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MASS TIMES

Mon 3 September -
Sun 10 September 2023

Monday 9.15am St Catherine's

Tuesday 9.15am St Bernard's

Wednesday 7.00am St Catherine's

Thursday 7.00am St Bernard's

Friday 8.00am St Bernard's

9.30am St Martin's

Saturday 5.00pm St Bernard's

6.15pm St Catherine's

Sunday 6.30am St Bernard's

8.00am St Martin's

8.30am St Catherine's

9.30am St Bernard's

5.00pm St Bernard's

RECONCILIATION

St Bernard's: Saturdays 4.00pm

St Catherine's: By appointment.

BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS, FUNERALS

by arrangement with the
Parish Office.

Upper Mt Gravatt Wishart Catholic Parish



St Bernard's, Upper Mt Gravatt

St Martin's, Eight Mile Plains

St Catherine's, Wishart

Guided by the Holy Spirit, we aim to be an evangelising, faith-filled parish whose members care for one another and are welcoming and inclusive.

The Upper Mt Gravatt Wishart Catholic Parish acknowledges the Jagera and Turrbal people, the traditional custodians on whose lands we live, work and worship.

22nd SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A

2 / 3 September 2023

READINGS

Jeremiah 20:7-9 *The word of the Lord God has meant derision for me.*

Romans 12:1-2 *May you present your bodies as a living sacrifice.*

GOSPEL

Matthew 16:21-27 *Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself.*



God our Father,

We give you thanks and praise for fathers young and old.

In moments of joy, rejoice with them.

In times of struggle, give them your courage and
perseverance.

Grant that we, their sons and daughters, may honour and appreciate them
always with a spirit of profound respect.

We pray for men who are father-figures, who mentor and guide us with
fatherly love and advice. May the example and prayer of
St Joseph inspire them all to live their vocations with courage.

We remember father-figures who have died but who live forever in our
memory and nourish us with their love. Amen.



Sept 1 - October 4 is celebrated as the Season of Creation, which we remember liturgically in our prayers and in our hymns. This year's theme is "Let Justice and Peace Flow", and is a call, with Christians worldwide, to join the river of justice and peace (Amos 5:24), to take up climate and ecological justice, and to speak out with and for those most impacted. If you'd like to know more about the Season of Creation have a look at <https://seasonofcreation.org/>. Also keep an eye on our Parish Facebook page over the month as we offer prayer and other opportunities to help celebrate this Season.

Today's **First Reading** starts with a key claim about vocation: it is God's initiative, a manifestation of the power of God. And it continues recounting the cost of living this vocation. This poem or prayer of lament is one of many examples (especially in the Psalms) of people taking their problems to God, even when they disagree with what God might be doing. Our relationship with God isn't only for the good times.

Last week, Peter gives voice to the growing recognition that Jesus is the Messiah. In today's **Gospel**, Peter once again speaks out. Peter can't accept the mission (and it's ending) Jesus sees. Surely this can't be what Israel was waiting for. Peter was looking for a warrior, someone to regain Israel's political freedom. Jesus was hearing a call to the world's freedom. Peter's statement echoes the temptations in the desert—take the easier road, surely God can't ask this of you. But Jesus pushes back against the temptation, even from his friend. God's way, even when it means putting self last, is the call of discipleship and Jesus challenges whether his followers are willing to pay the cost. Are they willing to let go of the things held dearest and to put God and others before themselves, to recognise God as Creator and self as creature? It's both a challenging and a freeing realisation.

The **Second Reading**, echoes Jesus saying the cost of discipleship being our whole selves. For Paul, our 'bodies' refers not simply to our physical bodies but to our whole pattern of life, everything we do or say. To 'offer (our) bodies' in this sense as a 'living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God' entails a similar preparedness to discern and follow the way of God.



WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

Especially Cam Nguyen, Neil O'Neill, Eileen Lawton, Maria Theresa Gerard who died recently. Also Rita Galea, Tom Begg, Gus Sim, Laura Sim, Priyadharshani Bandara, Graham Lawton, Brian Lawton, McAnalen Family, Lawton Family, Terry Coglan, Roy Tully, Earl Darcy, Murray Campbell, Dale Chapple whom we remember.

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Monday 4 September

CATHOLIC FOUNDATIONS HUB

7.00pm, St Bernard's Community Centre.

Tuesday 5 September

AGED CARE MASS

10.00am, Agay Street.

CRAFT GROUP

10am to 2pm in St Bernard's Community Centre.

BYO food and cup.

SCRIPTURE GROUP

6.30pm, St Bernard's Community Centre.

Thursday 7 September

BETHANY MEETING

10.00am St Bernard's Office.

LITURGY MEETING

Thursday, St Bernard's Office.



**National
Child Protection
Week**
**3 - 9 September
2023**

ST CATHERINE'S SENIORS COACH TRIP

Wednesday 27 September 2023

**Coach departs St Catherine's
Bus Stop at 8.00am.**



St Catherine's Seniors are off to visit Toowoomba's local Parks garden displays and hopefully some prize-winning gardens.

Morning tea at Gatton's Apex Park. BYO food. Tea/coffee/milk/sugar supplied.

We hope to visit The Japanese Gardens, Laurel Bank Park, and The Queensland State Rose Garden before lunch at Blue Mountain Hotel.

Queens Park could be visited after lunch.

Once the individual winning gardens are known we may have to drop some park visiting to allow some local gardens to be visited instead.

Cost estimate approx. \$60.00 or less, but this depends on the numbers booking for the trip.

Booking and lunch selections with Ros on Ph 3349 9218.

Please bring used stamps for the Missions, to give to Bob and Maureen Hore.

FROM THE SOCIAL JUSTICE TEAM



Have you marked your calendar for our Season of Creation event - a guided meditative walk in the Roly Chapman Bushland Reserve on

**17th September, following the 9.30 Mass
at St. Bernard's?**

Inspired by Ignatian Spirituality we will have the opportunity to make it a sensory experience – using our five senses, touch, sight, hearing, smell and taste.

We enter the reserve behind the Mount Gravatt Bowls Club on Logan Road and the walk is on a paved path only 600m long, to the exit near the Hibiscus Pool on Klumpp Road. We will return via Klumpp Road to St Bernard's where refreshments will be waiting.

Annual Season of Creation Ecumenical Liturgy

Each year, we join with our Christian brothers and sisters to recognise the importance of, and celebrate together, our care for our common home. This year's liturgy is being held in the Mt Coot-tha Botanical Gardens, and Christians from all denominations are invited to gather together in unity to celebrate this Season of Creation – Let Justice and Peace Flow. The liturgy is followed by a guided contemplative walk.

Event Details

Date: Wednesday, 6 September 2023

Time: 12 noon

Location: Lychee Lawn,
Mt Coot-Tha Botanic Gardens,
152 Mount Coot-Tha Rd, Mount Coot-Tha.

Cost: Free



**The September edition is now
available at all churches.**

Cost \$4.00.

ENTRANCE: *TREE OF LIFE*

1. Tree of life and awesome myst'ry,
in your death we are reborn,
though you die in all of hisot'ry,
still you rise with ev'ry morn,
still you rise with ev'ry morn.

4. Gentle Jesus, mighty Spirit,
come inflame our hearts anew,
we may all your joy inherit
if we bear the cross with you,
if we bear the cross with you.

L4. Give us eyes to see you clearly,
make us children of your light;
give us hearts to live more nearly
as your gospel shining bright.

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GLORIA

Refrain: *Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.*

We praise you, we bless you,
we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God heavenly king, O God, almighty father.

Refrain

Lord Jesus Christ, Only begotten son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us. **Refrain**

For you alone are the holy one,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, In the glory of God, the Father. **Refrain**

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RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PSALM 62

All: My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Antiphon: *Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!*

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our hearts, that we may know what is the hope that belongs, belongs to our call.

Antiphon: *Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!*

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APOSTLE'S CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting.

Amen.

EUCARISTIC ACCLAMATION

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your death, O Lord, until you come again.

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COMMUNION: *UNLESS A GRAIN OF WHEAT*

Refrain: *Unless a grain of wheat shall fall upon the ground and die, it remains but a single grain with no life.*

1. If we have died with him then we shall live with him; if we hold firm we shall reign with him. **Refrain**
2. If anyone serves me then they must follow me; wherever I am my servants will be. **Refrain**
3. If you remain in me and my word lives in you; then you will be my disciples. **Refrain**

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SONG OF PRAISE: *WILL YOU LOVE ME*

1. Will you give me your life forever?
Will you carry my cross ev'ry day?
Will you walk in the light of my presence?
Will you follow the truth of my ways?

Refrain: *Will you love me as I have loved you?
Will you live with me the darkness as I die?
For the moon and the stars will be gone like
the night, and the sun will be shining on you.*

2. Like the purest of gold in the furnace,
is your love strong enough to endure?
Does your faith carry on through the shadows?
Does it shine in the night for the world? **Refrain**

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RECESSONAL: *GLORY IN THE CROSS*

1. Let us ever glory in the cross of Christ,
our salvation and our hope.
Let us bow in homage to the Lord of Life,
who was broken to make us whole.
There is no greater love, as blessed as this:
to lay down one's life for a friend.
Let us ever glory in the cross of Christ
and the triumph of God's great love.

2. Let us ever glory in the cross of Christ
who is risen from the grave.
He will come in glory to receive our hearts
at the dawn of the lasting day.
For the trumpet will sound, the dead shall be raised,
and death shall defeat us no more.
Let us ever glory in the cross of Christ
and the triumph of God's great love.

3. Let us raise our voices to the cross of Christ
where the earth and heaven unite.
God has wed creation on the tree of hope
where the darkness becomes our light.
Let us join in the dance of heaven and earth,
give thanks for the goodness of God.
Let us ever glory in the cross of Christ
and the triumph of God's great love.

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MASS CENTRES



St Bernard's
4 Klumpp Rd, Upper Mt Gravatt



St Martin's
Cnr Logan & Chester Rds,
Eight Mile Plains



St Catherine's
388 Newnham Rd, Wishart



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Parish Office Hours
8.30am - 4.30pm
Monday - Friday

**Closed Weekends and
Public Holidays.**

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short message with your name &
phone number. Your call will be
returned as soon as possible.

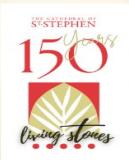
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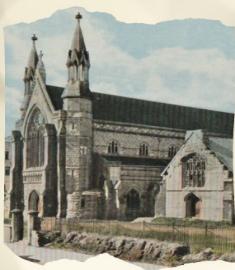
**In this 150th year of the Cathedral of St Stephen
Archbishop Mark Coleridge
invites couples together with family and friends**

Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass

Saturday, 30th September 2023

Mass at 11:30am

followed by refreshments on the Cathedral grounds.



**Other couples married at the Cathedral or Chapel,
are also invited to attend with family and friends
to celebrate 150 years of weddings at the Cathedral.**

**If you have photos or stories to share
of your wedding at the Cathedral,
please contact David Todd,
email: toddd@bne.catholic.net.au
telephone: 3324 3030
by 1st September 2023**



The 'Spirit of Hope' Prayer Meeting

St Stephen's Chapel

(In the grounds of the Cathedral in Brisbane City Centre)
(We Meet every 1st Wednesday of the Month)

Next Meeting Wednesday 6th September 2023

**10.45am – 12.15pm
(after 10am Mass)**

**Join us for a Morning of Prayer, Praise and Worship
Calling on the Holy Spirit to lead us in praying for Renewal!!
Personal Prayer Ministry will be Available**



EVERYONE WELCOME#

Contact: Maureen 0403002199 or Helena 0405321901

**23rd SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A
9 / 10 September 2023**

READINGS

Ezekiel 33:7-9

If you have not warned the wicked man, then I will hold you responsible for his death.

Romans 13:8-10

Love is the fulfilment of the Law.

GOSPEL

Matthew 18:15-20

If your brother or sister listens to you, you will have won that person back.

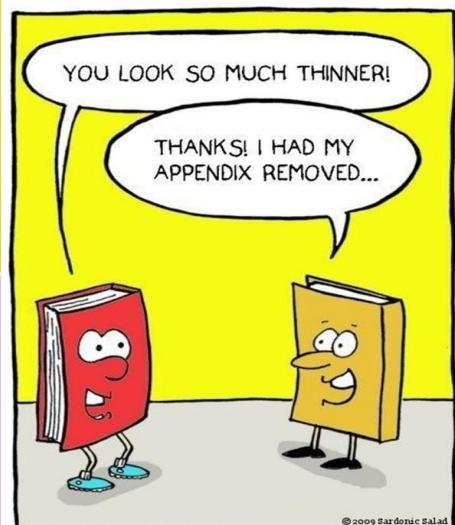
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ARE YOU NEW TO THE PARISH?

We warmly welcome you and your family. If you have recently moved into this area we invite you to join our Parish.

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