



Regents Park Catholic Parish

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

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

19th July 2020

'Listen, anyone who has ears ...'

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Parish Mass Times

Due to the constant changes, I will put them each week, in the middle of the newsletter, and where the Mass is at. Please note you do need to book a seat. Details inside newsletter.

ZOOM COFFEE AND CHAT

I am inviting parishioners once again to join me for a virtual coffee and chat on Monday Morning at 10:00am.

Zoom in, bring your coffee and let's catch up. Let me know how things are in your world.

Meeting ID: 320 800 9616

Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8bqjwPxTQ8>

Come join me for a coffee. John C

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

COVID 19 UPDATE

As further restrictions had been lifted due to COVID19, I had decided to conclude the Live-Stream masses as people were now able to return to the Church to participate in the masses each weekend.

It seems that while this is true, people are still hesitant to venture forth into the public domain fearing that there may still be the possibility of risk of picking up the virus. So it may be prudent to recommence running the 9:00am Live Stream Masses on a weekend so that those who do not wish to take the risk can still participate in the parish Masses on Sunday Morning.

The next challenge for our parish is that to celebrate a Mass live-stream we need a live stream music licence so that we can sing at the mass. The licence costs \$200, and I am wondering if someone from the parish could assist in this cost so that we can bring life to our Masses with music and song.

Please contact the Parish office or Fr John and let us know if you can help in this regard.

God Bless, Fr John

Parish Masses. When you arrive for Mass in the parish, whether it be weekday or weekend, you need to register at the front door of the Church.

YOU NEED TO INCLUDE YOU NAME, FIRST & LAST, AS WELL AS A MOBILE OR E-MAIL ADDRESS.

This information has to be kept by the Parish office for some 56 days. If anyone then is struck with COVID, the office has the information by which to inform the people who were in attendance.

We need this information each weekend PLEASE!

Thank you. Parish Office

Dear Parishioners,

We continue to read the Gospel of Matthew this Sunday, the 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time, with the parable of the wheat and the weeds growing together in the field. The farmer sows only the wheat and his 'enemy' sows the weeds. They are both growing fast. The farmer does not uproot the weeds but lets both of them continue to grow until the harvest. He is waiting patiently. The parable can lead to certain realities...

All of us, we may be able to say, are a mixture of good and bad. The people we call 'good' may have terrible things in them – mad moods of recklessness, assertion, jealousy, sin... And the so-called 'bad' people may have in them sorrow, repentance, pity, sacrifice. Human beings are really complex. We may call a mystery.

The co-existence of the good and the bad in a human being is certainly real in the Church as well as in the world. The Church, as we know, does not consist of the saints only, but both the saints and the sinners. From a point of view, the Church is a temple with a hundred gates, and pilgrims enter from every angle. Ours is not a Church for those who feel good, but for those who know they are not. God who is always present to and guiding the Church is the God of all, good and bad alike.

This God is the very patient God. He is the God who always gives the second chance, the God who is love, the God who always "*governs us with great lenience*" (First Reading), God who is always ready to save and forgive, the God of everything good...

The explanation of Jesus about the parable is certainly worthwhile for us: "*The sower of the good seed is the Son of Man. The field is the world, the good seed is the subjects of the kingdom; the darnel, the subjects of the evil one; the enemy who sowed them, the devil; the harvest is the end of the world; the reapers are the angels...*"

We pray that we keep the 'wheat' growing up in our life, regardless of the presence of the 'weeds', from what we do and say, from how we live our life, even in the difficult and challenging time such as the Pandemic at the moment.

May God bless us all!!

John Hong.

Our Groups

So due to Covid our groups haven't been running. Some are starting in the next month, others are still to be confirmed. Here is a list of those we know:-

Youth Group—Friday 17th July

Youth Mass—Saturday 1st August

Craft and Coffee—Monday 20th July at 9:30am

Legion of Mary—Tuesday 4th August

ALPHA—are moving to online (call office for details)

Light and Presence—to be confirmed

50sPlus—to be confirmed

CLEO—to be confirmed

Baptism Preparation Session

We will be restarting Baptism Preparation Sessions, on Monday 27th July.
Please RSVP to attend. Spots will be limited. [Click here to RSVP.](#)

With Covid restrictions there are new processes about how things can happen.

Help Please...!!!!

So we are getting back up to normal numbers, therefore, it is time to start thinking about rosters. It's appropriate then to ask, if you are wanting to be a volunteer? We could really do with your help please. We need

Readers, Communion Ministers, Altar Servers, Mass Coordinators, Marshalls, and Cleaners.

We would love to here from you, please call Christy or Carrie on 3884 7600.

Mass Times This Week

- **Numbers from lunchtime on July 3 we will be able to host more people depending on the size of the Church. St Bernardine's can host 60, St Catherine's can host 40 and Our Lady of the Assumption also 40. But we will still have to book and sign in for some time.**
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- Please book each week for the Masses you would like to attend.
- You can book in over the internet. [You can click here and go straight there now.](#)
- You can ring the office on 38847600. Christy is here every weekday, between 8:30 and 12:30pm or email her at stbernardines@bne.catholic.net.au
- Please leave your name and telephone number if you leave a message so we can confirm your RSVP. We can't call you back if you don't leave a message.
- Mass bookings for this weekend can't be taken or confirmed after 230 on a Friday.

Date	Church	Time
Saturday 18th July	St Bernardine's Church	6:00pm
Sunday 19th July	Our Lady of the Assumption St Bernardine's Church St Catherine's Church	7:30am 9:00am 5:30pm
Tuesday 21st July	St Catherine's Church	8:00am
Wednesday 22nd July	St Bernardine's Church	9:00am
Thursday 23rd July	Our Lady of the Assumption Church	6:00pm
Saturday 24th July	St Bernardine's Church	6:00pm
Sunday 25th July	Our Lady of the Assumption St Bernardine's Church St Catherine's Church	7:30am 9:00am 5:30pm

If you feel even a little unwell, we ask you to please stay home and take care of yourselves.

Sunday Readings

First Reading
Responsorial Psalm
Second Reading

Book of Wisdom—12:13, 16-19
Lord, you are good and forgiving.
St Paul to the Romans— 8:26-27



Please Remember in your Prayers

Sick—Rhonda Axford
Anniversary—Ivica Favro, Anton Favro, Tony Wiermans
Recently deceased—Patricia Raven

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Post Fill in a [Professional Standards disclosure form](#) and post it to us at: PO Box 3264, Brisbane Qld 4001

Phone 1800 337 928 OR (07) 3324 3070
 Office hours 9.00am to 4.00pm Monday to Friday (excepting public holidays)

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