

Second Sunday of
Easter.
Year A.
16th April 2023.



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
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Mass Times:

Friday - 9.00am
Saturday - 4.00pm
Sunday - 8.30am and 5.30pm

Parish Secretary:

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Parish Youth and Young Adults:

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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)

"Peace be with You!" (John 20:19, 21, and 26)

As you can see from the reference above, in the Gospel for this coming Sunday, the Risen Jesus says, "Peace be with you" three times. Addressing the disciples, who were locked away in a room for fear of the Jewish leaders. Frightened of suffering from the same fate as their fearless Leader.

The disciples, however, rejoice when they see the Risen Lord (John 20:20). Then Jesus breathes the Holy Spirit into the disciples (John 20:22). The same Spirit breathed into each of us in baptism and in which we are strengthened with in the Sacrament of Confirmation. Enabling us to know that Jesus is our Lord and our God (John 20:28). And Jesus sends us into the world to continue His mission of drawing all people into the life of the One Who was raised up in glory on the Cross, as the perfect self-gift to God the Father, and to us. So that we too can surrender ourselves completely to God and to each other, rejoicing in the Risen Lord, and being immersed in Jesus' perfect love, joy, and peace!

Anointing Mass—Friday 14th April at 9am

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is a sacrament of healing for the faithful who seek physical, mental, and/or spiritual healing in Christ. This Friday we will have the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick in our 9am Mass. All are welcome.

Archbishop Mark's Seven Apostolic Priorities

In recent weeks, Archbishop Mark Coleridge has published a document entitled "Lamps Ablaze: Apostolic Priorities for the Archdiocese of Brisbane from 2023" which outlines **seven priorities** for us all to consider.

Over the next seven weeks concluding on Pentecost Sunday, clergy around the Archdiocese have been encouraged to preach on these apostolic priorities with reference to the readings for each Sunday. We also have a newsletter insert each week. Please see page 3 of the newsletter for this week's insert on Prayer.

A PDF copy of this document is attached with this newsletter, or you can download the whole document at <https://tinyurl.com/lampsablaze>

Powerful Triduum Celebrations – Thank You!

Thank you to everyone who contributed to making our Triduum Celebrations so reverent and powerful. A special thank you to:

Our Parish Secretary: Renaë Smyth-Scott;

Our Sacristans: Di and Gary Smyth, Julie and Derek Hawkins, Bobette Sindicic, Sa Ikitau, Bonni and Losa;

Our Altar Servers: Ronald, Angel, and Zephaniah Vaipuna;

Our Youth Group – who enacted and lead the Stations of the Cross on Good Friday.

Our Commentators: Charles D’Rosario and Werner Mascarenhas;

Our Readers: Michael Campbell, Nancy D’Souza, Brandon D’Silva, Aaron D’Silva, Mark D’Silva, Andre Mascarenhas, Erica Mascarenhas, and Chrislyn Shaji;

Our Musicians: The Franswahs, the Redullas, the Warouws, the Peses, Susana Karim, and Tissy Mathews;

Our Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: John Vaipuna, Sosefo Nasio, ET Matele, Joe and Nancy D’Souza, Daisy Kurian, Shaji George, and Bobette Sindicic;

Our PowerPoint Developer: Susan Black;

Writing of the Prayers of the Faithful: Paul Kraus;

Our PowerPoint Operators: Susan Black, and Thessa Ikitau;

Altar of Repose and the Beautiful Easter Mass Backdrop: Deborah and Charles D’Rosario, and Nancy D’souza.

The Chair Setup: The Ah-Colts;

Readings for this week - 16th April 2023.

Second Sunday of Easter.

1st Reading - Acts of the Apostles 2: 42-47

Psalms - Ps 117: 2-4, 13-15, 22-24

2nd Reading - St Peter 1: 3-9

Gospel - John 20: 19-31

The Week Ahead...

Thursday 20th April

Parish Newsletter Day.

Friday 21st April

9am - St Benedict's Parish Mass, together with Grade 6

Saturday 22nd April

4pm - St Benedict's Parish Mass

Sunday 23rd April

8.30am - St Benedict's Parish Mass

5.30pm - St Benedict's Parish Mass

Please note: the Parish Office will be closed Tuesday 25th April, for Anzac day.

Also, the Collectors, the volunteers who had their feet washed, and anyone else who I have inadvertently omitted (please forgive me).

Thank you to everyone who came along to participate in these sacred liturgies. Everything went so beautifully, giving these sacred liturgies appropriate dignity and respect. Thank you!

Final weekend for Caritas Envelopes

Thank you to our Justice and Peace team for promoting Caritas projects this year. And thank you to everyone who has contributed or plans to contribute to these very important projects, which gives our brothers and sisters a much-needed hand up.

Please bring your Project Compassion envelopes to Mass this weekend, for we have the responsibility of collecting these donations, and distributing requested receipts.

Good Friday Collection

Thank you to everyone who donated to the Holy Land collection on Good Friday. We raised **\$711.45** for the upkeep of the Christian sacred sites in the Holy Land.

Youth Lead Mass—Sunday 16th April 8.30am

We welcome our St Benedict's Youth and Young Adults, who will be leading the ministries at our 8:30am Mass this coming Sunday. Thank you for contributing so generously to the life of our St Benedict's Parish.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Training

This weekend we will be having training for our Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. If you feel God calling you to be an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, please come along to one of the following sessions:

Friday April 14 at 6pm;

Saturday April 15 at 5pm; and

Sunday April 16 at 9:30am or 4:30pm.

Save the Date...

May...

* First Holy Communion Sacramental Program to start.

28th May - Pentecost Sunday.

June...

24th June - St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal to begin

July...

9th July - St Benedict's Feast Day, Archbishop Mark Coleridge to visit.

* Confirmation Sacramental Program to start.

30th July - Bishop Tim Norton, Justice, Peace & Ecology Workshop at St Benedict's.

Mass Ministry Roster - Week 4.

Saturday 22nd April, 4pm

Commentator: Hugh Shannon
Reader 1: Andreena Shannon
Reader 2: Evie Shannon
Communion Minister: Neville Williams

Sunday 23rd April, 8.30am

Commentator: Werner Mascarenhas
Reader 1: Andre Mascarenhas
Reader 2: Erika Mascarenhas
Communion Minister: Joseph and Nancy D'Souza

Sunday 23rd April, 5.30pm

Commentator: **Ministers to be confirmed at Mass**
Reader 1:
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.

Counter Roster -

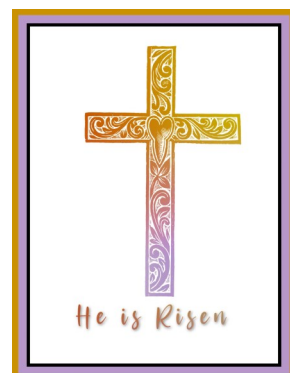
Monday 17th April - Peter Zimon and Gary Smyth.

Monday 24th April - Jim Kearney and Joseph D'Souza

Happy Easter my friends, and peace be with you! *Fr Bryan*

Easter 2023 at St Benedict's.

Such a beautiful sight to see so many people come together to take part in the Triduum.



Communion Ministers—Face Mask Reminder

A gentle reminder for our Communion Ministers... **If you could kindly remember to bring your face mask with you, when you are rostered on for Communion Ministry Roster please.** Alternatively; Face Masks are available for sale from the Sacristy for \$1.00 each.

Please remember in your Prayers:

Those who are Unwell: Sophie Allen, Bernadeen Hodby, Cheryl Black, Sang Yeoul Choi.

Those whose Anniversaries occur at this time:
Michael Reidy

Our Dear Recently Departed:



St Benedict's Prayer Network - Prayer Requests

Prayer requests are always welcomed, please fill in your details using one of the following methods:

email to sbparishprayerhub@gmail.com, or
online requests: [St Benedict's Prayer Request Form](#) or
via the prayer box available at the Welcome Table at Mass.

All requests will be submitted to the team and will be prayed for two weeks. A new request will be needed after 2 weeks.

Should you wish you have a name placed in the prayer requests in the Parish Newsletter, please email the Parish Office on admin.northlakes@bne.catholic.net.au.

St Benedict's Parish Safeguarding.

The Archdiocese of Brisbane 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. Thank you.

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.



Covid-19 Awareness

PLEASE may we refrain from coming to Mass if we have any cold or flu symptoms, this will help greatly to prevent the spreading of this very contagious virus.

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, sanitizer is provided.

Lamps Ablaze: Apostolic Priorities for the Archdiocese of Brisbane

Priority One: Teaching Prayer

"We must first find our way into a new and deeper experience of prayer not just as one of many elements in a busy life but as a way of life for all the baptised. Often we urge people to pray but don't really teach them how to pray in a way that moves beyond the prayers of childhood and youth. Now is the time to teach ways of prayer which are mature and all-embracing. Christian prayer begins not with speaking but with listening; and learning to pray is therefore learning to listen - to listen even to the silences of God. If all we do is speak, then in the words of Jesus we "babble like the pagans" (Matt 6:7). But if we speak after listening and in response to God who always has the first word, then we speak according to the mind of the Holy Spirit. That's what we need to teach and learn."

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Download the whole document at tinyurl.com/lampsablaze

Information Day for Prospective Guides & Welcomers

You are invited to attend an Information Day for prospective Guides and Welcomers at the Cathedral of St Stephen.

Thursday 20th April from 9:30am to 2:00pm in the Hanly Room Francis Rush Centre.



It's the 150th Anniversary year for the Cathedral of St Stephen. Come along and learn about the art, history and significant religious features of the Cathedral and then host / guide visitors to the Cathedral. Register your interest at Cathedral Office via ph 07 / 33243006 or email cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au

Devine Mercy Sunday

Sacred Heart Church Sandgate
16th April 2023, 2pm
Exposition, Adoration, Confession, Consecration
Please contact Francine with enquires—0422582451

DATE CLAIMER:

Fr Frank Brennan sj has recently published a book titled "An Indigenous Voice to Parliament – Considering a constitutional bridge".*

Fr Brennan will be at St Ignatius Church on **Thursday 27 April** in the evening, to speak on the topic. This a free event—no booking required. All are welcome.

Books are available for purchase through St Ignatius Parish at the discounted price of \$20 per copy.

At the event, cash only.

Enquiries: email toowong@bne.catholic.net.au or phone 3870 7818.

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 Parish. We acknowledge the Elders, past, present and emerging. May we, too, be good stewards of this land.

Parish Giving and Donations:- Week ending, Sunday 9th April 2023.

Loose & Envelopes:-

Building (Church) - \$435.00
Parish (Running) - \$1239.65

Direct Deposits & Credit Card:-

Building (Church) - \$545.00
Parish (Running) - \$770.00

Totals:-

Building (Church) = \$980.00
Parish (Running) = \$2009.65

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

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.

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

SVDP received for week ending 09/04/23 - \$0.00



Help us keep you up to date.

Please feel free to contact the Parish Office if you would like to update or check any contact details we may have on file for you and/or your family. Receiving our weekly Newsletter by email is a great way to see what is happening in and around our Parish.

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.



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Sacramental Programs 2023

First Holy Communion (Eucharist) and Reconciliation - children in Grade 4 and above, having already received the Sacrament of Confirmation.



Enrolments are open for the Sacrament of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion in 2023, Sacramental Preparation will take place throughout the months of May and June, with Sacraments being received in June.

Families that participated in the 2022 Sacramental Program for Confirmation have been contacted via email by the Parish, should families not have received an email please feel free to call the Parish Office.

Confirmation - children in Grade 3 and above having received the Sacrament of Baptism are eligible.

Enrolments will open late April, Sacramental Preparation to take place throughout the months of July and August, with the Sacrament being received in August.

We welcome you to please contact the Parish Office on 34901768 or admin.northlakes@bne.catholic.net.au if you are wishing to have your child/children enrolled or seek information for Sacramental Programs for 2023, and you have not yet done so. Thank you.

Baptism at St Benedict's in 2023.

The Sacrament of Baptism at St Benedict's takes place on the First (1st) Sunday of the month.

We invite all families wishing to have children Baptised into the Catholic Faith at St Benedict's, to please contact the Parish Office for information and available dates for Baptism Preparation and Baptism in 2023.



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)

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.

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