



# ST BENEDICT'S PARISH

*North Lakes, Mango Hill & Griffin*

**Eleventh Sunday in  
Ordinary Time, Year A.  
Sunday, 14th June 2026.**

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[www.stbenedictscatholicparish.com.au](http://www.stbenedictscatholicparish.com.au)

**Parish Facebook Page:**

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**St Vincent de Paul:**

1800 Vinnie (1800 846 643)

**St Benedict's Justice & Peace Group:**

[jpestbenedicts@gmail.com](mailto:jpestbenedicts@gmail.com)

**Readings for this week - 14th June 2026,  
Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, Yr A.**

**1st Reading - Exodus 19: 2-6.  
Psalm - PS 99: 2-3, 5.  
Response - We are his people; the sheep  
of his flock.  
2nd Reading - St Paul to the Romans  
5: 6-11.  
Gospel - Matthew 9: 36 - 10: 8.**

Dear wonderful Parishioners of St Benedict's Parish,

As we gather for the Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, there is much for us to be grateful for and much to look forward to in the life of our parish and the wider Church.

Many of you will know that since Fr Bob Harwood's resignation as Parish Priest of Redcliffe Peninsula Parish due to ill health, I have been serving as Administrator of that parish while continuing my ministry here at St Benedict's. Archbishop Shane Mackinlay has now appointed Fr Stanley Orji as the new Parish Priest of Redcliffe Peninsula Parish, and he will commence his ministry there on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of August. At that time, I will gladly hand over the care of the parish to Fr Stanley.

Closer to home, our parish is filled with excitement as more than fifty children prepare to receive their First Holy Communion over the next two Sundays. This is one of the great joys of parish life. These young people have been learning about the wonderful gift of the Eucharist and are preparing to receive Jesus in Holy Communion for the first time.

Last Sunday, our Sacramental Team conducted a wonderful retreat for the children and their families. It was a day filled with learning, prayer, laughter, and community. The children enjoyed coming together, deepened their understanding of the Eucharist, and were beautifully prepared for this important step in their faith journey.

I would like to express my sincere gratitude to the members of our Sacramental Team who worked so hard to make the retreat such a success: Di, Renae, Bobbette, and Kerrin. Their generosity, commitment, and love for our young people are a tremendous blessing to our parish. Through their efforts, our children and families experienced something of the beauty and joy of our Catholic faith. We are deeply grateful for all they do.

This Sunday's Gospel (Matthew 9:36-10:8) speaks powerfully into the life of the Church today. We hear that Jesus looked upon the crowds with compassion because they were "like sheep without a shepherd." He then said to His disciples, "The harvest is rich, but the labourers are few; so, ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to His harvest."

Those words remain as relevant today as ever.

Throughout Australia and across much of the world, the Church is experiencing a shortage of priests. Many parishes that once had several priests now have only one. Some parishes share priests, while others rely on retired clergy to assist in sacramental ministry. The harvest remains plentiful, but the labourers are indeed few.

Jesus gives us the first response to this challenge: pray. We must continue to pray earnestly for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. We need young men who are willing to listen to God's call and courageously respond. We need families and parish communities that encourage such openness to God's will.

At the same time, this Gospel reminds us that every baptised person has a role to play in the mission of the Church. The life of the parish is the life of the Church lived locally. It flourishes when parishioners share their gifts, participate in ministries, support one another, and take an active part in building up the community of faith.

The wonderful work of our Sacramental Team, Sacristans, Prayer Network, Hospitality Team, and Justice, Peace and Ecology Group are a beautiful example of this. Their service reminds us that the mission of Christ belongs to all of us. Priests have a unique and indispensable role, but the life and vitality of a parish depend upon the faithful participation of the whole community.

As we celebrate the gift of the Eucharist with our First Communion children, let us also pray that they may continue to grow in faith and discipleship. Perhaps among them are future priests, religious sisters, deacons, teachers, parents, and parish leaders who will help shape the Church of tomorrow.

May we all continue to pray for vocations, support one another in faith, and generously use the gifts God has given us for the building up of His Kingdom.

Have a great week everyone, serving the Lord with gladness,

*Fr Bryan*

***Congratulations to our children making your First Holy Communion***

Congratulations to all of our children who will make their First Holy Communion this year. Over the next two Sundays, children will be receiving this wonderful gift in a special First Holy Communion Celebration Mass.

May both of these First Holy Communion celebrations be filled with a great sense of joy and excitement by all who participate.

We ask all our parishioner to keep these children and their families in your thoughts and prayers, as the children receive Jesus for the first time in Holy Communion with great reverence and joy. May God bless you all always.



## Parish Calendar

### The Week Ahead...

#### Thursday 18th June

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

#### Friday 19th June

9am - St Benedict's Parish Mass, together with Year 10 students.

#### Saturday 20th June

4pm - St Benedict's Parish Mass.

#### Sunday 21st June

8.30am - St Benedict's Parish Mass.

Children's Liturgy of the Word in 8.30am Mass

Children's Sacramental Preparation for First Holy Communion.

5.30pm - St Benedict's Parish Mass.

### Save the Date...

#### In June...

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.

### New Planned Giving Envelopes 2026/2027

Parishioners who currently contribute to our Parish Planned Giving via Parish Envelopes, the 2026/2027 envelopes will be available to collect at the Mass Centre Welcome Table, from next weekend 20/21 June. Please look for your name on the boxes.

Envelopes are also available for those who may wish to contribute to our Parish Planned Giving via this method to place in the collection plate with cash. 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.

We thank all of our Planned Givers for their generous financial support of the St Benedict's Parish, every little bit helps, and it is appreciated greatly.

### Our St Benedict's Feast Day Mass and Morning Tea, 8:30am July 12th - Please bring a Plate



On Sunday July 12 at our 8:30am Mass, we will be celebrating St Benedict's Feast Day. We invite all parishioners, their families 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.

**Please let the Parish Office know if you are able to bring a plate to share, thank you.**

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

### 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, from HavenPath Finance Pty Ltd on:

**Mobile:** 0452533536 **Email:** aj@havenpathfinance.com.au or via [Google Form for Enquiries](#)



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### RCIA & RCIT Program 2026/2027- Adults and Teens wanting to Become Catholics



St Benedict's Parish is reaching out to adults (18 years and above) or teens (13 years to 17 years) interested in become Catholics; please feel free to contact the St Benedict's Parish Office for information, timelines & outlines on the RCIA & RCIT Program 2026/2027.

The Program is scheduled to begin Wednesday 4th November 2026 gathering weekly. There is a break over Christmas and New Year, resuming February 3rd 2027. Weekly gatherings will continue up to and concluding at, Easter 2027.

### 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.

### 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:**



#### 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.

One purpose of the Justice Peace and Ecology Ministry is to help promulgate to the Parish important words from the Holy Father. Our major challenge is still to "Get the Laudato Si message out." In the extensive 2015 Encyclical of Pope Francis, "On Care for Our Common Home" he exhorted everybody to care for our planet, and told how the real losers in environmental degradation are the marginalised and poor. The encyclical is a very readable Vatican document, click: [https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/encyclicals/documents/papa-francesco\\_20150524\\_enciclica-laudato-si.html](https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/encyclicals/documents/papa-francesco_20150524_enciclica-laudato-si.html)

Each one of us can help make a change, but we must look beyond the four walls of our church.

Emma Beach, Archdiocese Executive Officer, helped us finalise our Parish Laudato Si Action Plan. It is now very simple to follow. We will be presenting the plan to Father and then to the Parish in the next few weeks.

Emma holds regular meetings for all northside parishes at Bracken Ridge. We usually have 3 or 4 participants. Last Saturday's discussions focused on:

- Laudato Si' Week actions and plans for 2027
- Integral Ecology in the Life of the Family document - how to use in the future
- Pope Leo's Magnifica Humanitas
- Catholic participation in encouraging the signing of the Fossil Fuel Treaty.

Afterwards, Emma said, "There was so much we covered and so much we could discuss more. Our next Northside Gathering is on the 1<sup>st</sup> August. **Please invite others from your communities to mark this time in their calendar.**" Anyone is welcome, contact Ken if you are interested.

**Future meeting dates-** will be the second Wednesday of each month at 7pm: 10 June, 8 July, 12 August, 9 September etc. The June 10th Meeting will be at the Butler's. Please reach out to Ken Butler for details.

**JP&E email address - [jpestbenedicts@gmail.com](mailto: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 3.

#### Saturday 20th June, 4pm

**Commentator:** Oliver Morata  
**Reader 1:** Mary Foronda  
**Reader 2:** Sheila Pereira  
**Communion Minister:** Gerard Davis

#### Sunday 21st June, 8.30am

**Commentator:** Rochelle Martin  
**Reader 1:** Morton Howes  
**Reader 2:** Aviva Coutinho  
**Communion Minister:** Bobette Sindicic, Pierina Ziebarth and Andre Mascarenhas

#### Sunday 21st June, 5.30pm

**Commentator:** Judith Fernandes  
**Reader 1:** Seema Masih  
**Reader 2:** Zandra Farr  
**Communion Minister:** Theresa Saad, Michael Fraser, Sheilah Ojuri.

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.**

### Parish Collections - Weekends of 31/05/2026.

Parish Collections:-

**\$1066.90**

Building Collections:-

**\$948.00**

Total Donations:-

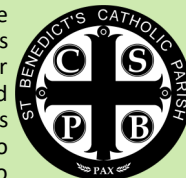
**\$3224.90 (total incl T&G)**

*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.



### 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.



### 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.

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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

### Containers for Change at St Benedict's

St Benedicts 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!



### THE CATHOLIC LEADER

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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.*