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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 7.30am Holy Adoration
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.*

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

12 / 13 September 2026

READINGS Sirach 27:30-28:7 Romans 14:7-9

GOSPEL Matthew 18:21-35

Dear friends,

It is very common that when children make mistakes, parents warn them by saying, "This is your last warning. If you do it again, you will be punished." Even among friends, we sometimes hear, "This is your last warning, so don't do it again." This reflects a very human tendency: we keep counting the mistakes of others, and at a certain point we say, "I cannot tolerate this anymore."

But in today's Gospel, Jesus challenges this way of thinking. When Peter asks how many times he should forgive "As many as seven times?" Jesus replies, "**Not seven times, but seventy-seven times**". Jesus is not asking us simply to keep a mathematical count of forgiveness. He is inviting us to develop a heart that does not keep a record of another person's failures.

This teaching clearly reveals the mercy and compassion of Christ. Pope Francis, in his Apostolic Bull '**Misericordiae Vultus**', reminds us: "When faced with the gravity of sin, God responds with the fullness of mercy." He says that mercy will always be greater than any sin, and no one can place limits on the love of God, who is always ready to forgive.

As Christians, we are therefore called not only to receive God's mercy but also to extend it to others. Forgiveness does not mean pretending that wrongs never happened. It means refusing to allow anger, resentment, or hurt to control our hearts. Sometimes forgiveness requires patience, prayer, honest conversation, and time.

Let us ask ourselves:

Do I keep a record of other people's mistakes?

Whom do I find difficult to forgive?

Can I see that person with compassion rather than judgement?

Am I willing to forgive as God has forgiven me?

May Christ teach us to become people of mercy, compassion and forgiveness.

Fr Arun



WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

Especially Martin McNamara, Karen King, Patrick Chee Lui Haw recently deceased. Also Anthony Ngo, Nhon Ngo, Tom Begg, Joseph Hien Pham, Simon Tinh, Darrel Petersen, Dominic Dinh Vuong Thach, Wai Yee Wong, Mark Anthony Wong, Mikayla Tunstall, Elaine & Sam Haigh, Ken Blanch, Shirley Weiss whom we remember.

UP COMING EVENTS IN THE PARISH

Tuesday 15 September

CRAFT GROUP

10.00am, St Bernard's Community Centre.

SCRIPTURE GROUP

6.30pm, St Bernard's Community Centre.

Wednesday 16 September

MOTHER'S PRAYERS

10.00am, St Martin's Church.

Thursday 17 September

LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH COMMUNION

9.30am, ElderlyCare, Somerfield St, Mt Gravatt.



BAPTISMS

We congratulate

Onyx Sammat-Luppino, son of Zachary & Taylor.
He will be baptised in the Parish this weekend.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

ST CATHERINE'S

SUNDAY 20 SEPTEMBER, 8.30am Mass

Children in Prep to Year 5 invited.

SAFEGUARDING SUNDAY

In the Dioceses of Australia this weekend we pray for all who have experienced abuse or harm, to support their healing, and to renew our commitment to creating communities where every person is welcomed, respected and safe.



ST CATHERINE'S SENIORS COACH TRIP

Wednesday 23 September 2026

Departs St Catherine's Bus Stop 8.00am.

Visiting Mooloolaba for a Sea Food Lunch/Boat Cruise. Morning Tea in Mooloolaba. BYO eats, coffee/tea/sugar/milk provided.

11.15am: Heading to Mooloolaba Wharf to board Cruise Boat. 12pm: Boat departs for Cruise, Lunch is served on-board. 6 Lunch Options - 4 Sea Food Options, 5th is a Chicken Burger, 6th is a Vegetarian Burger.

After disembarking the Cruise, visit the Wharf area until we head home. 2.30pm: On the Coach please! Head back for home to arrive 4.30pm onwards.

Passenger cost approx. \$90.00, Possible fuel levy may apply. Bookings and Lunch Selections with Ros on Ph. 3349 9218 N.B.: Booking is nearly complete. A waiting list will be used however.

We would like to take additional passengers on the Coach, who are free to choose their own activity on the Wharf area, eg have lunch or visit the Marine Aquarium. Cost for this trip option is \$40 to \$42. This will assist us with Coach Charter costs. Numbers are open for this Option. Bookings are also with Ros on Ph. 3349 9218. Both groups will return home on the Coach.

Please bring any used stamps for St. Columban's Mission Society.

THE ORDER OF MASS CARDS

The cards are available in each church and include the words for the parts of the Mass. Please ask the Mass Coordinator if you are unable to locate one. Please return card to the table when leaving the Church.

ENTRANCE: *SING OUT, EARTH AND SKIES*

Come, O God of all the earth:

Come to us, O Righteous One;

Come, and bring our love to birth:

In the glory of your Son.

Sing out, earth and skies!

Sing of the God who loves you!

Raise your joyful cries!

Dance to the life around you!

Come, O Justice, Come, O Peace:

Come and shape our hearts anew;

Come and make oppression cease:

Bring us all to life in you. **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: 102

The Lord is kind and merciful; slow to anger and
rich in compassion. .

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Accl. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

I give you a new commandment: love one
another as I have loved you; I give you a new
commandment. **Accl.**

APOSTLES 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: TAKE AND EAT

Take and eat; take and eat:

this is my body given up for you.

Take and drink; take and drink:

this is my blood given up for you.

I am the Word that spoke and light was made;
I am the seed that died to be reborn;
I am the bread that comes from heav'n above;
I am the vine that fills your cup with joy. **R.**

I am the way that leads the exile home;
I am the truth that sets the captive free;
I am the life that raises up the dead;
I am your peace, true peace my gift to you. **R.**

I am the Lamb that takes away your sin;
I am the gate that guards you night and day;
You are my flock: you know the shepherd's
voice;

You are my own: your ransom is my blood. **R.**

I am the light that came into the world;
I am the light that darkness cannot hide;
I am the morning star that never sets;
lift up your face, in you my light will shine. **R.**

SONG OF PRAISE: SPIRIT COME, TRANSFORM US

Spirit, come, transform us.

Come, be our breath, be our hope.

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Come, be our breath, be our hope.

Draw us to share others' burdens, healing and
loving with truth. **R.**

Teach us to live with compassion, unfolding
creator's love. **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.**

FEAST DAYS

September 14 - The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

September 15 - Our Lady of Sorrows

September 16 - Saints Cornelius, Pope, and
Cyprian

CFCA YOUTH FOR CHRIST

CFCA Youth for Christ invites you to a
Youth Entry Program - a discipleship
weekend to deepen your faith, build
friendships, and encounter God.

Saturday-Sunday, **3-4 October 2026**
from **10am - 3pm** at **St Catherine's Hall**. Open to
youth aged 12-17 - bring a friend! For more details:
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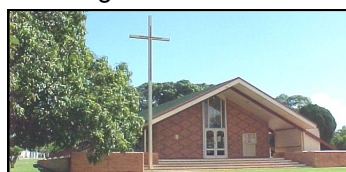
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Phone: 3347 9200

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

IT'S THAT TIME OF THE YEAR! TIME TO ORDER FOR 2027

Please cut out this Order Form, tick the box of the resource you would like and place in an envelope with the money to pay for it. You may place the envelope in the collection or hand into the Parish Office.

Orders close Monday 12 October, 4.00 pm.

☐ Sacred Space: The Prayer Book 2026 \$34

☐ Daily Prayer Book 2027 \$30

☐ Break Open the Word 2027 \$30

Highly recommended for all Readers

☐ Daily Mass Book 2027 \$33

☐ ADVENT Reflections Wollongong \$6

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Name:

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☐ Parish Office

☐ St Bernard's Church

☐ St Catherine's Church

☐ St Martin's Church

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The Cathedral of St Stephen

— WARMLY INVITES COUPLES —

who are celebrating 50 years of marriage
and above to the annual

Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass



SATURDAY,
26TH SEPTEMBER 2026



11:30AM



THE CATHEDRAL OF ST STEPHEN
249 Elizabeth Street, Brisbane



*Family and friends
are welcome to attend*



TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

19 / 20 September 2026

READINGS

Isaiah 55:6-9

My thoughts are not your thoughts.

Philippians 1:20-24, 27

For me to live is Christ.

GOSPEL

Matthew 20:1-16

Why are you jealous because I am generous?