAN ROSARY GROUP

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

"The Pope then pointed to the importance of respecting popular piety in the people, saying it's important to "care for the potential of piety and love that popular religiosity holds so that they transmit not only the contents of the faith, but a true school of faith is created which cultivates the gift of the faith that has been received."

A catechist is also someone who journeys both from and with Christ, he said. "They are not a person who starts from their own ideas and preferences, but who allows themselves to look to him, to this gaze that makes their heart burn."

Free training to all Catechists continues, the next session will be held face-to-face at Pennant Hills on Monday 20th June 9:30am – 2:30pm 'Encompassing Music, Stories and Drama in the Classroom'. RSVP registrations@bbcatholic.org.au

The CCD is also offering a Reflection Day titled "The Spirit in My Life" via Zoom on Friday 24 June 10am -1pm RSVP 17 June. This Reflection Day will explore the Spirit in Sacred Scripture in both the Old and New Testaments and the implications in my life today. RSVP as above.

If you are interested to learn more about becoming a Catechist or helper please contact me. Please keep in your prayers all our Catechists and the children they teach.

God bless,

Miriam Brown srearcadia@gmail.com

Parish Catechist Coordinator

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2022/2023

Enrolments for the next Sacramental Program has now commenced. 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>

Parent Information Evening this Monday 20th June at 7pm in the parish meeting room.

For more information please contact Paula on 9653 2312

REPARATION TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

The Sydney Archdiocese Committee, of the World Apostolate of Fatima invite you to our Night of Prayer and Reparation on Friday June 24th Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus through to Saturday the 25th of June Feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Doors open 8.30pm Solemn Mass to Commence at 9pm followed by Rosary and Re-dedication & Reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus before the Blessed Sacrament. short break at 11.45pm. Resume with Rosary and Morning Mass at 12.30am. Programme will end at 1.30am.

We thank you for joining us in praying for peace in our broken World. Further enquiries please contact us on - 0403578994.

**The Diocese of Broken Bay
appreciates all our strong Leaders and Workers
who help keep our Children safe.**



CATHOLIC
DIOCESE OF
BROKEN BAY

Working with Children Week
20-26 June 2022

GCEA TRIVIA NIGHT FUNDRAISER

A **big thank you** to everyone who attended Saturday night's **GCEA Trivia Night Fundraiser!!**

There was a great warmth of spirit and unity that blasted away the cold winter night! And under God, it was a great success. Over **\$7500** was raised for the ministry to continue in Galston High School. Thank you for being a part of seeing this happen.

A note that our upcoming **GCEA Prayer Breakfast** scheduled for this Saturday has been postponed until **Saturday 25th June**. Full details are below...

What: GCEA Prayer Breakfast

When: Saturday 25th June - 8 - 9am

Where: St Jude's Dural

How much: A donation to cover costs would be appreciated

RSVP: To roger@duralanglican.org.au by Wednesday 22nd June

Many thanks for your prayerful and financial support of the GCEA. We look forward to seeing you soon.

Warm regards in Christ,

Roger Hokin

GCEA Secretary

roger@duralanglican.org.au

Ph: 0413 067 770



Aid to the
Church in Need

ACN AUSTRALIA

A message from Aid to the Church in Need Australia: ACN is the Pontifical Foundation dedicated to supporting the suffering and persecuted Church.

Our brothers and sisters in Lebanon are suffering due to ongoing financial and political instability. As the body of Christ we are called to support one another. Will you join us as we help them by providing food parcels to 500 needy families in the diocese of Baalbek, Lebanon? To read about the project, or to make an offering visit: www.aidtochurch.org/monthlyproject.



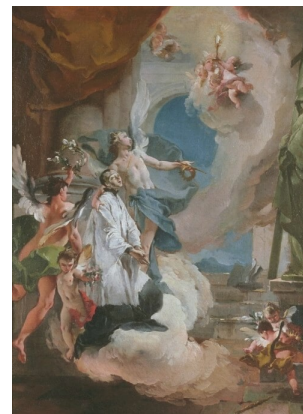
SAINT OF THE WEEK

Saint Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious

Feast Day: June 21

1568–1591

Patron Saint of Catholic youth and plague victims



The Jesuit Order, from its very founding, had a sharp sense of its educational superiority, its fidelity to the Holy Father, and its mission to educate and spiritually guide the elites among the courts and aristocracies of Europe. The Order did not, however, develop a strong community identity. There were, and are, common houses. But Jesuit communities built on common prayer, meals, and apostolates were rare. Much more common was the Jesuit alone, trekking under the canopy of a Canadian forest, riding the waves like a cork in a boat off the coast of India, or hiking the narrow mountain pathways in the mists of the high Andes. Where there was one Jesuit, there were all Jesuits. Each man embodied his entire Order. It was a community of many ones. Jesuits were united by their vows, their long education, and their common mission. Actually living, praying, eating, relaxing, and working together, so crucial to the common life of other Orders, did not play an equivalent role among the Jesuits.

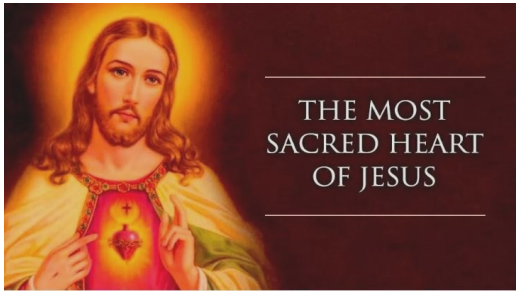
Jesuit superiors were aware of the dangers that isolation might pose to unity. So they encouraged, and even mandated, a means to sew into one fabric the patches of a thousand lives being lived across the globe. Letters! Jesuits were required to write letters to their superiors, giving regular accounts of their work. These letters had to be detailed, instructive, and inspiring. After they were reviewed, the most edifying were published and distributed to Jesuit houses. Through these letters, the Order was made one. Every Jesuit knew what at least some of his brothers were doing for God and the Church. These collections of letters, known as the Jesuit Relations, were eventually distributed beyond the confines of the Order. By the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries, the Relations were often exciting best sellers recounting the apostolic exploits of isolated Jesuits walking along the rim of Christendom.

It was just such an inspiring letter, or relation, from India that inspired today's saint, Aloysius Gonzaga, to become a Jesuit. Saint Aloysius was known to his family as Luigi, Aloysius being the Latinized version of his baptismal name. He was the eldest of seven children born into an aristocratic family from Northern Italy. Kings and Queens and Cardinals and Princes ate at the family table, were family themselves, or were at least friends or acquaintances. Young Luigi knew, and detested, the frivolous existence lived by so many in his aristocratic milieu. He also suffered from various physical infirmities, which produced that vulnerability and perspective which leads so clearly and directly to a deep dependence on God.

After receiving his First Communion at about the age of twelve, he came to personally know the great future saint Cardinal Charles Borromeo, who would later be his confessor and spiritual director. Borromeo was a Jesuit. His example, together with Aloysius' reading about the works of Jesuit missionaries, convinced him to enter the Jesuit Novitiate, against his family's wishes. So Aloysius went to Rome to begin his studies. And there he grew to embrace those of lesser education and refinement than himself. He volunteered to work bringing victims of a plague to a Jesuit hospital, despite his personal revulsion at the patients' decrepit physical conditions. After his own physical limitations restricted his participation in this corporal work of mercy, he still persevered and insisted on returning to the hospital over his superiors' objections.

While working in the hospital, Aloysius contracted the plague from a patient he personally cared for, was incapacitated shortly thereafter, and, a few months later, died on June 21, 1591. He was twenty-three. His reputation for purity, prayerfulness, and suffering led many to consider him a saint soon after his death. Aloysius was beatified just fourteen years later, in 1605, and canonized in 1726. He is buried in the Church of Saint Ignatius of Loyola in Rome. His contribution to the Jesuit canon was not a pagan tribe converted, a new ocean crossed, or an unknown language catalogued. His letter was his life, and it was to die young and to die holy.

Saint Aloysius, you laid all your treasures, including your youth, on an altar to God. May your example of generosity, and your service to the sick and dying, inspire all Catholic youth to give God the gold of their early years, not just the silver of middle age or the bronze of their retirement. Amen.



The month of June is dedicated to the Sacred Heart. The Church actually celebrates the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus on Friday 24 June this year, 19 days after Pentecost. It is a “moveable feast”, celebrated after the Corpus Christi octave. Devotion to the Sacred Heart is one of the most widely practiced and well-known devotions, taking Jesus’ physical heart as the representation of His divine love for humanity – emphasising the unmitigated love, compassion and long-suffering of the heart of Christ towards humanity.

This feast wasn’t always on the calendar and took many centuries before it was established and spread throughout the world. St Margaret Mary Alacoque, a French nun and mystic, received private revelations from Jesus on 16 June 1675, asking her to specifically promote a feast that honoured His Sacred Heart.

The first time there was a liturgical feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus was on 20 October, 1672. The first country to institute a liturgical feast was Poland and then in a decree from the Sacred Congregation of Rites on 23 August 1856, Pope Pius IX established the feast for the universal Church.

St John Paul II, a great devotee of the Sacred Heart, said: “This feast reminds us of the mercy of the love of God for the people of all times.” The faithful are encouraged to discover the riches hidden in the Heart of Jesus that gives hope and trust and to love our neighbours.



POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR JUNE

FAMILIES

We pray for Christian families around the world; may they embody and experience unconditional love and advance in holiness in their daily lives.

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 Hilarion 0478 909 541, Lorraine Dailey 0416 081 882, Office for Safeguarding 83791605.

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