

Twenty-Ninth
Sunday in Ordinary
Time, Year C
16th October 2022.



ST BENEDICT'S PARISH

North Lakes, Mango Hill & Griffin

Prayer

In this coming Sunday's Gospel Jesus encourages us to pray. Many spiritual writers have described prayer as the oxygen to the spiritual life. Dionysius (Pope from 259-268) describes prayer as being one with the One beyond being.

The more we pray, the better we get at it, and closer we will get to God.

"I'm afraid you've not had much practice in riding" Alice ventured to say, as she helped him up from his tumble. The knight looked very much surprised and a little offended at the remark. "What makes you say that?" he asked, as he scrambled back into the saddle, keeping hold of Alice's hair with one hand, to save himself from falling over on the other side. "Because people don't fall off quite so often, when they've had much practice." " Lewis Carroll: Through the Looking Glass.

World Mission Sunday – October 15th and 16th (amended dates)

This coming Sunday we will be celebrating in our parish World Mission Sunday. Xavier Campbell, a student from St Benedict's College and a terrific St Benedict's parishioner, will be Catholic Mission's Ambassador to the parish.

Please give generously to the project Catholic Mission Australia getting behind this year, which will be exemplified by Xavier at Masses this weekend, and is explained further by Archbishop Mark below.

Dear my Sisters and Brothers in Christ

Each year the Church celebrates October as World Mission month. This year we are going to focus upon mission in a very particular way. The Church is always on mission, not just in October. But in October we focus upon the Church as a Church that is a mission and does not just have a mission.

Now, Pope Francis has given us as a theme for this year's World Mission month, "You will be my witnesses!" In other words, we have seen and heard something in order to be a witness. We have seen and heard the risen Christ, and we recognise Him most of all in our most needy brothers and sisters.

This is why Catholic mission this year is going to focus in a special way upon Ethiopia, where the human need is devastating because war and famine have created suffering on a very vast scale! And in those who are starving and dying we see the crucified Christ. So, we are witnesses to Him in offering assistance to those brothers and sisters who so badly need it.

We are going to focus upon one township in Ethiopia, Emdibir. We are going to help establish a goat rearing centre, which is a very important resource in Ethiopia. This is because the goats produce a very nutritious milk which, for people who are starving, particularly the young, becomes an extremely important resource.

So that is what we are on about in our mission. It sounds simple, but it is a big part of what it means to be a missionary Church. Therefore, I commend World Mission month to you, and I commend to you all that Catholic Mission is doing to support desperately needy people in Ethiopia, and especially the people of Emdibir. +Mark Coleridge, Archbishop of Brisbane.

The Australian Blanket Exercise – 5th of November at 9am

Raising awareness and understanding of the truth of Australian History. By participating in the Australian Blanket Exercise, you are remembering, acknowledging and sharing the pain of colonisation.

By participating you become part of truth-telling and have an opportunity to learn and know about past wrongs as well as ongoing injustice.

We invite you to walk with us in a movement of The Australian people for a better future. **All parishioners are invited to participate in The Australian Blanket Exercise at St Columban's College Hall, Caboolture at 9am on Saturday November 5.** I look forward to seeing you there.

Parish Priest:

Fr Bryan Roe

Email: roeb@bne.catholic.net.au

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

Parish Secretary:

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Office Hours:

Mon - Thurs 8.30am - 2.30pm

Friday **Closed.**

Parish Youth:

Coordinator: Chrisma Shaji

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Gather Friday evenings, 6.30pm - 8pm

Parish Safeguarding:

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STOpline: Ph - 1300 304 550

STOpline: Em - AOB@stopline.com.au

Parish Website:

www.stbenedictscatholicparish.com.au

Parish Facebook Page:

[https://www.facebook.com/
StBenedictsCatholicParish/](https://www.facebook.com/StBenedictsCatholicParish/)

St Vincent de Paul:

1800 Vinnie (1800 846 643)

This Sunday's Readings, 16th October

1st Reading - Exodus 17: 8-13

2nd Reading - St Paul to Timothy
3: 14 - 4: 2

Gospel - Luke 18: 1-8

Parish Diary

Thursday 20th October

Parish Newsletter Day.

Friday 21st October

9am - St Benedict's Parish Mass, with St Benedict's College Year 7.

6.30pm - St Benedict's Youth Group.

7.30pm - St Benedict's Rosary Group via Zoom. [October Friday Rosary 7:30pm](#)

Saturday 22nd October

4pm - St Benedict's Parish Mass.

World Mission Envelopes to be returned

Sunday 23rd October

8.30am - St Benedict's Parish Mass.

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9.45am - ALPHA SERIES, College Staffroom.

5.30pm - St Benedict's Parish Mass.

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Important change to Parish Office Hours.

We wish to advise the Parish Office will no longer be open from 9am to 12pm of a Friday; the Parish Office will now be Closed on a Friday.

Should you be seeking assistance from the Parish Office for any reason, please contact Renae between 8.30am and 2.30pm Monday to Thursday; Renae be more than happy to help you.

Thank you very much for your understanding.

October is the Month of the Holy Rosary

The month of October each year is dedicated to the Holy Rosary. This is mainly because the Feast of the Holy Rosary is celebrated on October 7 each year.

The Rosary draws its mysteries from the New Testament and is centred on the great events of the Incarnation and Redemption.

Please join in the Rosary and draw closer to Jesus and Mary by meditating on the great mysteries of our salvation.

The two online resources below are excellent! The first one will give you a deeper appreciation of the rosary. The second is an excellent resource for families wanting to pray the rosary together.

[How to pray the Rosary with Bishop Robert Barron](#)

[Pray the Rosary at home with the family](#)

As a parish, we will be gathering **on zoom every Friday in October at 7:30pm.** Please join us via the zoom link - [October Friday Rosary 7:30pm](#)

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

At St Benedict's we celebrate the Second Rite of Reconciliation twice a year – in Advent and Lent. The First Rite of Reconciliation is celebrated by appointment. So, if you would like to receive the First Rite of Reconciliation, please email me on roeb@bne.catholic.net.au and we will organise a time.

Please keep an eye on the newsletter over the coming weeks for the date of the Second Rite of Reconciliation, in Advent.

Wellbeing Workshop - How are you going?

How are you going? I encourage everyone to consider joining the Wellbeing Workshop facilitated by the Parish Prayer Network, on Saturday 29th October in the St Benedict's Primary School Hall from 11am to 3pm.

The workshop is an opportunity in a safe, small group environment, to talk about your experiences during Covid, how you have coped? And a time for talking about resilience. Adults and teenagers from 14 and upwards are most welcome to come join. Further information can be found on page 3.

Adults wanting to Become Catholics - RCIA Program 2022/2023



Calling all adults wanting to become Catholics; please contact the St Benedict's Parish Office for information on the RCIA Program 2022/2023, which will begin in November.

Have a great week everyone, with the Lord beside us always, Fr Bryan.

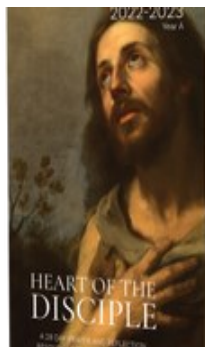
Advent Resource 2022 - Available NOW at the Mass Centre

Heart of the Disciple, is the Advent daily reflection resource for 2022, each day includes a short scripture text, a reflection upon it, as well as some thoughts to provoke prayer and discussion.

Heart of the Disciple is ideal as

- Advent preparation,
- A prayer guide for those preparing to be received into the Church,
- Spiritual renewal for liturgical ministers and those engaged in the mission of the Church,
- Assistance to those leading prayer and discussion groups
- and as a personal resource for anyone looking to establish a few minutes prayer in the midst of their busy day.

Available - \$5 each.



Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility.

Respect & Protect.



Mass Ministry

Week 4 - Saturday 22nd October, 4pm

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

Week 4 - Sunday 23rd October, 8.30am

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

Week 4 - Sunday 23rd October, 5.30pm

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

** Should you not be able to attend your Ministry Roster, please let the Sacristans know asap or please arrange to swap weeks with another Minister. Thank you.

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.

Please remember in your Prayers:

Those who are Unwell: Sophie Allen, Mick Lowcock

Those whose Anniversaries occur at this time: Thomas Blacker, Theresa Blacker, Myrtle Spiller and Allan Spiller.

Our Recently Departed:



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.



SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMS 2023

Programs for 2022 have now been completed.

We invite families to please contact the Parish Office (admin.northlakes@bne.catholic.net.au) for information in regard to the 2023 Sacramental Programs. Thank you.

SAFEGUARDING - STOPLINE 1300 304 500
STOPLINE email - A0B@stoline.com.au

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 Awareness

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 help prevent the spreading of this very contagious virus.

We unfortunately continue to experience Parishioners and Friends coming down with COVID. We wish them well. Please, may we continue to keep each other and ourselves safe by :-

**** Stay home if you are sick or showing signs/symptoms of illness.**

**** Feel free to bring and wear your face mask. Masks are recommended when you cannot socially distance.**

**** Maintain good hand hygiene, by using the sanitizer provided.**

**** Please do not shake hands, hug, or kiss hello. These actions are not COVID safe.**

Thank you for your commitment.

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.

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.



St Benedict's Fundraising - Lucky 100!

Have to be—in it to Win it!

100 tickets available to be purchased.

\$5.00 a ticket.

Prize is \$100 Cash, to the lucky winner.

Available at the Mass Centre.

Good luck, and thank you for supporting the fundraising efforts for our Parish.



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Reach out. Give life.



*Amended Date -
15/16 October*



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

Donations for week ending
9/10/22 - \$50.00

Giving and Donations:- Week ending - Sunday 9th October 2022.

Loose & Envelopes:-

Building (Church) - \$408.00
Parish (Running) - \$732.25

Direct Deposits & Credit Card:-

Building (Church) - \$365.00
Parish (Running) - \$720.00

Totals:-

Building (Church) = \$773.00
Parish (Running) = \$1452.25

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.

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 behind the OSHC building before or after Mass of a weekend as a matter of safety. Thank you

Position Vacant – Youth Ministry Coordinator

Applications are open for a part-time position at St Benedict's Parish (North Lakes / Mango Hill / Griffin). A person who is able to gather our youth once a week for faith formation and building friendships, along with engaging our youth in our Parish Ministries is required for 10 hours per week.

[Careers - Archdiocese of Brisbane \(brisbanecatholic.org.au\)](http://brisbanecatholic.org.au)

For additional information, please contact the St Benedict's Parish office at admin.northlakes@bne.catholic.net.au or on 07 3490 1768.

Application close: 8 / 11 / 2022

The Archdiocese of Brisbane has standards of conduct for workers to maintain a safe and healthy environment for children. Our commitment to these standards requires that we conduct working with children checks and background referencing for all persons who will engage in direct and regular involvement with children and young people (0 - 18 years) and/or vulnerable adults. The organisation is fully committed to child safety and has a 0 tolerance to abuse of children or vulnerable adults.

The Australian Blanket Exercise - 9am, Saturday 5th November. St Columban's College Hall, Caboolture.

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Australian Blanket Exercise Artwork by Bilarrindji

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