



ST BENEDICT'S PARISH

North Lakes, Mango Hill & Griffin

The Most Holy Trinity, Year C 15th June 2025.

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Place of Worship:

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

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Invited into the Beautiful Love of the Trinity

The mystery of the Most Holy Trinity—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—is not something to be solved, but someone to be known, loved, and entered into. Our readings for this coming Sunday speak of divine wisdom present before creation, and we are reminded that God's love is poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, and we are gently drawn into the life of God—not as spectators, but as much loved participants.

Jesus reveals to us a God who is not distant or abstract, but deeply relational. In this coming Sunday's Gospel, Jesus promises the Spirit who will guide us into all truth, sharing what is from the Father and the Son. This truth is not merely information; it is the truth of God's own self-giving love. As St Augustine once said, "If you understood it, it would not be God" (Sermon 117). God is far beyond the limits of our minds, but never beyond the reach of our hearts.

The icon of the Trinity by Rublev beautifully portrays the three divine Persons in unity and mutual love. Their communion is not closed, but open - inviting us in. In Jesus, we are drawn into this divine relationship, so that love and wisdom may not only transform us but flow through us to others.

To encounter the Trinity is to encounter a love so perfect that it overflows for the good of all creation. As we celebrate this solemnity, may we respond with humble wonder, seeking to love Jesus, the Father, and the Holy Spirit more deeply. Let us allow this divine love to shape our relationships and heal our world—for our good and for the good of all creation.

Our Wonderful Multicultural Mass

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who made our St Benedict's Multicultural Mass and Celebration such a beautiful and moving experience. It was an incredible team effort, filled with joy, faith, and the rich cultural diversity that is such a blessing to our parish community.

At the heart of our celebration was the Eucharist—the Sacrament of ultimate thanksgiving—uniting us in Jesus across cultures and languages. It was a powerful witness to the unity we share in our diversity, and a true expression of who we are as the Body of Christ.

We extend our deepest thanks to our marvellous, Pastoral Council and our wonderful Parish Secretary, whose planning and coordination made the day possible. To our very talented music ministry, who lifted our hearts in worship, and to the Papua New Guinea, Tongan, and Indian communities who led us in processions and reflection during the Mass—thank you for your inspiring contributions.

Thank you also to the Sunday morning Sacristans, Altar Servers, Commentator, Readers, Communion Ministers, PowerPoint team, Collectors, and those who read the Prayers of the Faithful in various languages. Your service enriched the liturgy in a profound way.

A big thank you to our hospitality team for the incredible feast after Mass, and a special mention to those who stayed to help with the clean-up and resetting of the Mass Centre - your quiet service did not go unnoticed.

And most of all, thank you to everyone who attended. The Holy Spirit was truly alive at St Benedict's last Sunday. May the joy and grace of this celebration strengthen our love for God and one another.

Getting to Know God through Scripture

In the Book of Genesis, we hear these very significant words: "So God created humankind in His own image, in the image of God He created them; male and female He created them." (Genesis 1:27). This foundational truth reminds us that to know God is, in a real way, to know ourselves—who we are and who we are called to be.

Sacred Scripture is the greatest source we have for deepening our understanding of God. While not the only way we come to know God, Scripture offers us the clearest window into God's heart, God's promises, and God's call in our lives.

To help us journey deeper into this understanding, our **Prayer Network** is offering a **ten-week Scripture study** focused on the **Book of the Prophet Isaiah**. Isaiah is often called the "Fifth Gospel" because of its profound prophecies about the coming of the Messiah and its rich theological insights.

See the add in this newsletter for the session dates and times. You can join us on via the following link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89745623212> allowing you to join from the comfort of your home and connect with fellow parishioners on this spiritual journey.

Whether you're new to Scripture or have been reading the Bible for years, this study will offer something meaningful for everyone. Come and discover how the Word of God can shape your understanding of who God is—and who we are called to be.

**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**.

Readings for this week - 15th June 2025,

The Most Holy Trinity.

**1st Reading - Proverbs 8: 22-31.
Psalm - Ps 8: 4-9.
Response - O Lord, our God,
how wonderful your name in
all the earth!**

**2nd Reading - St Paul to the Romans
5: 1-5.
Gospel - John 16: 12-15.**

The Week Ahead...

Thursday 19th June

St Benedict's Parish Newsletter sent out via email.

Friday 20th June

**** No 9am Mass ****

BCE Principle and Clergy Conference.

Saturday 21st June

4pm - St Benedict's Parish Mass.

Sunday 22nd June

8.30am - St Benedict's Parish Mass.

Sacramental Program, First Holy Communion (enrolment required)

5.30pm - St Benedict's Parish Mass

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. All proceeds will go directly towards the building of our church. Thank you for your support!

Loving Like God in the Here and Now

Our **Justice and Peace Team** warmly invites all parishioners and friends to take part in a meaningful and enriching program developed by the **Archdiocese of Brisbane**, designed to help us learn to love others as **God loves us**.

This five-week series will begin on **Sunday, June 15**, following our **Sunday Masses**, and will explore how we can walk alongside one another—especially our sisters and brothers who are doing it tough—with hearts shaped by **Love, Encounter, Accompaniment, Inclusion, and Dialogue** (see advertisement in this newsletter).

Each session offers a chance to reflect deeply, share experiences, and grow together in our calling to be Christ's hands and heart in the world.

Let us come together as a community to discover what it means to love more like God, and to be a Church that truly listens, includes, and walks in compassion with others.

Journeying with Our St Benedict's Children Making Their First Holy Communion

How good is it when the Sacramental families join us for Mass each year? I wish they would come to Mass every Sunday.

Our First Holy Communion children are now ready to receive Jesus for the first time on the next two Sundays.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank those who have helped the children's journey this year. The St Benedict's Sacramental Team, thank you for assisting the children at our Masses, during their Sacrament of Reconciliation evening, and on the day of their First Holy Communion. Thank you to Rafael, who each year volunteers to take beautiful photos of the children to remember their very special day. Thank you to the parents for enrolling and journeying with your children in receiving the awesome Sacraments that Jesus gives us. And lastly, but not least, thank you to the children who are receiving your First Holy Communion. Thank you for your great enthusiasm in embracing the journey to receiving such a wonderful gift. You will certainly be in my prayers, and I ask all St Benedict's Parishioners to please pray for these wonderful children and their families. May God bless you always.

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.

Planned Giving Envelopes 2025/2026

Parishioners who currently contribute to our Parish Planned Giving via Parish Envelopes, the 2025/2026 envelopes are available to collect at the Mass Centre.

Envelope are also available for those who generously nominated this method as their preferred way of giving in the recent Pledge drive.

Please see the Welcome Table at the front of the Mass Centre and search for your name on the top or front of the box. Thank you so much.

We do have some extra Giving Envelope packs, should there be Parishioners wishing to support the Parish financially in this way, please contact the Parish Office and we can send some to the Mass Centre for your collection.

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.

Have a great week everyone, immersed in the incredible love of the Trinity, **Fr Bryan.**

Save the Date...

In June...

14th & 15th - St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal.

15th- Children's Liturgy of the Word, in 8.30am Mass.

15th & 22nd - Children to receive First Holy Communion in a Sacramental Mass, enrolment required.

28th & 29th - Peter Pence Appeal.

In July...

6th - Baptism Celebration and Preparation Morning.

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 4.

Saturday 21st June, 4pm

Commentator: Hugh Shannon
Reader 1: Andreena Shannon
Reader 2: Evie Shannon
Communion Minister: Oliver Morata

Sunday 22nd June, 8.30am

Commentator: Werner Mascarenhas
Reader 1: Andre Mascarenhas
Reader 2: Erika Mascarenhas
Communion Minister: Joseph and Nancy D'Souza, Sosefo Nasio

Sunday 22nd June, 5.30pm

Commentator: Chris Molina
Reader 1: Theresa Saad
Reader 2: Ashley Oliver
Communion Minister: Christopher Beck

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



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 to Rhia I with #40, who was the winner of Raffle #2, Rhia collected her \$100 prize after Mass on Sunday.



Children's Liturgy of the Word – is THIS WEEK—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.

**Our Lady of the Valley
Men's Faith & Fellowship**
Sunday June 15th, Commencing 10:30am
Come and be both inspired and challenged!

Guest Speaker: Deacon Paul Jensen
\$ 20 (includes morning tea & lunch)
St Mary's Community Centre Gatton
Enquiries: gatton@bne.catholic.net.au



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.



St Benedict's Prayer Network - Prayer Requests

Prayer requests are always welcomed, please fill in your details and email to:

stbenedictsprayernetwork@gmail.com or via the prayer box available at the Welcome Table at Mass.

All requests will be submitted to the team and will be prayed for two weeks. A new request will be needed after 2 weeks.



Please remember in your Prayers:

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

Those whose Anniversaries occur at this time:

Our Dear Recently Departed: Maureen Redman, Geraldine Reidy, Leo Withoos.



St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal is being held this weekend, 14-15th June.



If you find yourself in a position to be able to help, every little bit matters, no donation is too small or too big.

SVDP Volunteers will be at each Mass happy to accept cash or eftpos donations. You are also welcome to contribute via bank transfer should you be able, our account details are below.

Thank you for your donation. We are blessed to offer comfort and support to families in need.

Northlakes Vinnie's bank details
BSB 064 786 A/C 100027061



"Isaiah Trusting God in Troubled Times" Bible Study Program, commencing Tuesday 10th June, 7pm.

The St Benedict's Parish based Prayer Network will be commencing a 10 week Bible Study Program on Tuesday evenings at 7 pm commencing on June 10th on zoom. Finishing on Tuesday August 26th with a 2 week break in between for the July school holidays.

The booklet that will be used "Isaiah Trusting God in Troubled Times" by Howard Peskett is available for purchase online from <https://www.koorong> or by phoning Koorong direct on 33874677. The booklet cost is \$16.99 plus \$3.50 postage. For phone or online orders this number 165968 can be quoted and online can be placed where the title usually goes. Get in early with your order so you don't miss out.

Should you be interested in joining, and all are welcome, here is the zoom link - <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89745623212>

CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION

"HE WHO FOLLOWS ME WALKS NOT IN DARKNESS" - JOHN 8:12



2PM SUNDAY 22 JUNE 2025

Starting and ending at the Cathedral of St Stephen and featuring prayer, rosary, hymns and Benediction with proceedings led by Archbishop Mark Coleridge.

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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 require to hold or renew your Blue Card/Police Check, our Parish Office will contact you directly. Thank you.

Justice Peace & Ecology Noticeboard.

SOOT Program 2025 (Signs of Our Times). -

Join us for Five (5) enjoyable workshops starting on Sunday 15 June, concluding on Sunday 13 July. They start at 10am and always conclude by noon. All are Welcome so please feel free to join us.

Register your SOOT Attendance -

Scan the QR Code below, enter your details in the Registration Form, then email the form to us.

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>



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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
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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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