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## MASS TIMES

<b>Monday</b>	9.15am St Catherine's
<b>Tuesday</b>	9.15am St Bernard's
<b>Wednesday</b>	7.00am St Catherine's
<b>Thursday</b>	7.00am St Bernard's
<b>Friday</b>	8.00am St Bernard's 9.30am St Martin's
<b>Saturday</b>	5.00pm St Bernard's 6.15pm St Catherine's
<b>Sunday</b>	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.*

## SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

9 / 10 May 2026

**READINGS Acts 8:5-8, 14-17 1 Peter 3:15-18**

**GOSPEL John 14:15-21**

Today Jesus reminds us, "If you love me, you will keep my commandments." When asked what these commandments are, Jesus gives us two: to love God with all our heart, soul, and mind, and to love our neighbour as ourselves (Matt 22:37-39). As we continue to mark Domestic and Family Violence Prevention Month, we reflect on what true love looks like, and what it certainly does not.

Domestic and family violence reveals the tragic distortion of something that may have begun with love but has turned into fear, control, and harm. Against this painful reality, Jesus' call to love becomes not only spiritual but deeply practical.

In the first reading, Philip enters a Samaritan town and encounters people who are vulnerable and suffering. Through him, God brings healing. God is always the healer, yet God often heals through the compassion and presence of others. Whatever wounds we carry, God can restore us and often does so through the love of a community. For those among us who are hurting, we bring our pain to Jesus; and as a community, we are called to be instruments of healing for one another.

In the second reading, St Peter reminds us that we share in the sufferings of Christ. Jesus Himself was "despised and rejected... a man of suffering" (Isa 53:3). Whatever we have endured, Jesus walks with us in gentleness and empathy. He calls us to do the same - to walk with victim-survivors, to listen without judgement, to support those seeking help, and to stand with organisations working to end violence.

If we truly love God, we must love others. Love is never violent, controlling, or unsafe. As St Paul teaches, love is patient, kind, and rejoices in the truth (1 Cor 13:4-6). This is the love we are called to embody - in our homes, our relationships, and our Church.

May Christ bring healing, safety, and peace to all affected by domestic and family violence, and may we be His hands and feet in building a world where love never harms.

*Fr Rony*

## ANNUAL MASS ATTENDANCE COUNT

The Archdiocese of Brisbane Annual Mass Attendance Count continues **this weekend 9/10 May** and on 16/17 May & 23/24 May.

We encourage you to attend Mass each weekend during this period as this will assist us in understanding how many people are being reached in our local communities and across the Archdiocese.

**WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED**

Especially Bridie Geraghty (cousin of Beth McDonnell), Christopher Phelan, Rod Cochrane, Noel Griffin, Bernard Bransgrove, Ray Milley who died recently. Also Dione Ursula Rodrigues, Joseph Hien Pham, Maria Thoa Nguyen, Matthew Hansen, Laura Sim, Joseph Huong, Maria Bac, Albert & Iris Dodd, Therese Wharton, Rose James, Shaleen Wharton, Kath Cowan, Shirley Frost, Elsie Hillas, Wilma Mifsud, Lyn Roehrig, Tom Begg, Simon Tinh, Darrel Petersen, Dominic Dinh Vuong Thach, Wai Yee Wong, Mark Anthony Wong, Madeleine McLaughlin, Geoff Musgrave, Sr Denise Daly OSU, Terry Prindable, Andrew Symonds, Les McAllister, Paul Visser whom we remember.

**UP COMING EVENTS IN THE PARISH  
Tuesday 12 May**

**CRAFT GROUP**

10.00am, St Bernard's Community Centre.

**SCRIPTURE GROUP**

6.30pm, St Bernard's Community Centre.

**Wednesday 14 May**

**MOTHER'S PRAYERS**

10.00am, St Martin's Church.

**SOCIAL JUSTICE GROUP MEETING**

7.00pm, St Bernard's Community Centre.

**Friday 15 May**

**FUNERAL**

1.00pm, Christopher Phelan, St Bernard's Church.



**BAPTISMS**

We congratulate

**Nico Torpy, son** of Brayden & Baianca.

He will be baptised in the Parish this weekend.

**INSTALLATION MASS OF FR FRANCIS FERNANDES**

Our former Associate Pastor, **Fr Francis Fernandes**, will be installed as the Parish Priest of **Daisy Hill Parish** by **Archbishop Shane Mackinlay** on **WEDNESDAY, 10 JUNE at 6.30 PM**.

If you are planning to attend, **please inform our Parish Office (3849 7158)**. Numbers are required for catering purposes.



**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.

**ENTRANCE: ALL ARE WELCOME**

Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live, a place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive.

Built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the love of Christ shall end divisions:

*All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.*

Let us build a house where love is found in water, wine, and wheat:

a banquet hall on holy ground, where peace and justice meet.

Here the love of God, through Jesus, is revealed in time and space;

as we share in Christ the feast that frees us:

*All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.*

**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 65**

Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

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

All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them. Alle, 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: *DRAWN TO YOU***

*Drawn to you, Lord we are drawn to you,  
to the beauty of your presence in this place.  
Here for you, God we are here for you  
as the gifts we bring become a feast of grace.  
We are drawn to you.*

Drawn by the love that you have poured on us  
we bring these gifts, works of our hands.  
You gather all we offer to yourself,  
receive our prayer. **R.**

Drawn by the faith that you accept our gifts,  
and sanctify what we have shared.  
To make us holy by this bread and wine,  
receive our prayer. **R.**

Drawn by the table you have laid for us,  
the welcome feast your heart prepares,  
the words now spoken that will make us one,  
receive our prayer. **R.**

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## **SONG OF PRAISE: *A NEW COMMANDMENT***

A new commandment I give unto you  
that you love one another as I have loved you,  
that you love one another as I have loved you.

By this shall others know that you are my  
disciples if you have love one for another.  
By this shall others know that you are my  
disciples if you have love one for another.

## **RECESSIONAL: 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.**

## **A Prayer to End Domestic and Family Violence (Light a candle and pray)**

Loving and Just God,

As You blend Your voice with ours, lend us Your  
strength too, so that we may continue to do what it  
takes to put an end to domestic and family violence.

Lend us Your strength, so we can continue to challenge  
harmful behaviours, misuses of power and authority,  
misconceptions, and misinformation.

Lend us Your courage, so we can continue to bring to  
light the reality of who is impacted, and how widespread  
domestic and family violence is.

We ask this in the name of Christ our Lord, Amen.

## MASS CENTRES

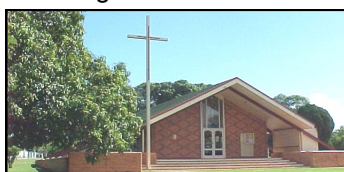
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## SCHOOLS

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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](mailto: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](mailto:sec.umg@bne.catholic.net.au)

## Marriage Encounter Notices

"The Vow" Mini Retreat - All couples welcome.

- **Date and Time:** Saturday 30th May 2026 from 9am to 12:30pm
- **Venue:** St Oliver Plunkett Church Hall, 21 Beauvardia St, Cannon Hill.
- **RSVP to:** Cathy and Vince Agius - [vinceandcathywwme@gmail.com](mailto:vinceandcathywwme@gmail.com)

**Marriage Encounter Live Out Retreat** is traditionally a weekend away, offering married couples, a special kind of "time out", a different kind of "weekend get-away".

- **Date:** Saturday 4th to Sunday 5th July 2026
- **Venue:** Our Lady of The Southern Cross Parish, Springfield Lakes.

**Bookings & Enquiries contact:** Joseph and Lisha Deseam on 0481 307 821 or email [qldbookings@wwme.org.au](mailto:qldbookings@wwme.org.au) or go to the web site [www.wwme.org.au](http://www.wwme.org.au)



# OPEN HOUSE

## CALOUNDRA

**DIVINE RENOVATION**  
in Collaboration with



### Event details:

- **Date:** Saturday 6 June **Time:** 9:45am - 4:15pm
- **Mass:** 5:00pm (optional)
- **Location:** Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, 61 Edmund St, Caloundra

This is a **free event**, though registration is required for catering purposes:  
<https://app.tickets.org.au/DRAU/OHC>

## THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

16/17 May 2026

### READINGS

**Acts 1: 1-11**

*Why are you standing here looking into the sky? Jesus has been taken into heaven.*

**Ephesians 1:17-23**

*He made Jesus to sit at his right hand in heaven.*

### GOSPEL

**Matthew 28:16-20**

*All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.*