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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.

TENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B

8 / 9 June 2024

READINGS

Genesis 3:9-15

I will make you enemies of each other: your offspring and her offspring.

2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1

With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

GOSPEL

Mark 3:20-35

It is the end of Satan.

Returning to Ordinary Time, we remember the Sunday First Reading was chosen to bring out a connection with the Gospel. This weekend, the clearest link is God's promise in the Genesis that the offspring of the woman will triumph over the tempter, fulfilled in the Gospel as Jesus is dispelling evil and restoring people to wholeness.

In the **First Reading**, God seeks out Adam and Eve after they have eaten the Fruit. This story tells us that the relationship between God and humanity, with each other and between humanity and creation have been broken. Humanity hides from God and from each other, they blame each other, and even blame God. No-one owns responsibility for their actions. The story tells us that life as we know it is not what God had hoped for—but that God has a plan to restore right relationships. Evil will not win.

The **Gospel** starts mid story. Jesus has been healing many people, with evil spirits specifically named. This has caused crowds to gather around him and caught the attention of the scribes. The ancient world attributed to demonic possession many pathological human conditions that we now know have natural causes. This made Jesus' healing activity, interpreted in a hostile sense, open to the accusation that he expels demons in alliance with demonic power. In effect they are accusing him of sorcery, a capital offence at the time.

But Jesus answers with two images showing that he cannot be working from evil powers, and then goes on to call out the scribes by saying to them that the only unforgivable act is to not recognise God (in this case to call the work of God/Holy Spirit evil).

As often happens in Mark, the "main event" is framed by two smaller, connected events. In this case, Jesus' family are seeking him out, believing he is "out of his mind". Perhaps Mark is using this to put into contrast the encounter with the scribes. Jesus' family don't understand him yet but they don't think he is evil. Or perhaps Mark has the intended audience (facing persecution and betrayal) in mind, encouraging them that even Jesus' family didn't fully understand. Either way, in the second half of the encounter, Jesus reframes family. Family is no longer limited to biological relatives. As believers we belong to a wider family, God's family.



In Ordinary Time, the Second Reading progresses through a New Testament letter but are independent from the Gospel. For the next few weeks we will be reading from 2 Corinthians. Today's **Second Reading** again comes from the middle of a larger passage. Paul's mission has been troubled, but he shares with the Corinthians that troubles are only temporary. God's glory is what matters.

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INCOME		
	Actual 2023	Budget 2024
Collections & Giving	381,873.00	370,000.00
Liturgy Offerings	15,810.00	14,200.00
Rent	93,762.00	114,338.00
Ministry & Evangelisation	30,098.00	13,000.00
Operating Activities	179,952.00	193,500.00
Other Income	23,057.00	41,900.00
Total	724,552.00	746,938.00
EXPENDITURE		
	Actual 2023	Budget 2024
Office	17,840.00	19,260.00
Property & Occupancy	259,257.00	506,436.00
Liturgy	7,989.00	9,800.00
Ministry & Evangelisation	4,301.00	5,300.00
Clergy	82,326.00	84,050.00
Motor Vehicle	16,056.00	9,300.00
Staff	217,509.00	247,250.00
Diocesan Levies	61,743.00	68,738.00
Other Expenses	22,624.00	18,200.00
Total	689,645.00	968,334.00
Surplus/(Deficit)	34,907.00	- 221,396.00

A most sincere thank you to all who have contributed to our Parish financially again in the past year. Parish collections have continued to grow thanks to those participating in Our Planned Giving Program and, to an increasingly important extent, Parishioners supporting by loose contributions each week at Masses.

We are still building towards levels of giving pre Covid19 and again covering our outgoings in 2023. It is the amazing generosity of Parishioners that has achieved this.

In the coming year we are committed to the necessary expense of replacing the roof of St Bernard's Church building and finally replacing damaged floor coverings as well as normal operating expenditure. Our continued support of the Parish by contributions to our weekly collections will enable us to meet these commitments.

All parishioners are invited and encouraged to participate in our Planned Giving Program to whatever level you feel able, with new/existing participants asked to complete the attached Giving sheet, as appropriate, and place it on the collection plate or return to the office by 16th June for the allocation of envelopes if you so desire. Contributions may also be made via Direct Debiting/Crediting as it suits.

God bless and thank you for your continued valuable support.

JUNIOR MINISTER TRAINING

Children who have been Confirmed and received First Communion are invited to train as Junior Ministers on **Sunday 16 June at 4.00pm at St Bernard's Church** (before Mass) or on **Saturday 22nd June at 7.00pm at St Catherine's Church** (after Mass).

If you are interested in attending either of these sessions please contact Debbie at the Parish Office or email umg@bne.catholic.net.au to register.

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

Especially John Kearney, Deen Mohammed, Joan Green, Molly Magee, Stephen Reid, Fr Jim Smith, John Cusack who died recently. Also Stephen Rawlins, George Merli, Rita Galea, Tom Begg, Gus Sim, Laura Sim, Priyadharshani Bandara, Anthony Ngo, Nhon Ngo, Paul Tan, Bernadette Cheong, Giovanna Dileo, Francis Houston, Shane Drage, Sandra Klamut, Sara Schneeberg, Monnie Colquhoun, Roy Johnson, Thomas Dwyer, James Dwyer, Arthur Cowell whom we remember.



BAPTISMS

We congratulate

Levi & Sienna Pickering, children of Joshua & Chloe;

Nicholas & Veronica Hartney, children of Patrick & Claire;

George Casey, son of Ben & Holli;

Ella Lennox, daughter of Mitchell & Jenee.

They will be baptised in the Parish this weekend.

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Monday 10 June

FUNERAL

10.30am, Molly Magee, St Bernard's Church.

BEING SACRAMENTAL

7.00pm, St Bernard's Community Centre.

Tuesday 11 June

CRAFT GROUP

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

SCRIPTURE GROUP

6.30pm, St Bernard's Community Centre.

Thursday 13 June

SOCIAL JUSTICE MEETING

7.00pm, St Bernard's Community Centre.

Friday 14 June

YAYA

7.00pm– 9.00pm, Aspinall Centre.

ENTRANCE: COME AS YOU ARE

1. Come as you are, that's how I want you.
Come as you are, feel quite at home.
Close to my heart, loved and forgiven;
come as you are, why stand alone?
2. No need to fear, love sets no limits.
No need to fear, love never ends.
Don't run away shamed and dishearten'd.
Rest in my love, trust me again.
3. I came to call sinners, not just the virtuous.
I came to bring peace, not to condemn.
Each time you fail to live by my promise,
why do you think I'd love you the less?

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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 129

All: With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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

The prince of this world will now be cast out,
and when I am lifted up from the earth I will
draw all to myself, says the Lord.

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.

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EUCCHARISTIC ACCLAMATION

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

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COMMUNION: *DRAWN TO YOU*

Refrain: *Drawn to you, Lord we are drawn to you,
to the beauty of your presence in this place.
Here for you, God we are here for you
as the gifts we bring become a feast of grace.
We are drawn to you.*

1. Drawn by the love that you have poured on us,
we bring these gifts, works of our hands.
You gather all we offer to yourself,
receive our prayer.

Refrain

2. Drawn by the faith that you accept our gifts,
and sanctify what we have shared.
To make us holy by this bread and wine,
receive our prayer.

Refrain

3. Drawn by the table you have laid for us,
the welcome feast your heart prepares,
the words now spoken that will make us one,
receive our prayer.

Refrain

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SONG OF PRAISE: *SEEK YE FIRST*

1. Seek ye first the kingdom of God
and his righteousness,
and all these things shall be added unto you.
Allelu, alleluia.
2. Ask and it shall be given unto you;
seek and ye shall find;
knock and it shall be opened unto you.
Allelu, alleluia.
3. Where two or three are gathered in my name,
there am I in their midst;
and whatsoever ye ask, I will do.
Allelu, alleluia.

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RECESSIONAL: *CHRIST BE OUR LIGHT*

1. Longing for light, we wait in darkness.
Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people,
light for the world to see.

Refrain: *Christ be our light!
Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light!
Shine in your church gathered today.*

2. Longing for peace, our world is troubled.
Longing for hope, may despair.
Your word alone has pow'r to save us.
Make us your living voice.

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

Principal: Daniel Hodge
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Phone: 3849 4800

St Catherine's School

Principal: Paul Mitchell
388 Newnham Rd, Wishart
Phone: 3349 7188

Clairvaux MacKillop College

Principal: Wayne Chapman
24 Klumpp Rd, Upper Mt Gravatt
Phone: 3347 9200

**PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE
NEWSLETTERS IN THE PEWS.**

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

ST CATHERINE'S
SUNDAY 19 MAY 8.30am Mass
Children in Prep to Year 5 invited.

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Interested parishioners are invited to nominate to be part of a steering committee to develop the Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) for our Parish which will complement the Archdiocesan RAP.

For further information please contact Anne George

Phone: 0438552996 or Email
nanniegeorge56@gmail.com

UMG Wishart Social Justice Group

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

COME AND LEARN ABOUT

Solidarity &

'CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING'

Special guest speaker

Anne Sebastian – Assistant Co-ordinator
Romero Centre

How to welcome and support people seeking
Asylum & sanctuary in Brisbane.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Thursday June 13, 7.00pm St Bernard's
SEE YA THERE!!!

ST VINCENT DE PAUL WINTER APPEAL

Appeal envelopes are still available in all churches and in the Piety Store and can be placed in the collection baskets. You can also donate online -

- ✕ **SVDP St Bernard's Conference Upper Mt Gravatt - BSB 064786 - Acct no. 100026560**
- OR**
- ✕ **SVDP St Catherine's Conference Wishart - BSB 064786 Acct no. 100026611**

Thank you for your support.

ST CATHERINE'S SENIORS COACH TRIP

Wednesday 6 June 2024

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



This month's trip is to Highfields Pioneer Village Toowoomba where we'll have Billy Tea and Damper for morning tea, (no need to bring your own food this time). The area covers 2 acres and contains over 70 authentic buildings showcasing Australian History, including a Fire Brigade Museum & Ambulance Museum, to explore.

We'll then visit Highfields Tavern for lunch and later hold our raffles there before returning home. Cost \$65 approx. depending on the numbers.

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

Bookings and lunch menu selections with Ros on Ph. 3349 9218.

ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B

15 / 16 June 2024

READINGS

Ezekiel 17:22-24 *I have made the small tree great.*

2 Corinthians 5:6-10 *Whether we are living in the body or exiled from it, we are intent on pleasing the Lord.*

GOSPEL

Mark 4:26-34 *The mustard seed, the smallest of all the seeds, grows into the biggest shrub of all.*

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

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