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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.*

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

28 / 29 MARCH 2026

READINGS Isaiah 50:4-7 Philipians 2:6-11

GOSPEL Matthew 26:14-27:66

Today the Church celebrates Palm Sunday, also called Passion Sunday, inviting us to remember the saving events of Christ's passion. As we enter Holy Week - the most sacred days of our faith - we are called to walk closely with Jesus through His suffering, death, and resurrection, and to reflect on the depth of God's love for each of us. The Gospel notes that the donkey Jesus rode had never been used before, echoing *1 Samuel 6:7*, where an unused animal carried the Ark of the Covenant. During the Passover feast, nearly 25,000 lambs were sacrificed, and the lamb offered by the High Priest was brought to the Temple in procession four days before the feast. In the same way, on Palm Sunday, Jesus - the true Paschal Lamb - was led in a great procession to the Temple, fulfilling God's saving plan.

Today's liturgy holds two powerful moments: the joyful welcome of Jesus into Jerusalem and the sorrow of His suffering and death. Together they remind us that through the Cross comes new life. Holy Week is not only a remembrance of past events but an invitation to our own conversion - turning away from sin and growing in new life with Christ. As we participate prayerfully in the liturgies of this week, our faith is strengthened and our relationship with God deepened.

Palm Sunday: May Jesus' humble entry lead us to walk with Him in faith and love. **Holy Thursday:** May we remember the Eucharist and the call to serve with love. **Good Friday:** May we stand before the Cross in gratitude for His great love. **Easter Vigil:** May Christ's light shine into every darkness. **Easter Sunday:** May His victory fill you with joy, peace, and renewed faith.

I warmly invite all parishioners to enter this week with prayerful hearts, allowing these sacred days to lead us to true spiritual renewal and prepare us to celebrate Easter with joy, peace, and renewed faith. As part of this journey, I would also like to draw your attention to Shalom World, an excellent resource to help you prepare for and walk through Holy Week with deeper reflection. To watch please scan the QR code.

Fr Rony

Come closer to the
suffering love of Christ



SACRED SECRETS
— THE SHROUD OF TURIN —

A profound journey into the Passion of Jesus
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stories, and prayerful songs, to accompany you through Lent and toward Easter.



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LENTEN JOURNEY

shalomworld.org/lent

No registration. No cost.
Available on phone, computer, and TV



WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

Especially Sr Marjory Carroll OSU, John Hanrahan, Patricia Shaw who died recently. Also Dartagnia Esparon, Candelario Castro, Valsamma Jacob, Maria Brandso, Sen Nguyen, Anna, Agnes, Tom Begg, Darrel Petersen, Simon Tinh, Dominic Dinh Vuong Thach, Wai Yee Wong, Mark Anthony Wong, Daniel and Kathleen Dwyer & deceased members of their family, Anthony Carkeet, Diana Carkeet, Maureen Tracey, Sr M Michele, Jo Pearson, Fay White, Rex & Brian Tully, Monnie Sherman, Don Moore, Ian Douglas whom we remember.

UP COMING EVENTS IN THE PARISH

Tuesday 31 March

CRAFT GROUP

10.00am, St Bernard's Community Centre.

LENTEN REFLECTIONS

6.30pm, St Bernard's Community Centre.

Wednesday 1 April

MOTHER'S PRAYERS

10.00am, St Martin's Church.



BAPTISMS

We congratulate

Ciena Hao Cotingjo, daughter of Paul & Chardin.
She will be baptised in the Parish this weekend.

Youth-Led Stations of the Cross

We are looking for young people (approx. Grade 3 and up) who would like to participate as actors in the Good Friday Youth-Led Stations of the Cross at St Catherine's at 10.00 am. We will hold a practice on Saturday 28 March at 9.00am at St Catherines. If you have young people who are interested (or if you are a young person interested in participating), please let the Parish Office know.

Holy Land Collection

A collection for the Holy Land will be taken up on Good Friday.

The proceeds from this collection provide support for the shrines and holy places in the Holy Land.

Please support the ministry offered within the holy sites of our salvation through your donation on Good Friday.

ROMERO CENTRE APPEAL

Deepa from the Romero Centre would like to thank you most sincerely for your generous donations.

Your donation helps us provide nutritious food and hygiene items to ensure people seeking asylum have access to the basic needs.

This is the last weekend for the collection of items so if you would like to donate please drop them off at the church this weekend.

HOLY WEEK MASS TIMES

Holy Thursday 2 April

7.00am: **No Mass**

8.00am: Morning Prayer - St Bernard's

7.00pm: *Mass of the Lord's Supper* - St Bernard's

9.00pm: Night Prayer - St Bernard's

Good Friday 3 April

8.00am: Morning Prayer - St Bernard's

9.30am: Traditional Stations - St Bernard's

10:00am: Youth Stations - St Catherine's

Celebration of the Lord's Passion

11.00am: St Martin's

1.00pm: St Catherine's

3.00pm: St Bernard's

Holy Saturday 4 April

8.00am: Morning Prayer - St Bernard's

6.30pm: *Easter Vigil* - St Bernard's

Easter Sunday 5 April

6:30am: Mass - St Bernard's

7:30am: Mass - St Martin's

8:30am: Mass - St Catherine's

9:30am: Mass - St Bernard's

IMPORTANT NOTICE - WEEKDAY MASSES

There will be **NO Masses** on

Monday 6 April 2026

Tuesday 7 April 2026

PARISH OFFICE CLOSURE DATES

The Parish Office will be **closed** on the following public holidays: **Friday 3 April and Monday 5 April**. For **emergencies**, please call 3849 7158 and leave a short message with your name & phone number.

CFCA Youth for Christ (YFCA) Welcome Session

Saturday 28 March, 2:00pm - 4:30pm @ St Catherine's Community Centre

Parents are welcome! Join us for a look into what your kids experience at YFCA. While the youth enjoy their own fun activities, the parents will get an overview of the program, meet the leaders, and discover simple ways to support your youth's growing faith.



Scan QR Code to Register!

ENTRANCE: LET HEAVEN REJOICE

*Let heaven rejoice and earth be glad;
let all creation sing.
Let children proclaim through ev'ry land:
"Hosanna to our king."*

Sound the trumpet into the night;
the day of the Lord is near. Wake his people,
lift your voice, proclaim it to the world. **R.**

Rise in splendour; shake off your sleep;
put on your robes of joy.

And in the morning you shall see
the glory of the Lord. **R.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PSALM 21

My God, my God, why have you abandoned
me?

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Accl. Praise and honour to you, Lord
Jesus Christ! Praise and honour to
you, Lord Jesus Christ!**

Christ became obedient for us even to death,
dying on a cross. Therefore God raised him on
high, gave him a name above all other names.

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

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

COMMUNION: BREAD OF LIFE

*Bread of life, hope of the world,
Jesus Christ, our brother:
feed us now, give us life,
lead us to one another.*

As we proclaim your death,
as we recall your life,
we remember your promise
to return again. **R.**

The bread we break and share
was scattered once as grain;
just as now it is gathered,
make your people one. **R.**

We eat this living bread,
we drink this saving cup:
sign of hope in our broken world,
source of lasting love. **R.**

Hold us in unity, in love for all to see:
that the world may believe in you,
God of all who live. **R.**

RECESSIONAL: GLORY IN THE CROSS

Let us ever glory in the cross of Christ
Who redeems us with his blood.

Let us tell the story of the cross of Christ
and the pow'r of his saving love.

Like a lam he was slain; he carried our shame,
to show us the mercy of God.

*Let us ever glory in the cross of Christ
and the triumph of God's great love.*

Let us bring our burdens to the cross of Christ
Who has known our sorrow and tears.

In the great compassion of the heart of Christ,
God has walked in our hopes and fears.

He was mocked and betrayed, deserted by
friends, and banished to die among thieves. **R.**

Let us kneel in homage at the cross of Christ
where we see God's human face.

We behold the Maker of the sun and stars
as he hangs on the throne of grace.

As we share in his pain, his sorrow and shame,
our hearts will be tested in fire. **R.**

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St Catherine's
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St Martin's
Cnr Logan & Chester Rds,
Eight Mile Plains



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Clairvaux MacKillop College
Principal: Wayne Chapman
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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

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2026

Our Parish Sacramental Program for the year 2026 is now open. Families who wish their children (grade 3 and above) to receive Baptism, Reconciliation, Confirmation or First Holy Communion are warmly invited to register.

The workshops will be on Wednesday evenings and begin with a Parent Information evening in June. Family workshops will be in June, July and August (not in school holidays) with Confirmation celebrated on the evening of Friday 7th August and First Holy Communion celebrated in the morning on Saturday 8th August.

For further information and enrolment details, please contact the Parish Office on 3849 7158 or via email sec.umg@bne.catholic.net.au. We look forward to journeying with you in faith during the coming year.



**PROJECT
COMPASSION**

PALM SUNDAY
28–29 March 2026

As we enter the sacred season of Easter, Project Compassion once again invites us to unite in faith, hope and love, extending our hands and hearts to those who need it most. You can support Project Compassion 2026 through the donation boxes, envelopes

Or online at: www.projectcompassion.org.au/donate

Or by calling: 1800 024 413

Thank you for standing with us, as we *Unite Against Poverty this Lent.*

Ireland's Easter Rising 1916

You are invited to attend a short ceremony on Easter Monday, 6 April, at Nudgee Cemetery, where we will commemorate the bravery of William (Dan) Ryan.

William, or Bill as he was known to friends in Brisbane, fought as a volunteer in the Dublin GPO during the Easter Week 1916 Rising and later in Ireland's War of Independence. He migrated to Brisbane in 1926 and died after a long illness in 1958. He had worked as a barman for a substantial period of time in the Alliance Hotel in Spring Hill.

We will gather at 10.00am at his gravesite for our short ceremony.

Please come and pay tribute to someone who bravely stepped forward to help Ireland on the road to independence.

Invitation to an Anointing Mass

You are invited to attend the monthly Anointing Mass at St. Mary Magdalene's Church, 51 Cecil Road, Bardon, Friday, 10 April, 2026 at 7.30pm. (3rd April is Good Friday, no Mass.) Fr. Neville Yun, CCR Brisbane Chaplain will be the celebrant.

The Sacrament of Anointing will be administered during the Mass and prayer ministry will be available after Mass. For more information, contact Len Airey on 0421 977 849 or email lenpatairey@gmail.com Sponsored by CCR Bardon.

St Catherine's Primary

Open Day

28 April | Wishart
9 am



Discover our school

BCE Open Week



SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION

5 April 2026

READINGS

Acts 10:34, 37-43

We have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead.

Colossians 3:1-4

Look for things that are in heaven, where Christ is.

GOSPEL

John 20:1-9

The teaching of scripture is that he must rise from the dead.