

Twenty-Fifth
Sunday in Ordinary
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18th Sept 2022.



ST BENEDICT'S PARISH

North Lakes, Mango Hill & Griffin

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

Sunday - 5.30pm

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

St Vincent de Paul

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A Wise Steward

In this coming Sunday's Gospel we hear Jesus share with us what seems to be a very confusing parable. Now having said that, the parables Jesus told were meant to be puzzling, meant to tease us into thinking and even to turn our perspective upside down. This coming Sunday's parable certainly does this.

The steward in the Gospel story is about to be fired and so he re-writes the bills for his master cutting them down considerably in the hope that by doing this he could seek employment when he is fired. This action earns his master's praise for its astuteness! Why would Jesus present this character as an example for disciples?

Well, the master recognises the wisdom (astuteness) of the steward in the way he uses money with an eye to the future. It is possible that the steward is not losing money for his master but simply writing off his personal cut from the money owing to his master, and so is not doing anything dishonest, just forgoing his own commission. He is going without a present profit in the hope of a future gain – employment from his master's debtors. The master in the parable recognises the shrewdness of this behaviour.

It is this attitude that Jesus commends to us, his disciples. Encouraging us to use all the gifts with an eye to the future. Letting the perspective of God's Kingdom determine how we live now. From God's perspective, it may be wiser to forgo some of our current luxuries in order to help and care for others. Such outrageous behaviour may earn us the commendable title of 'a wise steward'.

No Friday Mass for Three (3) weeks.

A gentle reminder, that there will be no Friday 9am Masses for the next few weeks, while Father Bryan takes a well earned break; we will resume our Friday Masses on Friday 7th October at 9am.



Each year from **September 1 to October 4**, the Christian family unites for the **Season of Creation**, a worldwide celebration of prayer and action to protect our common home. Our wellbeing is interwoven with the wellbeing of the Earth and we rejoice in this opportunity to safeguard our common home and all who share it.

This year, the theme for the season is **Listen to the Voice of Creation**. We continue to listen to Pope Francis' message for the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation. This is week 3 of the Season of Creation, and here is the third key point of Pope Francis' message:

A warning message ahead of the Conference of Parties (COP)

Ahead COP 27 on climate (Egypt, November 2022) and COP 15 on biodiversity (Canada, December 2022) Francis recalls in his message the importance of "promoting the effective implementation of the Paris Agreement", as recently ratified by the Holy See.

"Each passing moment is an opportunity for everyone, especially world leaders, to reverse the biodiversity and climate crises. Let COP 27 bring forth ambitious commitments to prevent carbon emissions from fossil fuels and support for clean energy transition as well as efficient relief for our brothers and sisters already within the climate crisis. Let COP 15 bring forth a firm commitment to end any more biodiversity collapse", said Lindlyn Moma, Advocacy Director of the Laudato Si' Movement.

This Week's Readings, 18th September

1st Reading - Amos 8: 4-7

2nd Reading - St Paul to Timothy
2: 1-8

Gospel - Luke 16: 1-13

Parish Diary

Thursday 22nd September

Parish Newsletter Day.

Friday 23rd September

**** No Friday Mass ****

6.30pm - St Benedict's Youth Group.

Saturday 24th September

4pm - St Benedict's Parish Mass.

Sunday 25th September

8.30am - St Benedict's Parish Mass.

9.45am - ALPHA SERIES in the College Staffroom. Register via:-
[Alpha Registration 2022](#)

5.30pm - St Benedict's Parish Mass.

Our **Christian Meditation Group** are on a little break. Please keep an eye on our Newsletter and an ear open for announcements at Mass.
pkraus44@optusnet.com.au

Mass at Home - Streaming from the Cathedral of St Stephen, Brisbane.
[Mass On Demand - YouTube](#)

Mass Ministry

Saturday 24th September, 4pm

Commentator: Hugh Shannon
Reader 1: Andreena Shannon
Reader 2: Evie Shannon
Communion Minister: Mena Jordan

Sunday 25th September, 8.30am

Commentator: Werner Mascarenhas
Reader 1: Andre Mascarenhas
Reader 2: Erica Mascarenhas
Communion Minister: Bobette Sindicic

Sunday 25th September, 5.30pm

Commentator:
Reader 1: Ministers to
Reader 2: be confirmed
Communion Minister:

And to the community of Catholics, the Pope calls them to prayer: "In this Season of Creation, let us pray that COP27 and COP15 may unite the human family to decisively address the double crisis of climate and biodiversity reduction".

The Plenary Council

Decree 9 of the Fifth Plenary Council of Australia is titled:

THE IMPLEMENTATION PHASE OF THE FIFTH PLENARY COUNCIL

Article 1

That the Plenary Council adopt the following steps for ensuring the effectiveness and accountability of the Implementation phase, to take place over a period of five years:

- a. the Bishops Commission for the Plenary Council will be responsible for establishing terms of review for the Plenary Council's implementation;
- b. a roundtable body such as that proposed in Decree 7, Article 2, will be responsible for co-ordinating the review;
- c. interim reports will be published in 2023 and 2025; and
- d. the final review report will be published five years after the Second Assembly, in 2027.

Thank You

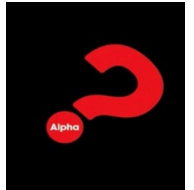
My thanks again to **Fr Joe Duffy** for joining us for the next two weekends. Fr Joe is an awesome priest! He is an excellent mentor for me, and a great witness to the faith for us all. So, as I go on annual leave, I know I will be leaving you all in very caring and capable hands. And not only that, I also know that I am leaving Fr Joe in capable hands too, for St Benedict's truly is an awesome parish to serve as a priest.

Message from the Alpha Team

The Alpha Team is praying that you will come to the next Alpha at St Benedict's.

We pray that we get to know God and each other better through Alpha.

We pray that you invite family, friends and neighbours to spend a little over an hour with us on Sunday September 18 at 9:45am to come and share morning tea, see a video 'Is There More to Life Than This', and be part of the growth in our community.



Adults wanting to Become Catholics

Calling all adults wanting to become Catholics; please contact the St Benedict's Parish Office for further information on the RCIA Program 2022/2023

Have a great week everyone, filled with God's love, *Fr Bryan*

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMS 2022/2023

Sacramental Programs for 2022 have now been completed.

We invite families to please contact the Parish Office on 07 3490 1768 or admin.northlakes@bne.catholic.net.au for further information in regard to the 2023 Sacramental Programs.

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

First Holy Communion, Grade 4 and above, having already received the Sacrament of Confirmation, are eligible.

St Benedict's Parish - Wellbeing Workshop 2022.

What is the Wellbeing Workshop? It is a free Workshop called "How are you going?"

The workshop is an opportunity in a safe, small groups environment, to talk about your experiences during Covid over the last almost three (3) years. How you have coped and a time for talking about resilience.

Who can come along? We look forward to welcoming Adults and teenagers from 14 and upwards to come join us.

When is the Workshop? The work shop will be held on Saturday October 29th from 11am-3pm.

Where is it to be held? Join with us in the St. Benedict's School/Church Hall.

Is there anything else I should know? Please bring along your own lunch/snacks and water bottle. *Tea and coffee will be supplied.*

To register your interest in attending the Wellness Retreat, please complete the registration form by following the link - [St Benedict's Wellbeing Workshop Saturday October 29 at 11am](#)

We thank the St. Benedict's Prayer Network for organizing this wonderful Wellbeing Workshop.

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)*

Prayer Requests

Please pray for those who are,

Unwell: Sophie Allen, Mick Lowcock

Anniversaries:

Dearly Departed:



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.

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.

SAFEGUARDING - STOPLine 1300 304 500

STOPLine email - AOB@stopline.com.au

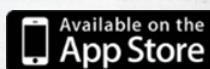
Our faith sustains us through challenging times. Now, more than ever, your support is needed to help our Parish to continue valuable pastoral activities and to provide ongoing sustainability. To assist you in supporting the

St Benedict's Parish, you can now give via the

Planned Giving APP:

<http://parishgiving.brisbanecatholic.org.au>

Thank you for your kind support.



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

Donations for week ending 18/09/22 - **\$0.00**

Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass
to be celebrated by
Archbishop Mark Coleridge
Couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary or more are invited to attend, together with family and friends
**Saturday 24th September 2022
11:30am**

RSVP: Wednesday 21st September
email: cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au
telephone: 3324 3030
The Cathedral car park will be available.

Queen Elizabeth II
1926-2022

Requiem Mass for
Queen Elizabeth II
Cathedral of St. Stephen
Saturday 17/09/22 @ 11:30 am
Principal Celebrant -
Archbishop Mark Coleridge

Giving and Donations:- Week ending - Sunday 11th September 2022.

Loose & Envelopes:-

Building (Church) - \$254.00
Parish (Running) - \$549.10

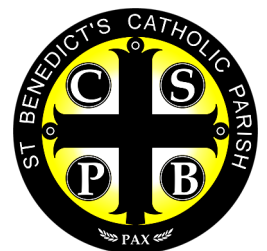
Direct Deposits & Credit Card:-

Building (Church) - \$270.00
Parish (Running) - \$470.00

Totals:-

Building (Church) = **\$524.00**
Parish (Running) = **\$1019.10**

*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.