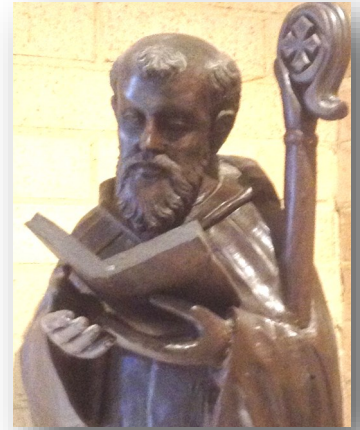


St Benedict's Parish

Arcadia

Live by God's commandments every day

Rule of St Benedict, Chapter 4



Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

22 and 23 September 2018

First Reading

A reading from the book of Wisdom 2:12, 17-20
Let us condemn him to a most shameful death.

Responsorial Psalm

The Lord upholds my life.

Second Reading

A reading from the letter of
St James 3:16-4:3
*Justice is the harvest of peacemakers
from seeds sown in a spirit of peace.*

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
**God has called us with the gospel
to share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.**
Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel
according to Mark 9:30-37
*The Son of Man will be delivered
into the hands of humanity ... All who wish to be first
must make themselves the servants of all.*

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

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

Our Lady of Fatima Feast Day Procession and Mass at St Benedict's

Date Sunday, 14 October
Time 1pm

Commences with a play and recital of the Rosary in five languages followed by a procession and concluding with Mass.

Please bring a plate to share for supper.

Children are welcome to dress in white for the procession.

PLENARY COUNCIL 2020 - REACHING COMMUNITIES WHO SPEAK LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH

Our parishes and schools have begun to hold listening sessions for parishioners, St Vincent de Paul groups, ministry groups, school staff and students.

We are pleased to share that our Listening & Dialogue Guide is now also available in CHINESE, ITALIAN and KOREAN. We pray that this resource will enable those who might otherwise have found it challenging to find their voice in the Plenary Council dialogue, to more readily participate and to have their voices heard.

Parishes of the Diocese of Broken Bay are holding Listening and Dialogue sessions so that all can contribute towards the Plenary Council 2020.

These resources are now available on the diocesan website: <https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/parish-community/plenary-council/our-resources>

CATHOLIC MISSION: Thank you for supporting this year's Catholic Mission Church Appeal through your kind gifts and prayers, and for being a part of an "education revolution" in Myanmar. Your generosity makes it possible for programs such as the Pyinya Sanyae Institute of Education, as well as schools like St John's in Hakha, to provide quality, child-centred education to children. Thank you also to parishioners who have become an integral part of this inspiring work by joining as monthly giving partners. For more information about the work of Catholic Mission around the world, please contact our friendly team at the freecall number below, or at catholicmission.org.au/about-us/contact

Freecall: 1800 257 296
catholicmission.org.au/Myanmar

SAVE THE DATE!

October 2018: Family Dinner in the Parish—date to be confirmed.

1 November 2018: Annual Broken Bay Charity Race Day, The Entertainment Ground, Gosford: all money raised this year will go to CatholicCare's Hospital Chaplaincy Program. To buy your tickets to this fun day out, call Hazel Lim on 8379 1621 or e.

25 December 2018: Spirit of Christmas Dinner

10 March 2019: St Benedict's Parish Fete

Latin Mass will commence in the parish on Sunday, 21 October at 4.30pm and will be celebrated by Fr Yuhanna Azize, a Maronite Catholic priest.

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 ~ Luca Tassone 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), Sr Monica & Freya Sunderland.

A PLACE TO CALL HOME: MAKING A HOME FOR

EVERYONE IN OUR LAND - Next week is Social Justice Sunday. Copies of this year's Social Justice Statement are available at both entrances to the Church.

WOMEN IN THE SCRIPTURES: DISCOVERING THEIR STORIES

There are many intriguing stories in the Bible which feature women across both the Old and New Testaments. Over two evenings, rediscover these stories with biblical scholars and educators Dr Michele Connolly, RSJ and Dr Debra Snoddy from the Catholic Institute of Sydney. Hear the voices of courageous, faithful, strong, gentle and shrewd women, and understand their contexts, roles and relationship in the society and households of their times, as well as the way in which they are portrayed in the biblical texts.

Date Mondays 15 & 22 October 2018

Time 7 to 9pm

Venue Caroline Chisholm Centre, Building 2, 423 Pennant Hills Road, Pennant Hills

RSVP by 11 October faith.formation@bbcatholic.org.au

SOCIAL JUSTICE REFLECTION AFTERNOON What does it

mean to be involved in social justice as a Christian? How have we lived out this dimension of our Christian life in the last few decades? Where is the way forward for the practice of social justice in our parishes? If you are looking to revitalise or start a social justice group in your parish, come along to this reflection and workshop afternoon with Cristina Gomez, Justice and Integral Development Coordinator, and Krishmalie Perera from the Catholic Youth Broken Bay Office. We encourage you to attend as part of a group interested in or working in social justice from your parish, if possible. Please RSVP for catering and logistical purposes.

Presenters Cristina Gomez and Krishmalie Perera

Date Saturday 13 October

Time 1-4pm

Venue Caroline Chisholm Centre, Building 2, 423 Pennant Hills Road, Pennant Hills

RSVP by 9 October to Cristina Gomez at faith.formation@bbcatholic.org.au or 8379 1628 or to Krishmalie Perera at krishmalie.perera@bbcatholic.org.au or 8379 1635.

CATECHIST NEWS

Term 3 ends this week on **Friday 28 September** and Term 4 will start on **Monday 15 October**.

Please continue to keep our Catechists and the children they teach in your prayers. Can you especially keep Lyla Abood in your prayers at this time.

God bless,

Miriam Brown 9652 0558

Parish Catechist Co-ordinator

CHILDREN'S MASS IS ANYONE INTERESTED IN HELPING WITH CHILDREN'S MASS ONCE A MONTH DURING SCHOOL TERM? This involves organising readers and prayers of the faithful. If so, please contact the office on 9653 2312.

COLUMBAN CALENDARS 2019: are now available. Please see Father Bernard after mass or contact the office on 9653 2312 if you would like to purchase a copy. Price \$10.00

MOUNT ST BENEDICT RETREAT CENTRE - RETREATS

10 November: Children's Meditation and Relaxation Workshop \$30 per child Bookings by 5 November

2 December: Advent Festival of Readings and Songs Bookings by 26 November

e.mtstbenedict@goodsams.org.au ph.8752 5390

MOUNT CARMEL RETREAT CENTRE - RETREATS

28-30 September: Deep Into the Thicket

6 October: Exploring God's Love with Julian of Norwich

8-14 October: Guided Retreat - A Week with St Therese of Lisieux

19-21 October: Gregorian Chant Workshop and Retreat

e.retreats@carmelite.com p.8795 3400

MEETINGS this week 24 to 28 September

Monday	2.30pm	Italian Rosary
Tuesday	7.30pm	Catholic Charismatic Renewal
Wednesday	10.45am	Christ Catholic Community
Friday	7.30pm	Christ Catholic Community

That consecrated religious men and women may
bestir themselves, and be present among the poor,
the marginalised, and those who have no voice.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for September

Safeguarding Month - September 2018

'Communities of Safety and Care'

The children, young and vulnerable people of the Catholic Diocese of Broken Bay must be kept safe.

Gospel reading for Next Week

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

Anyone who is not against us is for us. If your hand should cause you to sin, cut it off.

John said to Jesus, 'Master, we saw a man who is not one of us casting out devils in your name; and because he was not one of us we tried to stop him.' But Jesus said, 'You must not stop him: no one who works a miracle in my name is likely to speak evil of me. Anyone who is not against us is for us.'

'If anyone gives you a cup of water to drink just because you belong to Christ, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward.'

'But anyone who is an obstacle to bring down one of these little ones who have faith, would be better thrown into the sea with a great millstone round his neck. And if your hand should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life crippled, than to have two hands and go to hell, into the fire that cannot be put out. And if your foot should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life lame, than to have two feet and be thrown into hell. And if your eye should cause you to sin, tear it out; it is better for you to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye, than to have two eyes and be thrown into hell where their worm does not die nor their fire go out.'

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
7.30pm Tuesday, 2 October

We will be kept safe by ADULTS who...

TELL us about dangers – and what's being done to protect us



COMMUNITIES OF SAFETY AND CARE

We will be kept safe by ADULTS who...

SEE what other adults are doing, and how they are behaving



COMMUNITIES OF SAFETY AND CARE

ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEK - 29-30 September

	7pm	9am
A	Paul Camilleri	Lorraine Dailey
R1	Mary Cascun	Bernadette Watt
R2	Margaret Bensley	Melanie Hume
P	Mary Camilleri	Kath Moran
AS		
EM	Caterina Vaccarella	Liliana Nati
EM	Pip Gibian	Angela Scotti
EM		Jim Shipley
EM		Trish Shipley
M		Karina Takchi
M		Takchi Family
M		
CL1		School Holidays
CL2		School Holidays
MT		Rosie Sakkal
CT		Lorraine & Peter
WEL		Peter & Grace

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.pariah@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.