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MASS TIMES

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

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.



24 / 25 December 2023

**NATIVITY OF THE LORD,
YEAR A**

Christmas Blessings to all !

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

ANGELS WE HAVE HEARD ON HIGH

Angels we have heard on high sweetly
singing o'er the plains, and the mountains in
reply echoing their joyous strains:

Gloria in excelsis Deo!
Gloria in excelsis Deo!

Shepherds, why this exultation? Why your
joyous strain prolong? Say, what may the
tidings be which inspire your heav'nly song.

Gloria in excelsis Deo!
Gloria in excelsis Deo!

Come to Bethlehem and see Him whose
birth the angels sing; come, adore on
bended knee Christ, the Lord, the new born
King.

Gloria in excelsis Deo!
Gloria in excelsis Deo!

Text: French traditional Carol. Trans. James Chadwick.
Music: GLORIA (LES ANGES DANS NOS CAMPAGNES) with
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HARK THE HERALD ANGELS SING

Hark! the herald angels sing:
"Glory to the new-born King;
Peace on earth, and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled!"

Joyful, all ye nations, rise,
join the triumph of the skies;
with angelic hosts proclaim:
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"

Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the new-born King."

Christ, by highest heav'n adored,
Christ, the everlasting Lord.

Late in time, behold him come.

Offspring of a virgin's womb.
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see!

Hail th' incarnate Deity!
Pleased as man with us to dwell,

Jesus our Emmanuel.

Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the new-born King."

Text: Charles Wesley. Music: MENDELSSOHN and refrain 1-2
adapt. William Hayman Cummings from a chorus by Felix
Mendelssohn-Bartholdy

THE FIRST NOWELL

The first Noel, the angel did say, was to
certain poor shepherds in fields as they
lay; in fields where they lay keeping
their sheep, on a cold winter's night that
was so deep.

**Refrain: Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel,
born is the King of Israel.**

They looked up and saw a star
shining in the east, beyond them far;
and to the earth it gave great light,
and so it continued both day and night.

Refrain

This star drew nigh to the north-west,
o'er Bethlehem it took its rest,
and there it did both stop and stay,
right over the place where Jesus lay.

Refrain

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MARY'S BOY CHILD

Long time ago in Bethlehem so the Holy
Bible say, Mary's Boy child, Jesus
Christ, was born on Christmas Day.

**Refrain: Hark, now hear the angels
sing, a new King born today,
and we will live forever
more, because of Christmas
Day.**

**Trumpets sound and angels
sing, listen to what they say,
that we will live for ever more,
because of Christmas Day.**

While shepherds watched their flocks
by night, they see a bright new shining
star. They hear a choir sing. The music
seems to come from afar.

Now Joseph and his wife, Mary,
came to Bethlehem that night. They find
no place to bear the Child, not a single
room was in sight.

Refrain

© Text & Music: TRADITIONAL Jamaican Carol.

CAROL OF THE DRUM

"Come" they told me, Pa rum pa pum pum.
"Our new born king to see", Pa rum pa pum pum.
Our finest gifts we'll bring, Pa rum pa pum pum,
To lay before the King! Pa rum pa pum pum,
Rum pa pum pum, Rum pa pum pum.
So to honour Him, Pa rum pum pum, when we come!"

"Baby Jesus," Pa rum pa pum pum,
I'm a poor boy too, Pa rum pa pum pum,
I have no gift to bring Pa rum pa pum pum,
That's fit to give a King, Pa rum pa pum pum,
Rum pa pum pum, Rum pa pum pum.
Shall I play for you, Pa rum pa pum pum,
on my drum?"

Mary nodded, Pa rum pa pum pum,
Ox and ass kept time, Pa rum pa pum pum.
I played my drum for Him, Pa rum pa pum pum,
I played my best for Him, Pa rum pa pum pum,
Rum pa pum pum, Rum pa pum pum.
Then He smiled at me, Pa rum pa pum pum!
Me and my drum!

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ENTRANCE: *O COME ALL YE FAITHFUL*

1. O come all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;
come and behold him, born the King of angels;

Refrain: *O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
Christ the Lord!*

2. Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation,
sing, all you citizens of heav'n above!
Glory to God, all glory in the highest; **Refrain**

3. Yea, Lord, we greet thee,
born this happy morning,
Jesus to thee be all glory giv'n;
Word of the Father,
now in flesh appearing; **Refrain**

Text: Adeste fideles John F Wade tr. Frederick Oakeley. Music: John F Wade descant David Willcocks © 1961 Oxford University Press.

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Priest: During Advent we have watched and waited
for hope, for peace, for joy, for love.
As we light this Christ candle,
we celebrate the birth of Emmanuel,
God with us,
who calls us to share his light with the world.

All: Joy to the world, the Lord is come.
We light this candle because Jesus,
the light of the world,
was born on this day and lives among us.
Joy to the world, the Saviour reigns.

GLORIA

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

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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CHRISTMAS VIGIL MASS

4.00pm St Bernard's
5.00pm St Catherine's

PSALM RESPONSE:

All: Today is born our Saviour, Christ the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

All: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
Good news and great joy to all the world:
good news and great joy for today is born our
Saviour, Christ the Lord.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!



6.00pm St Bernard's
7.00pm St Catherine's

PSALM RESPONSE:

All: Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

All: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
The wickedness of the earth
will be destroyed tomorrow:
the Saviour of the world will be our king. Alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

CHRISTMAS VIGIL MASS OF THE NIGHT

9.00pm St Martin's
12.00am St Bernard's

PSALM RESPONSE:

All: Today is born our Saviour, Christ the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

All: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
Good news and great joy to all the world:
good news and great joy for today is born our
Saviour, Christ the Lord.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

CHRISTMAS DAWN MASS

6.30am St Bernard's
8.00am St Martin's

PSALM RESPONSE:

All: A light will shine on us this day, the Lord is born for us.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

All: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
Glory to God, glory in the highest, glory to God in the highest, peace to his people on earth.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

CHRISTMAS DAY MASS

8.30am St Catherine's
9.30am St Bernard's

PSALM RESPONSE:

All: All the ends of the earth have seen the saving power of God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

All: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
A holy day has dawned upon us.
Come, you nations and adore the Lord.
Today a great light has come upon the earth.
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.

PREPARATION OF GIFTS (EVENING)

SILENT NIGHT

Silent night! Holy night! All is calm, all is bright
round yon Virgin Mother and child!
Holy Infant so tender and mild,
sleep in heavenly peace,
sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night! Holy night!
Shepherds quake at the sight;
glories stream from heaven afar;
heav'nly hosts sing "Alleluia!"
Christ the Saviour is born,
Christ the Saviour is born.

Silent night! Holy night! Son of
God, love's pure light
radiant beams from thy holy face,
with the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth,
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth.

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PREPARATION OF GIFTS (MORNING)

AWAY IN A MANGER

Away in a manger, no crib for a bed,
the little Lord Jesus laid down His sweet head.
The stars in the bright sky looked down where He lay,
the little Lord Jesus, asleep on the hay.

The cattle are lowing, the baby awakes,
but little Lord Jesus no crying He makes.
I love thee, Lord Jesus! Look down from the sky,
and stay by my cradle, till morning is nigh.

Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask Thee to stay,
close by me forever, and love me, I pray;
Bless all the dear children in Thy tender care,
and take us to heaven, to live with thee there.

Text: anon. Tune: CRADLE SONG, 11.11.11.11;
William J Kirkpatrick, 1838-1921, alt..

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: *BREAD OF LIFE*

Refrain: *Bread of life,
hope of the world,
Jesus Christ, our brother:
feed us now, give us life,
lead us to one another.*

1. A child is born for us, a son is giv'n to us,
in our midst, Christ our Lord and God
comes as one who serves.

Refrain

2. With our own eyes we see,
with our own ears we hear
the salvation of all the world,
God's incarnate Word.

Refrain

3. You are the hope of all,
our promise and our call,
radiant light in our darkness,
truth to set us free.

Refrain

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SONG OF PRAISE: *O HOLY NIGHT*

1. O Holy night, the stars are brightly shining,
it is the night of the dear Saviour's birth!
Long lay the world in sin and error pining,
till He appeared and the soul felt its worth.
A thrill of hope the weary world rejoices.
For yonder breaks a new and glorious morn!

Refrain: *Fall on your knees!
O hear the angel voices!
O night divine,
O night when Christ was born.
O night divine!
O night, O night divine!*

2. Led by the light of Faith serenely beaming,
with glowing hearts by His cradle we stand.
So led by light of a star sweetly gleaming,
here came the wise men from the Orient land.
The King of Kings lay thus in lowly manger,
in all our trials born to be our friend! **Refrain**

3. Truly He taught us to love one another;
His law is love and His gospel is peace.
Chains shall He break for the slave is our brother,
and in His name all oppression shall cease.
Sweet hymns of joy in grateful chorus raise we,
let all within us praise His holy name! **Refrain**

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RECESSIONAL: *JOY TO THE WORLD*

Joy to the world! the Lord is come;
let earth receive her King;
let ev'ry heart prepare him room,
and heav'n and nature sing, and heav'n and
nature sing,
and heav'n and heav'n and nature sing.

Joy to the earth! the Saviour reigns;
let us our songs employ;
while fields and floods, rock, hills and plains
repeat the sounding joy, repeat the sounding joy,
repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

He rules the world with truth and grace,
and makes the nations prove
the glories of his righteousness,
and wonders of his love, and wonders of his
love, and wonders, wonders of his love.

Text: Psalm 98, Isaac Watts. Music: ANTIOCH from George F Handel.

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PARISH OFFICE CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR CLOSURE DATES

The Parish Office will re-open on
Monday 15 January 2024 at 8.30am.

For **EMERGENCIES ONLY** please call 3849 7158
and leave your **name, number and a short
message** on the answering machine.

**THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS,
MARY AND JOSEPH
30 / 31 December 2023**

READINGS:

Genesis 15:1-6, 21:1-3

Your son will be your heir.

Hebrews 11:8, 11-12, 17-29

The faith of Abraham, Sarah and Isaac.

GOSPEL:

Luke 2:22-40

The child grew to maturity and he was filled
with wisdom.

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

We pray for those who have died recently. Also Graham Lawton, Tom Begg, Gus Sim, Priyadharshani Bandara, Laura Sim, Rita Galea, Anthony Ngo, Anthony Nhon, Peter Quinn, Leo Feeney, Michael, Manuela, Santo, Rodolfo & Luisa Cassarino, Charles & Caterina Doyle, Filomena Portlock, Robert & Natalina Woods, Josephine Hanmore, Fred & Maria Manson, Jim & Mary-Clare Michie, Tanya Walker, Harriet Beane, William, May, Elizabeth, Bill, Norine, John & Pat Ingham, Ted & Doris Humphreys, Roy & Sue Cargill, Maureen Hambling, Sr M Anna Schepis, Patricia & Aldo Palumbo, Joseph & Margaret Szpaczek, Jacqueline Boutros, Ray Moore, Gil Colvin, Ann Rooney, Philip Rooney deceased relatives and friends of the Rooney, McMahon, Wilson, Wharton, James, Small, Huddy, Woods and Ingham families whom we remember at this time.