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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.

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C

9 / 10 August 2025

READINGS: Wisdom 18:6-9 Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19

GOSPEL: Luke 12:32-48

Faith and love do good work: together they lead man towards God, towards that food which is the Word of God. Today's readings call us to faith, hope and trust in God. In the Gospel of today, Jesus invites us as he tells his disciples not to be afraid because it is the Father's desire to give us the kingdom. Further, Jesus says where your treasure is, there will your heart be also and calls us to build that treasure which cannot be robbed by any thief or destroyed by any moth.

Jesus speaks tenderly to His disciples: *"Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom."* These words remind us of God's providence - His deep desire to care for us, guide us and entrust us with His mission. We are not abandoned or overlooked. We are chosen, loved and called.

As we come to the conclusion of Vocation Awareness Week, we reflect on the truth that every vocation, whether to priesthood, religious life, marriage or single life, is a response to this divine generosity. God gives us the kingdom, and in return asks us to live with readiness, faithfulness and responsibility.

Jesus tells us to be like servants who keep their lamps burning, always prepared to welcome the Master. This is not a call to fear, but to hopeful vigilance. To live our vocation well is to stand ready - not just for Christ's return, but for His presence in the people we serve, the tasks we undertake, and the moments we're called to lead.

The Gospel also speaks of responsible leadership: *"To whom much is given, much will be required."* Those entrusted with roles of service - whether in ministry, family or community - are called to steward their gifts wisely. Vocation is never about status; it is always about service.

This week let us pray for those discerning their path, and renew our own commitment to live our vocation with joy, courage and trust in God's providence. May we be found ready, faithful and generous - rich not in possessions, but in love.

Visit of Bishop Gerald Musa

Please join in welcoming **Bishop Gerald Musa of Katsina Diocese in Northern Nigeria** as he visits our Parish this weekend.

Bishop Gerald previously served as a resident priest at St Bernard's from 2008-2011, and many will remember him fondly. During his visit, Bishop Gerald has kindly offered to preside over the following Masses:

Saturday 9 August – 6.15pm, St Catherine's.

Sunday 10 August – 7.30am, St Martin's.

9.30am, St Bernard's.

Please come along and say hello to Bishop Gerald this weekend.

Fr Rony



WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

Especially Salvatore (Sam) Grammatico, Andree Cacciuttolo, Michelle Arrowsmith who died recently. Also Tom Begg, Darrel Petersen, Peter Quinn, Doreen & Michael Laverty, Les Lindner, Rex, Ron & Brian Tully, Jack & Heath Johnson, Ben Tracey, Irene Bobbermien, Helen Gilbert, Carmel Campbell, Richard Campbell, Mary Campbell, John Simpson, William Simpson, James Toomath whom we remember.

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

TUESDAY 12 August

CRAFT GROUP

10.00am to 2.00pm, St Bernard's Community Centre.

SCRIPTURE GROUP

6.30pm, St Bernard's Community Centre.

WEDNESDAY 13 August

EXHIBITION PUBLIC HOLIDAY - Parish Office Closed.

THURSDAY 14 August

VIGIL: ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

6.30pm Mass, St Catherine's Church.

THURSDAY 14 August

SOCIAL JUSTICE GROUP MEETING

6.50pm, St Bernard's Community Centre.

FRIDAY 15 August

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Masses 8.00am St Bernard's & 9.30am St Martin's.

SATURDAY 16 August

SYNOD 24 IMPLEMENTATION WORKSHOP

9.30am - 11.00am, St Bernard's Aspinall Hall.



BAPTISMS

We congratulate

Ezra Paul & Zeke Michel Satterthwaite,
children of Paul & Valory;

Noah John Appleby, son of Paul & Janine;

Patrick Fernandes Duggan, son of Conor & Renita.

They will be baptised in the Parish this weekend.

SOCIAL JUSTICE GROUP MEETING

Join us **Thursday 14 August, 6.50pm** in **St Bernard's Community Centre**. Guest speaker: **Douglas Jones** on **Ecological Justice in Laudato Si'**. Reflect on the Church's commitment on ecological justice and deepen your faith. All are welcome to attend, either in person or via Zoom. Please contact the Parish Office for the zoom link.

ST CATHERINE'S SENIORS COACH TRIP

Wednesday 27 August

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

We are visiting **Mountview Alpaca Farm in Canungra**. Morning Tea at D.J. Smith Park in Canungra, please BYO food. Tea/Coffee/Sugar/Milk are provided.



At the Alpaca Farm we have a 30 min talk followed by a 30 min feeding and interaction session. You are free to take photos there.

Lunch & raffles at the **Canungra Hotel** from 12.30pm. Cost is mid \$80 range depending on numbers. More passengers makes it cheaper.

Booking and Lunch Menu Selection are with Ros on Ph. 3349 9218.

JUBILEE CELEBRATION

THANK YOU FROM SR GABRIEL

**"You are the Word who calls us to be servants,
You are the Word whose only law is love"**

These words are from our Entrance Hymn last Sunday when we gathered to celebrate my 60 years of Profession and are evident in encapsulating the truth and reality of St Catherine's community.

Thank you to all who united and worked hard to make the celebration so meaningful. To Father Rony for your leadership, openness and encouragement, the parish staff for the detailed aspects of preparation, liturgical ministers, hospitality group who ensured the Ursulines, family and friends were made to feel very welcome and to those who set up the hall and served the refreshments.

The experience of this celebration for me was an overwhelming tangible sense of the presence of God among God's gathered people. A community who does serve in love, mirroring the words of the hymn, and I am deeply grateful I was able to share this significant day with you.

Thank you.

Sr Gabriel



CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

ST CATHERINE'S

SUNDAY 17 AUGUST 8.30am Mass

Children in Prep to Year 5 invited.

AVENUES FOR DEEPENING FAITH IN OUR PARISH

Join Fr Francis for an upcoming Book Study: **"What Happens at Mass"** by Benedictine monk Fr Jeremy Driscoll OSB. Sessions will run twice on Wednesdays at 11am and 7pm. The study is divided over seven weeks with a two-week break in between.

Begins 22 October. Book costs \$22.00. Please RSVP by 1 October as we will be bulk-buying books.

Book Study and Discussion - What Happens At Mass



Towards Implementation
In Parishes and Communities

Workshop dates available:

IN PERSON OPTIONS:

11 August, 6:30pm - Paddington

16 August, 9:30am - Upper Mt Gravatt

19 August, 6:30pm - Woodend

ONLINE OPTIONS:

21 August, 6:30pm

30 August, 9:30am



SYNOD 24 IMPLEMENTATION WORKSHOPS

Visit:

tinyurl.com/SYN24ImpPC

or scan
to register
for your
preferred
date

ENTRANCE: *SING OF THE LORD'S GOODNESS*

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.

*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.*

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. **R.**

GLORIA

*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. **R.**

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. **R.**

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. **R.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PSALM 32

Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Accl. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Be watchful and ready: you know not when, you
know not when the Son of Man is coming. Alleluia!
Accl.

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 the life everlasting. Amen.

EUCCHARISTIC ACCLAMATION

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

COMMUNION: *TAKE AND EAT*

*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.*

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. **R.**

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 I give to you. **R.**

I am the Lamb that takes away your sin;
I am the gate that guards you night and day;
you are my flock; you know the shepherd's voice;
you are my own: your ransom is my blood. **R.**

SONG OF PRAISE: *IN THE LORD*

In the Lord I'll be ever thankful, in the Lord I will
rejoice! Look to God, do not be afraid,
lift up your voices the Lord is near;
lift up your voices the Lord is near.

RECESSIONAL: *WE WALK BY FAITH*

We walk by faith, and not by sight: no gracious
words we hear of him who spoke as none e'er
spoke but we believe him near.

Help then, O Lord, our unbelief and may our faith
abound; to call on you when you are near and seek
where you are found.

That when our life of faith is done in realms of
clearer light we may behold you as you are in full
and endless sight.

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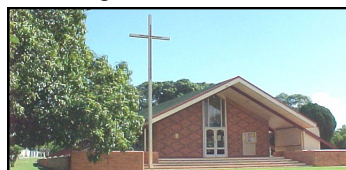
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MASS CENTRES

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



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
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Clairvaux MacKillop College
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24 Klumpp Rd,
Upper Mt Gravatt
Phone: 3347 9200

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE ARCHDIOCESE

Brisbane Catholic Bushwalking Club invites you to join in a **Jubilee Pilgrims of Hope Walk**. Archdiocese –wide event. All welcome! Enquiries to BCBC President, Michele Endicott: michele.endicott@gmail.com or 0418 708 638. RSVP essential by Thursday 14 August.
***Shorter distances available:** depart Holy Cross Woolloowin at 8.35am, Holy Rosary Windsor at 9.25am or the Royal Brisbane Hospital at 10.20am.

Saturday 16 August
depart St Anne's,
Kalinga* at 8.00am.
Arrive at Cathedral
and enter through
the Holy Door for the
Year of Jubilee for
Mass at 11.30am.

Brisbane Launch of the Australian Catholic Bishop's Conference 2025-2026 Social Justice Statement. The document, titled "*Signs of Hope on the Edge - serving homeless people with mental ill-health*", will be launched by Fr Gregory Jacobs SJ. More info & register: tinyurl.com/SJState25-6



Scan for more
information
and to register

Wednesday 20
August at 7.00pm.
St James Parish
Hall, Coorparoo.

Romero Centre Open Day. The Romero Centre is a ministry of the Archdiocese dedicated to supporting asylum seekers and refugees who often have no access to government support. All are invited to come and visit, tour the centre and meet the team and community behind their great work. More info & register: tinyurl.com/RomerOpenDay



We'd love to
see you there.
SCAN TO REGISTER!

Thursday 21 August
from 2.30pm-5.30pm
Romero Centre,
8 Dutton St,
Dutton Park

Annual Multicultural Mass, The theme chosen by Pope Francis this Jubilee year is "*Migrants, missionaries of hope*". All are welcome to attend and are encouraged to wear their traditional or cultural dress. Presided by Archbishop Mark Coleridge and concelebrated by priests who minister to cultural communities across the Archdiocese. Refreshments and cultural performances to follow the Mass.



**FIND
OUT
MORE**

Sunday 24 August
2.00pm
Queen of Vietnamese
Martyrs Catholic
Church,
54 Flint St, Inala.

A Journey to Hope - Retreat with Fr Ray Sanchez.
Free event, BYO lunch. Tea & coffee provided.
Donations appreciated. RSVP by 17 August to:
charismatic.sunnybank.ccr@gmail.com

Saturday 30 August
9.30am - 5.00pm
Our Lady of Lourdes
Paloma Centre,
121 Mains Rd,
Sunnybank

REGISTER TODAY FOR FLOCKNOTE

- Follow the URL (or scan the QR code) for Upper Mt Gravatt Wishart parish and enter your email address.
<https://umgwccatholic.flocknote.com/register>
- Flocknote will email you a secure 4-digit code to verify your email address. Enter this code to begin the registration process. If you are already registered, you can update the information we already have.



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OF BRISBANE



TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C 16 / 17 August 2025

READINGS

Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10 *You bore me to be a man of strife for the whole world.*
Hebrews 12:1-4 *Let us bear patiently the struggle placed upon us.*

GOSPEL

Luke 12:49-53 *I have come not to give peace, but discord.*

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.

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 3849 7158 or email umg@bne.catholic.net.au