

# WELCOME

ST BENEDICT'S CATHOLIC PARISH — 20 AUGUST 2023



*"The Love of Christ must come before all else." (Rule of St Benedict)*

## WEEKLY SERVICES

### Mass Times:

Mon: Communion - Service @7am (after the service, the church will be closed)

Wed/Fri: 7am

Tues/Thurs: 9am

Sat: 7.30am & Vigil 6pm

Sun: 7.30am, 9.30am & 6pm

**HOLY HOUR (STARTS WITH MASS)  
FRIDAYS @7AM**



### Reconciliation:

Sat: 4.30PM - 5.30PM

### Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Thursday: 9.30am—5pm

Friday: 8am—5pm

### Rosary Groups:

Tue: 9.30am, Wed/Fri: 7.30am

Cenacle: Thurs: 9.30am

### Prayer Group:

Mary Mother of Sorrows: Meetings on

Thursdays @1pm

### Catholic Women's League (CWL)

Meet the 2nd Tuesday of the Month in the Fr Albert Lynch Room @1pm

**Baptisms:** By appointment

**Marriages:** By appointment

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Head Coordinator: Carmel Tick - 0488 100 928

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Visiting: Meagan Xanthis

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### PARISH INCLUSIVITY COORDINATOR:

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## 20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A

### GOSPEL REFLECTION BY Fr Michael Tate

#### On Catholic Dogs

A *pagan* woman approaches a Jewish man and she begs Jesus to heal her daughter.

Jesus gives a dismissive answer to the woman: 'It is not fair to take the children's bread and throw it to the house dogs.' The children are obviously the Jewish people.

This remarkable *pagan* woman stands her ground and engages in a verbal joust with Jesus! She argues: 'Yes, Lord, but even the house dogs get the crumbs that fall from their master's table.'

Jesus recognises *her* faith and the daughter was healed. This story was put in the Gospels to show how Jesus extended his saving mission to non-Jews in Pagan territory.

That is Good News for billions of non-Jewish people over the course of history since then and into the future. That is why we are truly 'Catholic', which, as you know, is the Greek for 'world-wide'.

We could pause for a moment to celebrate this Canaanite woman as the first 'Catholic'!

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PARISH NOTICES

**EVENTS**

- ◆ 23 AUGUST - 13 SEPTEMBER (EVERY WEDNESDAY @7.30PM-8.30PM) — SACRAMENTS OF HEALING: ENTERING INTO COMMUNION WITH GOD AND THE CHURCH
- ◆ 26 AUGUST — PARISH BUSY BEE @8-11AM
- ◆ 26-27 AUGUST — CATHOLIC MISSION 2023 APPEAL WEEK
- ◆ 27 AUGUST — COOKIES, CUPPA & CHAT AFTER 9.30AM MASS
- ◆ 27 AUGUST — CONFIRMATION SACRAMENT @2PM
- ◆ 29 AUGUST — RECONCILIATION PARENTS' THEOLOGY NIGHT @7PM (STARTS @6.30PM FOR HOSPITALITY)
- ◆ 31 AUGUST — ALPHA COURSE STARTS @6.30-8.30PM
- ◆ 1 SEPTEMBER— FIRST FRIDAY FRIENDS @11AM
- ◆ 2 SEPTEMBER — RECONCILIATION COMMITMENT MASS @6PM & 3 SEPTEMBER — COMMITMENT MASS @9.30AM
- ◆ 5 SEPTEMBER — SENIORS SPRING LUNCH @11.30AM

A member of our parish is in very difficult circumstances and is looking for a 3 or 4 bedroom property to lease. The family has an excellent rental history but currently live far away from Applecross. If anyone who has a property which they are able to lease to a reliable tenant in the foreseeable future, and are prepared to do so at less than current market rental, please speak with Fr Nelson.

**FIRST FRIDAY FRIENDS**

The next First Friday Friends on **1 September** will be a normal gathering @11am in the Fr Albert Lynch room. All are welcome to attend and if you are staying for lunch please bring along a savoury plate to share. Any queries just give Maureen a ring on 0413 831 357.



**St Benedict's Craft Group**

With many thanks to our ever supportive parishioners and with the final totals now in, together we have raised the sum of **\$723** from our recent Winter Fair in aid of the St Vincent de Paul Society.

**TERM 3 2003 — Adult Faith Education Programme**

**23 Aug - 13 Sep SACRAMENTS OF HEALING: ENTERING INTO COMMUNION WITH GOD AND THE CHURCH**

**Wednesdays, 7.30pm to 8.30pm, (4 sessions) Applecross Parish, Canning Hwy & Ardross St, Applecross.**

The experiences of sin, suffering, illness, and death are fundamental to every human life. The Church responds to these experiences by offering healing and reconciliation through Jesus Christ, the true healer of our souls and bodies.

There are two sacraments of healing in Catholic sacramental life: the Sacrament of Reconciliation and the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick.

This course will discover the Biblical origins and the historical development of these sacraments, as well as invite participants to recognise the need for healing and forgiveness in their own lives. Suggested donation \$20. Presenter, Dr Carmel Stuart.

**Further info or to register**, email [cfe@perthcatholic.org.au](mailto:cfe@perthcatholic.org.au) or call 08 9278 0261.

**PRAY FOR THE SICK**

*Please keep the following people in your prayers:*

Myrtle Nimmo, Sr Carla, Truus Botman, Patrick Thomas, Ng Chai Hong, Beatrice Leong, Helen Overman, Shalini Saldanha, Ng Choon Bee, Nick Odoriso, Michelle O'Brien, Liesel Beukes, Helen Teo, James Kelly, Thomas McGuire Marris, Paul Heron and all others who are not included in this list. *Thank you.*



**YOUTH CORNER**

1. Youth Mass — **9 September @6pm**
2. Youth Events are scheduled on the 1st & 3rd Sundays of every month after the 6pm mass.

**PARISH BUSY BEE**

**gardening & window cleaning**



**SATURDAY, 26 AUGUST @ 8AM—11AM**  
**PLEASE COME ALONG AND HELP**

**COOKIES, CUPPA & CHAT**  
**SUNDAY, 27 AUGUST 2023**  
**AFTER 9.30AM MASS**



**The next ALPHA COURSE**

Starting **31/8/2023 @6.30-8.30pm** at St Benedicts Church [www.stbenedicts.net.au](http://www.stbenedicts.net.au)  
Registration: [alphaatstbenes@gmail.com](mailto:alphaatstbenes@gmail.com)  
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**INVITATION TO ALL ST BENEDICT'S SENIORS**

**SENIORS' SPRING LUNCH**

**TUESDAY 5 SEPTEMBER AT 11.30AM**

**PLEASE RSVP BY 29 AUGUST 2023** to the parish office on **08 9364 1120** or Email to [applecross@perthcatholic.org.au](mailto:applecross@perthcatholic.org.au)

NOTE- NUMBERS WILL BE LIMITED DUE TO SPACE

**PLEASE PRAY FOR RECENTLY DECEASED: ANNIVERSARIES:**

Marie De Bissy, Lloyd Ferguson, Nita Henderson, Valerie Smith, Fr Albert Lynch, Margaret West, Mavis Johnson, Catherine Phillips, Dr Noel Becker, Phyllis Shelton, and all deceased benefactors of the parish and all departed family and friends. *Thank you.*



**SAFEGUARDING INDUCTION TRAINING – LEVEL 1**

Thursday 31 August, Online, 7pm to 8pm  
 To register <https://safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au/training/#induction>.  
 Further info: [safeguarding@perthcatholic.org.au](mailto:safeguarding@perthcatholic.org.au) or 08 9221 7762.

**26 Aug 70TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION – BILLINGS LIFE - NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING**

Billings LIFE warmly invite you to join the Perth celebration to mark the 70th Anniversary of the beginning of Dr John Billings' research in Natural Family Planning. **Saturday 26 August 9am Mass, St Joseph Pignatelli Parish, 40 Galloway Street, Attadale**, followed by morning tea. For catering purposes please RSVP to Mandie Bowen to [bnfpwa@westnet.com.au](mailto:bnfpwa@westnet.com.au)



**NEXT WEEKEND** we will be asking for your prayers & generous response to this year's Catholic Mission Appeal. You will be helping our medical missionaries provide life-saving healthcare to vulnerable communities in East Timor & throughout the world. Please give generously by using the appeal envelope provided, or going online at [www.catholicmission.org.au/timor](http://www.catholicmission.org.au/timor). Email Francis Leong at [director.cm@perthcatholic.org.au](mailto:director.cm@perthcatholic.org.au), if you'd like to know about what's involved in volunteering through Catholic Mission.

**St Charles Seminary Vocations Sunday Morning Tea**

Young men, aged 17yrs and above, are you tired of trying to change the world all by yourself. Come along and have a chat, celebrate Mass and share in a wonderful morning tea with our Seminarians. **Sunday, 10<sup>th</sup> September @9.30am at St Charles Seminary, 30 Meadow Street, Guildford.** RSVP by 7<sup>th</sup> September via email: [stcharlesseminary@perthcatholic.org.au](mailto:stcharlesseminary@perthcatholic.org.au) or telephone: 9279 1310.

**FOOD FAIR 2023 - SALE OF TICKETS**

The Little Sisters of the Poor at Glendalough Home will be holding a Food Fair. This event is on **Sunday 1st October 2023 from 9.30am till 3.30pm**. We will help them to raise funds to meet the ever increasing operating costs as well as have a day of food, fun and fellowship among the members of the community at their premises. The tickets would be sold here at St Benedict church after all Masses on the week-end of 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> September 2023. Do bring along some cash to support their good works.

**PLANNED GIVING (2<sup>ND</sup> COLLECTION):**

Parish income for the quarter ended 30/06/23 was 90.62% of the budgeted income. Year to date to 30/06/23 was 96.52% of the budgeted income. Thank you for your generosity and commitment to the parish.

CHILDREN'S CORNER

The Canaanite woman persisted because of her strong belief that Jesus would cure her daughter. Use the words below to find out what Jesus said.



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Try to find these words:

- begged
- Canaan
- children
- daughter
- demons
- disciples
- dog
- faith
- food
- healed
- sheep
- woman

**Church/School Parking – Reminder**

Please park on the allotted bays in the church carpark and in the school carpark at Alness Street. **Do not park on the neighbouring residents' lawns across the road from the church.** Thank you.



**NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: 21st Sun in Ord Time, Year A**

**1st:** Is 22:19-23      **Ps:** 137:1-3,6,8  
**2nd:** Rom 11:33-36      **Gospel:** Mt 16:13-20



READINGS FOR THE DAY

**Entrance Antiphon** *Psalm 83:10-11*

Turn your eyes, O God, our shield;  
and look on the face of your anointed one;  
one day within your courts  
is better than a thousand elsewhere.

**First Reading** *Isaiah 56:1-7*

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

*I will lead the foreigners to my holy mountain.*

Thus says the Lord: Have a care for justice, act with integrity, for soon my salvation will come and my integrity be manifest.

Foreigners who have attached themselves to the Lord to serve him and to love his name and be his servants – all who observe the Sabbath, not profaning it, and cling to my covenant – these I will bring to my holy mountain. I will make them joyful in my house of prayer. Their holocausts and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar, for my house will be called a house of prayer for all the peoples.

**Responsorial Psalm** *Ps 66:2-3 5-6. 8. R. v.4*

(R.) O God, let all the nations praise you!

- O God, be gracious and bless us  
and let your face shed its light upon us.  
So will your ways be known upon earth  
and all nations learn your saving help. (R.)
- Let the nations be glad and exult  
for you rule the world with justice.  
With fairness you rule the peoples,  
you guide the nations on earth. (R.)
- Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
let all the peoples praise you.  
May God still give us his blessing  
till the ends of the earth revere him. (R.)

**Second Reading** *Romans 11:13-15. 29-32*

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

*The gifts and call of God are irrevocable.*

Let me tell you pagans this: I have been sent to the

pagans as their apostle, and I am proud of being sent, but the purpose of it is to make my own people envious of you, and in this way save some of them. Since their rejection meant the reconciliation of the world, do you know what their admission will mean? Nothing less than a resurrection from the dead! God never takes back his gifts or revokes his choice.

Just as you changed from being disobedient to God, and now enjoy mercy because of their disobedience, so those who are disobedient now – and only because of the mercy shown to you – will also enjoy mercy eventually. God has imprisoned all men in their own disobedience only to show mercy to all mankind.

**Gospel Acclamation** *Matthew 4:23*

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom  
and healed all who were sick.

Alleluia!

**Gospel** *Matthew 15:21-28*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

*Woman, you have great faith.*

Jesus left Gennesaret and withdrew to the region of Tyre and Sidon. Then out came a Canaanite woman from that district and started shouting, 'Sir, Son of David, take pity on me. My daughter is tormented by a devil.' But he answered her not a word. And his disciples went and pleaded with him. 'Give her what she wants,' they said 'because she is shouting after us.' He said in reply, 'I was sent only to the lost sheep of the House of Israel.' But the woman had come up and was kneeling at his feet. 'Lord,' she said 'help me.' He replied, 'It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the house-dogs.' She retorted, 'Ah yes, sir; but even house-dogs can eat the scraps that fall from their master's table.' Then Jesus answered her, 'Woman, you have great faith. Let your wish be granted.' And from that moment her daughter was well again.

**Communion Antiphon** *Psalm 129:7*

With the Lord there is mercy;  
in him is plentiful redemption.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE — 26 & 27 AUGUST 2023

	SAT 6PM	SUN 7.30AM	SUN 9.30AM	SUN 6PM
ACOLYTE	CHARLES CARDOSO	BARRY FARRELL	DOMINIC LONGO	KEN BOWNES
ALTAR SERVERS	JAKE & JOSHUA GOLDING DANIEL SETIAWAN	IHILOSEN & ESEOSE ITOTOH	GRACE STEWART DANIEL & CHRISTIAN VINCI	JERARD VINCENT MICHAEL & STEFAN ELHAJ
COMMENTATORS	AYLMYR SEQUEIRA	MEGAN OH	CHRIS HACKETT	BEV PICHE
COLLECTORS	TONY GARBIN LOUIS BOVE	VOLUNTEER NEEDED	ELIZABETH FEW	CHRIS JOSEPH PAUL BELVISO
READERS	COLLEEN GELDENHUYS GERRI CLAY	SALLY HOBBDAY ANGELA SCOTT	PAUL VINCI JUDY PHILLIPS	MAUREEN BRIGHT ANDREA D'SOUZA
EMOHC	CARLA CARDOSO ELAINE DIAS	ALICE BATY	MARINA CICCARELLI CARMEL RECHICHI	COLLEEN MORRIS NATALIE ELHAJ

ALTAR SOCIETY: JOSEPHINE YUSTIRA

PILGRIM STATUE: BRYAN & FRANCES MEYERKORT

COUNTERS: MEGAN DOWLING, LYNLEY BIANCUZZO, ANTONELLA HENDERSON & CHRISTIE STIPINOVIC

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: —