



Regents Park Catholic Parish

Comprising of St Bernardine's Church, St Catherine's Church
and Our Lady of the Assumption Church

9th February 2020
5th Sunday Ordinary Time

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Parish Mass Times

Monday	
St Paul de Chartres (Chapel)	6:00am
Tuesday	
St Catherine's	8:00am
St Paul de Chartres (Chapel)	9:00am
Wednesday	
St Paul de Chartres (Chapel)	9:00am
St Bernardine's Church	9:00am
Thursday	
St Paul de Chartres (Chapel)	6:00am
Friday	
St Paul de Chartres (Hall)	9:00am
Saturday	
St Paul de Chartres (Hall)	4:00pm
St Bernardine's Mass	6:00pm
Sunday	
Our Lady of Assumption Mass	7:30am
St Bernardine's Mass	9:00am
St Catherine's Mass	5:30pm

Youth Events

Youth Mass 1st Saturday night of the Month
St Bernardine's next Mass is 1st Feb 6:00pm

Youth Night 3rd Fri of the Month 6:00pm
Next Event is 21st Feb at 6:00pm at the Parish Centre. All are welcome.

We the Catholic Communities of Regents Park Parish, guided by the Holy Spirit; commit to building a welcoming, inclusive, faith centred community grounded upon the Gospel values of leadership and service.

Ministry Matters: 2020 and Beyond!!

Well it's now February, and the year has begun in earnest. Last Wednesday morning our Parish staff and some of the Mass Coordinators from our Communities gathered together to start planning for Lent and Easter, which begins with Ash Wednesday on 26th February. (Already) Hopefully, with all of our planning and preparation we can be ready for this significant event within the life of our Church. In these weeks that are ahead, all of us will have the opportunity to enter into this time of planning and preparation so that we will be ready for the season of Lent and Easter. It is up to all of us to make this Season as prayerful and empowering as it is meant to be in our lives. Lent is almost upon us, lets get ready. We invite you to sign up for Lenten Prayer book.

Once again as we enter into 2020, Year A in our Church cycle, we immerse ourselves in the Gospel of Matthew. In so doing, we will continue to hear again and again, that call from Jesus to enter into our own time of mission and ministry as his Disciples today. As salt of the earth and as Light for the world, we are meant to make a difference, and it is only by our response to that call that we can indeed change the world. Lets give it a go. *God Bless, Fr John*

Welcome to 2020 Get together

We are kicking off the year, with a chance for you all to say hello and welcome, with a chance to see the new parish centre, all set up for the year. We are having a **POT LUCK DINNER Friday 28th February from 6pm** Please bring a plate to share. We would love to see you and your family there. Please RSVP to the office.

Meetings

Finance Council at Parish Centre Mon 10th Feb at 7pm
Pastoral Council at Parish Centre Mon 17th Feb at 5pm (bring a plate to share.)

Hymns for the Week

Gathering Hymn:	Christ Be Our Light	GA404
Psalm Response:	A light rises in the darkness for the upright!	
Offertory Hymn:	A Trusting Psalm	GA455
Thanksgiving Hymn:	Song of the Body of Christ	GA200
Recessional Hymn:	Bring Forth the Kingdom	GA478

Thank You

To the amazing parishioner at St Bernardine's who spent most of last Monday, on his own, mowing around the Church to make it a little more presentable.

My thanks to Apisaj who cleared the surrounds of the Church. He has done a great job and I thank him on behalf of the St Bernardine's Community. The grounds looked good after all that work.

THANK YOU!

Working Bees

So, I invite you all to come with your mowers and rakes and shovels to try and keep the grounds as clean and tidy as possible. Our next clean-up will be next Saturday 15th February starting at 8am & finishing about 10am. If you can come and help tidy up, it would be appreciated.



If you have any queries about our Youth Ministry, please feel free to email the parish office or just send a text message to Nicky on 0481 008 317.



LIGHT & PRESENCE PRAYER VIGIL

Restarting on Tuesday
4th February 2020 at
7pm at St Bernardine's

Church. A wonderful chance for prayer and reflection.

Rosary before Mass

Rosary before Mass has sprung up around the Parish. We don't want this to stop anyone coming into the church, so please come in and join or sit for quiet prayer in preparation for Mass.

Both Fr John's do ask that the Rosary is finished about 15 minutes before Mass starts in time to give everyone, including the Priests quiet time to prepare for Mass. We thank you for your support in this.

ALPHA 2020



Starting Wednesday February 12th at OLA Parkridge 6pm start. Just come and see. Bring a friend or relative. No cost.

Alpha is a series of sessions that helps participants explore the Christian faith. Each session looks at a different question around faith from a Catholic context and is designed to create conversation.

For more information call Carrie on 0481 008 317 or email her at pastoral.stbern@bne.catholic.net.au

Legion of Mary

We gather every Tuesday at 10:00 am at the John Nee Hut, 10am in the Hutt for Scripture study, new people are welcome to come along. New members are welcome. We also have Rosary from 8:30am before Sunday Mass at St Bernardine's Church.

The 50's + Group

Will meet at 11:30am on Wed Feb 12 for lunch at the Carvery, Village Fair Shopping Centre. For more information, please ring Trish on 3800 8686.

Regents Park Pilgrimage to the *Holy Land*

It is happening on **October 3rd in 2020**. So it is not even twelve months before we set out to uncover the wonder of the Land that Jesus called home. It is 11 Nights/13 days in the Holy Land. We will be experiencing the following places: Dead Sea and then to Bethlehem. Nazareth and Cana and the Sea of Galilee (where much of Jesus' ministry took place.) The climb up Mt Tabor and Mt Carmel. Then to Haifa and to Jericho, where Zacchaeus climbed the sycamore tree to see Jesus, and finally to Jerusalem where Jesus' life came to an end and where the Church under the Apostles would begin. The cost of the journey is around \$6790 (twin share). Come and see! Come and see what we have heard about through the Scriptures. Let the Holy Land come to life for you on this journey of a lifetime. Come and see. Brochures available from the Parish office.

'The Great Commission'

Go make disciples, baptizing them in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

This Sunday's Readings: Isaiah 58:7-10 St Paul to the Corinthians 2:1-5 Matthew 5:13-16
Next week's Readings: Ecclesiasticus 15:15-20 St Paul to the Corinthians 2:6-10 Matthew 5:17-37

My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness (2 Corinthians 12:9)

Sacramental Journey 2020

Required Parent night for ALL FAMILIES with children participating in this years Sacramental Journey,
(Reconciliation, Communion or Confirmation.)

Wednesday 12th February 7pm St Bernardine's Church Regents Park.

Please check out our website under sacraments to enrol your child. See you all on Wednesday.

Baptism Preparation Session

The next Baptism Preparation Session will be held on **Monday 24th February at 7:00pm** at St Bernardine's Church. Please RSVP to the office email: stbernardines@bne.catholic.net.au

BAPTISM CELEBRATIONS

This weekend, please join us in celebrating a baptism this week. **Xandah Steven Dale Kirby, and Ezekiel Alfred Tusani** will be baptised with their family and friends who come to share this moment with them and with our Community. Please continue to pray for them as they grows in faith. Our next Baptism Preparation Session is on Monday 24th February at 7:00pm at St Bernardine's Church. Please RSVP to the office.

Lenten Program

This year we are ordering Lenten Program which has daily devotional, art work reflection and weekly Sunday Mass Scripture reflections. Contact the office to order your book and join in. If you want to arrange a time to meet up at any of the Churches, please let the office know.



Please remember in your prayers

Sick: Margaret Jarratt

Anniversary: Cecelia O'Farrell



Honey

Do you love honey? Would you like to buy direct from the local Bee-keeper? All Mass Centre's, you can preorder a kilo of honey for the price of \$15. Please fill out an order form, sending it in to the office as soon as possible. Your support of this endeavor will continue to financially support the life of our parish. We are buying more honey this week, so let the office know you want to place an order as soon as possible.

NEW MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES—ALL MASSES

Counters

We are seeking interest from parishioners who are willing to assist with the counting of collections from weekend Masses. Counting occurs each Monday morning in the Parish. We need regular counters and those who can be on standby. We need your help please! Tea and coffee provided!!

Cleaners

Help needed. As we start the year, our rosters change as does people's availability. Two of our cleaning teams at St Bernardines, after a very long time helping, are stepping down from this ministry.
Are you able to help please?

Computer Operators

Are you interested in doing some computer related work? We are asking parishioners to assist with the PowerPoint presentations for all Masses in our communities. This includes weekend Masses, occasional weekday liturgies, funerals and other liturgies we celebrate during the year.

Hospitality

Are you able to help once a month with hospitality at our churches? Hospitality and welcoming, are opportunities to connect with people, to say hello, give a smile, make a great cuppa!! Even share the cake!!

Volunteers Needed!



Piety Stall Sales

Can you help? Holding key for small sales before or after Mass? We will handle purchases and banking etc, just need someone to open up when asked for someone to purchase something.

Choirs

Are you able to come join a choir and sing once or twice a month? You might even be in a choir and want to sing another week.

Mass Coordinators

Can you be the person, coordinating the start of Mass? Making sure everything is set up, that everyone is present who helps?

More information..?

Please talk to either Fr John, your Mass Coordinator or Christy for details. Or feel free to ring the office on 38847600.

Volunteer Welcome Portal link is <https://welcome.brisbanecatholic.org.au/>

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