

St Benedict's Parish

Arcadia

Bring forth truth from one's heart and mouth

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

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.

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 and 2 September 2018

First Reading

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8
You may add nothing to the word which I speak to you - keep the commands of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 14:2-5

The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

Second Reading

A reading from the letter of St James 1:17-18, 21-22, 27

Be doers of the word.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Father gave us birth by his message of truth, that we might be as the first fruits of his creation.

Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

You forget the commandments of God and hold on to human tradition.

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

Season of Creation

1 September to 4 October

We are faced with the devastating effects of climate change as we have seen through extreme drought in Australia and floods in Kerala, India. The need to care for our creation is even more urgent today. Christian Churches all over the world will be celebrating the Season of Creation between **1 September** and **4 October** - the Feast of St Francis of Assisi. We pray that all people may learn to respect creation and care for it as a gift of God. For further information and resources please visit SeasonofCreation.org.

PLENARY COUNCIL 2020

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

Keep up to date at
<http://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au>

ST BENEDICT'S PARISH FETE

Save the Date!: Sunday, 10 March 2019

Liturgy of Commitment and Care

To officially begin Safeguarding Month in the Diocese of Broken Bay, the Liturgy of Commitment and Care will be held on **Tuesday, 4 September** at **7pm** at **Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral**.

The Liturgy is an opportunity for all to commit to ensuring a culture of safety and care prevails in all our Parish communities. A letter introducing Safeguarding Month from the Diocesan Administrator, Very Rev Dr David Ranson, is available at the front entrance to the Church.

If you are able to attend and collect a Commitment Pack on behalf of the parish please let Fr Bernard know.

WE NEED FOSTER CARERS: There are children on the Central Coast who have been through experiences few of us could imagine and who, without our help, will go through childhood without the love and support of a family. We are looking for everyday families who might consider taking a child or young person into their home—to love and support them whether for one or two nights, a few weeks, months or permanently through adoption.

Information Evening

Date Tuesday, 11 September 6pm
Venue Suite 1, 32 Central Coast Highway, West Gosford. If you would like to join us for a casual chat p. 02 4320 7700
e. heather.huff@catholicareddb.org.au

Lectio Divina

read meditate pray contemplate

Is anyone interested in meeting on a regular basis to pray through Scripture?

Proposed times and days:
every second and fourth Thursday and Friday
from 9.30am to 10am.

Start date to be confirmed.

Sandra m. 0410 587 735
e. arcadia.parish@bigpond.com

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 ~ Zaylee Bakhtiyari, Eloise David, Leonardo Oppedisano and Harper Barnes 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), Sr Monica & Freya Sunderland.

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 or see Sandra after Mass.

CATHOLIC MISSION: NEXT WEEKEND our parish will be holding the annual Catholic Mission Church Appeal. This year we are invited to help to heal a nation through education in Myanmar. Led by Cardinal Charles Maung Bo, the Church is developing an alternative system of quality education, with comprehensive teacher training programs and the establishment of new schools, especially in remote areas. It has been called an 'education revolution', and the potential impact is far-reaching. **Please come prepared next weekend and give generously to this important work.** You will have an opportunity to become an integral part of this inspiring work by joining as a monthly giving partner. This regular contribution will directly support education in Myanmar. Freecall: 1800 257 296
catholicmission.org.au/Myanmar

The 2018 DIOCESAN CHILDREN'S CHOIR GAMES

will be held on **Sunday, 21 October** at St Philip Neri Church, Northbridge. Open to any young singer from Year 2 to Year 12. Registration opens at 12.30pm, followed by workshops and rehearsals plus a break for socialising. Families and friends are invited to join the action at 3pm and watch the choirs compete. Afternoon tea for all will be provided after the Games. Registration \$5 per singer
Places are limited - please RSVP to music@ins.org.au or 9958 8846.

CATHOLIC YOUTH BROKEN BAY—CYBB PRAISEFEST

Join young people from across the Diocese for our next CYBB praisefest! Get a chance to catch up with friends while enjoying our pre event Festival, encounter God through vibrant and honest worship, and receive spiritual nourishment through an inspiring and relevant message. We are welcoming the one and only Sr Rosie Drum, MGL on the night as she speaks on "Make Me a Vessel"! A light dinner will be provided from 6pm before our night begins. **Note:** This event is open to high school students through to young adults up to the age of 30.

When **Friday, 7 September 6-8pm**
Where Sacred Heart Pymble Parish Hall, Vehicle Access via 5 Bobbin Head Road, Pymble
RSVP youth@bbcatholic.org.au

CATECHIST NEWS Welcome to all families attending our Children's Mass this Sunday and wishing all fathers a very happy and holy **Father's Day!** All are invited to remain for morning tea after Mass.

Our next Catechist meeting will be held next **Wednesday 5 September at 12:30pm.** Fr Bernard has kindly offered to guide us through a personal reflection time during this meeting. All are welcome!

Concluding the article from Alison Newell, CCD Diocesan Coordinator "*There is a minority voice in the community which is opposed to SRE (Special Religious Education) in public schools, but the McCrindle Research challenges that position. (Indeed 71% of parents in NSW public primary schools are currently opting in to SRE for their children) Around 430,000 students in NSW public schools regularly attend SRE classes at the choice of their parents. Let us take a moment to celebrate this wonderful Ministry of SRE and in so doing congratulate the 1,000 volunteer catechists who witness to the love of Jesus as they teach SRE to Catholic students in the public schools of our parishes in the Diocese of Broken Bay.*"

If you would like to be involved in witnessing Jesus' love to our children in the local primary schools either as a Catechist or a helper, please contact Fr Bernard or myself.

Please keep in prayer all our Catechists especially Lyla Abood at this time.

God bless, Miriam Brown 9652 0558
Parish Catechist Co-ordinator

ST LEO'S CATHOLIC COLLEGE, WAHROONGA SHOWCASE

Date Wednesday 5 September 7-9pm
Venue The Light of Christ Centre, Yardley Ave, Waitara
Featuring outstanding works and performances by Years 7-12 in a variety of mediums including drama, music, visual art, design, photography and more.
Tickets at door \$5 adults, \$3 concession, \$10 families including light refreshments and lucky door prizes.

The **ROSTER** is available and can be collected from the sacristy.

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

MEETINGS this week 3 to 7 September

Monday 2.30pm Italian Rosary
Tuesday 7.30pm Catholic Charismatic Renewal
Wednesday 10.45am Christ Catholic Community
Wednesday 12.30pm Catechists
Friday 7.30pm Christ Catholic Community



During September the parish will actively pray for and raise awareness about Safeguarding. Masses and events will highlight our commitment to being communities of safety and care.

ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEK - 8-9 September

	7pm	9am
A	Paul Camilleri	Nigel Morgan
R1	Mary Camilleri	Peter Bellew
R2	Mary Cascun	Margaret Florian
P	Miriam Brown	Margaret McKinley
AS		
EM	Caterina Vaccarella	Jessie Guiana
EM	Pip Gibian	Lorraine Dailey
EM		Pam Galbraith
EM		Bernadette Watt
M		Melanie Hume
M		Liz, Keith
M		Karen De Souza
CL1		Peter Goodwin
CL2		Rosie Sakkal
MT		Sophie Rebula
CT		Lorraine & Rosie
WEL		Grace

PLAYGROUP Mondays during school term(s)

Monday, 10 September KU GALSTON

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

Gospel reading for Next Week

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark 7:31-37

He makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak

Returning from the district of Tyre, Jesus went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, right through the Decapolis region. And they brought him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they asked him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, put his fingers into the man's ears and touched his tongue with spittle. Then looking up to heaven he sighed; and he said to him, 'Ephphatha,' that is, 'Be opened.' And his ears were opened, and the ligament of his tongue was loosened and he spoke clearly. And Jesus ordered them to tell no one about it, but the more he insisted, the more widely they published it. Their admiration was unbounded. 'He has done all things well,' they said 'he makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Happy Father's day to all our wonderful dads!

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, 4 September

Parish Office: 9653 2312
Parish Priest: Fr. Bernard McGrath osb
After hours: 0416 032 497
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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.