



ST BENEDICT'S PARISH

North Lakes, Mango Hill, Griffin.

Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A. Sunday 11th October 2026

Parish Priest:

Fr Bryan Roe

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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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<https://www.facebook.com/StBenedictsCatholicParish/>

St Vincent de Paul:

1800 Vinnie (1800 846 643)

St Benedict's Justice & Peace Group:

jpestbenedicts@gmail.com

Readings for this week – 11th October 2026.

**1st Reading - Isaiah 25: 6-10.
Psalm - Ps 22.
Response - I shall live in the house of
the Lord all the days of
my life.
2nd Reading - St Paul to the Philippians
4:12-14, 19-20.
Gospel - Matthew 22: 1-14.**

Dear wonderful St Benedict's Parishioners,

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus tells us the third of three powerful parables in response to the religious authorities questioning His authority after He cleansed the Temple. These parables - the two sons, the wicked tenants, and the invitation to the wedding feast - are all about one great and vital choice: what will we do with Jesus?

The two sons remind us that it is not enough simply to say "yes" to God, for our lives must become a response to God. The wicked tenants show us the tragedy of rejecting the Son when He comes to us. And in the wedding feast, this Sunday, Jesus reveals the abundance God offers if we embrace Jesus in our lives: a place at His table, friendship with Him, and life in all its fullness.

This Sunday we have the great joy of celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation with our wonderful children. We congratulate each of them as they take this important step in their journey of faith and receive the fullness of the Holy Spirit.

Confirmation is a beautiful gift through which Jesus strengthens us with the Holy Spirit, deepens our relationship with Him, and equips us to live as His faithful disciples and witnesses in the world.

I would like to offer my heartfelt thanks to the parents and families of our children for nurturing their faith and walking with them on this journey. Thank you also to our wonderful Sacramental Team and to all our parishioners who have prayed for, encouraged, and supported these beautiful young people.

As a parish family, let us continue to keep our children in our prayers as they receive this very important Sacrament of the Church. May the Holy Spirit fill them with faith, courage, joy, and love, and may they always know that Jesus walks with them.

Let us rejoice with them and pray that they will continue to grow ever closer to Jesus and become joyful missionary disciples.

Have a great week everyone, living in the house of the Lord, *Fr Bryan*

To the People of God, Working together in the Mission of the Gospel

Across our Archdiocese I see so much goodwill, engagement and commitment as people in our parishes, schools, healthcare and social services live the Gospel in ways that build up our communities and one another.

In order to continue to work more closely together, I am pleased to announce a renewed leadership model for the Archdiocese of Brisbane that will strengthen relationships among Catholic organisations and enhance our capacity to serve the mission of the Church and respond to the needs of our communities.

Central to this model is a new Council of Vicars, with skilled leaders across Health, Social Services, Education, Pastoral Mission, Clergy, Religious and Administration. They will coordinate and encourage information sharing, advocacy and stewardship across Catholic agencies in their respective fields.

The Council will advise and assist me as Archbishop, working with and respecting the responsibilities of boards and leaders of Catholic organisations across south-east Queensland. Its aim is to strengthen how we serve together.

This collaborative leadership model, developed in consultation with leaders across our Catholic network, will help realise the goals of the 2024 Archdiocesan Synod and draw more widely on the gifts and expertise of the faithful.

The Vicar General and Vicar for Clergy will continue to be priests, and the Vicar for Religious will be a member of a religious institute. The other Vicar roles will be open to lay people... reflecting recent Vatican reforms and the global Synod for a Synodal Church, centred on participation, communion and mission.

Recruitment commences this week for the Vicars of Education, Health and Social Services, which will be part-time roles, initially for 18 months... We are seeking people with expertise, a grounding in Catholic teaching, commitment to the Church's mission, respectful listening and collaborative discernment.

A Chief of Staff will provide a key coordination point for the Vicars and my office...

As these roles are filled, the Council of Vicars will assist in establishing an ongoing Archdiocesan Pastoral Mission Council, using the priorities of the 2024 Synod and future Synods to help parishes and agencies put them into practice.



Parish Calendar

The Week Ahead...

Thursday 15th October

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

Friday 16th October

9am - St Benedict's Parish Mass, together with Prep and Yr 5 students.

Saturday 17th October

4pm - St Benedict's Parish Mass.

Sunday 18th October

8.30am - St Benedict's Parish Mass.

Baptism Celebration and Preparation Morning after 8.30am Mass.

5.30pm - St Benedict's Parish Mass.

Save the Date...

In October...

- 4th** - Baptism Celebration and Preparation Morning after 8.30am Mass.
- 17th & 18th** - World Mission Sunday Appeal Weekend.
- 18th** - Children's Liturgy of the Word in 8.30am Mass.
- 18th** - Baptism Celebration and Preparation Morning after 8.30am Mass.

In November...

- 1st** - All Saints Solemnity.
- 8th** - Baptism Celebration and Preparation Morning after 8.30am Mass.
- 14th & 15th** - St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal weekend.
- 15th** - Children's Liturgy of the Word in 8.30am Mass.
- 28th** - **Memorial Mass for All Souls**, 9am.
- 29th** - Baptism Celebration and Preparation Morning after 8.30am Mass.

In December...

- 3rd** - St Benedict's Parish Anniversary.
- 6th** - St Benedict's Parish Anniversary Celebration Morning Tea after 8.30am Mass.
- 20th** - Children's Liturgy of the Word in 8.30am Mass.
- 20th** - Children's Choir Practice for Christmas Eve Family Mass.
- 24th** - St Benedict's Christmas Eve Mass 6pm (Family Mass), 9pm (Vigil Mass).
- 25th** - St Benedict's Christmas Mass 8.30am.

Please pray for all who will serve in these roles, and for our whole Archdiocese as we listen to the Holy Spirit and walk together in Christ's mission.

For information about the new roles, contact vicarrecruitment@bne.catholic.net.au or Ruth Buchanan on 0448 241 521 for a confidential discussion.

Yours sincerely, +Shane Archbishop of Brisbane

A Message of Thanks for the Gibb's Family

Our family would like to sincerely thank Fr Mick Lowcock and Fr Bryan for the beautiful Requiem Mass celebrated for our much-loved husband and father, Michael.

We are also very grateful to Bonni, Julie, Derek, Pierina, Janice Lowcock, Lucas, Deborah, Dorothy, Raymond, Nancy and Joseph for their wonderful support and assistance, and to the Sadumiano family and friends for providing such beautiful music for the Mass.

We would like to thank our dear parish friends for your prayers, visits, messages and kindness during Michael's illness and at the time of his passing.

A very special thank you to Fr Bryan for his many visits to Michael throughout his 11 months of illness, for his prayers and pastoral care, and especially for anointing Michael on the evening before he passed away. Your presence and support meant so much to Michael and to all of us.

We are deeply grateful to everyone who helped us, prayed for us, and surrounded our family with such love and care during this difficult time.

With heartfelt thanks, Joy, Elissa, Katie, Scott, Timothy, William and families

Our St Benedict's Memorial Mass - Saturday, 28 November at 9.00am

November is a special month in the Church when we remember and pray particularly for our loved ones who have gone before us. Throughout November, we will come together as a parish family to entrust our deceased loved ones to the loving embrace of God, praying that they may rest in peace and be raised with Jesus in glory.

At the entrance to the church throughout November, you will find our **Memorial Book**. We invite you to write the names of family members and friends who have died, especially those whom you would like our parish community to remember in prayer. The Memorial Book will be reverently processed into the church at each Mass throughout November, reminding us that we are united in prayer with all those who have gone before us.

We will have tea candles available for purchase at each Mass. You are welcome to light a candle and place it on our Candle Stand in front of the Altar as a sign of your love, remembrance, and prayer for someone dear to you.

During November, I will also offer Masses for the intentions of our deceased loved ones, praying that God, in His infinite mercy, may grant them eternal rest and welcome them into the fullness of life with Christ.

Mass Intention Envelopes can be found on the Welcome Table or at the Parish Office.

Our Memorial Mass

As a special part of our November remembrance, we will once again celebrate our St Benedict's Memorial Mass on Saturday, 28 November at 9.00am.

At this beautiful Mass, we will remember all our loved ones who have gone before us, but especially those whom we have lost during the past year. If you have lost a loved one during the past year and would like them remembered particularly at this Memorial Mass, please contact Renae at admin.northlakes@bne.catholic.net.au.

A dignified candle will be prepared in memory of your loved one lost in the past 12 months, once you have contacted Renae.

At the beginning of Mass, as I call their name, a family member will be invited to bring the candle forward and place it on our Candle Stand. As each candle is placed before us, we will remember the precious gift of that person's life, give thanks for the love we shared with them, and commend them once again into the loving arms of God.

Our faith gives us the beautiful hope that death is not the end. In Jesus, we look forward to the resurrection and to that day when we will be reunited with those we love in the glory of God.

Divine Retreat Centre – One Day Retreat, with Fr Sam Samuel VC

WHEN: Saturday 31st October 2026, 9.30am-3.30pm

WHERE: Holy Cross Church, 110 Nottingham St, Kippa Ring.

Admission is Free, No Registration needed, BYO Food

Further Information Contact:- 0432833439

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:- 18th October and 15th November.

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 please. Thank you



Mass Ministry Roster Week 3

Saturday 17th October, 4pm

Commentator: Oliver Morata

Reader 1: Mary Foronda

Reader 2: Sheila Pereira

Communion Minister: Gerard Davis

Sunday 18th October, 8.30am

Commentator: Rochelle Martin

Reader 1: Morton Howes

Reader 2: Aviva Coutinho

Communion Minister: Bobette Sindicic,
Pierina Ziebarth and Andre Mascarenhas

Sunday 18th October, 5.30pm

Commentator: Judith Fernandes

Reader 1: Seema Masih

Reader 2: Zandra Farr

Communion Minister: Theresa Saad,
Michael Fraser, Sheilah Ojuri.

Communion Ministers – Face Mask Reminder

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

Reconciliation – Available by Appointment. Prior to 4pm Saturday and 5.30pm Sunday Mass.

Please call the Parish Office should you wish to arrange an appointment with Father to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation/Confession. Appointments are available to be made, for times just prior to the 4pm Saturday Mass and prior to the 5.30pm Sunday Mass.



Sacraments at St Benedicts Parish.

Infant and Child 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- Adults and Teens wishing to become Catholic.

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.

Please remember in your Prayers:

Those who are Unwell: Joy & Russell Darby, Natalia Humpries.

All those whose Anniversaries occur at this time: Allan and Mertyl Spiller,
Thomas and Theresa Blacker.

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 - Update on Recent Events.

What we are about: Look at <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/gods-people/twenty-seventh-sunday-in-ordinary-time-2026/>

Support for Pacific Leaders: Last Tuesday St Benedict's had a team of six at the multi-faith rally at St John's Cathedral, attended by Catholics, Buddhists and Protestants, to provide visible support for the Pacific Leaders meeting in Fiji. While attendance was not as envisaged, we ask you to please keep Pacific people in your prayers (**love [SOOT]**) and **accompany** them on what will be a long and hard journey for them.

Everything is fitting together: For some years now, we have been trying to improve ourselves through the SOOT formation process – **Love, Encounter, Dialogue, Inclusion and Accompaniment**. Without realising it we are now following those ideals.

As a parish, we do things out of **love** – our wonderful prayer group, concerned about so many people; supporting our Pacific friends against climate change; donating monies to Caritas PNG for their Childbirth Project (see later);

We are **encountering** new people and new ideas outside our parish as we promote God's word – working closely with the Archdiocese, not travelling alone; joining with Queensland Community Alliance; and inviting the Ethiopian Christian Community to meet with us;

We are **dialoguing** with these people, and discovering new horizons;

We are **including** the people we encounter, understanding their vital issues – Pacific people could lose the lands they were born to;

We are **accompanying** them and supporting them on their journey. For example, our dialogue with Caritas in PNG started in 2018, and only now are we able to deliver something tangible – which we hope to share the story next week.

Future meeting dates- usually the second Wednesday of each month at 7pm. Please reach out to Ken Butler for details. JP&E email address - jpestbenedicts@gmail.com.

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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.

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, or we can email one to you.
Please complete and submit to the office so we can register/update
your contact details. Thank you.

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 also uploaded to our Website

Women of The Way Retreat 9-11th October. BOOKINGS OPEN NOW!

Treat yourself to some quality time with God to reflect and
recharge.

Theme: Redemption Calling - Rejoice!

I have called you by name. You are mine!

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*To everyone who actively contributes financially to the life of our St
Benedict's Parish through our Planned Giving Programs, 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
and Planned Giving forms are 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

With our Planned Giving we 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.

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.

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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!



Mass Centre Collections - Weekend of 27/09/2026.

Parish Collections:- \$1086.20

Building Collections:- \$ 943.50

Total Donations:- \$2974.70 (total incl T&G)

We offer heartfelt thanks to our Parishioners who have ever so generously
donated toward the life and mission of the St Benedict's Parish through our
weekend collections. Thank you for your support.

*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.*