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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.*

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B

3 / 4 August 2024

READINGS

Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15 *I will rain bread from heaven upon you.*

Ephesians 4:17, 20-24 *Put on the new person that has been created
in God's image.*

GOSPEL

John: 6:24-35

*Whoever comes to me will never be hungry;
whoever believes in me will never thirst.*

The complaints that open the **First Reading** are in contrast to the earlier Exodus story where Israel has seen God's strength and faithfulness many times. But the fear of the unknown and a fragile faith brings out the complaints. Being afraid of the unknown can bring out the instinctive reaction is to retreat to the known, even if this is slavery. Fear and distrust can also create a distorted perception and memory of the past: slaves would most likely not have enjoyed the rich fare that the Israelites allege they had in Egypt.

Thankfully God meets us where we are. In this story, this means providing food for the complaining, untrusting Israel. Of particular connection to our Gospel is the bread-like manna. The Hebrew word *manna* is derived from the Israelites' question when they saw this strange food: 'what is it?' (in Hebrew *man hu*). While there are suggestions as to what this food might be, the point of the biblical text is to claim that God can miraculously provide food where there is, according to human perception, none. This miracle also becomes a point of growth—will the people listen to and trust God, and do what God asks (another Gospel parallel where Jesus' miracles lead to opportunities for "instructing" either the disciples or the crowd).

In the **Gospel**, the loaves/fishes miracles of last Sunday now leads into a very long discourse on the deeper meaning of this miracle. Jesus uses physical food as a metaphor for a deeper nourishment, what he calls, 'food that endures to eternity life'. This would be familiar imagery, for in the Old Testament God's gifts of wisdom and the Law were likened to food. Within Judaism 'eating manna' became a symbolic way of describing being sustained by following the Law.

But the people want a sign—basically they are asking Jesus to prove he is from God, using the Old Testament proof of a prophet. Jesus instead continues teaching, using their question as the text/keywords of his answer.

This passage shows an effort to communicate across differing religious beliefs. The Jewish crowd are not simply dismissed, nor do the Jews lightly walk away from Jesus. They enter into a vigorous theological debate. When we speak today of ecumenical and inter-religious dialogue, it calls from both parties integrity and fidelity to one's own commitments, while respectfully listening to the position of the other.

The **Second Reading** is a wisdom teaching—there are two ways of living, make sure to choose the better path. And this choice means dramatic change, "re-creation" in the language of the New Testament.

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WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

Especially Eileen Coogan, Peter Gimpel, Helen Zhou, Edith Gomez (mother of Felicity & Silvy), Helen Match who died recently. Also Theodore Jovellanos, Bill Rudd, Gus Sim, Laura Sim, Rita Galea, Tom Begg, Priyadharshani Bandara, Anthony Ngo, Nhon Ngo, Brian Lawton, Graham Lawton, Paul Tan, Bernadette Cheong, Fay Snashall, Graham Fredericks, Michael Laverty, Ron Tully, Les Lindner, Paul Green, Gloria Jolly, Ron Scantlebury whom we remember.

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Tuesday 6 August

CRAFT GROUP

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

FUNERAL

11.00am, Eileen Coogan, St Catherine's Church.

PARISH GATHERING

7.00pm, Aspinall Centre.

Thursday 8 August

SOCIAL JUSTICE MEETING

7.00pm, St Bernard's Community Centre.

RECONCILIATION ACTION PLAN NETWORKING WORKSHOP

Guest speakers on RAP initiatives, actions that build bridges and true reconciliation, respect and unity, as well as sharing ideas, resources, and tools towards RAP deliverables and developing a support network.

Date: **Saturday 17th August 2024**

Time: **8:30am – 3:00pm**

Venue: **St Peter's Catholic Church**, 955
Rosedale Rd, Rosedale South

Cost: **Gold coin donation** on the day – all
proceeds will go towards supporting
Cherbourg Catholic Community

RSVP: Wednesday 14 August 2024

Registration and information on speakers at

<https://bit.ly/3Y8K10G>

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.

PARISH GATHERING

The College of Consultors is a group that advises the Archbishop in his decisions on clergy appointments. To assist with their discernment, you are invited to a parish gathering with two representatives from the Consultors who will take time to listen to parishioners' thoughts on the mission, vision, and unique charism of Upper Mt Gravatt Wishart Parish. You will be asked to respond to two questions:

1. As a parish, what have you done well?
2. What are your hopes for what the parish will look like into the future?

The gathering will take place at
7pm, Tuesday 6 August at the Aspinall Centre.
All are welcome.

We hope you can attend.

Yours in Christ,

Fr Peter Dillon, Vicar for Administration

UMG Wishart Social Justice Group

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

- 1) COME AND LEARN ABOUT
Rights and Responsibilities in
'CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING'
- 2) Prayerfully discern the purpose/focus of
the Social Justice Group using the synodal
process of 'Spiritual Conversation'.

Thursday 8 August, 7.00pm
St Bernard's Community Centre

Dear Parish Community

As you may already be aware, next week 7/8th August the Bishops, Priests and Deacons of the Archdiocese of Brisbane are gathering for their Annual Clergy Convocation. If you have the opportunity, could you please take some time this weekend, and over the week ahead to pray for this important gathering in the Archdiocese.

You might like to pray that the Holy Spirit fill the hearts of all those who gather and enlighten their hearts and minds to be open to the presence of Jesus Christ, seeking to faithfully follow him in this time.

I appreciate your consideration of this invitation.

Blessings

Rev Dr David Pascoe

Director Clergy Life and Ministry

ENTRANCE: *CHRIST OUR PEACE*

*Refrain: Christ, our peace, you break down the
walls that divide us;
Christ, our peace, come, make us one
body in you.*

3. All you with hungry hearts,
who seek God's gracious reign,
all you who thirst for justice,
come to the feast of...

Refrain

4. And all are welcome here;
here there is food for all,
blessed meal of grace and mercy,
gathered as one in...

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 77

All: The Lord gave them bread from heaven.

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verses, The Grail, England.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Antiphon: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

No one lives on bread alone, no one lives on
bread alone, but on ev'ry word that comes from
the mouth of God. 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: *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: *LORD, TO WHOM SHALL WE GO?*

Refrain: *Lord, to whom shall we go?
You are our bread, broken and shared.
Lord, to whom shall we go?
Yours are the words of life.*

1. Our fathers ate, yet their hunger remained.
Their hearts were not satisfied.

Refrain

3. The bread you give is the living bread,
your flesh for the life of the world.

Refrain

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RECESSIONAL: *GO NOW, YOU ARE SENT FORTH*

1. Go now, you are sent forth to live what you proclaim;
to show the world you follow Christ in fact,
not just in name.

3. Go now, you are sent forth as God's ambassador;
by serving him in those we meet,
we love him more and more.

4. Go now, you are sent forth
and Christ goes with you, too.
Today you help his kingdom come
in ev'rything you do.

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FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION MASS TIMES

Thursday 15 August

St Bernard's	7.00am
St Martin's	9.30am
St Catherine's	6.30pm

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

Principal: Paul Mitchell
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Clairvaux MacKillop College

Principal: Wayne Chapman
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Phone: 3347 9200

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

Called by Name

National Vocation Awareness Week

4-11 August 2024



SCAN TO
DISCERN
YOUR CALL



National Vocation Awareness Week is a crucial opportunity to promote the importance of vocations and discernment in the Church, allowing people to explore their calling, and encourage their next step in following the call of God. How will you respond to God's call this week? How will you encourage others in their call?

"Each one of us is called - whether to the lay life in marriage, to the priestly life in the ordained ministry, or to a life of special consecration; in order to become a witness of the Lord, here and now." Pope Francis



Shalom World is proud to present the next production in their Glorious Lives series dedicated to Mary MacKillop, Australia's First Saint

The film showcases St Mary MacKillop's remarkable achievements and contributions, and also features interviews with historians, educators, and individuals inspired by her legacy. Viewers will learn about the challenges she overcame and the steadfast faith that drove her mission,

Scheduled for broadcast on **Thursday 8 August at 7pm**, in line with Mary MacKillop's feast day, the film can be viewed on Shalom World TV as well as the Shalom World App, which is free to download through all App stores. A preview of the film is available via this link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nVOJiyj5VtU>

"SPIRIT OF HOPE" MONTHLY PRAYER MEETING

St Stephen's Chapel, Wednesday 7 August, 10.45 - 12.15pm following the 10am Mass in the Cathedral.



Join us, as we Pray, Praise and Worship the LORD!
Look forward to seeing you there.

Enquiries Maureen 0403002199 or Helena 0405321901.



NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B

10 / 11 August 2024

READINGS

1 Kings 19:4-8

Strengthened by the food, he waked to the mountain of the Lord.

Ephesians 4:30-5:2

Walk in love, just as Christ.

GOSPEL

John: 6:41-51

I am the living bread come down from heaven.

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:
www.umgwcatholic.org.au

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.

Please contact the Parish Office on
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