

Twelfth Sunday in
Ordinary Time.
Year A.
25th June 2023.



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 and 5.30pm

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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)

The Liturgy is the Source and Summit of the Christian Life (SC 10)

The above quote comes from a Second Vatican Council document Sacrosanctum Concilium, which is the Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy. Given the above quote, it would make sense for us to receive some education on the liturgy.

We are very blessed in the Archdiocese of Brisbane to have some very talented and knowledgeable liturgists. One such person is a good friend of mine, Elizabeth Harrington. Elizabeth has generously offered to provide some liturgical education for us in the coming weeks. We begin this week with introductory rites at Mass.

The Introductory Rites at Mass.

The Introductory Rites at Mass consist of entrance song, greeting, penitential act or blessing/sprinkling of holy water, *Gloria* and collect prayer. The two essential elements are the first and last of these.

The purpose of the Introductory Rites is to gather people as a worshipping community and prepare them to listen to God's word and celebrate the Eucharist worthily.

The entrance song begins the Mass and announces that we are here to worship God as members of the Body of Christ, so it is very important that all join in the singing.

The sign of the cross that follows proclaims that we gather to celebrate as a community baptised in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

The liturgical greeting ('The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ...') states that the presence and power of the Lord is with the gathered community.

The most commonly used form of the penitential rite is option C. It is an acclamation of the mercy and compassion of God ('You heal the wounds of sin and division'), not a time for self-accusation.

The *General Instruction of the Roman Missal* describes the *Gloria* as 'a very ancient and venerable hymn the text of which may not be replaced by any other text'.

The final element of the Introductory Rites, the collect or opening prayer, begins with the invitation by the priest 'Let us pray'. In the silence that follows we offer our own prayers which are gathered up in the words of the collect.

Written by Elizabeth Harrington. Thank you Elizabeth!

Archbishop Mark Joining Us for Our Feast Day - 8:30am Mass on Sunday July 9th.

Great news! Our Chief Shepherd for the Archdiocese of Brisbane will be joining us for the celebration of our Feast Day at the 8:30am Mass on Sunday July 9 (St Benedict's actual feast day is July 11). Please put this date in your diary as Archbishop Mark Benedict Coleridge will lead us in a beautiful Mass to celebrate St Benedict's Feast Day. The celebrations will continue after Mass with morning tea. All are Welcome!

No Sunday 5.30pm Mass - Sunday July 9th.

Please note that there will be no 5:30pm Mass on Sunday July 9. This is to enable all parishioners to participate in our feast day Mass lead by Archbishop Mark.

Congratulations to Our First Holy Communion Children.

Congratulations to all our children who made their First Holy Communion over the last two weeks. Your participation in Mass was excellent – singing the hymns, proclaiming the Mass parts, sharing your wisdom with us in the homily, and of course receiving Jesus in Holy Communion so reverently and filled with joy. You are now fully initiated into the Body of Christ. You now get to always receive our greatest gift imaginable, Jesus! Jesus is God, the second person of the Trinity, who at the Last Supper said to His disciples, "Take this and eat!" "Take this and drink!" So, by answering Jesus' call to receive Him in Holy Communion, we are receiving our greatest gift imaginable. Jesus has given us the Sacrament of His Body and Blood so that He can live in us, and we can continue and fulfill His mission of love in the world. When we receive Jesus in Holy Communion, we do so as a very important member of God's family, joining the rest of our family in receiving the most beautiful Spiritual nourishment imaginable. When we receive Jesus in Holy Communion we build up our friendship with Jesus, getting to know Jesus more and more. The more we get to know Jesus, the more we will grasp the immeasurable love that Jesus has for us, and the more we will understand the immeasurable love that we have to offer in being vessels of God's love to others.

This is the whole reason why Jesus has come into the world, that is, to save the world from sin and death. Jesus gives us Himself in Holy Communion so that we can continue Jesus'

Readings for this week - 25th June 2023, Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

1st Reading - Jeremiah 20: 10-13.

Psalms - Ps 68: 8-10, 14, 17, 33-35.

2nd Reading - St Paul to the Romans
5: 12-15.

Gospel - Matthew 10: 26-33.

The Week Ahead...

School Holidays.

Thursday 29th June

Parish Newsletter Day.

Friday 30th June

9am - St Benedict's Parish Mass.

6.30pm - St Benedict's Youth & Young Adults gathering.

Saturday 1st July

4pm - St Benedict's Parish Mass

Peter's Pence Collection 1st and 2nd July.

Sunday 2nd July

8.30am - St Benedict's Parish Mass

Baptism Celebration and Preparation Morning.

5.30pm - St Benedict's Parish Mass

Save the Date...

June...

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

July...

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

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

July/August...

* Sacramental Program for Confirmation .

Mass Ministry Roster - Week 1.

Saturday 1st July, 4pm

Commentator: Jim Kearney
Reader 1: Sharon Hickey
Reader 2: Nancy D'Souza
Communion Minister: Joseph D'Souza

Sunday 2nd July, 8.30am

Commentator: Thessa Ikitau
Reader 1: Andrea Thomas
Reader 2: Chrislyn Shaji
Communion Minister: Daisy Kurian & Shaji George

Sunday 2nd July, 5.30pm

Commentator: Raymond Anthony
Reader 1: Claire Goss
Reader 2: Erwin Perez
Communion Minister: Dorothy Anthony

** 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 26th June - Jim Kearney and Peter Zimon

Monday 3rd July - Brian Ziebarth and Peter Zimon.

mission of saving the world through us with Jesus' incredible life-giving love. So once again, congratulations to all the terrific children who have received Holy Communion with Jesus for the very first time. May you come to know the infinite love that Jesus has for you, so that Jesus' love can flow through you to all others, and as such, make the world a much, much better place for all. May God bless you all abundantly.

Vinnies Winter Appeal, 24th and 25th June.

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Volunteers do their very best to leave some encouragement and hope with the families they visit, but it pulls at the heart strings, as unfortunately Vinnies too struggle with limited budgets and resources.

St Vincent de Paul are sending online food vouchers to those who are homeless and living in their cars, and those who wait for this voucher to get their next meal.

Please, if you are able, give what you can to the Vinnies Winter Appeal over the weekend of 24/25 June, either cash or Eftpos donations are accepted and appreciated, and know that you will be blessed as you too give hope, and help SVdP to 'feed the poor'.

Peter's Pence Collection, 1st and 2nd July.

Next weekend, Saturday 1st July and Sunday 2nd July, we will be taking up a retiring collection (at the end of Mass) for Peter's Pence.

The Peter's Pence Collection gives Catholics in Australia an opportunity to join in communion with the Catholic faithful throughout the world in support of the charitable works of the Holy See.

The Peter's Pence Collection is an annual collection of the Catholic Church around the world. The collection allows the Holy Father to respond to the most needy throughout the world, through selected charities, to offer timely, effective emergency assistance to our suffering brothers and sisters.

St Benedict's College 10 year Celebration Dinner.

St Benedict's College is holding a celebration dinner for the 10 year anniversary of the establishment of their school. Should you wish to know more about this event, please see the advertisement on page 3, or you are welcome to contact reception at the St Benedict's College.

Have a great week my sisters and brothers, joining the whole of creation in praising God,

Fr Bryan

Connect
with
Catholic
Mission

Call for Catholic Mission Ambassador

Join us as a Catholic Mission Ambassador, and you will be our voice and presence during World Mission Month this October 2023 for our annual appeal in a Brisbane parish.

You will be:

- Engaging in mission through prayer, advocacy and fundraising.
- Raising awareness of the work of Catholic Mission in 160 countries around the world, including Australia.
- Raising funds for mission projects supporting children, communities and church leaders.

Email us on brisbane.admin@catholicmission.org.au for more information.



ARCHBISHOP MARK COLERIDGE NAIDOC SUNDAY 2023 MESSAGE

Ahead of NAIDOC Week (July 2-9), and especially on the first Sunday in July, Catholics come together across Australia to acknowledge and celebrate the gifts of Australia's First Peoples in the Catholic Church. As we approach the Indigenous Voice to Parliament, it has never been more important for Catholics to come together and listen to Australia's First Peoples. Archbishop Mark has pre-recorded a message in which he once again states his endorsement of the Uluru Statement from the Heart. "My prayer is that we can journey together in a respectful and peaceful spirit, so that the whole nation can become stronger as a result of this process of reconciliation." Watch the message in full context by scanning the QR Code within.



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, Genesis Neru, Sang Yeoul Choi, Remi Peralta.

Those whose Anniversaries occur at this time:

Our Dear Recently Departed: Marj Williams, Maricris David, Rudolph Jakob.



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 sparishprayerhub@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.

150th Anniversary of the Cathedral of St Stephen

The Archbishop has launched a year of celebration for the 150th anniversary of the Opening and Blessing of the Cathedral of St. Stephen. There will be a number of celebrations throughout the next twelve months.

This month we will be celebrating the story of Ordinations in the Cathedral. Parishioners are invited to attend **10am Mass on Wed. 28/06**, at the Cathedral as we celebrate and acknowledge all those who have been ordained in the Cathedral throughout its history. Archbishop Coleridge will preside and refreshments will be provided afterwards. Come along and give thanks for the gift of service of the ordained ministers of our local church.

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.

Sacramental Programs for Children 2023/2024

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

Enrolments for 2023 Eucharist are now closed. Please keep all of the children and families who have participated in the Sacramental Program for the Eucharist over the past two month in your prayers, and offer them our best wishes.

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

Enrolments for Confirmation in 2023 will close Monday 3rd July.

Sacramental Preparation, to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, takes place throughout the months of July and August, with the Sacrament being received on a Sunday in August.

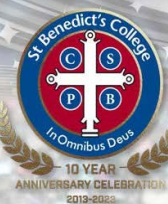
We welcome you to please contact the Parish Office on 34901768 or admin.northlakes@bne.catholic.net.au if you are wishing to have your child/children enrolled or seek information for Sacramental Programs for 2023, and you have not yet done so. Thank you.



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.



10 YEARS Celebration DINNER

The Foundation Principal, Claire McLaren cordially invites you to our College's 10 Years Anniversary Celebration Dinner

Saturday, 29 July 2023

Arrive 6.00pm for 6.30pm start

Norths Leagues & Services Club
1347 ANZAC Avenue, Kallangur

\$100 per ticket
<https://www.trybooking.com/CHEDE>
Bookings Close 10 July 2023

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 18th June 2023.

Plate Collection & Envelopes:-

Building (Church) - \$474.00
 Parish (Running) - \$1120.75

Direct Deposits, Credit Cards, APP & Tap N Go:-

Building (Church) - \$681.00
 Parish (Running) - \$979.00

Totals:-

Building (Church) = \$1155.00
Parish (Running) = \$2099.75

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.

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

If you or anyone you know is struggling and needs a 'hand up', please contact St Vinnies on 1800Vinnie.



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.

Financially Supporting Our St Benedict's Parish

To everyone who actively contributes financially to the life of our St Benedict's Parish. 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**. At present, we are not receiving enough income from our Planned Giving to meet the financial cost of running the parish.

There is a need to increase our collections by \$2000 a week in-order-to plug the gap when we are no longer eligible to receive the current level of subsidies from the Archdiocese, which will cease in 2024. Also, as I have said, after a church is built there will be additional operating costs such as insurance, maintenance, utility bills etc.

Please, I am asking every parishioner to commit some of your **TREASURE** and help make our dream become a reality. Our Parish Pledge Card is 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 possible increase your financial support. 500 people on average attend Mass each week and we have 83 families that contribute to the Parish through the Parish Planned Giving Program.

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 or**
- 2. Credit Card or**
- 3. Giving Envelopes**

On this Pledge Card we will have an opportunity to support both:

- * **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, offices, 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.



VINNIE'S WINTER APPEAL 24/25 JUNE

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God bless you all.



The Cathedral Guides and Welcomers will celebrate their 25th Anniversary on 27 August this year and all current and former Guides and Welcomers are invited to join the festivities.

We will mark the occasion on Sunday, 27 August with Mass in the Cathedral at 10am, followed by a function in The Hanly Room, in the Francis Rush Centre.

If you would like to celebrate with us on 27 August, and rekindle old friendships and memories with former Guide and Welcomers, please let us know via email to:- cathedralguidesandwelcomers@gmail.com

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