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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-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

26 / 27 September 2026

READINGS Ezekiel 18:25-28 Philippians 2:1-11

GOSPEL Matthew 21:28-32

112th World Day of Migrants and Refugees Day

"Even Just One of These Children" (cf. Mt 18:10)

Dear Friends in Christ, this year we celebrate the 112th World Day of Migrants and Refugees on the 27th of September 2026. The theme focuses on children who are involved in Global movements of migration. We can often neglect this important area. We frequently find the articulations of adults who are Migrants and Refugees and their plight. We tend to forget the children involved. We see on the television and in social media the unspoken presence of young children gathering around their parents but saying nothing. Their faces often look blank and traumatised. This is what the Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV, is asking us to reflect on this year.

Indeed, it is the Pope's message which declares, "Minors are the most vulnerable group within the global movements of migration. They are concrete faces, who have unique stories, and call on our conscience."

The Pope then makes the acute observation, "Yet, amid so much darkness, the light of solidarity is not lacking. Individuals, families, civil institutions and ecclesial communities choose not to pass by on the other side." He then mentions families who open their doors and enable children in this situation to be accommodated and educated, particularly in reception centres. The Pope also lauds the efforts of volunteers and aid workers "who each day devote themselves to healing the invisible wounds of these little ones along migration routes and in our cities."

We would all agree with the Pope that "sadly, migrant children are more easily ignored, because they lack adults capable of protecting and supporting them." Our responsibility in our community and in Australia in general, is to go out of our way to be attentive to this often invisible and voiceless dimension of Migrants and Refugees.

The Pope, towards the end of his message, notes the interreligious dimension of our care for Migrant and Refugee children. He notes, "the vulnerability of the young knows no religious boundaries and unites us in a shared humanitarian and spiritual responsibility. This becomes fertile ground for a concrete interreligious dialogue." So let us read carefully this significant message from the Pope and pray, in our Mass and Prayers of the Faithful, for children caught up in the great waves of migration in today's chaotic world.

**(Reflection of Archbishop Christopher Prowse on Pope Leo XIV's
message for 112th World Day of Migrants and Refugees Day)**



Resources available at:

<https://acmro.catholic.org.au/wdmr/2026>

or

Scan the QR Code

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

Especially William Green, Shirley Knight, Christopher Tucker, Stella O'Leary, Christine O'Leary, John La Spina, Sandra Bolic, Kevin Robertson, Martin McNamara, Terry Hennessy, Leena Varghese recently deceased. Also Maryann Larcher, Leena Stephen, Jacob Mathew, Anthony Ngo, Nhon Ngo, Darrel Petersen, Tom Begg, Joseph Hien Pham, Simon Tinh, Dominic Dinh Vuong Thach, Gordon Family, McAllister Family, Johnson Family, Turner Family whom we remember.

UP COMING EVENTS IN THE PARISH

Monday 28 September

FUNERAL MASS

11.00am, Stella O'Leary, St Catherine's Church.

Tuesday 29 September

CRAFT GROUP

10.00am, St Bernard's Community Centre.

FUNERAL

11.00am, Christopher Tucker, St Bernard's Church.

SCRIPTURE GROUP

6.30pm, St Bernard's Community Centre.

Wednesday 30 September

LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH COMMUNION

9.30am, ElderlyCare, Agay St, Upper Mt Gravatt.

Thursday 1 October

BETHANY MEETING

10.00am, St Bernard's Community Centre.

FUNERAL

11.00am, Shirley Knight, St Martin's Church.



BAPTISMS

We congratulate
Scarlet Hogan, daughter of Scott & Eleanne.
She will be baptised in the Parish this weekend.



Anniversary



Blessings



65th Wedding Anniversary

Congratulations to
Bruce and Pauline Vidgen
who celebrate their
on 30th September 2026.

BLESSING OF PETS

As we conclude the **Season of Creation** and celebrate the **Feast of St Francis of Assisi**, our parish will hold a **blessing of pets** on **3 October at 10.00am** in the **St Bernard's Church courtyard**.

Please bring only pets that are comfortable around other animals. Aggressive pets may be asked to leave. All animals must remain **on a leash** or **secure in a basket, bowl, or cage** at all times.

MUSIC MINISTRY

Our parish is in need of **musicians** to help lead the **Sunday Mass**. If you feel you can contribute, or if someone in your family has musical talent, we warmly invite you to contact the Parish Office. This is a beautiful way to share your gifts and help bring people closer to God through music.

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: *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 prophets speak,
and words are strong and true,
where all God's children dare to seek to dream
God's reign anew.

Here the cross shall stand as witness and
as symbol of God's grace;

here as one we claim the faith of Jesus:

*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: 24

Remember your mercies, O Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Accl. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

My sheep hear my voice; I know them and they follow me. I know them and they follow me; my sheep hear my voice, says the Lord. **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: *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.**

SONG OF PRAISE: *FOR THE FRUITS OF ALL CREATION*

For the fruits of all creation, thanks be to God.
For the gifts to ev'ry nation, thanks be to God.
For the ploughing, sowing, reaping, silent
growth while we are sleeping, future needs in
earth's safe-keeping, thanks be to God.

In the just reward of labour, God's will is done.
In the help we give our neighbor, God's will is
done.

In our worldwide task of caring for the hungry
and despairing, in the harvests we are sharing,
God's will is done.

RECESSIONAL: *GOD OF PEACE*

Lord of life and Lord of nations,
giving peace, you make us one,
heart of flesh for heart of stone,
break the walls of all divisions.
Your Kingdom come, with this its sign:
our song, this prayer: let peace now reign!
Lengths of love beyond all measure,
heights of love which now do call,
breadth of love as room for all,
depths of love where hides the treasure;
through Christ our Way, we find true peace,
a world made whole in God's embrace.

Visions new and ancient dreaming,
see the love beyond all death;
new the heavens, new the earth,
promise of the Kingdom coming.
Through Christ, the wounds of all this world,
in God's own peace will then be healed.

FEAST DAYS

September 29 - Sts Michael, Gabriel and Raphael
September 30 - St Jerome
October 1 - St Thérèse of the Child Jesus
October 2 - The Holy Guardian Angels

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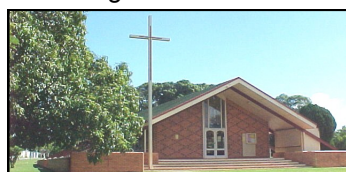
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NEWSLETTER VIA EMAIL

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

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

☐ ADVENT Reflections Brisbane \$5

Name:

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Pick up: [Please ✓]

☐ Parish Office

☐ St Bernard's Church

☐ St Catherine's Church

☐ St Martin's Church

By ordering in bulk we are able to get the books at cheaper prices and limit shipping costs. If you don't return this form before orders close we will need to charge the single purchase price and also shipping costs.

PARISH RAP GROUP

The Parish Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) Group welcomes you to join us for morning tea as we discuss 'Jilya' by First Nations author Dr Tracy Westerman. This is a story of how one Indigenous woman from the remote Pilbara region transformed psychology.

11am on Sunday, 1 November, St Bernard's Community Centre.

RSVP to Louise: lobell1770@gmail.com

NEWS FROM THE BETHANY TEAM

Each year our **Books of Remembrance** are updated to record the names of deceased loved ones of our Parish.

These books are on display in St Bernard's church and the page is turned daily so that names are displayed on their anniversary each year.

Those whose funerals were held in our churches are automatically entered in the Books of Remembrance.

If you wish to have relatives or friends who died elsewhere remembered in this way, please provide the following details on the **forms available at each church and place in the box provided by Friday 30 October:**

- Name of the deceased;
- Date of death in day/month/year format eg 4/8/1998

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE - ALL ARE WELCOME

The Bethany Group of our parish warmly invites all parishioners to attend this year's Mass of Remembrance, as we prayerfully honour and remember our beloved departed during the month of November.

Date: **Saturday, 7 November** Time: **9:00 AM**

Location: **St Bernard's Church**

Program: **Holy Mass, Columbarium Blessing and Morning Tea.**

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

26 / 27 September 2026

READINGS

Isaiah 5:1-7

The vineyard of the Lord God of hosts is the House of Israel.

Philippians 5:6-9

Do these things and the God of peace will be with you.

GOSPEL

Matthew 21:33-43

He leased his vineyard to other farmers.