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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-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

29 / 30 August 2026

READINGS Jeremiah 20:7-9 Romans 12:1-2

GOSPEL Matthew 16:21-27

Dear Friends,

Does anyone wish that the person we love or care about should suffer? Never. When we truly love someone, we naturally want to protect them from pain and suffering. We would do everything possible to prevent them from being hurt. In today's Gospel, Jesus tells His disciples that He must go to Jerusalem, suffer greatly, be killed, and be raised on the third day. Peter immediately reacts, saying, "God forbid, Lord! This must not happen to you." Peter's words come from love, but Jesus sternly corrects him because Jesus must fulfil the will of His Father.

The Gospel teaches us two important lessons.

First, we see the selfless love of Jesus. Jesus willingly accepts suffering and death, not because He desires suffering, but because He desires to save humanity. He is ready to shed his blood and lay down His life for us. His cross reveals the depth of God's love: God loves us so much that He is willing to give everything for our salvation.

Second, Jesus gives us an invitation to discipleship. He says, "If anyone wants to become my follower, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me." Following Jesus is not simply about believing in Him; it requires sacrifice, self-denial, forgiveness, service, and faithfulness.

This is an open invitation, but it comes with a cost. Christianity is not simply about carrying a name or attending Mass; it is about following Christ even when the journey becomes difficult.

Are we ready to put God's will before our own? Are we willing to sacrifice our comfort, forgive others, serve without recognition, and remain faithful during suffering? Do we want Jesus only when the road is easy, or are we ready to follow Him to the cross?

The world often teaches us to avoid sacrifice, but Jesus teaches us that love becomes most powerful when it is willing to sacrifice.

May we learn to love as Jesus loved, carry our crosses with courage, and follow Him faithfully, knowing that the cross is not the end. *Fr Arun*

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

Especially Shirley Logan, Mary Jones, Max Lyons, Dulcinea Hernandez, Giuseppe Vecchio recently deceased. Also Felice Taraborrelli, Ramon Teruel, Margaret Cruz, Renee Regan, Neil O'Neil, Wilson Wilde, Tom Begg, Joseph Hien Pham, Simon Tinh, Darrel Petersen, Dominic Dinh Vuong Thach, Wai Yee Wong, Mark Anthony Wong, Allan Watterson, Roy Tully, Phil Johnson, Myra Pasterfield whom we remember.

UP COMING EVENTS IN THE PARISH

Tuesday 1 September

CRAFT GROUP

10.00am, St Bernard's Community Centre.

SCRIPTURE GROUP

6.30pm, St Bernard's Community Centre.

Wednesday 2 September

FUNERAL MASS

10.30am, Mary Jones, St Bernard's Church.

MOTHER'S PRAYERS

10.00am, St Martin's Church.

Thursday 3 September

BETHANY MEETING

10.00am, St Bernard's Community Centre.

FUNERAL MASS

11.00am, Shirley Logan, St Bernard's Church.

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: *TREE OF LIFE*

Tree of life and awesome myst'ry,
in your death we are reborn,
though you die in all of hist'ry,
still you rise with ev'ry morn,
still you rise with ev'ry morn.

Gentle Jesus, mighty Spirit,
come inflame our hearts anew,
we may all your joy inherit
if we bear the cross with you,
if we bear the cross with you.

Give us eyes to see you clearly,
make us children of your light;
give us hearts to live more nearly
as your gospel shining bright.

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: 62

My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Accl. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ
enlighten the eyes of our hearts, that we may
know what is the hope that belongs, belongs to
our call. **Accl.**

BAPTISMS

We congratulate

Grace Kletus, daughter of Tomislav & Aneta;

Amalia Nunes, daughter of Bruno & Ligia.

They will be baptised in the Parish this weekend.

ANNUAL CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN

Last weekend, our parish held an appeal for the Annual Catholic Campaign in support of the important local ministries in our Archdiocese. Thank you to everyone who responded generously to Archbishop Shane's call for support.

If you didn't get a chance to make a gift last week, there is still time. If you took the envelope home, please pop it in the mail or leave it here on your way out after Mass. You can also give online by scanning the QR code on the envelope, or going to catholic-campaign.com.au

Your tax-deductible gift will be put straight to work by funding the vital Catholic ministries in our local community.

Thank you again for your faithfulness and generosity.

THE PARISH RECONCILIATION ACTION PLAN (RAP) GROUP

The Group will meet at 11am on Sunday, 6 September. All are welcome.

To find out more, please contact Louise at

lobell1770@gmail.com.

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: *BREAD BROKEN, WINE SHARED*

*Bread broken, wine shared; Jesus, here,
taking our lives, opening our hearts,
making us whole, setting our loving free.*

Take all our dreams, all that we are,
all we could ever be.

Lord of all life, we want to be Yours,
we take bread and eat. **Ch.**

Open our minds, open our hearts,
let love set us free within.

Lord of all life, we want to be Yours,
we pour wine and drink. **Ch.**

Make us alive, filled with Your hope,
living what's really true.

Lord of all life, we want to be Yours,
we know this is You. **Ch.**

SONG OF PRAISE: *WILL YOU LOVE ME*

Will you give me your life forever?
Will you carry my cross ev'ry day?
Will you walk in the light of my presence?
Will you follow the truth of my ways?
*Will you love me as I have loved you?
Will you live with me the darkness as I die?
For the moon and the stars will be gone
like the night,
and the sun will be shining on you.*

Like the purest of gold in the furnace,
is your love strong enough to endure?
Does your faith carry on through the shadows?
Does it shine in the night for the world? **R.**

RECESSIONAL: *SING A SONG FOR PEACE AND JUSTICE*

Sing a song for peace and justice,
speak for those who cannot speak!
Claim the world for peace and justice:
let the strong support the weak.

*Light a candle in the darkness;
hope and freedom must not die!
hope and freedom must not die!*

You who live in happy places,
who can laugh and speak and sing,
listen for the other voices
mute with fear and suffering. **R.**

FEAST DAYS

September 3 - St Gregory the Great

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD ST BERNARD'S

SUNDAY 6 SEPTEMBER, 8.30am Mass

Children in Prep to Year 5 invited.

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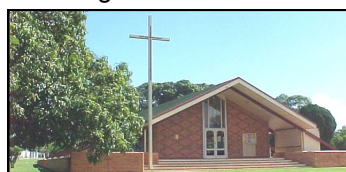
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NEWSLETTER VIA EMAIL

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



Living Water

Season of Creation 2026

SAVE THE DATE

IMMERSION IN LIVING WATER
Ezekiel 47:9, 12

Ecumenical Season of Creation Prayer Evening
Date: Wednesday 9 September at 6.30pm
Venue: St Bernard's Catholic Church

"SPIRIT OF HOPE" PRAYER MEETING

Wednesday 2 September, 10.45 - 12.15pm (following 10am Mass)
St Stephen's Chapel in the grounds of the Cathedral.



Join us for **Prayer, Praise and Worship**. Everyone welcome.
Contact Maureen 0403002199



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-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5 / 6 September 2026

READINGS

Ezekiel 33:7-9

If you have not warned the wicked man, then I will hold you responsible for his death

Romans 13:8-10

Love is the fulfilment of the Law.

GOSPEL

Matthew 18:15-20

If your brother or sister listens to you, you will have won that person back.