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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 7.30am 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.

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR B

4 / 5 May 2024

READINGS

Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48 *The gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out upon the gentiles also.*

1 John 4:7-10 *God is love.*

GOSPEL

John 15:9-17 *No one can have greater love than to lay down his life for his friends.*

ANNUAL MASS ATTENDANCE COUNT

The Archdiocese of Brisbane Annual Mass Attendance Count **starts this weekend 4/5 May** and continues on 11/12 May, 18/19 May & 25/26 May.

We encourage you to attend Mass each weekend during this period as this will assist us in understanding how many people are being reached in our local communities and across the Archdiocese.

In the **First Reading**, a rather truncated excerpt from Peter's interaction with the Roman centurion Cornelius, we find the early Church inching towards a new understanding of its identity and mission. It is not simply to be a renewal movement within Judaism but an instrument for the gathering of all nations into one worldwide People of God. As so often in Acts, the Holy Spirit is well 'out in front' and the community of believers, hitherto a movement within Judaism, has to catch up. In today's reading Peter describes the deeply moving experiences in connection with Cornelius that have led him, beyond himself and his previous understanding, to grasp the new reality to which the whole Church is being called.

The **Second Reading** states boldly the centrality of love as the supreme attribute of God: 'God is love.' The statement is foundation for an exhortation to believers to love one another. When believers truly love another, this is a sure sign that they have been drawn into and live within the life of God, which is love. We know this because we experience God in the divine outreach of love shown in the sending of the Son.

Towards the end the writer makes an important clarification: what is being talked about is not our love for God but God's love for us. Thus any ability to love on the part of believers is simply the extension of a great 'chain' of love stemming ultimately from the love of the Father. If our lives are caught up in this great chain, then we truly 'know' God and know that we have been 'begotten' by God. We are living in the community of love that is the 'family' of God.

The same 'chain' of love is central to the exhortation we hear in the **Gospel**. There is in this passage a progression of relationships: God loves Jesus who loves disciples who are to love one another. The measuring stick for our relationship with God is our relationship with each other. Christians cannot withdraw into a pious cosy 'me and God' duet. Being at home with God requires that we open ourselves to be at home with others. Not an easy task!

There is a saying, 'absence makes the heart grow fonder,' and this can be true for God. It's easier to love the 'absent' God in a distant heaven than to love God present in our families or workplaces or living in our streets. 'Love one another, as I have loved you.' What are we asked to give to another – a listening ear, an hour of our time, a card or letter, a visit? 'What I command you is to love one another.'



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WE NEED YOUR HELP

Please consider becoming a volunteer and support your local Mass community. We are in need of Readers, Extraordinary Ministers of Communion and Musicians/Cantors.

There are many volunteer roles in our Churches - have you ever wondered who arranges the flowers, hangs the drapes, cleans the brass and looks after our Church environment? This is another great opportunity to become involved.

If you would like to volunteer for any of these roles or maybe there is something else you would like to do please contact Debbie at the Parish Office.

There will be a training/formation session for EMCs on **Wednesday 8th May** and one for Readers on **Wednesday 22nd May, both at 7pm in St Bernard's Church**. We look forward to seeing you there.

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

Especially Peter Andrews (brother of Roslyn Huddy), Nicolai Ventura, Ailsa Cassells, Marian Cooke, Noel Considine, Eduardo Sason, Fr Martin Larsen, Rex Tully who died recently. Also Marina Cogliati, Jennifer Tunstall, Tom Begg, Rita Galea, Gus Sim, Laura Sim, Priyadharshani Bandara, Raymond Coglan, Kylie Beutel, Fay Williams, Jan Parker, Madeleine McLaughlin, Sr Denise Daly OSU, Stephanie Daly, Carmel Dwyer, Kathleen Dwyer, John Thomas Dwyer, Ron Edwards, Peter John Cook, Arthur Cowell whom we remember.

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Monday 6 May

LABOUR DAY

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED.

Tuesday 7 May

FUNERAL

10.30am, Peter Wood, St Bernard's Church.

CRAFT GROUP

10am to 2pm, St Bernard's Community Centre.
BYO food and cup.

GRAVESIDE FUNERAL

2.00pm, Noel Considine, Mt Gravatt Cemetery.

SCRIPTURE GROUP

6.30pm, St Bernard's Community Centre.

Wednesday 8 May

FUNERAL

2.00pm, Ailsa Cassells, GHM Chapel, Holland Park.

Thursday 9 May

SOCIAL JUSTICE GROUP

7.00pm, St Bernard's Community Centre.

ST CATHERINE'S SENIORS COACH TRIP

Wednesday 22 May 2024

Coach departs St Catherine's
Bus Stop at 7.45am.



St Catherine's Seniors are visiting Caloundra and we will be stopping at Golden Beach for morning tea, please bring your own food. Tea/coffee/sugar/milk are provided.

We are going on a boat cruise in Pumicestone Passage, to be followed by lunch at Pelican Waters Tavern. Cost may be about \$70 per passenger, but it does depend on the numbers booking.

Please bring used stamps for the Missions Office, to be passed to Bob and Maureen Hore.

Bookings with Ros on Ph. 3349 9218 (including meal choices).

BAPTISMS

We congratulate
Levi & Sienna Pickering, children of Joshua & Chloe;
Dahlia Moffat, daughter of Simon & Griselda.
They will be baptised in the Parish this weekend.

UMG Wishart Social Justice Group

'what you did for the least ...you did for me.' Mt 25:40

COME AND LEARN ABOUT

The 'PREFERENTIAL OPTION FOR THE POOR' &
'CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING'

Special guest speaker

Alice Carwardine – Co-ordinator
Caritas Catholic Earthcare

Responding to **Environmental Issues**

through 'CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING'

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Thursday May 9, 7.00pm St Bernard's

SEE YA THERE!!!

ENTRANCE: *SING OF THE LORD'S GOODNESS*

1. Sing of the Lord's goodness,
Father of all wisdom,
come to him and bless his name.
Mercy he has shown us, his love is forever,
faithful to the end of days.

Refrain: *Come, then, all you nations,
sing of your Lord's goodness,
melodies of praise and thanks to God.
Ring out the Lord's glory,
praise him with your music,
worship him and bless his name.*

4. Praise him with your singing,
praise him with the trumpet,
praise God with the lute and harp;
praise him with the cymbals,
praise him with your dancing,
praise God till the end of days.

Refrain

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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 97

All: The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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

All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them.
Alle, Alleluia!

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

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection 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. As we proclaim your death, as we recall your life, we remember your promise to return again. **Refrain**
2. The bread we break and share was scattered once as grain:
just as now it is gathered, make your people one. **Refrain**
3. We eat this living bread, we drink this saving cup:
sign of hope in our broken world, source of lasting love. **Refrain**

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SONG OF PRAISE: *A NEW COMMANDMENT*

A new commandment I give unto you
that you love one another as I have loved you,
that you love one another as I have loved you.

By this shall others know that you are my disciples
if you have love one for another.

By this shall others know that you are my disciples
if you have love one for another.

Text: John 13:34,35; Tune: NEW COMMANDMENT irregular.
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RECESSONAL: *WE REMEMBER*

Refrain: *We remember how you loved us to your death,
and still we celebrate, for you are with us here;
and we believe that we will see you
when you come, in your glory, Lord,
we remember, we celebrate, we believe.*

3. Christ, the Father's great "Amen"
to all the hopes and dreams of every heart;
peace beyond all telling, and freedom from all fear; **Refrain**
4. See the Face of Christ revealed
in ev'ry person standing by your side;
gift to one another, and temples of your love; **Refrain**

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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.

For urgent matters after hours
please call 3849 7158 and leave a
short message with your name &
phone number. Your call will be
returned as soon as possible.

SCHOOLS

St Bernard's School

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St Catherine's School

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Clairvaux MacKillop College

Principal: Wayne Chapman
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WITH YOU WHEN YOU LEAVE.
PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE IT IN THE
PEW.

CATHOLIC MISSION INVITES WORLD MISSION MAY ROSARY PRAYERS SESSIONS

Join Catholic Mission online to honour Mother Mary during the month of May through praying the World Mission rosary.

The World Mission Rosary aims to "embrace the world in prayer" and especially pray for those living in poverty. This special rosary has a colour-coded decade representing each continent where the Church continues our foundress Pauline Jaricot's mission. It helps us to understand what it means to belong to a Global Church and how the Church can be a leader in the world through the work of Mission.

Day: Monday – Friday

Time: 2pm Brisbane / Melbourne time
12 pm Perth time

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://tinyurl.com/cmprayer>

Meeting ID: 893 8798 2280

Password: 876574

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THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD YEAR B

11 / 12 May 2024

READINGS

Acts 1:1-11

*Why are you standing here looking into the sky?
Jesus has been taken into heaven.*

Ephesians 1:17-23 *He made Jesus to sit at his right hand in heaven.*

GOSPEL

Mark 16:15-20

*The Lord Jesus was taken into heaven and is
seated at the right hand of God.*

ARE YOU NEW TO THE PARISH?

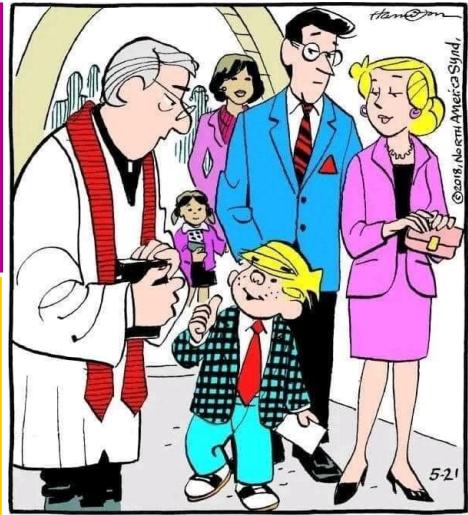
We warmly welcome you and your family. If you have recently moved into this area we invite you to join our Parish.

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NEWSLETTER VIA EMAIL

Our Newsletter is available via email. Please contact the Parish Office if you or someone you know requires access to the newsletter.

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"GREAT SERMON! YOU DIDN'T GO ON AND ON THIS TIME."