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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.*

PENTECOST SUNDAY

23 / 24 May 2026

READINGS Acts 2:1-11 1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13

GOSPEL John 20:19-23

ANNUAL MASS ATTENDANCE COUNT - LAST WEEKEND

Dear parishioners,

This Sunday we celebrate the Feast of Pentecost, the glorious day that marks the birthday of the Church. Pentecost - meaning the *50th day* after the Resurrection - brings the Easter Season to its completion, as the gift of the Holy Spirit becomes the culmination of the entire Paschal Mystery. Pentecost shows us the dramatic difference before and after the coming of the Spirit: a frightened community becomes a missionary Church; confusion becomes clarity; fear becomes courage; silence becomes proclamation.

Pentecost invites us to open our hearts once again to the Spirit who renews, strengthens, and sends us forth. May we, like the apostles, allow the Holy Spirit to transform us into joyful witnesses of Christ in our world. Today also marks the final day of the Easter Season. We also sing the **Pentecost** Sequence before the Gospel acclamation today, calling upon the Holy Spirit as the giver of life and the source of all holiness.

We can see some changes in our church environment after Pentecost - the Paschal Candle, which has burned beside the ambo at every Mass since the Easter Vigil, will now return to the baptistery, where it will continue to shine at baptisms and funerals as a sign of Christ's light. And at the dismissal, we will hear the double Alleluia for the last time until next Easter, before we return to the rhythm of Ordinary Time.

This Sunday is especially important for our parish and the Universal Church.

Firstly, we rejoice with Katrina De Marco, who will be fully initiated into the Catholic Church at St Martin's this Sunday. Congratulations Katrina. We pray that you may grow ever deeper in God's love and continue to witness your faith wherever you are.

Secondly, we also mark the end of National Volunteers Week, and we offer heartfelt thanks to all our volunteers. Your generosity strengthens our parish's spiritual mission and its service to the wider community. You are the hands that help, the hearts that care, and the smiles that lift others up.

Finally, as we conclude Laudato Si' Week (17-24 May), we are reminded of our call to care for our common home. Pope Leo XIV invites us to move from hope to action, remembering Saint Francis' message of peace with God, with one another, and with all creation. Caring for peace is caring for life.

Fr Rony

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

Especially Libby McCarthy, Noel Miller, Una Sexton, Henry Cheong, Joy Womack, Anne Spaczek, Dorothy Gallop, Joyce Rankin, Fr Jobin Kulathumkal, Connie Susilawati, Beverley Geldart, Patricia Crozier who died recently. Also Franklyn Pinto, Candelario Castro, Graham Rumble, Kevin, Ada & Cecilia McDonnell, Evangeline Simpson, Philip Edwards, Peter John Cook, Tom Begg, Joseph Hien Pham, Maria Thoa Nguyen, Matthew Hansen, Albert & Iris Dodd, Simon Tinh, Darrel Petersen, Dominic Dinh Vuong Thach, Wai Yee Wong, Mark Anthony Wong, Maureen McLaughlin, Helen Tosh, Tony Collier, Garry Haigh, Betty White, Otto Faustini, Josie Knight, Jack, Rex & Brian Tully whom we remember.

UP COMING EVENTS IN THE PARISH

Tuesday 26 May

CRAFT GROUP

10.00am, St Bernard's Community Centre.

SCRIPTURE GROUP

6.30pm, St Bernard's Community Centre.

Wednesday 27 May

AGED CARE MASS

10.00am, Tricare, Agay St , Mt Gravatt

MOTHER'S PRAYERS

10.00am, St Martin's Church.

Thursday 28 May

AGED CARE MASS

10.00am, ARCARE, Warrigal Rd, Eight Mile Plains.

FUNERAL MASS

10.30am, Libby McCarthy, St Bernard's Church.


NATIONAL RECONCILIATION LITURGY

6.30pm, St Bernard's Church.

Friday 29 May

FUNERAL LITURGY

10.30am, Noel Miller, St Bernard's Church.

 **BAPTISMS**
We congratulate
Yael De Silva, daughter of Menura & Isuri.
She will be baptised in the Parish this weekend.

 **ST CATHERINE'S SENIORS COACH TRIP**
Wednesday 27 May 2026
Departs St Catherine's Bus Stop 7.45am.
St Catherine's Seniors Coach Trip is to Trevena Glen Farm at Mt Samson. Due to the tour arrangements at the farm we have an early departure of **7.45am** from St. Catherine's Bus Stop. We can't wait for any later arrivals!
Morning tea will be at the farm to fit in with the tours. BYO morning tea. Tea/coffee, sugar and milk provided. We hope to arrive at the farm at 9.15am and depart at 11.40am for lunch and raffles at the Ferny Grove Tavern at 12.15pm. We expect to return to St Catherine's Bus Stop before 4.30pm.
Cost approximately \$70 to \$75 each plus a diesel fuel levy, the amount won't be known until the week of departure so please allow some change to pay for this. Booking and lunch selection with Ros on Ph. 3349 9218.
Please bring any used stamps along for the St. Columban's Mission Society.

ENTRANCE: SPIRIT OF GOD

*Spirit of God, be near to us now,
radiance from above.*

*Open our hearts, our spirits inspire,
Breath of the Fire of Love.*

Wisdom of God, strengthen our faith,
weakness and sorrow mend.

In times of stress, in times of pain
be to us guide and friend. **R.**

Mirror of truth, Hope in the Word,
show us the Saviour's face.

Come to us now, Fountain of Love,
with your anointing grace. **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 103

Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of
the earth.

**PENTECOST SEQUENCE: HOLY SPIRIT,
LORD DIVINE**

Holy Spirit, Lord divine,
come, from heights of heav'n and shine,
come with blessed radiance bright!

Come, O Father of the poor,
come, whose treasured gifts endure,
come, our heart's unfailing light!

Of consolors, wisest, best,
and our soul's most welcome guest,
sweet refreshment, sweet repose.

In our labour, rest most sweet,
pleasant coolness in the heat,
consolation in our woes.

Light most blessed, shine with grace
in our heart's most secret place,
fill your faithful through and through.
Left without your presence here,
life itself would disappear,

Cleanse our soiled hearts of sin,
arid souls refresh within,
wounded lives to health restore.
Bend the stubborn heart and will,
melt the frozen, warm the chill,
guide the wayward home once more!
On the faithful who are true
and profess their faith in you,
in your sev'nfold gifts descend!
Give us virtue's sure reward,
give us your salvation, Lord,
give us joys that never end!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Accl. *Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!*
Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful;
and kindle in them the fire of your love. Come,
Holy Spirit, come. **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: *MAY WE COME TO KNOW THE LORD*

*In the bread may we be broken.
In the cup may we be outpoured.
May we come to the know the healer,
may we come to know the Lord.*

Though many are we, we are one in the Lord.
We are all welcome to his table of new life. **R.**
We come to the table to remember the Lord,
who gave his life that we might live forevermore. **R.**
In breaking the bread, in sharing the cup,
may we be filled as we come to know the Lord. **R.**

SONG OF PRAISE: *HOLY SACRED SPIRIT*

Holy Sacred Spirit, breathe your breath on us.
Holy Sacred Spirit, breathe your breath on us. **Rpt.**

RECESSIONAL: *A BLESSING HYMN FOR AUSTRALIA*

Holy Spirit, gift of love divine,
with you we dare to dream,
so to walk in justice all our days
this land of gold and green.
From all nations we have gathered;
lead us on in unity.
In this vast and rugged homeland,
may you our centre be.
May our lives show forth your tender love,
compassion, strong and bold.
Help us bring Good News to all the world;
your gracious love unfold.
Holy Spirit, breathe your life in us,
your truth to guide our way.
Now with open hearts we hear your call
to follow you each day.
Bring us all as one together,
under southern stars above,
so the cross will lead us onward,
Great Southland of your love.
Give us joyful hearts in days to come,
all fear and dark cast out.
Help us build in Christ a world
reborn in justice and in love.

Pentecost and Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

Kindly please join with Living Water Uniting Church,
481 Broadwater Rd, Mansfield for the Ecumenical
Service of Pentecost and Week of Prayer for Chris-
tian Unity at. 2.00 pm on this Sunday.

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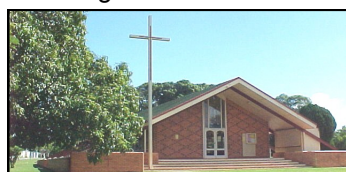
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NEWSLETTER VIA EMAIL

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

National Reconciliation Week

Parishioners are invited to attend a National Reconciliation Week Ecumenical Liturgy on Thursday, 28 May at 6.30pm in St Bernard's Church. Spend time to reflect, pray and open our hearts to justice for First Nations People during this special week. Stay for tea and coffee following the liturgy.

Invitation to attend National Reconciliation Week Movie

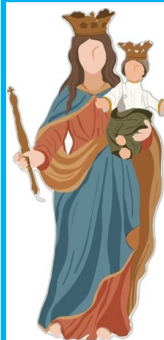
Date Tuesday 26 May **Time:** 6.15pm
Venue: St James Parish Hall, 92 Kirkland Ave, Coorparoo
See Notice Board for further information.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2026

Our Parish Sacramental Program Registration for this year **is closing on Friday 29 May**. Parents, please register your children in Grade 3 and above for Reconciliation, Confirmation, and First Holy Communion.

Parent-child workshops will run in June, July and August not during school holidays).

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



Our Lady, Help of Christians: This Monday we celebrate the feast - Our Lady, Help of Christians which began in 1815 when Pope Pius VII, after being freed from imprisonment by Napoleon, established the title in gratitude for Mary's protection over the Church. The devotion quickly spread, especially through the work of St John Bosco and the Salesians, who promoted Mary as a mother who defends, guides, and intercedes for God's people.

In **Australia**, this feast holds a unique place. It is our national Patronal Feast. When the early Catholic settlers had no priests and could not publicly practise their faith, they turned to Mary for strength and protection. Because of this deep trust, **Mary Help of Christians was chosen as the Patroness of Australia** in 1844. Her feast reminds us that Mary continues to watch over our nation, our Church, and all who seek her help with faith and hope.

Please join the Parish Community in celebrating this Special Feast of our country at St Catherine's Church this Monday at 9.15am.

**Thank you to our volunteers
for all you do for our parish
community**

*"Volunteers are Ordinary people
with extraordinary Heart"*



THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

30/31 May 2026

READINGS

Exodus: 34:4-6, 8-9

The Lord God, ruler of all, merciful and loving.

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

GOSPEL

John 3:16-18

God sent his Son to save the world through him.