

**Eighteenth Sunday
in Ordinary Time
Year C
31st July 2022.**



ST BENEDICT'S PARISH

North Lakes, Mango Hill & Griffin

Parish Priest

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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

Sunday - 5.30pm

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

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Lessons in Discipleship

Since coming back into Ordinary Time, in the Gospel each Sunday we have been journeying with Jesus to Jerusalem, while He has been giving us lessons in discipleship. Given that we are disciples, now would be a good time to reinforce what we have learnt.

Firstly, Jesus sent out the seventy-two to all the towns and places Jesus was to visit. Jesus is making it clear that we are to be missionary. We are called to let people know about Jesus, so that they can let Jesus into their hearts and be transformed.

Then Jesus makes it clear that to be effective missionary disciples, "you must love the Lord your God with all our heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbour as yourself" (Luke 10: 27). Jesus then, through the parable of Good Samaritan, explains that our neighbour is everyone, particularly those who are suffering. And we are called to do all we can to help, just like the Good Samaritan helped the Jewish person (Jews and Samaritans were sworn enemies btw) who was beaten up and left to die.

Then we heard the encounter Jesus has with two sisters - Mary and Martha. Mary sits at the feet of Jesus, learning from Jesus, while Martha runs around anxiously serving Jesus and His companions. Martha complains to Jesus about Mary not helping her out, but Jesus responds by making it clear that in order to serve God well, we need to constantly sit at the feet of Jesus, listening to Him, who will always direct us to serve God well.

Then last Sunday Jesus taught us to pray the "Our Father." Then Jesus made it clear that God is at our beck and call, all we need to do is ask God to come into our lives, and God will. And if we do not invite Jesus into our lives, then life is a lot tougher for us.

The lesson in discipleship for this coming Sunday's Gospel is to not be greedy, and to share our gifts with others. We are not to store up treasure for ourselves, but we are called to make ourselves rich in the sight of God (Luke 12: 21).

The Plenary Council

We continue to look at the decrees from Australia's Fifth Plenary Council, which will be sent to Pope Francis for approval for us to implement as our way of being Church in Australia.

The Second Decree: *CHOOSING REPENTANCE – SEEKING HEALING*

As the Plenary Council of the Church in Australia, we express our profound sorrow that children and young people and vulnerable adults have been abused by clergy, religious and lay workers of the Catholic Church. To the victims and survivors of abuse, their families, and communities, we offer our unreserved apology. We commit to doing whatever we can to promote healing for those so gravely harmed and to make the Church a truly safe place for everyone.

The Church has taken significant steps in recent decades to respond to those who have suffered the trauma of abuse. Dioceses and other Church organisations have introduced policies and procedures to ensure that good practice in professional standards and safeguarding is observed by all who exercise ministry in the Church.

As a Plenary Council, we recommit the Catholic Church in Australia to responding transparently, with justice and compassion, to those who have been abused, whether they approach the Church directly or through the government's National Redress Scheme or through civil litigation. Dioceses and other Church organisations should provide sensitive and appropriate

This Week's Readings - Sunday 31st July

1st Reading - Ecclesiaste 1: 2; 2: 21-23

**2nd Reading - St Paul to the
Colossians 3: 1-5, 9-11**

Gospel - Luke 12: 13-21

Parish Diary

Tuesday 2nd August

7pm Confirmation Celebration Group 1.

Wednesday 3rd August

No Christian Meditation,
taking a little break.

Thursday 4th August

Parish Newsletter Day.

Friday 5th August

9am - St Benedict's Parish Mass

6.30pm - St Benedict's Youth Group.

Saturday 6th August

4pm - St Benedict's Parish Mass.

Sunday 7th August

8.30am - St Benedict's Parish Mass.

5.30pm - St Benedict's Parish Mass.

Mass at Home - Streaming from the
Cathedral of St Stephen, Brisbane.

[Mass On Demand - YouTube](#)

processes for the pastoral care of those who have been abused.

For the safeguarding of children and adults at risk, and for the prevention of abuse, we recommit the Catholic Church in Australia to implementing the National Catholic Safeguarding Standards. We affirm the practice of an annual Day of Prayer (currently called "Safeguarding Sunday") on which Church communities throughout Australia pray for God's healing for those who have suffered abuse and dedicate themselves to care for children and all those who are vulnerable, following the example of Christ.

The Fifth Plenary Council of Australia decrees: Article 1 That to express more fully the aims of the annual "Safeguarding Sunday", in consultation with those who have been harmed by abuse: a. a new name will be adopted for "Safeguarding Sunday", and b. the Bishops Commission for Liturgy will develop appropriate rituals and liturgical resources to be offered to parishes for use on the day.

Congratulations to our Youth Group

Thank you to all members of our St Benedict's Youth Group, Regium Youth, who entertained us so magnificently last Saturday evening. It was a great concert! Very professional, and very entertaining. A special thank you to Chrisma, our Youth Coordinator, and the leadership team for organising such a great night for all. Also, thank you to Joy and Mike for their help, and to all the parishioners who came along. Your support is much appreciated.

Being Missionary Disciples - Welcoming our Sacramental Families

Our sacramental families continue to join us for Mass this Sunday. Let us continue to do all we can to attract people into a deeper relationship with Jesus. *All we need to do to be Missionary Disciples is continue to show the incredible joy that Jesus gives us as we celebrate Mass. And continue to be a beautiful welcoming and caring community.*

Adults wanting to Become Catholics

Calling all adults wanting to become Catholics, please contact the Parish Office at admin.northlakes@bne.catholic.au for information on the RCIA Program.

Justice and Peace - Congratulations.

We wish one of our Parishioners, Michael Campbell all the very best, as he has accepted an invitation from the Archdiocese Justice and Peace Commission to join with them to promote the Church's mission of protecting the world we live in, and protecting marginalised people.

Justice and Peace - A major thrust from the Pope that affects all of us

Seven years ago, Pope Francis gave us his Encyclical Letter, *Laudato Si' - On Care for Our Common Home*. It has taken seven years for the message to be interpreted and spread through the Church, and in the last few weeks the Archdiocese of Brisbane has been the first Archdiocese in the world to launch its Action Plan.

Last Sunday, Bishop Tim travelled to Minjerrabah (Stradbroke Island) to celebrate that launch with Mass and a workshop hosted by the First Nation people from that area.

This IS something that affects and involves us all. It specifically notes the urgent calls from Torres Strait Islanders and people across the Pacific to save them from climate change, to protect their lands and seas, from Aboriginal people seeking support to ward off threats to their traditional culture and lands, and the plight of all people affected by bushfires, floods, and epidemics.

The Church has a unique role in turning things around.

Those present felt the concern from the Quandamooka people at the Mass, and with the stewardship of Parishes through Justice and Peace groups, we can make changes.

Over the next few weeks we will be explaining this in more detail through the Newsletter.

Wishing you all a great week, with blessings in abundance, *Fr Bryan*

Mass Ministry

Saturday 6th August, 4pm Mass

Commentator: Paul Kraus

Reader 1: Raymond Anthony

Reader 2: Nancy D'Souza

Communion Minister: Dorothy
Anthony

Sunday 7th August, 8.30am Mass

Commentator: Isaac Spillane

Reader 1: Chrisma Shaji

Reader 2: Chrislyn Shaji

Communion Minister: Shaji George


Sunday 7th August, 5.30pm Mass

Commentator:

Reader 1: Ministers to

Reader 2: be confirmed

Communion Minister:



Prayer Requests


Please pray for those who are,
Unwell: Sophie Allen
Anniversaries:



The Women of The Way Retreat - 26th to 28th August - Reflect, Recharge, Renew and Reignite your faith.

Where: Watson Park Convention Centre, 337 Old Gympie Rd Dakabin. For info phone **Rosa Montegrando** on 0400755516 or email wowqld@gmail.com **Registrations close 31st July.**

St Benedict's Prayer Network Initiatives. Prayer Requests



If anyone has any prayer requests, please fill in your details using one of the following methods:

- * a dedicated email addressed to: sbparishprayerhub@gmail.com
- * our online [St Benedict's Prayer Request Form](#)
- * a prayer box available at the rear of the church.

All requests will be submitted to the team and will be prayed for two weeks. After this period another request will be needed. *(Please note:- you shall need to make a separate request to the Parish Office for Prayer Requests in the Parish Newsletter, thank you)*

Meditation Group at St. Benedict's.

The Christian Meditation Group is taking a little break from gathering on Wednesday mornings. Please email Paul, pkraus44@optusnet.com.au for further details.

Covid-19 is Still Very Contagious

PLEASE may we refrain from coming to Mass if we have any cold or flu symptoms. And may we wear a mask, socially distance, and sanitise our hands regularly to prevent the spreading of this very contagious virus.


I urge you to follow the recommendations following to do all we can to keep each other safe during these times of reduced restrictions.

- ** Please stay home if you are sick or showing signs/symptoms of illness.**
- ** Please feel free to bring and wear your face mask. Wearing a mask is recommended when you cannot socially distance.**
- ** Please maintain good hand hygiene.**
- ** Please do not shake hands, hug, or kiss hello. These actions are not COVID safe.**

Thank you so much for your ongoing commitment to keeping each other safe.

*We respectfully acknowledge the Gubbi Gubbi and Ningi Ningi people, as the traditional owners and caretakers of the land which is the St Benedict's Parish.
 We acknowledge the Elders, past and present.
 May we, too, be good stewards of this land.*

Vocation Matters - National Vocations Awareness Week, 7th-14th August.



Vocation means God calls, and we respond.

Why does it matter that people discover their God-given vocations? Because the Church relies on the unique contribution of every person. As St John Henry Newman reflected, "God has created me to do some special service; God has committed some work to which has not been committed to another.

I HAVE A MISSION". Where is God calling you?

Learn more about vocation at:- www.vocationbrisbane.com

ALPHA, starts Sunday 18/09/22 at 9.45am in the St Benedict's College Staffroom.

Contact the Alpha Team for info at Alphastbenmango@gmail.com or visit <https://alpha.org/try-alpha/>



Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility.

Respect & Protect.



Zero tolerance. No excuse for abuse.

St Benedict's Parish Safeguarding.

The Archdiocese has reviewed the requirements for Parish Volunteers who are required to hold a Blue Card and/or a Police Check:-

- Most Parish Volunteers are NOT required to have a Blue Card/Police Check unless they are working directly with children or vulnerable adults for our Parish or hold particular roles.
- If the you are required to hold or renew your Blue Card/Police Check, our Parish Office will be in contact with you directly.

If you wish to become a volunteer for St Benedict's the Welcome Portal is:- <http://archbne.org/welcome>

If you are required to hold a Blue Card, we ask that you please take part in the Level 1 Training for Safeguarding, this is online:- [Level One Induction Video for Safeguarding](#) and submit the form on completion.

Thank you very much to those who Volunteer and give your precious time to serve St Benedict's Parish.

If you have any questions or need any help please contact the Parish Office.

SAFEGUARDING - STOPLine 1300 304 500
STOPLine email - AOB@stoline.com.au



St Benedict's Parish Fundraising

\$10,000 Raffle is here! One Lucky winner, will win \$10,000!

Our Major Fundraiser for 2022 is here... Funds raised from the \$10,000 Raffle will go towards building our St Benedict's Church.

Tickets are \$100 each (Eftpos available) - **purchased at weekend Masses, or through the Parish Office.**

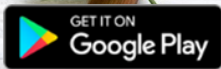
With only 200 tickets available, get in quick, once they are sold we will draw the prize winner.

Please... dig deep and support the Fundraising efforts for the St Benedict's Parish. Good Luck!

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>

Thank you for your kind support.



SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMS 2022

Sacramental Programs for 2022 are now closed for enrolment.

We invite families to please contact the Parish Office, admin.northlakes@bne.catholic.net.au for further information in regard to 2023 Programs.

Confirmation, Children in Gr3 and above, having been Baptised are eligible.

First Holy Communion, Gr4 and above, having already made their Confirmation, are eligible.



Received with Thanks, from St Vincent De Paul North Lakes Conference.

Donations for week ending 24/07/22 - \$0.00

Giving and Donations:- Week ending - Sunday 24th July 2022.

Loose & Envelopes:-

Building (Church) - \$151.00
Parish (Running) - \$692.20

Direct Deposits & Credit Card:-

Building (Church) - \$582.00
Parish (Running) - \$585.00

Totals:-

Building (Church) = **\$733.00**
Parish (Running) = **\$1277.20**

*For it is in giving that we receive' ...
St Francis of Assisi*



We offer heartfelt thanks to our Parishioners who have ever so generously been donating in support of the life and mission of the St Benedict's Parish. We thank you for your continued support.

St Benedict's Planned Giving

As a Parish, we have the responsibility of meeting the associated costs of running our Parish. It is with great hope and appreciation that Parishioners and Friends of St Benedict's Parish will help to support our Parish financially and consider contributing to the Parish Planned Giving and Building funds. Our Parish has the following giving options available for those who are willing and able to contribute:-

Planned Giving via **Credit Card Deduction**

Planned Giving via **Direct Debit**

Planned Giving **Envelopes**

We also have available the **Plate Collections** at Mass, the **Tap N Go** facilities and the **Parish Plan Giving App** (see above)

Pledge cards are available at the Mass Centre for those wishing to contribute to the Parish Planned Giving and or Building Funds by completing these cards and placing them in the Tap'n'Go Collection stand at the entrance of the Mass Centre. Our Office will be in contact after they are submitted.

We sincerely thank you for your kind and generous support of the St Benedict's Catholic Parish.