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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.*

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B

17 / 18 August 2024

READINGS

Proverbs 9:1-6

Come and eat my bread; drink the wine I have prepared.

Ephesians 5:15-20

Be watchful that you may know the will of God.

GOSPEL

John: 6:51-58

My flesh is real food and my blood is real drink.

In the First Reading, the author uses the metaphor of a house to portray Lady Wisdom at work. Like any good schoolteacher our author wants to present going to school and the rigours of study in as attractive a light as possible. Her basic message is that if you 'drink the wine I have prepared', that is, if you imbibe the wisdom that follows in the subsequent chapters of the book of Proverbs, then you will have a fruitful and meaningful life. The contrast between wisdom and folly is designed to alert one to the way evil can masquerade as good and seduce us by what appears to be success. Follow Lady Wisdom's curriculum and you have the best chance of developing a true rather than a distorted perception of reality.



Today's Gospel is the whole purpose of this long discourse, for today's passage focuses on the Christian Eucharist. The change is signalled by the words 'flesh to eat'. Up until now, Jesus has spoken of eating *bread* in a metaphorical sense, but the word 'eat' that is now used is very physical, it is like 'munch' or 'chew'. The imagery Jesus uses 'to eat the flesh and drink the blood' would be particularly horrific to a Jewish audience for whom blood is forbidden, and animals are killed in a special way so that all the blood is drained out, since the blood is the life-force and belongs to God.



Today's passage needs to be understood as reflecting on the living presence of the risen Jesus now present with the community. Only in this resurrection perspective will the discourse have any sense and Eucharist have any meaning. 'Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood live in me and I live in them.' In other words, those who believe in me, live in me and I live in them. Our liturgical celebration of Eucharist engages our entire self, in all our senses of sight, touch, smell, hearing and taste. God has come to us incarnated in the flesh of Jesus, and through Eucharist this incarnate, bodily presence is still available to us, and we can make our bodily response in faith to him.

In the **Second Reading**, Christians are encouraged to live like the wise. The way of the wise is directed by the intoxicating Spirit of God. Prompted by the Spirit, in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, the Ephesians are told to thank God who is called Father. Living in this manner is the true way of wisdom.

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LiturgyHelp.com

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

Especially Mary Hodge, Fr Hilary Flynn, Maureen Clark, Tina Di Maio, Garry Johnson who died recently. Also Brian Lawton, Graham Lawton, Peter Quinn, Gus Sim, Laura Sim, Rita Galea, Tom Begg, Priyadharshani Bandara, Anthony Ngo, Nhon Ngo, Tony & Sylvia Anton, Ilgo & Fulvia Antonangeli, Irene Bobbermein, Netta O'Reilly, Doreen Laverty, Thelma Mottram, Kevin Bunce, Harry Stewart, Neil O'Neil, Kevin Burnett, Karen Burnett whom we remember.

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Tuesday 20 August

AGED CARE MASS

10.00am, Wishart Gardens.

CRAFT GROUP

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

FUNERAL

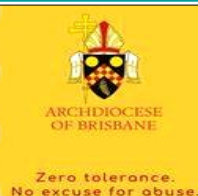
11.00am, Mary Hodge, St Bernard's Church.

SCRIPTURE GROUP

6.30pm, St Bernard's Community Centre.

**Safeguarding is
everyone's
responsibility.**

Respect & Protect.



The Upper Mt Gravatt Wishart Parish and the Archdiocese of Brisbane are committed to the safety and wellbeing of children and adults-at-risk.



ST CATHERINE'S FETE

Sunday 25 August 9.30am - 3.00pm

Join us for lots of fun!

Rides, Sweet/cake Stall, Live Entertainment,
Yummy Food, Raffle Prizes, Sideshow Alley,
Reptile Display, Craft Stall and much more!



ST CATHERINE'S SENIORS COACH TRIP

Wednesday 28 August 2024

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



St Catherine's Seniors are going to Kooroomba Vineyard and Lavender Farm at Mt Alford near Boonah, hopefully to see the lavender in flower. We will be leaving St Catherine's Bus Stop at 8.00 am. On the way, we'll stop at Peak Mountain View Park for morning tea. Please bring your own food for this. Tea/Coffee/sugar/milk are provided.

We'll visit the Dugandan Hotel for lunch before later visiting Kholo Botanic Gardens at the side of the Brisbane River before heading home.

Bookings are with Ros on Ph. 3349 9218 plus the lunch selection options that are available.

Please bring used any stamps to pass onto Bob and Maureen Hore for the Missions Office.

Cost approx. \$55, depending on the numbers.

Your gift is the answer to someone's prayer



**The Annual
Catholic
Campaign**

17/18 August

We are reminded that we are part of the larger Church. When we work together, we support vital ministries and services, and we accomplish what we cannot do alone.

Funds raised will support Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre, the Holy Spirit Seminary, Mary MacKillop Bursary Fund, Centacare Domestic Violence and Pastoral Ministries, The Priests Foundation.

Envelopes are available in each Church this weekend. You can either pop it in the mail or place it on the collection plate.

Thank you for your support. catholiccampaign.com.au

SOCIAL JUSTICE STATEMENT LAUNCH

CATHOLIC JUSTICE AND
PEACE COMMISSION
INVITES YOU TO

An invitation to the Brisbane launch of the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference 2024 - 2025 Social Justice Statement, "Truth and Peace: A Gospel Word in a Violent World".

**Launched by Archbishop Mark Coleridge
Reflection from Fr Gerry Hefferan**

**21st August, 2024
7pm for a 7:30pm start**

**St James' Parish Hall
92 Kirkland Ave
Coorparoo QLD 4151**

Gold Coin donation for Vinnies
Register your seat or connection through this [link](#)



HOSTED BY ST JAMES' PARISH
EVENT IS LIVE STREAMED

ENTRANCE: GATHER YOUR PEOPLE

Refrain: *Gather your people, O Lord.
Gather your people, O Lord.
One bread, one body, one spirit of love.
Gather your people, O Lord.*

1. Draw us forth to the table of life:
brothers and sisters, each of us called to walk in
your light. **Refrain**

2. We are parts of the body of Christ,
needing each other, each of the gifts the Spirit
provides. **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 33

All: Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

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Responses, English Translation of Psalm Responses from
Lectionary for Masses © 1969, 1981, 1997 ICEL; Text Psalms
verses, The Grail, England.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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

All who eat my flesh and drink my blood live in
me and I in them, says the Lord. 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.

EUCCHARISTIC 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: THE BREAD OF LIFE

Refrain: *I am the bread of life.*

Those who believe in me shall not hunger.

Those who believe will never thirst.

I am the bread, the bread of life.

1. Take and eat of my body.

Take and drink of my blood poured out for you.

I have come to give life.

Refrain

2. Take this bread freshly broken,

Grown from grain scattered on the ground to die

Death gives way to new life.

Refrain

3. Take this cup of salvation,

Take and drink of this fruit crushed from the vine

Death gives way to new life.

Refrain

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SONG OF PRAISE: TAKE AND EAT

Refrain: *Take and eat; take and eat:*

this is my body given up for you.

Take and drink; take and drink:

this is my blood given up for you.

1. I am the Word that spoke and light was made;

I am the seed that died to be reborn;

I am the bread that comes from heav'n above;

I am the vine that fills your cup with joy.

Refrain

2. I am the way that leads the exile home;

I am the truth that sets the captive free;

I am the life that raises up the dead;

I am your peace, true peace my gift to you.

Refrain

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RECESSIONAL: 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.

2. Power he has wielded, honor is his garment,
risen from the snares of death.

His word he has spoken, one bread he has broken,

new life he now gives to all.

Refrain

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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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
1823 Logan Rd,
Upper Mt Gravatt
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.

SEASON OF CREATION 2024

Care for Our Common Home & its People

Sessions led by: Sr MARGARET ENDICOTT rsm.

During the Season of Creation, we will be conducting three sessions for people who want to explore more deeply our gratitude for God's world, honouring the pain of the world today, seeing the way ahead with new eyes and deciding on some best practices in moving forward. This is our opportunity to determine practical action for ourselves, our families, our parish and the wider society.

'Our relationship with the environment can never be isolated from our relationship with others and with God.' POPE FRANCIS LS119.

Dates: 28th August, 11th and 25th September Time: 7:00 – 8:30pm

Location: Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Centre, 121 Mains Rd, Sunnybank.

Register by 21 Aug: contact beache@bne.catholic.edu.au

VOCATION DISCERNMENT

Allow yourself to listen to God's call and discover your true Christian Vocation. Hosted by the Sisters of St Paul de Chartres and is open to **ages 15-40** this is a **free event** with lunch provided.

Date: **24 August 2024** Time: **9.00am - 5.00pm**

RSVP: 20 August 2024 at spc.au.info@gmail.com

More information at www.srspcaustralia.org.au

Bridal Fashion Parade

Come along and join us for a fun filled day full of Bridal Fashion, fun and music. All money raised will go towards funding research for Batten's disease.

When: **Saturday 7th September**

Where: **Carinity Wishart Gardens, 14 Glasford St, Wishart**

Time: **1.15pm**

Entry fee: **\$10.00** at door (Cash only please)

RSVP: **22nd August**

Phyllis Parker - 0481 373 692

Afternoon tea provided. Raffles, Jewellery Silent Auction.

Special Guest Rhonda Howland - Harpist.

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B

24 / 25 August 2024

READINGS

Joshua 24:1-2,15-18

We will serve the Lord God, because he is our God.

Ephesians 5:21-32

This is the great mystery, it applies to Christ and the Church.

GOSPEL

John: 6:60-69

Lord, whom shall we go to? You have the words of everlasting life.

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.

View on our Website:
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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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