

WELCOME

ST BENEDICT'S CATHOLIC PARISH — 3 SEPTEMBER 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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22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR

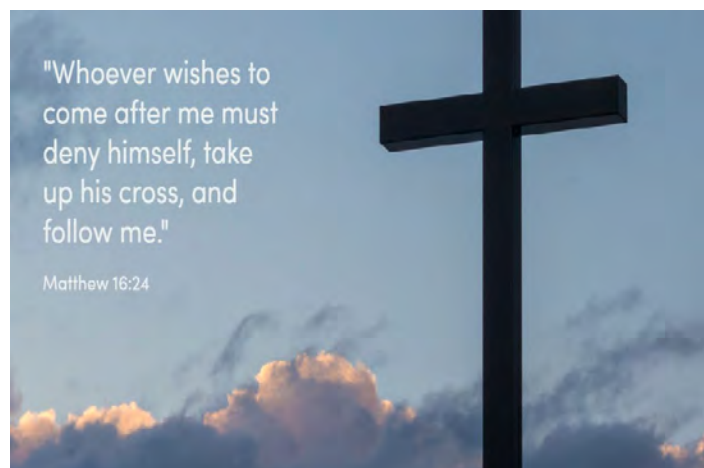
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The gospel does not say that Jesus will gallantly step forward, take suffering upon himself, and thus demonstrate his power. Instead, his fate will be a demonstration of his vulnerability. He will be taken forcibly and will suffer at the hands of others. He will do this willingly, but not as a volunteer. Jesus will be a victim. This picture of Jesus carries implications for discipleship. Whoever follows him must follow him to the cross. If we participate in his success, we must also share in his shame. Disciples have a choice to follow or not to follow, but if they choose in his favour they must be ready for suffering and humiliation.

Paul exhorts us to reject the standards of the world. This is a very difficult path to follow, especially when it seems that those who conform to this age prosper. Following Christ can place barriers between ourselves and others. If we no longer share their values and their interests, we may feel alienated. Suffering is bound to invade our ministerial lives as well. We must remember that Jesus' message antagonised many people in his day. Those who proclaim the same message in their own contexts must be prepared for a similar reaction.

After witnessing the marvellous feats that Jesus accomplished, we discover that he is going to suffer and be put to death. How can this be? With Peter we protest. With Jeremiah we wonder: Have we been duped? The realisation that we too will have to suffer becomes a crucial test of our faith.

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PARISH NOTICES

EVENTS

- ◆ 2 SEPTEMBER — RECONCILIATION COMMITMENT MASS @6PM & 3 SEPTEMBER @9.30AM
- ◆ 5 SEPTEMBER — SENIORS SPRING LUNCH @11.30AM
- ◆ 5 SEPTEMBER — RECONCILIATION PARENT-CHILD WORKSHOP @4.30PM OR @6PM
- ◆ 6 & 13 SEPTEMBER (WEDNESDAYS @7.30PM-8.30PM) — SACRAMENTS OF HEALING: ENTERING INTO COMMUNION WITH GOD AND THE CHURCH
- ◆ 7 SEPTEMBER TO 16 NOVEMBER — ALPHA COURSE (EVERY THURSDAY @6.30-8.30PM)
- ◆ 10 SEPTEMBER — PARISH MORNING TEA AFTER 7.30AM MASS
- ◆ 12 & 13 SEPTEMBER — RECONCILIATION SACRAMENT @6PM
- ◆ 18 SEPTEMBER — HEALING & DELIVERANCE RETREAT LED BY BR JOHNSON SEQUEIRA @5-9.30PM

Safeguarding Sunday and National Child Protection Week, 3-9 September 2023. The theme for 2023 national Child Protection Week is *Every child, in every community needs a fair go and where we start matters.*

As a symbol of our commitment and collective responsibility to safeguarding, some in our community came together to reflect on what Child Protection and Safeguarding means.

These kites made by our PREP class Year 6, represent these thoughts and feelings and is offered today as a sign of commitment, unity, and love.



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.

The next ALPHA COURSE
Every Thursday, 7/9/23 to 16/11/23
@6.30-8.30pm



at St Benedict's Church www.stbenedicts.net.au
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PARISH MORNING TEA INVITATION



**SUNDAY,
10 SEPTEMBER 2023
AFTER 7.30AM MASS**

**ROSTER:
VANESSA KILROE &
CHRISTIE STIPINOVIC**

FIRST RECONCILIATION

**Tuesday, 12 September
@6pm
or
Wednesday, 13 September
@6pm**



Our Parish children will be preparing to make the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time. We will pray for them in their journey of faith.

May all you wonderful
Dads enjoy a
Happy Father's Day

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.

Chaplets of the Divine Mercy.

A beautiful, prayerful, sung devotion held at St Thomas More Catholic Church, Dean Road Bateman, on the second Wednesday of each month commencing at 7.30 pm. The next devotion will be held on **Wednesday 13th September 2023 commencing at 7.30pm.** Enquiries to George Lopez on 0419 910 039.



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 Odorisio, Michelle O'Brien, Liesel Beukes, Helen Teo, James Kelly, Thomas McGuire Marris, Paul Heron, Lorraine Healey and all others who are not included in this list. *Thank you.*



PLEASE PRAY FOR RECENTLY DECEASED:

ANNIVERSARIES:

Therese Arnold, Anne Graffin, Giuseppe Zoccoli, Patrice Wringe, Bill Botman, Ernest Court, Winnie D'Mello, and all deceased benefactors of the parish and all departed family and friends. *Thank you.*





THANK YOU for your prayers & generous response to this year's Catholic Mission Appeal. You are helping our medical missionaries provide life-saving healthcare to the vulnerable in East Timor & throughout the world. If you missed the opportunity last week, go online at www.catholicmission.org.au/timor to make a donation. Email Francis Leong at director.cm@perthcatholic.org.au, if you'd like to know about what's involved in volunteering through Catholic Mission.

PRAYER FOR THE DAY

Presence

I pause for a moment, aware that God is here. I think of how everything around me, the air I breathe, my whole body, is tingling with the Presence of God.

Freedom

Lord, you granted me the great gift of freedom. In these times, O Lord, grant that I may be free from any form of racism or intolerance. Remind me, Lord, that we are all equal in your loving eyes.

Consciousness

Where do I sense hope, encouragement, and growth areas in my life? By looking back over the last few months, I may be able to see which activities and occasions have produced rich fruit. If I do notice such areas, I will determine to give those areas both time and space in the future.

Conversation

I imagine now one of the Persons of the Trinity before me, Father, Son or Holy Spirit whoever comes to my imagination most naturally, and I have a heart-to-heart conversation about what I have just read or what I am feeling and experiencing in my today.

Conclusion

I thank God for His gift of love
As I go forth with joy and hope
To serve His people.

Days for Girls will be holding a sewing day in the Albert Lynch room on **Saturday 9th Sept 10am - 3pm**.

Days for Girls provide reusable menstrual kits and education to girls in third world countries. These kits help women & girls to manage their periods & engage in livelihood activities. Hope you can come along and help us make our beautiful life changing kits, more hands means more girls and women will receive these kits.

We need sewing machines or overlockers. For non-sewers we have lots of jobs! Please come for the day or an hour it all helps.

Bring along a share plate for lunch and Tea n Coffee provided.

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, 10th September @9.30am at St Charles Seminary, 30 Meadow Street, Guildford.** RSVP by 7th September via email: stcharlesseminary@perthcatholic.org.au or telephone: 9279 1310.

FOOD FAIR 2023 - SALE OF TICKETS

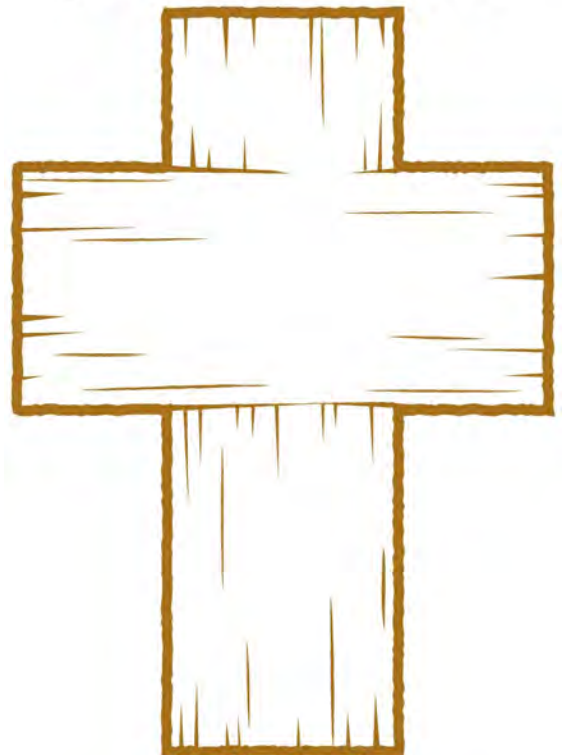
The Little Sisters of the Poor at Glendalough Home will be holding a Food Fair. This event is on **Sunday 1st October 2023 from 9.30am till 3.30pm**. We will help them to raise funds to meet the ever increasing operating costs as well as have a day of food, fun and fellowship among the members of the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

CHILDREN'S CORNER

Find the way through the maze. As you pass through the letters along the correct path, write them in the boxes below to discover what Jesus said to his disciples.



Write on the cross some of the hard things you need to do if you want to follow Jesus.



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.

Please
Do Not
Drive
Or Park
On
Grass

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: 23rd Sun in Ord Time, Year A

1st: Ezek 33:7-9
2nd: Rom 13:8-10

Ps: 94:1-2, 6-9
Gospel: Mt 18:15-20



READINGS FOR THE DAY

Entrance Antiphon Cf *Psalm 85:3,5*

Have mercy on me, O Lord,
for I cry to you all the day long.
O Lord, you are good and forgiving,
full of mercy to all who call to you.

First Reading *Jeremiah 20:7-9*

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

The word of the Lord God has meant derision for me.

You have seduced me, Lord, and I have let myself be seduced;

you have overpowered me: you were the stronger.
I am a daily laughing-stock,
everybody's butt.

Each time I speak the word, I have to howl
and proclaim: 'Violence and ruin!'

The word of the Lord has meant for me
insult, derision, all day long.

I used to say, I will not think about him,
I will not speak in his name any more.

Then there seemed to be a fire burning in my heart,
imprisoned in my bones.

The effort to restrain it wearied me,
I could not bear it.

Responsorial Psalm *Ps 62:2-6. 8-9. R. v.2*

(R.) My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

1. O God, you are my God, for you I long;
for you my soul is thirsting.
My body pines for you
like a dry, weary land without water. (R.)
2. So I gaze on you in the sanctuary
to see your strength and your glory.
For your love is better than life,
my lips will speak your praise. (R.)
3. So I will bless you all my life,
in your name I will lift up my hands.
My soul shall be filled as with a banquet,
my mouth shall praise you with joy. (R.)
4. For you have been my help;
in the shadow of your wings I rejoice.
My soul clings to you;
your right hand holds me fast. (R.)

Second Reading *Romans 12:1-2*

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

May you present your bodies as a living sacrifice.

Think of God's mercy, my brothers, and worship him, I beg you, in a way that is worthy of thinking beings, by offering your living bodies as a holy sacrifice, truly pleasing to God. Do not model yourselves on the behaviour of the world around you, but let your behaviour change, modelled by your new mind. This is the only way to discover the will of God and know what is good, what it is that God wants, what is the perfect thing to do.

Gospel Acclamation *See Ephesians 1:17-18*

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ
enlighten the eyes of our heart,
that we might see how great is the hope
to which we are called.

Alleluia!

Gospel *Matthew 16:21-27*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself.

Jesus began to make it clear to his disciples that he was destined to go to Jerusalem and suffer grievously at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, to be put to death and to be raised up on the third day. Then, taking him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. 'Heaven preserve you, Lord,' he said. 'This must not happen to you.' But he turned and said to Peter, 'Get behind me, Satan! You are an obstacle in my path, because the way you think is not God's way but man's.'

Then Jesus said to his disciples, 'If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it. What, then, will a man gain if he wins the whole world and ruins his life? Or what has a man to offer in exchange for his life?'

'For the Son of Man is going to come in the glory of his Father with his angels, and, when he does, he will reward each one according to his behaviour.'

Communion Antiphon *Psalm 30:20*

How great is the goodness, Lord,
that you keep for those who fear you.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE — 9 & 10 SEPTEMBER 2023

	SAT 6PM	SUN 7.30AM	SUN 9.30AM	SUN 6PM
ACOLYTE	BRYAN MEYERKORT	ROD DOWLING	LUKE HANDCOCK	ROB PAUL
ALTAR SERVERS	IHINOLEN & ESEOSE ITOTOH LEO DE FELICE	TOM, OLIVIA & JOEL DOWLING	GRACE STEWART JACKSON HANDCOCK CHRISTOPHER XANTHIS	JONAH VINCENT OLIVER & JACOB WONG
COMMENTATORS	YOUTH MASS	SALLY HOBDAV	VERONICA AVERY	MAISIE CINANNI
COLLECTORS	YOUTH MASS	FRANK GERICEVICH	MARGARET SANDFORD	CHRIS JOSEPH MARIA NARDONE
READERS	YOUTH MASS	GAY PULKER ALICE BATY	CHRIS HACKETT CAROL CURNOW	JACKIE WONG KELVIN GRACE
EMOHC	YOUTH MASS	JACQUIE HERON	MOIRA BUNN SARAH NEALE	JILL NORTON OSBOURNE DE SOUZA
ALTAR SOCIETY: VERONICA SOEGANDHI			PILGRIM STATUE: RASHANTHI WANIGASEKERA	
COUNTERS: MARGARET ALBUQUERQUE, YULIANA VAN DER BURG, ELIZABETH NORONHA & SUCHITA RATHAKRISHNAN			CHILDREN'S LITURGY: —	