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MASS TIMES

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| 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
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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.*

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

25 / 26 April 2026

READINGS Acts 2:14, 36-41 1 Peter 2:20-25

GOSPEL John 10:1-10



Today, on the World Day of Prayer for Vocations, the Gospel gives us the image of Jesus as the Good Shepherd - the One whose voice calls, guides, protects, and leads His flock to life in abundance. Every vocation begins with that voice. Whether it is priesthood, religious life, married life, or single life, every vocation is a call from God, a personal invitation to walk through the gate that Christ Himself opens for us.

When I look back on my own journey, I know with certainty that my priesthood is not my achievement or merit. It is not something I earned. It is God's plan for me - pure and simple. When I turn back and trace the path of my life, I can see clearly that who I am today is the result of God's gentle choosing, nourished in a faithful family and nurtured by the love, prayers, and support of the People of God. My vocation grew because others believed, encouraged, and prayed.

And this is why today matters. Our world needs fruitful, meaningful, and courageous vocations - men and women who hear the Shepherd's voice and respond with generosity. Families need strong marriages. Parishes need holy priests. The Church needs joyful religious. The world needs witnesses who bring Christ's compassion, truth, and hope. But vocations do not grow in silence. They grow in prayer.

So today, the Church asks us to Pray for vocations. Let us reflect-when was the last time I prayed for good and holy vocations? When did I last ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers into His field?

Let us pray today - for young people discerning, for families who nurture faith, for priests and religious who serve with love, and for all those whom God is calling right now. May they hear the Shepherd's voice and have the courage to follow.

Fr Rony

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

Especially Maria Thoa Nguyen, Matthew Hanson, Peggy Burrow, Madamakal Anthappan Antony who died recently. Also Francis (Frank) Plumridge, Tom Begg, Darrel Petersen, Simon Tinh, Dominic Dinh Vuong Thach, Wai Yee Wong, Mark Anthony Wong, Thomas Doyle, Mary Doyle, Michael Doyle, Kate Dwyer, John Baker, Maria Baker, Arch Nicholson, Mick Goporenko, Ray O'Shea, Len Hoyland, Bill Predl, Jean Vaughan, Lyle Johnson, Peter Lillis, Brian O'Reilly whom we remember.

UP COMING EVENTS IN THE PARISH

Tuesday 28 April

CRAFT GROUP

10.00am, St Bernard's Community Centre.

SCRIPTURE GROUP

6.30pm, St Bernard's Community Centre.

Wednesday 29 April

MOTHER'S PRAYERS

10.00am, St Martin's Church.



BAPTISMS

We congratulate

James Wilk, son of Jay & Joanna;

Nyla Gulmatico, daughter of Jaymark & Nenita.

They will be baptised in the Parish this weekend.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

ST BERNARD'S

SUNDAY 3 MAY, 9.30am Mass

Children in Prep to Year 5 invited.

FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI

WALK WITH JESUS

Eucharistic Miracles Exhibition: Hanly Room, Saturday 6 June, 12.00pm-5.00pm | Sunday 7 June, 9.00am-5.00pm.

Vigil Adoration: St Stephen's Chapel Saturday 6 June, 7.00pm-Sunday 7 June, 8.00am.

Procession: The Cathedral of St Stephen, Sunday 7 June, 2.00pm.

The Blessed Sacrament will be carried through the city streets concluding with Benediction at the Cathedral.

This is a wonderful opportunity for us to participate as a parish community. Fr Rony warmly encourages all parishioners to join the procession under our Parish Banner and be part of this meaningful and grace-filled event.

Please register your name with the Parish Office if you wish to attend.

ENTRANCE: LIKE A SHEPHERD

Like a shepherd, he feeds his flock and gathers the lambs in his arms, holding them carefully close to his heart, leading them home.

Say to the cities of Judah:

Prepare the way of the Lord.

Go to the mountaintop, lift your voice;

Jerusalem, here is your God. **R.**

I myself will shepherd them, for others have led them astray.

The lost I will rescue and heal their wounds and pasture them, giving them rest. **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 22

The Lord is my shepherd, there is nothing I shall want.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Accl. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

I am the good shepherd, the good shepherd, says the Lord, I am the good shepherd, I know my sheep, and mine, mine know me. **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: *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.

Help us, dear Lord, prepare a dwelling
worthy of you who made us all;
cleanse then our hearts, our guilt dispelling,
purify us who heed your call.

“Take this and eat” were words you said,
giving yourself to be our bread.

SONG OF PRAISE: *SHEPHERD ME O GOD*
*Shepherd me, O God,
beyond my wants, beyond my fears,
from death into life.*

God is my shepherd, so nothing shall I want,
I rest in the meadows of faithfulness and love,
I walk by the quiet waters of peace. **R.**

Surely your kindness and mercy
follow me all the days of my life;
I will dwell in the house of my God
forever more. **R.**

RECESSIONAL: *LIFT UP YOUR HEARTS*

*Lift up your hearts to the Lord,
praise God’s gracious mercy!
Sing out your joy to the Lord,
whose love is enduring.*

Shout with joy to the Lord, all the earth!
Praise the name above all names!
Say to God “How wondrous your works,
how glorious your name!” **R.**

Let the earth worship, singing your praise.
Praise the glory of your name!
Come and see the deeds of the Lord,
bless God’s holy name! **R.**

The Vow

A Marriage Encounter Mini Retreat

Saturday 30th May 2026
9am to 12:30pm

Oliver Plunkett Church hall - Cannon Hill

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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 this year is still open. Parents, please register your children in Grade 3 and above for Reconciliation, Confirmation, and First Holy Communion.

Workshops will be held on Wednesday evenings at the Aspinall Centre, beginning with a Parent Information Night in June. Parent-child workshops will run in June, July, and August (not during school holidays).

PLEASE NOTE THESE IMPORTANT DATES:

Parents info Night- Wednesday, 3 June at 7 pm
Baptism Workshop- Wednesday, 10 June at 6.15 pm
Reconciliation workshop- Wednesday 24 June at 6.15 pm
Eucharist Workshop- Wednesday 15 July at 6.15 pm
Confirmation Workshop- Wednesday 29 July at 6.15 pm
Confirmation practice- 5 August at 6 pm (St Bernard's Church)
Confirmation- Friday 7 August (Time TBC)
First Communion- Saturday 8 August (Time TBC)

For further information please contact the Parish Office on 3849 7158 or via email sec.umg@bne.catholic.net.au

RAP Morning Tea and Book Discussion

The Parish Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) Group welcomes you to join us for morning tea as we discuss the novel 'The Yield' by First Nations author Tara Winch. The story of a young Wiradjuri woman returning home to family. We'll meet at **11am on Sunday, 3 May** in the St Bernard's Community Centre. Please RSVP to Louise by Wednesday 29 April at lobell1770@gmail.com



World Day of Prayer for Vocations

26 APRIL GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY

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St Catherine's Primary

Open Day

28 April | Wishart
9 am

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FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

2/3 May 2026

READINGS

Acts 6:1-7

They elected seven men filled with the Spirit and wisdom.

1 Peter 2:4-9

You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood.

GOSPEL

John 14:1-12

I am the way, the truth and the life.