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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.

Parish Office Hours

8.30am - 4.30pm
Monday - Friday

Closed Weekends and Public Holidays.

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

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.

THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

(ALL SOULS DAY) YEAR C

1 / 2 November 2025

READINGS: Isaiah 25:6-9 Romans 5:5-11

GOSPEL: Luke 17:11-7

Dear parishioners,

This Sunday, we gather to honour **All Souls' Day** - a sacred moment to remember and pray for our beloved departed, who journey toward the fullness of eternal life through God's mercy and purification. The Catholic Church invites us to assist these souls through three powerful ways:

- **Prayer**, offered in love and trust, both personally and as a community.
- **Holy Mass**, the supreme act of intercession and grace.
- **Charitable deeds and sacrifices**, made in their memory, which bring spiritual benefit and healing

This day also renews our awareness of the **Communion of Saints** - the living bond between the Church on earth, the souls in purgatory, and the saints in heaven. In this communion, we are united in hope, love, and prayer.

As we lift our hearts for the faithful departed, we also deepen our own trust in the promise of resurrection. **All Souls' Day is a day of mercy, remembrance, and grace - where love transcends death, and prayer becomes a bridge to eternity.**

SAVE THE DATE

Volunteers Thanksgiving Day

Parish Volunteers - You are the backbone of our parish life. Without your time, talent, and quiet dedication, Upper Mount Gravatt Wishart Parish would not be the vibrant, welcoming community it is today.

This Parish community and I personally - deeply value and acknowledge your contribution. Whether you serve behind the scenes or out front, your ministry makes a difference. You bring faith to life in ways that words cannot fully express.

To thank you for all that you do, I warmly invite you to our Volunteers Thanksgiving Morning Tea on

Saturday, 13th December at 10:00 AM at the Aspinall Centre.

Bookings essential. Please contact the Parish Office on 3849 7158 or email umg@bne.catholic.net.au **by Friday 28 November.**

Volunteers, this day is for you - the heartbeat of our parish, the hands behind every grace-filled moment, the quiet heroes who make faith come alive.

This gathering is just a small way to say: *you matter and you're appreciated*. Come, let us celebrate you.

Fr Rony

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

Especially Maria Merli, Melodia A Basilgo, Alejandra Erasquin, Jose Chua, Candelario T. Castro who died recently. Also Robertus Hendarto, Peter Tsiamis, Brett Williams, Bernard Simpson, Wai Yee Wong, Mark Anthony Wong, Tom Begg, Darrel Petersen, Tony & Therese Wharton, Norm & Rose James, Nita Harrington, Mary Tuite, Ron Duell, Mary Daly, Narelle Quinn, Tully, Doniger, Johnson, Gordon and Turner Families whom we remember.

UP COMING EVENTS IN THE PARISH

TUESDAY 4 NOVEMBER

CRAFT GROUP

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

SCRIPTURE GROUP

6.30pm, St Bernard's Community Centre.

WEDNESDAY 5 NOVEMBER

FUNERAL MASS

10.00am, Maria Merli, St Benard's Church.

THURSDAY 6 NOVEMBER

BETHANY MEETING

10.00am, St Bernard's Community Centre.

LITURGY MEETING

St Bernard's Community Centre.

FRIDAY 7 NOVEMBER

CONFIRMATION

6.00pm, St Bernard's Church.

BAPTISMS

We congratulate

Olivia Do, daughter of Anthony & Wendy.

She will be baptised in the Parish this weekend.



JUNIOR MINISTERS TRAINING

I am deeply grateful to our junior ministers. Their service plays a vital role in our liturgy, bringing beauty, reverence, and meaningful support to the priest at the altar.

To continue nurturing this ministry, our parish is holding a Junior Ministers Training Session led by Fr Francis. This session is open to both current altar servers and children who are interested in joining.

We've sent an email to the parents of our junior ministers with details about the upcoming training. This session will include a refresher for those already serving, and a welcoming introduction for new children who feel called to serve at the altar.

Parents, we warmly encourage you to bring your children to this important training. It's a beautiful opportunity for them to grow in faith, friendship, and service.

Kindly note the date and time -

**Saturday 22nd November, 3:00 to 4:30 pm
at St Bernard's Church.**

Please let the Parish Office know your attendance by **Monday 17 November** for catering purposes.

Fr Rony

NEWS FROM THE BETHANY TEAM

Each year our **Books of Remembrance** are updated to record the names of deceased loved ones of our Parish.

These books are on display in St Bernard's church and the page is turned daily so that names are displayed on their anniversary each year.

Those whose funerals were held in our churches are automatically entered in the Books of Remembrance. If you wish to have relatives or friends who died elsewhere remembered in this way, please provide the following details on the **forms available at each church and place in the box provided by Friday 7 November**:

- Name of the deceased;
- Date of death in day/month/year format eg 4/8/1998

NOVEMBER MASS ENVELOPES

Please record deceased names of family members and friends, whom you wish to remember during November, on an envelope available in the Church along with your offering. Place on the collection plate or return to the office by **Friday 7 November**.

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE - ALL ARE WELCOME

The Bethany Group of our parish warmly invites all parishioners to attend this year's Mass of Remembrance, as we prayerfully honour and remember our beloved departed during the month of November.

Date: **Saturday, 15 November** Time: **9:00 AM**

Location: **St Bernard's Church**

Program: **Holy Mass, Columbarium Blessing and Morning Tea.**

This sacred gathering offers us a moment to reflect on the lives of those we love, to commend them to the mercy of God, and to unite as a community in prayer and hope. All are most welcome.

In the Catholic tradition, November is dedicated to prayer for those who have died. Our traditions remind us that in times of great sadness we are never alone.

In Parish churches from this weekend you will notice the **'Tree of Life'**. Please come and write your deceased loved ones' names on the paper leaves and place them on the tree. Together we watch the tree come to life as we remember our community includes those who have 'gone in faith before us'.

ENTRANCE: *HOLY DARKNESS*

*Holy darkness, blessed night,
heaven's answer hidden from our sight.
As we await you, O God of silence,
we embrace your holy night.*

I have tried you in fires of affliction;
I have taught your soul to grieve.
In the barren soil of your loneliness
there I will plant my seed. **R.**

I have taught you the price of compassion;
you have stood before the grave.
Though my love can seem like a raging storm,
this is the love that saves. **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 26

The Lord is my light, and my salvation.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Accl. *Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!*

This is the will of my Father, says the Lord, that I should lose nothing of all that he's given to me, and that I should raise it up on the last day. **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.

EUCARISTIC ACCLAMATION

Save us Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

COMMUNION: SHEPHERD OF SOULS

Shepherd of souls, in love, come feed us, life-giving bread for hungry hearts! To those refreshing waters lead us where dwells that grace your peace imparts. May we, the wayward in your fold, by your forgiveness rest consoled. Life-giving vine, come, feed and nourish, strengthen each branch with life divine; ever in you O may we flourish, fruitful the branches of the vine. Lord, may our souls be purified so that in Christ may we abide.

Following you, O Lord, who led them, multitudes thronged the mountainside; filled with compassion, Lord, you fed them, fed them with loaves you multiplied. Come, feed us now, O Lord, we pray: life-giving bread give us this day. Father, who fed the Hebrew nation, giving them manna from the sky, give now the bread of our salvation, that we who eat shall never die. We are your people, God, in need; may we on living bread now feed.

SONG OF PRAISE: *I HAVE LOVED YOU*

I have loved you with an everlasting love, I have called you and you are mine. I have loved you with an everlasting love. I have called you and you are mine.

Seek the face of the Lord and long for him: he will bring you his joy and his hope. **R.**

RECESSONAL: *ALLELUIA! LOVE IS ALIVE*

People of God, see the morning is new; rise from your sleeping and run to the tomb. Come and see! Come and see! He is alive! A grave that is empty, a promise fulfilled. God who was with us is here with us still. He is here! He is here! He is alive!

Alleluia! Love is alive; conquered the grave and defeated the night. Alleluia! Love is alive!

The Son has arisen for all. Your people sing alleluia!

People of God, let your fear fall away. Your chains have been broken; abandon your shame. Lift your hearts! Lift your hearts! He is alive! Here now is mercy embracing your soul; here the fulfilment that once was foretold. It is true! It is true! He is alive! **R.**

People of God now rejoicing in Christ, carry your joy to the darkness of night. Tell the world! Tell the world! He is alive! Hear the good news of this glorious day, every heart singing as heaven proclaims: He is Lord! He is Lord! He is alive! **R.**

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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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St Catherine's School

Principal: Paul Mitchell
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Clairvaux MacKillop College

Principal: Wayne Chapman
24 Klumpp Rd,
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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.

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 umg@bne.catholic.net.au

Getting to Know You!

An invitation to Christians in the Holland Park / Mount Gravatt area to learn about local church communities. Light refreshments provided.

**SUNDAY 23 NOVEMBER
2:30 TO 4:30PM**

ASPINALL CENTRE,

Behind St Bernard's Catholic Church, 4 Klumpp Rd,
Upper Mount Gravatt. (Off street parking in grounds)



Scan the QR code or visit
tinyurl.com/Getting2KU to
RSVP before 19 November.



A MESSAGE FROM THE REGIONAL TRIBUNAL

Are you divorced and would like to be married in the Church? The Regional Tribunal of the Catholic Church assists people in this situation, and in many cases can declare people to be free to marry in the Catholic Church.

For more information please call the Tribunal on 3324 3033 or email tribbris@bne.catholic.net.au



IRISH AUSTRALIAN SUPPORT ASSOCIATION
of queensland

Join the Irish community as we come together to honour and remember our loved ones at the Annual Remembrance Mass. Mass will be celebrated by Fr Matthew as part of All Soul's Day. Light refreshments will be served in the hall after Mass.

Date: Sunday, 2nd November 2025 Time: 12.00 pm

Location: Our Lady of Mt Carmel Parish, 312 Cavendish Road, Coorparoo

If you'd like to mention a name during the Mass, please find a booklet at the door. Names will be read during the service.

Ar dheis Dé go raibh a n-anamacha



Join a Principal Tour at St Catherine's!

Register now for a
Principal Tour!

Thursday 13 November, 9:30am
or choose from the dates listed
on our website for 2026 tours
www.stcatherinescps.qld.edu.au

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*Children must be 5 years old by 30 June in the year they start Prep.

Your child's learning journey begins here...
Join our St Catherine's family and thrive in a supportive
and welcoming community.

www.stcatherinescps.qld.edu.au/enrolment



THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA YEAR C

8 / 9 November 2025

READINGS

Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12

I see water flowing from the temple and all who were touched by it were saved.

1 Corinthians 3:9-11, 16-17 *You are the temple of God.*

GOSPEL

John 2:13-22

He spoke about the temple of his own body.