



ST BENEDICT'S PARISH

North Lakes, Mango Hill & Griffin

**The Most Holy Trinity,
Year A.
Sunday, 31st May 2026.**

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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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jpestbenedicts@gmail.com

Readings for this week - 31st May 2026,

The Most Holy Trinity.

1st Reading - Exodus 34: 4-6, 8-9.

Psalm - Ps Daniel 3: 52-56.

Response - Glory and praise for ever!

**2nd Reading - St Paul to the Corinthians
13: 11-13.**

Gospel - John 3: 16-18.

Dear wonderful Parishioners of St Benedict's Parish,

What an extraordinary and joy-filled celebration we shared together on Pentecost Sunday at our wonderful Multicultural Mass and Celebration! My heart is filled with joy and deep gratitude to God for the incredible spirit of faith, love, joy, and unity that was so powerfully present among us. It was truly one of those moments where we could tangibly experience the Holy Spirit alive within our parish community. It was purely beautiful.

As your Parish Priest, I feel immensely blessed and humbled to serve such a vibrant, welcoming, and faith-filled parish family. The joy with which people gathered, prayed, sang, shared food, and celebrated together was a beautiful witness to the Gospel. Our parish community reflects the richness and beauty of the universal Church, where people of many cultures and backgrounds come together as one in Christ.

The celebration was a tremendous success in every way. The church was alive with prayer and song, the atmosphere was filled with warmth and hospitality, and the spirit of community continued long after Mass through the wonderful feast we shared together. It was deeply moving to see parishioners from so many different backgrounds united around the altar of the Lord in such joy and harmony.

At the heart of the celebration was the Eucharist, which is the Sacrament of ultimate thanksgiving, uniting us beyond language, nationality, and culture. Pentecost reminds us that the Holy Spirit gathers people together, not by removing our differences, but by transforming them into gifts that enrich the whole Church. Last Sunday, we witnessed that reality beautifully at St Benedict's.

I extend my heartfelt thanks to everyone who contributed to making the day so memorable. Thank you to our dedicated Pastoral Council and our wonderful Parish Admin Team for the enormous amount of planning and coordination that took place behind the scenes. Your leadership and generosity helped create something truly special for our parish family.

Thank you also to our gifted music ministry, whose uplifting and prayerful music helped lead us into joyful worship. We are especially grateful to our Indian, Tongan, Papua New Guinea, and Pilipino communities for the beauty, reverence, and cultural richness they brought through the processions during the Mass. Your contributions deeply enriched our liturgy and reminded us of the universality of the Church.

Thank you to our altar servers, commentators, readers, Communion Ministers, collectors, PowerPoint team, and all who proclaimed the Prayers of the Faithful in various languages. Every ministry contributed to the beauty and wonder of God in our celebration.

A special word of thanks also goes to our hospitality team and to all who prepared and shared food for the feast after Mass. The generosity and hospitality shown were absolutely extraordinary. Thank you also to those who quietly stayed behind afterwards to clean and pack away. These hidden acts of service are a true reflection of Christ's love.

As we now celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity this Sunday, the joy of Pentecost naturally flows into this beautiful feast. The mystery of the Trinity - Father, Son, and Holy Spirit - is not simply a doctrine to be understood, but a relationship of perfect love into which we are invited.

Our readings this Sunday remind us that from the very beginning, God has been reaching out to humanity in love. Jesus reveals a God who is not distant, but deeply relational. In the Gospel, Jesus promises the Holy Spirit who will guide His disciples into all truth, immersing us into the eternal love that exists between the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit.

The Trinity teaches us that at the centre of all creation is communion, unity, and self-giving love. We are created not for isolation, but for relationship, both with God and with one another. In many ways, our Pentecost celebration reflected this divine reality. We experienced people united in love, joy, service, and fellowship, mirroring the communion of the Trinity itself.

The Trinity will always be a mystery that we seek to know more and more, and at the same time having the humility to acknowledge we will never fully know God, for to know God we will need to be God. One of my favourite saints, St Augustine, wrote this quite simply, saying, "If you understood God, then it would not be God."

The Trinity is a mystery beyond human comprehension, yet it is never beyond the reach of the human heart. Every time we gather for the Eucharist, we are drawn into the life of the Trinity and invited to share in God's overflowing love.

As we continue our journey together as the Parish family of St Benedict's, may the love of the Father, the grace of the Son, and the joy and enlightenment of the Holy Spirit continue to strengthen and guide us. Thank you once again for the privilege of serving such a beautiful



Parish Calendar

The Week Ahead...

Thursday 4th June

St Benedict's Parish Newsletter - distributed via email, and also available on our Parish Website.

Friday 5th June

9am - St Benedict's Parish Mass, together with Year 6 students.

Saturday 6th June

4pm - St Benedict's Parish Mass.

Sunday 7th June

8.30am - St Benedict's Parish Multicultural Mass, Pentecost Sunday.

Children's Sacramental Preparation for First Holy Communion and Reconciliation.

5.30pm - St Benedict's Parish Mass.

Save the Date...

In May...

31st - Baptism Celebration and Preparation Morning after 8.30am Mass.

In June...

7, 14th & 21st - Children's Sacramental Preparation (attendance by booking)

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

28th - Baptism Celebration and Preparation Morning after 8.30am Mass.

In July...

5th - Baptism Celebration and Preparation Morning after 8.30am Mass.

11th - **St Benedict's Feast Day**

12th - **St Benedict's Feast Day, Morning Tea after 8.30am Mass.**

19 & 26th - Children's Sacramental Program Preparation for Confirmation (attendance by booking, please contact Parish Office)

19th - Children's Liturgy of the Word in 8.30am Mass

In August...

2, 9, 16th & 23rd - Children's Sacramental Program Preparation for Confirmation (attendance by booking)

9th - Baptism Celebration and Preparation Morning after 8.30am Mass.

15th - **Solemnity of The Assumption**, Mass 9am and 4pm.

16th - Children's Liturgy of the Word in 8.30am Mass

30th - Baptism Celebration and Preparation Morning after 8.30am Mass.

In September...

6th - Father's Day.

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

In October...

4th & 18th - Baptism Celebration and Preparation Morning after 8.30am Mass.

community of faith. May God continue to bless each of you and your families abundantly.

With every blessing, *Fr Bryan*

First Holy Communion Children and Families

We continue to warmly welcome our First Holy Communion children and their families as they continue their journey toward receiving their First Holy Communion. Through Baptism they were welcomed into God's family; through Confirmation they were strengthened with the gift of the Holy Spirit; and now, **in the Eucharist, they will become fully initiated into the Catholic Church.** This is a sacred and joyful time for them, and for all of us as a parish community.

As parishioners, we are called to be authentic witnesses of Jesus by welcoming these children and families with warmth, encouragement, and love. Sometimes the most powerful form of spreading the Good News of Jesus is by simple Christian hospitality, that is, with a smile, a kind word, an invitation, a genuine sense that people belong. Our calling as Christians begins right here in our own parish community. We need to be a great community of love centred on Jesus, so that we can be great witnesses of Jesus to the world.

Fundraising Initiative for Building Our New Church

As we move forward with the vision of our new church and parish centre, a generous initiative from parishioner Raj Boobal Vincent offers a simple way to contribute.

Through **HavenPath Finance**, Raj provides trusted support in finding the right home loans, car loans, personal loans, and financial health checks tailored to your needs.

At no additional cost to you, 10% of the income earned from loans arranged for St Benedict's parishioners will be donated directly to our Church Building Fund.

This means your personal financial journey can also help build our shared spiritual home.

This is a practical and meaningful way to support the parish. If you are considering a loan or would value a financial check-up, **HavenPath Finance** is a wonderful option.

Together, we continue building a place of faith, connection, and mission for generations to come.

For more details, please contact Raj on:

Mobile: 0452533536 **Email:** raj@havenpathfinance.com.au

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St Vincent de Paul Annual Winter Appeal 2026.

As Winter hits, please spare a thought for those less fortunate.

If you are able to spare some money, nonperishable food or your time, please contact the St Joseph's Family Support Centre at Deception Bay by phone: 3203 0879 or Email: sj4508@svdpqld.org.au

Members of SVDP will be accepting donations from our St Benedict's Mass Centre across all Masses on Saturday 13th & Sunday 14th June. Thank you!



One Day Retreat with Fr Sami Samuel of the Divine Mercy Centre

Saturday 13th June 2026, 9.30am—3.30pm, Holy Cross Church Kippa Ring

Admission is Free, No Booking required, BYO Food.

Please contact 0432833439 for more information.



Congratulations and Welcome into the Catholic Family

This Sunday, 31st May, we joyfully welcome into the Catholic Family,

Nancy, Piper and Willow.

As Nancy, Piper and Willow receive the Sacrament of Baptism with us at St Benedict's;

May we pray, that together with family and friends, Nancy, Piper and Willow,

experiences God's happiness, joy and love, now and always.

God's word God's work God's people

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Reconciliation - Available by appointment.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available by appointment prior to the 4pm Saturday Mass and the 5.30pm Sunday Mass. Please contact the Parish Office to arrange an appointment.

Communion Ministers - Face Mask Reminder

A reminder to our Communion Ministers: We ask you to kindly remember to bring and wear your face mask with you, when you are rostered on for Communion Ministry Roster please. Thank you.



Sacraments at St Benedicts Parish.

Baptism at St Benedict's.

We invite all families wishing to have children (up to 12 years) Baptised into the Catholic Faith at St Benedict's, to please contact the Parish Office for information and available dates for our Baptism Preparation and Baptism in 2026.

Children's Sacramental Programs

We encourage families wishing to enroll children to receive their Sacraments, or for those seeking further information about our Annual Sacramental Programs, to please contact the Parish Office via email.

Eligibility to receive the Sacraments:-

Confirmation - children in Grade 3 and above having already received the Sacrament of Baptism are eligible.

The Program for Confirmation takes place throughout the months of July and August each year.

First Holy Communion (Eucharist) & Reconciliation - children in Grade 4 and above, having already received the Sacrament of Confirmation are eligible.

The Program takes place throughout the months of May and June each year.

RCIA and RCIT

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA, 18yrs and above) and The Rite of Christian Initiation of Teens (RCIT, 13-17 years) Programs run annually.

The program runs for approx. 12-15 weeks from November through to Easter the following year, with a small break over the Christmas & New Year period.

We welcome anyone who may be interested, to please reach out to the Parish Office for further information about our RCIA & RCIT Programs.



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:- 21st June.

Children from the ages of Prep to Grade 4 are welcome to attend. Children younger than Prep, age are welcome to attend and must be accompanied by an adult. Thankyou

Please remember in your Prayers:

Those who are Unwell: Joy & Russell Darby, Natalia Humpries, Erin Stillman, Mike & Joy Gibbs.

All those whose Anniversaries occur at this time:

Our Dear Recently Departed: Mary Butler



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.



Justice Peace & Ecology Noticeboard.

Laudato Si Week (Care for Our Common Home). Starts this Sunday 17 May and runs to Sunday 24 May 2026.

This week in May is the 11th anniversary of the Laudato Si' (Praise be to you, my Lord) encyclical, issued by Pope Francis in 2015. Laudato Si' Week is now part of the Catholic Calendar. Due to the request from the Vatican, which is supported by the Archdiocesan SYNOD24 Document, parishes (including ours) have Laudato Si' Action Plans. Right now, we are challenged by how best to communicate the Parish Plan to you.

We can explore real life examples. Do you remember Bishop Tim Norton's visit to us in July 2023? Bishop Tim publicly put his weight behind the protests against the loss of the internationally important bird habitats at Toondah Harbour, Cleveland. After many years of politicking, the Developer withdrew its application. The wetlands are safe, for the moment. This action from Bishop Tim exemplified the Pope Francis' call, to protect and advocate for the remnant areas of natural space from urban exploitation.

Another example is on our doorstep, (at Mango Hill Village), and you can participate. Through poor maintenance of the Saltwater Creek wetlands at Rothwell, and through rapid urbanisation of the Saltwater Creek catchment upstream, the groundwater table at Danzy Buchanan Park has permanently risen. Much of the park is now unusable. Mango Hill Progress Association has been lobbying Council since 2014 about this, to ensure this green space is protected from poorly planned development.

You can help protect our local environment (in accordance with Pope Francis' call in Laudato Si') simply by getting informed, or by showing your concern at the next Mango Hill Progress Association meeting on 20 February, at 7.30pm, where a new proposal will be discussed, and hopefully presented to Ward Councillor (and Deputy Mayor) Jodie Shipway. Venue: Mango Hill Community Hall, Cherside Road, Mango Hill Village.

Next JP&E meeting, Wednesday, 10 June 2026.

Future meeting dates- will be the second Wednesday of each month: 8 April, 13 May, 10 June etc. Please reach out to Ken Butler for details.

JP&E email address - jpestbenedicts@gmail.com. Should you have any questions in regard to any of this information please reach out .

Registering your details with our Parish- Email & Census.

We encourage our Parishioners to keep the Parish Office up to date with your family details. Please find our Census Cards on the Welcome Table at the Mass Centre. Please complete and submit to the office so we can register/update your contact details. This will also assist us to send out our weekly Parish Newsletter via Email to you. Receiving the Newsletter is a wonderful way to keep up to date with the varied ministries and events happening in and around our Parish. You are also welcome to email the Parish Office your information.

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

Mass Ministry Roster - Ministry Roster - Week 1.

Saturday 6th June, 4pm

Commentator: Jim Kearney
Reader 1: Sharon Hickey
Reader 2: Kay Corcoran
Communion Minister: Susana Karim

Sunday 7th June, 8.30am

Commentator: Werner Mascarenhas
Reader 1: Andre Mascarenhas
Reader 2: Ninon Mascarenhas
Communion Minister: Daisy Kurian, Shaji George, Chrislyn Shaji.

Sunday 7th June, 5.30pm

Commentator: Raymond Anthony
Reader 1: Claire Goss
Reader 2: Angelito Kalaw
Communion Minister: Dorothy Anthony, Emarene Kalaw, Thelma Boobal.

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.



St Benedict's Parish Vision Prayer

Father You are great, You are glorious,
and You are wonderful in every way.
Praising You O God, brings us great joy.
Fill us with Your grace so that we can embrace
Jesus in our lives.

Open the ears of our heart to build up Your Kingdom in the world by participating fully in the life and mission of our parish.

May we treasure our cultural diversity as we live full lives united in You, our Beloved.

Strengthened by the Holy Spirit, help us to welcome and encourage each other in the incredible life-giving love of Jesus.

We make this prayer through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns forever and ever. **Amen.**

Safeguarding for Parish Ministry Roles.

The Archdioceses of Brisbane People & Culture Team, together with the Parish Volunteers Team are trying to assist Parishes by streamlining the Safeguarding lodgment/renewal/training process for all of our Parishioners who are required to maintain Blue Cards, Police Checks & Safeguarding Compliance/Training for their Ministry Roles within the St Benedict's Parish.

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, the Archdiocese P&C/Volunteers Team (Brent Hunter) will be in contact. Please feel free to contact Jody also if you have questions. Thank you.



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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

Parish Collections - Weekends of 24/05/2026.

Parish Collections:-

\$ TBC

Building Collections:-

\$ TBC

Total Donations:-

\$1330.00 (total incl T&G)

We offer heartfelt thanks to our Parishioners who have ever so generously donated in support of the life and mission of the St Benedict's Parish.

We thank you for your continued support.

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.

Containers for Change at St Benedict's

St Benedict's Catholic Parish Number- C11719697

There are many ways to support the fundraising efforts for the St Benedict's Parish.

We are happy to share that we are now set up with our own Containers for Change account, perhaps you may consider donating to the Parish through this avenue. Every little bit helps! Thank you!



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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.