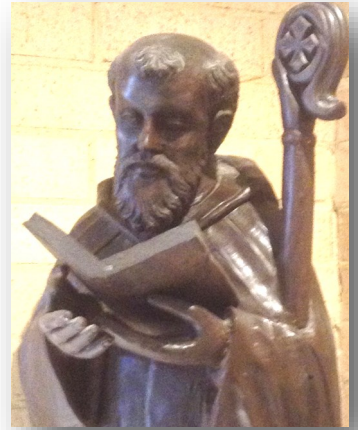


St Benedict's Parish

Arcadia

During these days, therefore, we will add to the usual measure of our service something by way of private prayer and abstinence from food or drink

Rule of St Benedict, Chapter 53



Third Sunday of Lent

23 & 24 March 2019

First Reading

**A reading from the book
of Exodus 3:1-8, 13-15**

*This is what you must say to the children of Israel:
I Am has sent me to you.*

Responsorial Psalm

The Lord is kind and merciful

Second Reading

**A reading from the first letter
of St Paul to the Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12**
*All this that happened to the people of Moses
in the desert was written for our benefit.*

Gospel Acclamation

**Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!
Repent, says the Lord;
the kingdom of heaven is at hand.
Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!**

Gospel

**A reading from the holy Gospel
according to Luke 13:1-9**
Unless you repent you will all perish as they did.

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.

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

PARISH FETE CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION

Please provide names of all businesses that have donated to the Chocolate Wheel in order to issue Certificates of Appreciation.

We will also publish names in our bulletin.

Chrism Mass You are invited to Chrism Mass!

Come and join together with our clergy and people across Broken Bay for the blessing and consecration of the Holy Oils for our parishes.

Mass begins at 7.30pm on **Tuesday 16 April**.

Soup and bread will be served in the courtyard from 6pm with tea and coffee afterwards.

If you would like to join the choir to lead the congregation in prayerful song please send an email to cathedral@bbcatholic.org.au and on the subject line type "Choir RSVP".

Rehearsal on the day in the Cathedral from 6pm to 7.30pm Mass start.

Our Lady of the Rosary Catholic Cathedral
23 Yardley Ave, Waitara

Lent

Copies of the **2019 Lenten Message of His Holiness Pope Francis** have been placed at both entrances to the Church together with a **letter from the Very Rev Dr David Ranson** regarding **Lenten Penance** and copies of the booklet **Discerning the Way of Jesus: Lectio Divina, Praying the Scriptures in Lent.**

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%**". You are empowering communities with hope and helping those in great need to shape a better future for themselves, their families and their communities.

Parish Lenten Groups Wednesdays during Lent

1pm Parish Centre
Contact - Miriam 9652 0558

7.30pm 726A Old Northern Road, Dural (Benigna's house)
Contact - Margaret 9653 3377

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 - **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.

Lenten Spirituality Morning - for Catechists and Friends
Friday, 29 March 9.30am to 12.30pm Peter Canisius House,
102 Mona Vale Road, Pymble

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

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION INTRODUCTION AND RENEWAL DAY - Sunday, 19 May

Venue St Benedict's Monastery
Time 10am for registration and welcome.
Concludes 3pm

Enquiries to Ann Bergman : anniebergman@hotmail.com
or Ann Lomas : atlomas@bigpond.com p. 9653 2637

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, Freya Sunderland & Carol Aviani.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM Information sessions on Reconciliation 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.

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.

ALPHA - 2019



Mondays from 6.30pm to 8.30pm commencing Monday, 6 May (9 weeks)

Please come and join us for dinner, a talk on aspects of Christian faith such as Who is Jesus? followed by a small group discussion.

Please take a card found at both entrances to the Church and invite family and friends.

If people are interested but cannot attend Monday nights we can also hold sessions on Wednesdays at 1-2pm

If you would like to find out more about Alpha Sandra is available after the 9am Mass each Sunday or call 0410 587 735 e.arcadia.parish@bigpond.com

PRAISEFEST: Catholic Youth Broken Bay invites all young people to our first PRAISEFEST of the year and celebrate together our World Youth Day Panama Reunion! The night includes our festival with food and activities, leading into a night of vibrant praise and honest worship, and inspirational relevant Word, and time for reflection and intimacy with Jesus.

Date Friday, 29 March

Time 6-9pm

Venue The Light of Christ Centre, Yardley Ave, Waitara RSVP youth@bbcatholic.org.au

That Christian communities, especially those who are persecuted, feel that they are close to Christ and have their rights respected.

Popes Francis' Prayer Intention for March

CATECHIST NEWS

Our Diocese provides free Training and Faith Formation for all Catechists. The next available training will take place this **Monday 25 March** at Pennant Hills from 9:30am - 2:0pm on Prayer in the Classroom and Listening and Questioning.

There is also a Lenten Spirituality morning being presented by Eulalie O'Keefe next **Friday 29 March** 9:30am - 2:30pm at Pymble. RSVP 8379 1643

Our next Catechist meeting will be in two weeks on **Wednesday 3 April** at 12:30pm in the Parish centre. All are welcome.

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

God bless,

Miriam Brown 9652 0558

Parish Catechist Co-ordinator

ST DYMPHNA HEALING SERVICE AND MASS

WEDNESDAY 8 MAY

Speaker and Celebrant Fr David Lemewu assisted by Brian Walsh and local Charismatic groups
Mass 7pm

Prayer and Healing Ministry 8pm

Venue Sacred Heart Church, 2 Richard Porter Way, Pymble

RSVP Monday 6 May 2019

steven.buhagiar@bbcatholic.org.au or ph 8379 1630

Enquiries Steven Buhagiar 0415 600 290

EASTER ROSTER: If you would like to be involved with the Easter liturgies, please write your name on the draft roster outside the sacristy.

NOTICES AND PAMPHLETS: Please talk to Father Bernard *before* placing any notices on the parish noticeboard or any pamphlets and booklets at the entrances to the Church.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

7.30pm Tuesday, 2 April 2019

MEETINGS this week

Monday	2.30pm	Italian Rosary
Monday	4.15pm	Sacramental Program
Wednesday	10.45am	Christ Catholic Community
Wednesday	1pm	Lenten group
Wednesday	7.30pm	Lenten group at Benigna's
Friday	7.30pm	Christ Catholic Community

Gospel reading for Next Week

Fourth Sunday of Lent Year C

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

Your brother here was dead and has come to life

The tax collectors and the sinners were all seeking the company of Jesus to hear what he had to say, and the Pharisees and the scribes complained. 'This man' they said 'welcomes sinners and eats with them.' So he spoke this parable to them:

'A man had two sons. The younger said to his father, "Father, let me have the share of the estate that would come to me." So the father divided the property between them. A few days later, the younger son got together everything he had and left for a distant country where he squandered his money on a life of debauchery. 'When he had spent it all, that country experienced a severe famine, and now he began to feel the pinch, so he hired himself out to one of the local inhabitants who put him on his farm to feed the pigs. And he would willingly have filled his belly with the husks the pigs were eating but no one offered him anything. Then he came to his senses and said, "How many of my father's paid servants have more food than they want, and here am I dying of hunger! I will leave this place and go to my father and say: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son; treat me as one of your paid servants.'" So he left the place and went back to his father.

'While he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was moved with pity. He ran to the boy, clasped him in his arms and kissed him tenderly. Then his son said, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I no longer deserve to be called your son." But the father said to his servants, "Quick! Bring out the best robe and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Bring the calf we have been fattening, and kill it; we are going to have a feast, a celebration, because this son of mine was dead and has come back to life; he was lost and is found." And they began to celebrate.

'Now the elder son was out in the fields, and on his way back, as he drew near the house, he could hear music and dancing. Calling one of the servants he asked what it was all about. "Your brother has come" replied the servant "and your father has killed the calf we had fattened because he has got him back safe and sound." He was angry then and refused to go in, and his father came out to plead with him but he answered his father, "Look, all these years I have slaved for you and never once disobeyed your orders, yet you never offered me so much as a kid for me to celebrate with my friends. But for this son of yours, when he comes back after swallowing up your property - he and his women - you kill the calf we have been fattening." 'The father said, "My son, you are with me always and all I have is yours. But it is only right we should celebrate and rejoice, because your brother here was dead and has come to life; he was lost and is found.'"

The Gospel of the Lord

Office for Safeguarding-Broken Bay

A culture of Safeguarding values
servant leadership

"Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received."

1 Peter 4:10

safeguarding@bbcatholic.org.au
ph. 8379 1605

ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEK - 30 & 31 March

	7pm	9am
A	Paul Camilleri	Paul ElChaar
R1	Miriam Brown	Helen Facione
R2	Mary Cascun	Peter Goodwin
P	Mary Camilleri	Margaret Florian
AS		
EM	Lorna Boniel	Bernadette Watt
EM	Caterina Baccarella	Jessie Guiana
EM		Angela Scotti
EM		Kath Moran
M		Melanie Hume
M		Marisa, Karen & Keith
M		Teresa G & Teresa N
CL1		Gebran Azzi
CL2		Rosie Sakkal
MT		Mary Abood
CT		Bernadette & Peter G
WEL		Kath & Margaret Mc

PLAYGROUP Mondays during school term(s)

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

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Parish Priest: Fr. Bernard McGrath osb
After hours: 0416 032 497
Good Samaritan Sisters: 9653 1231
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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.