



Regents Park Catholic Parish

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

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

11th October 2020

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Parish Groups

Alpha Youth
Craft

Light and Presence
Legion of Mary

are all meeting either in person or via Zoom.

Please Remember in your Prayers Sick

Ron Burgess, Clare Conway, Sheila Eborn,
Judy McConville

Recently Deceased

Rosa Luz Aquilizan, Ann Carter

Anniversary

Bonifacio Delagon

Holidays

Fr John Conway will be on leave from 10th
October until 25th October for his annual
holiday.

During this time, Fr John Hong will be
available any needs, wants or concerns.

*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— Droughts and Barren Lands

Please continue to pray for an end to this terrible drought that is
so affecting our lands at this time.

Fr John on leave.

This weekend I celebrate with our family one of my nephew's
wedding at St Mary's in Ipswich. As that comes to an end I will
be on leave for a few short weeks, returning on the 26th October,
ready for another week of life and celebration, and hopefully
refreshed from my quiet sojourn in the midst of God's Kingdom.
While I am away, Fr John will be doing amazing things within the
parish, along with the great staff that administers and maintains
the life of our parish communities. See you in a few weeks.

(The other Fr John)

PARISH MEETINGS

Next meeting of the Leadership Team will be set in the weeks
ahead.

Adore Advent Program



This year we are again ordering Adore
Advent Program which has daily
devotional, art work reflection and weekly
Sunday Mass Scripture reflections.
Contact the office to order your book and
join in.

Cost will be \$5 per book.

It can be done as private reflection or in a group setting. If
you want to arrange a time to meet up at any of the
Churches, please let the office know.

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 are also wanting to restart our choirs!!

We would love to here from you, please call the office to chat.

Dear Parishioners,

We can see in the Scriptures certain images about the Kingdom of God. The readings this Sunday, 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A, point to us a significant image about the Kingdom of God. It is the image of a banquet for a wedding feast.

At least once in life, we are invited to a meal with our friends. We know that there are a lot of things happening at meals besides eating. When friends get together it can be a time of harmony and bonding, a time when people draw closer together. A meal is a powerful human moment. It may be why a meal is used so often in the Bible as a symbol of heaven and the kingdom of God. Prophet Isaiah (First Reading) uses the picture of a huge banquet on the Lord's mountain to illustrate God's purpose to reunite all nations and races. Jesus uses the image of a banquet in the parable of a wedding feast to show that now all people are invited to the kingdom of God.

The parable also tells us that those who were invited refused to go with certain excuses and the king asked his servants to *'go to the crossroads in the town and invite everyone you can find to the wedding'*. We know that those who live on the street are the poor, the lame, the outcasts, those who are ignored and even humiliated. For them, life seems to have no future plan as they have to struggle to live just today. Tomorrow means nothing. Therefore when they are invited, it is a great privilege and honour. Certainly they will respond with happiness, joy and gratitude.

Going to the wedding feast, the courtesy demands that any guest should have the proper wedding garment. One man came without it, the parable says, and the king said to the attendants: *"Bind him hand and food and throw him out into the dark."* It may symbolise a life that has undergone no basic change, a life that has not produced the fruits of repentance and love.

We pray that we always respond whole-heartedly to God's call in faith, hope and love...

May God bless us all!!

Fr John Hong.

Break Open the Word 2021—For those parishioners that are on our reading rosters, please note that we have ordered a number of these to help you when you are scheduled to read. **They will be available mid November.** Please let the office know if you are interested in one.

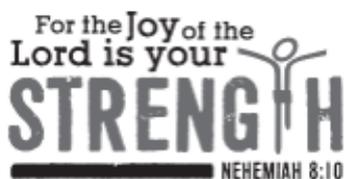
Advent 2021—we are starting to plan what the Advent season will look like for the parish. It also seems timely to start thinking about having our Choirs return with the start of Advent. If you would like to assist, re Advent or Choirs, please touch base with the office.



Baptism Celebrations

This weekend, we are celebrating the baptisms of **Niamh Rebecca Marsden, Martha Abigail Bradley and Gabriel William Craig.** Please pray for them as they celebrate their baptisms with us and we ask you, our Community to pray for them as they continue to grow in faith.

We will be holding our next Baptism Preparation Session, on Monday 26th October. Please RSVP.



Next weekend our parish will be holding the annual Catholic Mission Church Appeal. This year we are invited to partner with the Church in Cambodia, which is reaching out to those who have been affected by disability and giving them hope and support to live a fulfilling life.

Chen was just 16 years old when he lost both his legs in a landmine accident. Knowing that his life would never be the same, he felt hopeless, until he and his family were approached by the Arrupe Centre. Led by Bishop Enrique Figaredo Alvargonzalez, the Arrupe Centre provides children like Chen with support and opportunities they may not access otherwise.

Next week you will be offered the opportunity to personally partner with the Church in Cambodia as a monthly giving partner, with all gifts specifically directed to support community and child-focused programs in Cambodia. Please come prepared to give generously.



Free call: 1800 257 296
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Four C's



Previously known as The Craft Group, now known as the Four C's (standing for Coffee, Cake, Craft and Chat!!) are meeting on Monday morning at 9:30am. This will be in the Parish Centre. We hope to see you there.

Pastoral Thoughts

October is the month dedicated to the Holy Rosary. The Holy Rosary was the first prayer and the principal devotion of the faithful since the time of the apostles and disciples. It was only in the year 1214 that the Church received the Rosary in its present form by St. Dominic, who had received it directly from the Blessed Virgin, as a means of converting sinners. Click here for a tutorial in how to say it. <https://www.wikihow.com/Say-the-Rosary#Reciting-the-Holy-Rosary>

The Blessed Virgin Mary has appeared numerous times to many over the years. Many also speak of how, through the power of the Rosary, their lives have been transformed and their prayers answered. If still in doubt as to the power of the Rosary, this is what our Holy Mother said during her first apparition in Fatima on Sunday May 13th 1917, "**Recite the rosary every day to obtain the peace for the world**"

Tips on Saying the Rosary

- Contemplate the words and their meaning
- Use the word 'Jesus' as a speed bump
- Think of the person or intention while reciting the prayers
- Contemplate a mystery, what it means and how it relates to Jesus' life
- Say an extra Hail Mary, Our Father and Glory Be for Pope Francis
- Say it while you are driving, folding the clothes, washing up, on your walk, anywhere and anytime you have a quiet few minutes
- Split the Rosary up throughout the day, say a decade at a time

May you find comfort and peace in praying the Holy Rosary. **Pastoral Challenge—to say a decade everyday!!**

Mass Times This Week

- If you didn't get notified by either, email, Facebook, or by a mobile text, please sign up to Communicate Email. This comes out weekly and is used to keep you in the loop with all the Covid changes.
- Please book each week for the Masses you would like to attend.
- You can email Christy at stbernardines@bne.catholic.net.au
- 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 2:30pm. 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 confirmed after 12:30pm on a Friday.

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

Date	Church	Time
Saturday 10th October	St Bernardine's Church	6pm
Sunday 11th October	Our Lady of the Assumption St Bernardine's Church St Catherine's Church	7:30am 9:00am 5:30pm
Tuesday 13th October	St Catherine's Church	8:00am
Wednesday 14th October	St Bernardine's Church	9:00am
Thursday 15th October	Our Lady of the Assumption Church	6:00pm
Saturday 16th October	St Pauls de Chartres (not open to public yet) St Bernardine's Church	4:00pm 6:00pm
Sunday 17th October	Our Lady of the Assumption St Bernardine's Church St Catherine's Church	7:30am 9:00am 5:30pm

Sunday Readings

First Reading Isaiah—25:6-10
Responsorial Psalm I shall live in the house of the Lord, all the days of my life.
Second Reading St Paul to the Philippians— 4:12-14, 19-20
Gospel Matthew—22:1-14



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