

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 Hilarion for the following:

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Fr Hilarion: 0478 909 541

3RD SUNDAY of EASTER

Year C

30 April & 1 May 2022

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth;
O sing to the glory of his name.
O render him glorious praise, alleluia.

SUNDAY HOLY MASS PRAYER

Let us pray:

O God, Creator of all things, who laid down for the human race the law of work, graciously grant that by example of Saint Joseph and under his patronage we may complete the works you set us to do and attain the rewards you promise. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

Amen.



1ST OF MAY

SAINT JOSEPH THE WORKER

The first day of May - 'May day' - has long been dedicated to working people. When he instituted this feast in 1955, Pope Pius XII expressed hope that it would emphasise the dignity of labour and bring a spiritual dimension to labour unions and labour legislation.

As Pope John Paul II wrote: 'At the workbench where he plied his trade together with Jesus, Joseph brought human work closer to the mystery of the redemption'.

('Guardian of the Redeemer', n. 22)

First Reading**Acts 5:27-32, 40-41 (JB)**

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

We are witnesses of these words, and so is the Holy Spirit.

The high priest demanded an explanation of the apostles. 'We gave you a formal warning,' he said 'not to preach in this name, and what have you done? You have filled Jerusalem with your teaching, and seem determined to fix the guilt of this man's death on us.' In reply Peter and the apostles said, 'Obedience to God comes before obedience to men; it was the God of our ancestors who raised up Jesus, but it was you who had him executed by hanging on a tree. By his own right hand God has now raised him up to be leader and saviour, to give repentance and forgiveness of sins through him to Israel. We are witnesses to all this, we and the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.' They warned the apostles not to speak in the name of Jesus and released them. And so they left the presence of the Sanhedrin glad to have had the honour of suffering humiliation for the sake of the name.

The word of the Lord.**Thanks be to God.****Responsorial Psalm:****R. I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.****Second Reading****Revelation 5:11-14 (JB)**

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse

The Lamb that was sacrificed is worthy to be given power, wealth, glory, and blessing.

In my vision, I, John, heard the sound of an immense number of angels gathered round the throne and the animals and the elders; there were ten thousand times ten thousand of them and thousands upon thousands, shouting, 'The Lamb that was sacrificed is worthy to be given power, riches, wisdom, strength, honour, glory and blessing.' Then I heard all the living things in creation - everything that lives in the air, and on the ground, and under the ground, and in the sea, crying, 'To the One who is sitting on the throne and to the Lamb, be all praise, honour, glory and power, for ever and ever.' And the four animals said, 'Amen'; and the elders prostrated themselves to worship.

The word of the Lord.**Thanks be to God.****Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia!

Christ is risen, the Lord of all creation;
he has shown pity on all people.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL**John 21:1-14 (JB)**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jesus stepped forward, took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish.

Jesus showed himself again to his disciples. It was by the Sea of Tiberias, and it happened like this: Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee and two more of his disciples were together. Simon Peter said, 'I'm going fishing.' They replied, 'We'll come with you.' They went out and got into the boat but caught nothing that night.

It was light by now and there stood Jesus on the shore, though the disciples did not realise that it was Jesus. Jesus called out, 'Have you caught anything, friends?' And when they answered, 'No,' he said, 'Throw the net out to starboard and you'll find something.' So they dropped the net, and there were so many fish that they could not haul it in. The disciple Jesus loved said to Peter, 'It is the Lord.' At these words 'It is the Lord,' Simon Peter, who had practically nothing on, wrapped his cloak round him and jumped into the water. The other disciples came on in the boat, towing the net and the fish; they were only about a hundred yards from land.

As soon as they came ashore they saw that there was some bread there, and a charcoal fire with fish cooking on it. Jesus said, 'Bring some of the fish you have just caught.' Simon Peter went aboard and dragged the net to the shore, full of big fish, one hundred and fifty-three of them; and in spite of there being so many the net was not broken. Jesus said to them, 'Come and have breakfast.' None of the disciples was bold enough to ask, 'who are you?'; they knew quite well it was the Lord. Jesus then stepped forward, took the bread and gave it to them, and the same with the fish. This was the third time that Jesus showed himself to the disciples after rising from the dead.

The Gospel of the Lord.**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

GOSPEL REFLECTION
A LIGHT UNTO MY PATH
Third Sunday of Easter
Bishop Robert Barron

Saint Peter—blustery, passionate, flawed, a natural leader, a man deeply in love with Jesus, and a man wont to say and do the wrong things at the wrong times—has fascinated Christians across the centuries. We clearly see ourselves in him, warts and all.

The Gospel reading for the third Sunday of Easter is a Johannine masterpiece, every detail of which is worthy of careful attention. I will focus on one feature of this scene: namely, the curious fact of Peter's nakedness. During the period following the Death and Resurrection of the Lord, seven of Jesus' disciples are in a boat on the Sea of Galilee, plying their trade as fishermen. After a fruitless night of labour, just as dawn was breaking, Jesus called to them from the shore. John, the disciple whom Jesus specially loved, the mystic and seer among the twelve, cried out, *It is the Lord*. Upon hearing this, Peter, we are told, threw on some clothes, for he was naked. The Greek of the text is clear enough, employing the word *gymnos* (nude), though our contemporary translations tend to be a bit more demure, rendering the word as "lightly clad".

But for anyone with a biblical sensibility, Peter's act of covering up his nakedness calls vividly to mind the scene in the third chapter of Genesis, in which Adam, aware of his sin, is ashamed to appear naked before the Lord. So Peter, having denied Jesus three times at the moment of the Lord's greatest need, covered himself up before wading ashore to greet his Master. Jesus received his repentant disciple and then moved him, with infinite tenderness, through an exercise designed to address the triple denial. Three times the Lord asks, *Simon son of John, do you love me?* And three times the great Apostle says, *Lord, you know I love you*.

We are all Saint Peter: sinners who are nevertheless in love with the Lord. We are eager to encounter him and yet we are ashamed of our failures. Come ashore! Allow him to forgive you, and reaffirm your love for him.

(Source: Bp. Robert Barron—from *Magnificat May 2022* pg. 21)

ST JOSEPH

The Childhood of Christ (c. 1620)
Gerrit van Honthorst (1590-1656),
Hermitage Museum, Saint Petersburg, Russia



Prayer and work were linked closely in the home of Nazareth, built and sustained by the manual labour of Joseph, husband of Mary and foster-father of Jesus. Work was a form of prayer, as the work of Joseph's hands provided for the earthly needs of the Holy Family. In his evocative painting titled *The Childhood of Christ*, the 17th-Century Dutch painter Gerrit van Honthorst offers a visual catechesis on the dignity and sanctity of work, as visible in the childhood home of Jesus. The artist invites us into the inner recesses of the home of Jesus in Nazareth where the daily, humble work of Joseph, the carpenter was sanctified.

Source: *Magnificat May 2022* supplement.

LITURGICAL FEASTS AND EVENTS OF THE WEEK

Monday	May 2, 2022:	St Athanasius, bishop, doctor
Tuesday	May 3, 2022:	St Philip and James apostles

Source: *Ordo 2022*



POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION
FOR MAY 2022

FAITH-FILLED YOUNG PEOPLE

We pray for all young people, called to live life to the fullest; may they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service.

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

MONTH OF MAY

Devotion to Mary, Our Mother

Let us try our best to recite daily Rosary as a family.

Mary will always be there for you, to take you to her son, Jesus!

Fr Hilarion.



WORLD APOSTOLATE OF FATIMA

The Sydney Archdiocese Committee, of the World Apostolate of Fatima invite you to our May Celebration in St. Mary's Cathedral on **Saturday May, 14th** Honouring our Lady and intercede for peace in the World and the welfare of Australia.

To commence at 11.30am with entrance procession (inside the Cathedral) with the Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima (with the Immaculate Heart) Rosary, Litany of Loreto & Act of Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary followed by Holy Mass at Noon.

We look forward to you joining us in Prayer, especially for this recent outbreak in Ukraine.

Further enquiries please contact us on - [0403 578 994](tel:0403578994).

HOME CARE PACKAGES



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www.catholiccareddb.org.au



Aid to the
Church in Need
ACN AUSTRALIA

A message from Aid to the Church in Need Australia:

For 75 years, the support of Christian refugees has been a major pillar of the work of *Aid to the Church in Need* (ACN).

Today ACN is supporting displaced Catholic families by attending to basic needs such as food and medicine, but these families also hunger for the healing power of the sacraments and the pastoral support of the Church. As such, the help we provide is not only material. Our support of priests, sisters, and catechists all work to build up the faith and to offer help and consolation to those in desperate need.

Can you give hope to Christian refugees today?

www.aidtochurch.org/refugees

REST IN PEACE

It is with great sadness we announce the passing of:



Leitizia Dominello



*Eternal Rest grant to her O Lord,
And let the Perpetual light shine upon her,
May she Rest in Peace.
Amen*

***Our prayers and thoughts are with the
Dominello family and friends***

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:
Sam Barbagallo and George Dominello...may they Rest in Peace.



NEXT WEEKEND'S ROSTER

7/5/2022 to 8/5/2022

4TH Sunday of EASTER Year C

	Saturday 7pm	Sunday 9am
Acolyte		Lorraine Dailey
Reader1	Maria Gambino	Bernadette Watt
Reader2	Margaret Bensley	Ann Lomas
Prayers	Miriam Brown	Kath Moran
TV		Teresa Gambino
Music		Melanie Hume
Music		Marisa Q.
Music		Theresa Neely
Music		Nigel Morgan

DRAFT ROSTER NOW AT SACRISTY WINDOW

PARISH MEETINGS REMINDERS

PARISH FINANCE MEETING:

Monday 2nd of May 2022
7pm to 8pm at the Monastery

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING:

Monday 9th of May 2022
7pm to 8pm at the Monastery

THANK YOU

Thank you to the Appino family for donating the Tabernacle for Adoration on Holy Thursday (hand work of Matthew their son)

God bless you for your kindness!

1st HOLY COMMUNION CLASSES

First Holy Communion classes will commence for the children that are currently enrolled on the following dates.

Classes begin on Mondays:
From the 9th of May 2022 until 30th of May 2022.
4.15pm to 5.15pm.
Wednesdays 5.30pm to 6.30pm.

1st Holy Communion date:
Sunday 19th June 2022 10.30am

For more information contact
Paula on 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

Welcome again to all families joining in the Children's Mass this weekend!

This week has seen the start of SRE (Scripture) classes and it is lovely to be back teaching the children. Our **next Catechist meeting** is this week, **Wednesday 4th May at 12:30pm**. All are welcome.

Please keep in your prayers all our Catechists and the children they teach.

God bless,
Miriam Brown srearcadia@gmail.com
Parish Catechist Co-ordinator

GALSTON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION ASSOCIATION (GCEA)

A reminder that our next **GCEA committee meeting** is coming up soon. We would love to see you there.

When: Monday 9th May @ 7.30pm

Where: Glenorie Community Church

TRIVIA NIGHT

The GCEA Executive would love to invite you all to the **GCEA Fundraiser Trivia Night**. It's a wonderful opportunity to support the work being done in Galston High School to support the scripture teacher and have a fun night to boot.

Here are the important details:

What: GCEA Fundraiser Trivia Night
When: **Saturday June 4th - 7pm to 9.30pm**
Where: Galston Uniting Church
How much: \$20 / head or \$160 for a table of eight
RSVP: Sunday 29th May

Registration:
Click [here](#) to register and pay for the event.

PLEASE SUPPORT THIS EVENT AS IT HELPS PAY FOR THE ONLY SCRIPTURE TEACHER AT GALSTON HIGH SCHOOL.

GRAB YOUR FRIENDS AND ORGANISE A TABLE, OTHERWISE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE TO GET ADDED TO A TABLE WITH FELLOW PARISHIONERS! GREAT WAY TO MEET NEW PEOPLE.



ITALIAN ROSARY GROUP

Every Monday 2.00pm. Everyone welcome.
For more details call Angela Egiziano.
Ph: 9653 2312.



PASTORAL WORKS Broken Bay



Help renew and
rebuild families and parish
communities in Broken Bay.

Give now before 30 June

Visit:
bbcatholic.org.au/pastoralworks

Scan to give:



Parish Envelope:



All donations over
\$2 are tax-deductible
and contribute to
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St Edmund's College

7-12 students with disabilities

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Pastoral Works Broken Bay
is the new name for CWF



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SAINT OF THE WEEK

Saint Philip and James, Apostles

Feast Day: May 3

C. First Century



Patron Saint of hatmakers and pastry chefs (Philip) and pharmacists (James)

The smaller the town the bigger the man

The popes follow one another chronologically just like the presidents of the United States. One after another, after another, each inheriting the powers and responsibilities of his office. President John F. Kennedy followed President Dwight D. Eisenhower, just as Pope Saint John Paul II followed The Venerable Pope John Paul I. But there is a difference. Jesus' placing of Saint Peter as the symbolic and jurisdictional head of the universal Church is, of course, more significant than the popular election of a political leader. The papacy is also different in that every pope is, theologically speaking, the "direct successor" of Saint Peter, the first pope. From this perspective, every pope after Saint Peter is a second pope. So, for example, the two hundredth pope, chronologically, was still the second pope, theologically. No president would claim he is the direct successor of George Washington. He is the successor of his predecessor. Theological truths transcend space and time, since their source, God, exists outside of space and time.

The Office of St. Peter is theologically guaranteed by the easy-to-find, on-the-surface-of-the-text words of Christ telling Saint Peter that he is the rock upon which He will build His Church. Today's Pope, and every pope, occupies that same office, is protected by that same divine guarantee, and immediately succeeds Saint Peter when he is chosen by the Holy Spirit to occupy his chair.

What pertains to the Office of the Bishop of Rome also pertains to the Office of the Twelve Apostles. Today's saints, Philip and James, were called by name by Christ Himself. And after being called, they took the step that many who are called never take. They followed! The Twelve walked at Christ's side on dusty trails during His years of public ministry. They ate and drank with Him by the fire. They slept under the cold desert sky with Him. And Jesus looked right into their eyes, and only their eyes, and spoke directly to their faces, and only their faces, when He said on a Thursday night that was deeply holy, "Do this in memory of me." And then they did that, and many other things besides, in memory of Him, for the rest of their lives.

The four marks of the true Church are proof of its authenticity. "One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic" are the trademark stamp of the true Church, proving it is *the* Church founded by Jesus Christ. No other ecclesial community bears this trademark, and none except the Orthodox even claims to bear it. The mark of "One" means the Church is visibly one in spite of its many tongues, nations, classes, and races. The Church is one in her doctrine, her Sacraments, and her hierarchy. This oneness is not theoretical. It is tangible, real, and identifiable even to those without a doctorate in theology. This one, Christ-founded Church began with twelve followers who gathered as one around Jesus. These Twelve eventually appointed their own successors, who then, in turn, appointed successors, and so on through the centuries down to the present.

The universal college of bishops, the successor body to the Twelve Apostles, is the means by which the Oneness, or unity, of the Church is expressed, protected, and guaranteed. Bishops are not a secondary attribute or development of Christianity. They are embedded into and conjoined with the Word of God in one complex reality. They are not an outside source of authority external to Scripture. There simply would be no Scripture without that pre-existing authority which nurtured and developed it. The Church was the incubator of the New Testament.

Not much is known with certainty about the Apostles Philip and James, apart from their names and some few references in the New Testament. Saint James, commonly called the "Less" due perhaps to his short stature, was probably the cousin of Jesus. He was the first Bishop of Jerusalem, likely elected to that post by his fellow Apostles, and was stoned to death by resentful Jews. Saint Philip was from tiny Bethsaida in Galilee. After he received the Holy Spirit at Pentecost, he descended the stairs of the Upper Room and just kept walking into the darkness, his later life and labors unknown to history. More than having specific details about their later Christian exploits, it is more critical to know that Philip and James, and all the Apostles, are the sheet of bedrock into which the nascent Church sunk her deepest pillars and upon whose sturdy foundation the Church's great weight still rests. Philip and James' theological legacy continues today in every Bishop who teaches, sanctifies, and governs the baptized people of God.

Saints Philip and James, your hidden witness to Christ is less well-known than that of other Apostles, but is eloquent testimony to your quiet fidelity to building the Church after the Ascension. From your exalted place in Heaven, intercede for all who seek your assistance.



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THE RECENT RAIN & FLOODS?

Our emergency relief program
may be able to help you

1800 324 924

CatholicCare
Division of St. Vincent's Society

CATHOLIC CARE FLOOD RELIEF

Many of our communities have experienced damage to their homes and belongings as a result of the recent rain and floods.

Our emergency relief program may be able to assist. We can support with food and clothing vouchers, replacement of whitegoods and bill payments to help you recover.

We can also assist you to access a range of other supports if needed.

To find out more or to apply, call us today on [1800 324 924](tel:1800324924).

SAINT JOSEPH—MAN WITH A FATHER’S HEART

In his apostolic letter *With a Father’s Heart*, written for the Year of Saint Joseph, Pope Francis draws attention to several virtues of the foster-father of Jesus. Among these is the “creative courage” of Saint Joseph that filled the ordinary, everyday life of the Holy Family with extraordinary moments of God’s grace and providential care.

Joseph loved Jesus with “a father’s heart”. Jesus saw the face of God’s tender love in Joseph’s fatherly care. As Pope Francis notes, “Joseph saw Jesus grow daily *in wisdom, in stature, and in favour with God and men* (Lk 2:52). As the Lord had done with Israel, so Joseph did with Jesus: he taught him to walk, taking him by the hand; he was for him like a father who raises an infant to his cheeks, bending down to him (cf. Ho 11:3-4).”

Joseph also taught Jesus to work with his hands as they built, from natural elements and tools of wood and metal, the craft of a carpenter’s trade. It would be at the carpenter’s bench of Joseph that Jesus sanctified all work as a participation in his heavenly father’s ongoing creative and sanctifying work in the world.

We need only ask Saint Joseph for the grace of graces: our conversion.

Prayer to St Joseph:

*Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.
Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage,
and defend us from every evil. Amen.*

Source: Magnificat May 2022 Supplement.

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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