



ST BENEDICT'S PARISH

North Lakes, Mango Hill & Griffin

**The Fourteenth Sunday in
Ordinary Time, Year C.
6th July 2025.**

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Place of Worship:

**St Benedict's Catholic Primary School Hall
22 St Benedict's Close, Mango Hill 4509.**

Mass Times:

**Friday - 9.00am
Saturday - 4.00pm
Sunday - 8.30am and 5.30pm**

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Readings for this week - 6th July 2025.

The Fourteenth Sunday OT YRC.

**1st Reading - Isaiah 66: 10-14.
Psalm - Ps 65: 1-7, 16, 20.
Response - Let all the earth cry out to
God with joy.
2nd Reading - St Paul to Galatians
6: 14-18.
Gospel - Luke 10: 1-12, 17-20.**

Rejoicing in the Lord Who Sets Us Free

This coming Sunday's readings are a beautiful reminder of the joy and freedom we are offered in the Lord. In our first reading from Isaiah, we hear the invitation to rejoice with Jerusalem—God's beloved city—because of the abundant comfort and peace He gives. It is an image of life in full bloom, where God nurtures His people like a mother lovingly feeding and comforting her child. The Lord is the source of life and consolation, drawing us close to His heart, where we find true joy.

In our second reading, St. Paul emphasises that this joy and freedom are found not in worldly achievements or human status, but in the Cross of Christ. "The world has been crucified to me, and I to the world," Paul declares. It is in dying to our selfish desires that we are raised to new life in Christ. The new creation Paul speaks of is not defined by appearances or achievements, but by transformation through grace—a life lived no longer for self, but for God and others.

In the Gospel from Luke, Jesus sends out seventy-two disciples, entrusting them with His mission of peace, healing, and salvation. They return rejoicing, amazed at the power they witnessed in His name. But Jesus gently redirects their joy: "Do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven." Our deepest joy is not in power or success, but in knowing we are loved, known, and saved by God.

We live in a world that often leaves us restless, ashamed, and broken—slaves to the desires of the flesh that never satisfy. These human weaknesses isolate us from God and damage our relationships with those closest to us. But today's readings proclaim a message of hope: we are not abandoned to our brokenness. The Lord offers us new life, full of healing and love. Through His selfless love, we are freed to love others truly and purely—not harming, but honouring, those dearest to us.

So, let us rejoice in the Lord who gives us abundant life. Let us draw deeply from the well of His mercy. And let us go out, like the disciples, bringing peace and healing to a world hungry for real love.

THE APPOINTMENT TO BRISBANE—OF BISHOP SHANE MACKINLAY

For many reasons I welcome the appointment of Bishop Shane Mackinlay as my successor in Brisbane where he will be a distinguished addition to the line of Archbishops.

Bishop Shane has shown himself an unusually gifted man in his years as priest in Ballarat and Melbourne and as bishop in Bendigo and beyond.

He has a fine mind, and he will bring intellectual firepower to his ministry as Archbishop and to public debate in Queensland and Australia. He will be able to dialogue intelligently with a culture which at many points is distant from Christian understandings.

He is also an experienced pastor who knows how to listen and who through his time as Master of Catholic Theological College in Melbourne remained a Parish Priest near Ballarat. As bishop, he has been able both to shepherd the Diocese of Sandhurst and to accept responsibility on the global stage.

He deals well with both the big picture and the nuts and bolts, which is why he is a capable administrator. That will serve him well in a diocese as large and as complex as Brisbane.

Temperamentally, he is not easily flustered, having about him a poise that makes him a good driver in heavy traffic. That too will serve him well as Archbishop at a time when the traffic can be heavy.

At 60 he is also of the right age and maturity to assume greater responsibility not only in Brisbane and Queensland but nationally and internationally.

As we look to the installation on 11 September 2025, I have no doubt Bishop Shane will bring these gifts and fresh energies to the Archdiocese of Brisbane, where he will be creative in pursuing the path of synodality into the future God is preparing. I am grateful to Pope Leo for this wise choice of a new Archbishop, and I commend Bishop Shane to you and your prayers as he prepares for this new mission.

+Mark Coleridge 18 June 2025

BIOGRAPHY OF ARCHBISHOP-ELECT SHANE MACKINLAY

Bishop Shane Mackinlay was born in Melbourne in 1965 and attended the local government school until his family moved to Ballarat in 1975. In Ballarat, he was a student at St Francis Xavier Primary School and St Patrick's College, where he was dux in 1982. He has two siblings and is the uncle of five nieces and nephews.

He studied for the priesthood at Corpus Christi College, Clayton, completing theology studies at Catholic Theological College and a degree in physics at Monash University. As a deacon, he served in the parish of Warrnambool, before being ordained as priest for the Ballarat Diocese in 1991, and serving in the parishes of Hamilton, Colac and Ballarat Cathedral. He then undertook graduate studies in philosophy at the Catholic University of Leuven, Belgium, where he completed a Master's degree and a Doctorate. His doctoral thesis was published by Fordham University Press.

Bishop Mackinlay was administrator of the Casterton parish for six months and parish priest of the Sebastopol parish for four years. He was parish priest of the Bungaree parish from

The Week Ahead...

Thursday 10th July

St Benedict's Parish Newsletter sent out via email.

9am-2pm - Drop off for Bake Sale at Parish Office (for Christmas in July Market Seasons)

Friday 11th July

No 9am Mass.

9am-1.30pm - Christmas in July Market, Seasons Aged Care, Mango Hill.

Saturday 12th July

4pm - St Benedict's Parish Mass.

Sunday 13th July

8.30am - St Benedict's Parish Mass.

St Benedict's Feast Day—Morning Tea to follow 8.30am Mass.

5.30pm - St Benedict's Parish Mass

2005 until his appointment as bishop; from 2009, he also provided weekend sacramental ministry for the neighbouring parish of Gordon.

For several years, he taught philosophy at Australian Catholic University, Ballarat. Most of his teaching has taken place at Catholic Theological College, Melbourne, where he was appointed Master in 2011. The following year, he was appointed Associate Professor by the University of Divinity.

From 2012 to 2014 he was the spokesperson for the Catholic Church during the Victorian Parliamentary Inquiry into the Handling of Child Abuse by Religious and other Non-Government Organisations.

He was secretary to the Bishop of Ballarat from 1998 to 2001, and was the chairperson of the Bishop's Advisory Council of the Ballarat diocese from when it was established in 2009.

He was a member of the College of Consultors of the Ballarat diocese on two occasions and also served six years as Chairman of the two funds that provide support to the active and retired priests of the Ballarat diocese.

Pope Francis appointed Bishop Mackinlay as the eighth Bishop of Sandhurst on 23 July 2019. Since then, he has been elected as Vice-President of the Fifth Plenary Council of Australia and one of the Australian delegates to the forthcoming Synod for a Synodal Church. In 2019, he was asked to join the Methodist-Roman Catholic International Commission, and in 2022 was appointed as its Co-Chair.

**** IMPORTANT NOTICE ****

Friday Mass Changes in coming weeks.

Please note:- There will be no 9am Friday Mass for the weeks of the School Holidays, 4th and 11th July.

We will return to 9am Friday Mass on the 18th July with an Anointing Mass for Parishioners

Our St Benedict's Feast Day Mass 8:30am July 13th - Please bring a Plate

On Sunday July 13 at our 8:30am Mass, we will be celebrating St Benedict's Feast Day. We invite all parishioners and their friends to come along and join us in celebrating. This Mass will be followed by morning tea.

It would be great if our wonderful parishioners could bring a plate to cater for our morning tea. **If you are bringing a plate, please let our Parish Secretary, Renae, know for catering purposes.**

Please come along to celebrate our feast, and invite as many as you like, for all are WELCOME!

Christmas in July - Bake Sale Fundraiser - Friday 11th July, 9am to 1.30pm at Seasons Aged Care.

We are grateful to have another opportunity to help with the fundraising towards our church building project! We are putting out the call for your help! Join us for a **Christmas in July Themed Cake and Treats Stall** at **Season's Aged Care, Mango Hill** on **Friday, July 11th**.

If you're able to: **Serve on the day**, or **Provide baked goods or other treats**, please get in touch with Renae in the Parish Office. Your assistance, as always, will be greatly appreciated.

One again the Parish Office is available for a drop off point on Thursday 10th July, 9am-2pm. All proceeds will go directly towards the building of our church. Thank you for your support!

Two Collections at Mass

At our Sunday Masses we now back to having two collections that serve two vital purposes. The **First Collection**, taken at the offertory, is for the running of our **Parish**. This includes my car expenses, housekeeping and stipend expenses, salaries, rent for our office, office expenses, Presbytery expenses. utility bills, and the cost of running various parish programs such as Sacramental Program and the RCIA. It ensures the daily functioning of the parish, allowing it to serve the community and continue its mission.

The **Second Collection**, taken after Holy Communion, is for the building of our **Church**. We are very close to securing our land, we now need funds to build a church.

Have a fabulous week, crying out to God with joy, **Fr Bryan.**



Save the Date...

In July...

6th - Baptism Celebration and Preparation Morning.

11th - Christmas in July Bake Sale - Season Aged Care, Mango Hill, 9am to 1.30pm.

13th - St Benedict's Feast Day Celebration following 8.30am Mass.—Morning Tea

20th - Children's Liturgy of the Word, in 8.30am Mass.

20th & 27th - Children's Sacramental Program Preparation, enrolment required.

In August...

3rd & 10th - Children's Sacramental Program Preparation, enrolment required.

10th - Baptism Celebration and Preparation Morning

15th - Solemnity Mass, The Assumption 9am & 7pm

17th & 24th - Children's Sacramental Mass, enrolment required.

17th - Children's Liturgy of the Word, in 8.30am Mass.

31st - Baptism Celebration and Preparation Morning.

In September...

21st - Children's Liturgy of the Word, in 8.30am Mass.

21st - Parish Morning Tea (after 8.30am Mass)

Mass Ministry Roster - Ministry Roster - Week 2.

Saturday 12th July, 4pm

Commentator: Sharon Hickey

Reader 1: B-Jay Foronda

Reader 2: Kay Corcoran

Communion Minister: Susana Karim

Sunday 13th July, 8.30am

Commentator: Ronnie Vaipuna

Reader 1: Zepher Vaipuna

Reader 2: Angel Vaipuna

Communion Minister: John Vaipuna, Gabby and Sa Ikitau

Sunday 13th July, 5.30pm

Commentator: Tim Campbell

Reader 1: Xanthe Campbell

Reader 2: Geni Campbell

Communion Minister: Sheeja Alphonse

Should you not be able to attend your Ministry Roster, please let the Sacristans know asap, or arrange a swap please. Thank you for your assistance.



Children's Liturgy of the Word – 3rd Sunday of the Month

Children's Liturgy of the Word will take place in Sunday 8.30am Mass on the third Sunday of each the Month. Next is:-20th July.
Children from the age groups of Prep to Grade 4 are welcome to attend.

Parish Weekly Newsletter via Email.

Receiving our weekly Parish Newsletter via Email is a wonderful way to keep up to date with the varied ministries and events happening in and around our Parish and the Archdiocese. If you are not currently receiving our Newsletter via email and would like to, please contact the Parish Office so we can set you up in our Database to receive them electronically.

The Newsletter is also uploaded to our Parish Website every Thursday.

We do have very limited access to printing a small amount of the Newsletter most weeks, however our preferred method to share information is via email.



Baptism at St Benedict's.

We invite all families wishing to have children Baptised into the Catholic Faith at St Benedict's, to please contact the Parish Office for information and available dates for Baptism Preparation and Baptism in 2025.

Enrolments for Sacramental Programs 2025.

We welcome families wishing to enroll children to receive their Sacraments or seeking to obtain information about our 2025/2026 Sacramental Programs, to please contact the Parish Office via email. To receive the Sacraments of:-

Confirmation - children in Grade 3 and above having already received the Sacrament of Baptism are eligible. Takes place through out the months of July and August.

First Holy Communion (Eucharist) and

Reconciliation - Please keep all of the children who are about to complete their Sacramental Journey by receiving their First Holy Communion in your prayers over the coming weeks. May they be filled with Blessings and Joy.



Planned Giving Envelopes 2025/2026—Gentle reminder for those who give to Planned Giving via Parish Envelopes, the 2025/2026 envelopes are available to collect at the Mass Centre Welcome Table.

Envelope are also available for those who generously nominated this method as their preferred way of giving in the recent Pledge drive. Should there be Parishioners wishing to support the Parish financially via Planned Giving, please contact the Parish Office.

St Benedict's Prayer Network - Prayer Requests

Prayer requests are always welcomed and can be made in three ways to the Prayer Team.

1. Written into the Prayer Request Book located on the timber stand in the Mass Centre entrance.
2. Written and placed into the small wooden prayer box, in front of the Altar.
3. Or via email to ranthony52@hotmail.com.

A new prayer request will be needed after 4 weeks.

Should you wish you have a name placed in the prayer requests in the Parish Newsletter, please email the Parish Office by email.



Please remember in your Prayers:

Those who are Unwell: Gail Tarrier, Joy and Russell Darby.

Those whose Anniversaries occur at this time: Marj and Neville Williams, Paul Kraus, Gabrielle Harris.

Our Dear Recently Departed: Leo Withoos.



Parish Fundraising- \$5 Lucky Numbers.

Support our Parish Fundraising by purchasing a \$5 Lucky Number.

Numbers are available from the Mass Centre this weekend.

All funds raised will go directly back to our Church.

Good Luck!



Congratulations and Welcome into the Catholic Family

This coming Sunday, 6th July, we joyfully welcome into the Catholic Family,

Caleb, Inayah, Feyrah and Ella.

As Caleb, Inayah, Feyrah and Ella receive the Sacrament of Baptism with us at St Benedict's; May we pray, that together with family and friends, Caleb, Inayah, Feyrah and Ella, experience God's happiness, joy and love, now and always.

"Isaiah Trusting God in Troubled Times" Tuesday's, 7pm.

Our Prayer Network has commenced a 10 week Bible Study Program on Tuesday evenings at 7pm from June 10th on zoom, finishing on Tuesday August 26th with a 2 week break in between for the school holidays. Should you be interested in joining, all are welcome, here is the zoom link - <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89745623212>

IMPORTANT NOTICE —Changes to Blue Card Requirements for Safeguarding Parish Ministry Roles.

Please be advised that Parishioners who may've required a Blue Card previously for their Volunteer Role, may no longer require one. If this is the case you may receive an email from 'Blue Card' to say that your details have now been 'parked/delinked'. Should you have any questions please contact our Office.

Blue Card and/or Police Checks are to be held by those that are working directly with children for our Parish or hold particular roles in accordance with Archdiocese guidelines. Should you be required to hold/renew your Blue Card/Police Check, our Parish Office will be contact you directly. Thank you.

"Every conversation matters"
Safeguarding matters.



Justice Peace & Ecology Noticeboard.

SOOT Program 2025 (Signs of Our Times). - Please join us this Sunday 13th July for our final gathering for the 2025 SOOT Program. The workshop will start at 10am in the College staff room, just beyond St Benedict's statue. Conclusion by noon.

How does Justice Peace and Ecology Group operate? A ministry where you can make a real difference to the world. We strive to fulfill the teachings of Jesus as passed to us through scripture. Pope Frances gave all Catholics visions of how we should love our fellow man in practical terms, and how we must protect our God-given environment. Pope Leo XIV seems to be reinforcing these words. In turn, in 2022, Archbishop Mark supported a charitable project that gave tangible shape to these ideals, and, by exploring "how we should behave in loving our fellow man", the "Signs of Our Times" guides emerged.

Pope Frances exhorted us to look out at the world and not be blind to issues there. To meet these ideals we support Project Compassion, work with St Benedict's School to collect toiletry packs for Vinnies, collect clothing for the Men's Shelter, conduct the annual SOOT workshops, advocate for a Neighbourhood Centre in North Lakes, Mango Hill and Griffin, and lead the Parish in preparation of a Parish Laudato Si Action Plan, but more about that next week.

JP&E has a new email address - jpestbenedicts@gmail.com.

The old email address is inactive. *Should you have any questions in regard to any of this information please reach out to the JP&E Group on jpestbenedicts@gmail.com*

We respectfully acknowledge the Gubbi Gubbi and Ningi Ningi people, as the traditional custodians and caretakers of the land in which we gather for the St Benedict's Catholic Parish. We acknowledge the Elders, past, present and emerging. May we, too, be good stewards of this land.

Help us keep you up to date.

Please feel free to contact the Parish Office if you would like to update or check any contact details we may have on file for your family. Receiving our weekly Newsletter by email is a great way to see what is happening in and around our Parish.

Our faith sustains us through challenging times.

Now, more than ever, your support is needed to help our Parish to continue valuable pastoral activities and to provide ongoing sustainability. To assist you in supporting the St Benedict's Parish, you can now give via the Planned Giving APP:

<http://parishgiving.brisbanecatholic.org.au>



LIMITED TIME OFFER

Will Campaign Partnership with St Benedict's Parish

Lockett McCullough Lawyers is excited to share our partnership with St. Benedict's Parish in support of building your church. We are proud to launch a Will Campaign commencing 1 June and continuing through to 31 August 2025. Through this campaign, we will offer parishioners wishing to leave a bequest to the parish, discounted pricing of \$440 including GST per Will. In addition to your lasting legacy, our firm will donate an addition \$100 per Will made under this Campaign to St Benedict's Parish.

To take advantage of this offer, you can reach out by calling (07) 3264 7692 or emailing admin@lockettmcclough.com.au.

With offices located at the Gold Coast, Toowoong, Hamilton, Albany Creek, and Noosa, the firm provides flexibility by offering to meet you at your location for document signing.

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Smoke Free School. A reminder to all Parishioners and Friends that smoking is not permitted within school grounds. The law relating to school land applies at all times - during and after school hours, on weekends and during school holidays.

Where persons are observed smoking on school grounds or near our school, legislation requires that the person to either stop smoking or move to an area where smoking is permitted.

A matter for safety/care and concern. We ask that families please do not allow children to use the playground equipment on school land before or after Mass of a weekend as a matter of safety. Thank you

Leaving a Legacy

A simple yet powerful way to impact future generations, is to leave a gift to St Benedict's Parish, North Lakes, Mango Hill, Griffin in your will. After you have taken care of your loved ones, you may consider naming St Benedict's Parish to receive a gift, which will continue to make a meaningful and profound difference to your Parish.



Financially Supporting Our St Benedict's Parish

To everyone who actively contributes financially to the life of our St Benedict's Parish. Thank you! Without you we would not be able to operate as a parish.

We know that the only stable and recurring income that our parish receives is from the **support of our Planned Giving Program**. Our Planned Giving is required to meet the financial cost of running the Parish and raising funds to build our Church.

I am asking every parishioner to commit some of your **TREASURE** and help make our dream become a reality. Our Parish Pledge Card is available at the Mass centre; asking everyone to **commit to the Planned Giving Program**. If you are already in the Planned Giving Program, we are asking you to at least continue and if at all possible increase your financial support.

If you are not yet part of our Planned Giving Program, then please join and make a commitment to our Parish. There are three (3) options to financially contribute to the running of the Parish. These are:

1. Direct Debit 2. Credit Card 3. Giving Envelopes

On our Parish Pledge Card we will have an opportunity to support:

* **The Parish (Running) Collection**, which supports the expenses incurred for the day-to-day, efficient and effective running of the parish. (Leases, Wages, Supplies)

* **The Building (Church) Donation**, which supports our purchasing/building of assets, which include our future church, office, and an adult faith formation/gathering space.

If we want the Archdiocese to contribute significantly to the building of our church, then we need to show that we are financially viable as a parish. So please join our Planned Giving program to help secure our financial future and to give us funds to answer God's call for us to spread the Good News of Jesus through our words, our deeds, and by being vessels of God's hope, love, and peace.

2025 Parish Ministry Assistance Drive.

Please scan the QR Code below or alternatively click the link below, to enter your details to the google form.

<https://forms.gle/sRsTNvmnP8GNmnr7>

Paper copies of the forms will also be available from the Mass Centre at the Welcome Table.



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