



## Regents Park Catholic Parish

*Our Lady of the Assumption – St Bernardine's – St Catherine's*

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time A

19th February 2023

*'Listen to the voice of creation.'*

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

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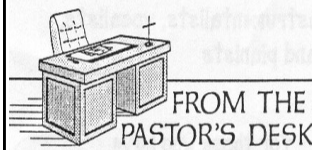
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### Ministry Matters

#### Pastoral Leadership Team Ministry 2023.

Last Monday Night the members of the PLT came together for our first meeting for 2023. It is time now to increase the membership of the PLT as some sitting members are due to come to the end of their term. So, the time has come to set about building the next PLT Team. It is now time for you to step up and consider nominating for the Pastoral Leadership team for the next two years.

The Nomination Forms will be at the front doors of the Churches. Please take a form, and nominate either yourself or someone from the parish you consider would be an effective member of this pastoral management team for our communities. If you do nominate another member of the parish to be involved in the PLT, please ask their permission before you complete the Nomination Form. It is always good to ensure that the Nominees know what is going on.

#### Nominations close

#### Sunday Evening 12th March.

Please return the completed Nomination Forms through the boxes provided in each Church.

There are times perhaps, when people may feel challenged by a commitment to have to travel so far to the parish centre for such regular meetings, so the current membership of the PLT has recommended that we open meeting participation through ZOOM rather than face to face all the time. Some people who may live close by can attend in person, but those who feel challenged by travelling so far for a meeting or those who are hesitant about driving at night, may choose to ZOOM instead. So, now you can be a part of the PLT without even leaving home.

This is an important ministry within the parish because it is a team that has oversight of just where we are going into the future. Scripture says that the harvest is rich but the laborers are few. Although, I am not sure that is true.

Yes the harvest is indeed rich, but the laborers are plentiful because our Churches are filled with people, like you, empowered by their own baptismal call to step up and offer your gifts and talents to the on-going life of our Church. You are the laborers called by God to play your own part in the life of our Church, and with your commitment to this ministry of leadership we can achieve great things, TOGETHER!

*God bless, Fr John*

### PARISH MEETINGS At Parish Centre

**Parish Finance Council**  
**5.00pm Mon 27th Mar 23**

**Parish Leadership Team**  
**6.00pm Mon 13th March 2023**

*Any items for the Agenda, please submit to the Parish Office on the Monday of the week before the scheduled meeting.*

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

## IMPORTANT DATES

**Wednesday 22 February 2023**

**ASH Wednesday**

Lenten Session — 10.00am  
St Bernardine's Church  
for the next six weeks

**Saturday 25 February 2023**

In-Service Session  
Deanery Initiative — 9.00am start for  
Session 9.30am to 11.30am  
Maximillian Kolbe Church Marsden

**Sunday 26 February 2023**

Lenten Sessions — 8.30am  
OLA Church — 8.30am  
St Catherine's Church — 4.15pm  
for the next six weeks

**Monday 27 February 2023**

Baptism Preparation Session  
07.00pm Parish Centre

**Wednesday 1 March 2023**

CLEO Dinner—5.30pm  
Jimboomba Tavern  
RSVP Astrid 0417 418 014

**Wednesday 1 March 2023**

ALPHA — 6.00pm  
St Bernardine's Parish Centre  
St Catherine's Church

**Monday 13 March 2023**

Sacramental Program Info Evening 7.00pm  
St Bernardine's Church  
(contact parish office for registration Forms)

**Thursday 16 March 2023**

Morning Tea or Lunch  
St Catherine's  
Venue TBA -St Catherine's Door

**Saturday 18 March 2023**

Working Bee — 8.00am  
St Catherine's Church

**Sunday 19 March 2023**

Sacrament of Penance  
after 9.00am Mass  
St Bernardine's Church

**Saturday 3 June and Sunday 4 June 2023**

First Holy Communion-St Bernardine's Church



## SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME 2023

### CONFIRMATION PARENT INFORMATION EVENING

**Monday, 13<sup>th</sup> March 2023 at 7.00pm**  
**St Bernardine's church.**

Parent's or guardian's of children in **Grade 3** and above are invited to attend.

**A PARENT OR GUARDIAN MUST ATTEND TO BE ELIGIBLE TO ENROLL.**

### SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

For children in Grade 5 and above who have been baptised, and received the sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion, are invited to register for the Sacrament of Penance.

#### Penance Workshop

Sunday, 19<sup>th</sup> March 2023 after 9.00am Mass.  
Please contact the parish office to book in.

#### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:

For children who have been Confirmed and are in Grade 4 and above

**First Holy Communion will be 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> June 2023.**

**Workshops dates will be advertised once finalised.**

Do you want to learn or want to know a bit more about the catholic faith? Or do you have unanswered questions about life and belief in God? Call Jo on 0419 733 878 for a casual cuppa and chat.

**Crossroads RCIA** – Crossroads RCIA will be commencing in May. This is offered for any high school children who may not have received the Sacraments of the Church. Please contact Jo Cullen 0419 733 878. or email [pastoral.stbern@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:pastoral.stbern@bne.catholic.net.au) for more information.

\*\*\*\* Keep an eye on the newsletter for start dates \*\*\*\*

### LENTEN SESSIONS

**St Bernardine's: Wednesdays 10.00am in church**

**OLA: Sundays 8.30am after Mass**

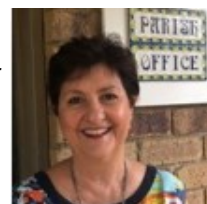
**St Catherine's: Sunday 4.15pm before Mass**

I hope you will take the opportunity to try to attend one or all of these reflective sessions.

God Bless you all

Josephine (Jo)

Ministry Coordinator



#### CUPPA and CHAT

Mondays in Parish Centre

#### Rosary before Mass

St Catherine's before 5.30pm Mass each Sunday.  
OLA before 7.30am Mass each Sunday



St Bernardine's Parish Centre: 6.00pm Wednesday 1 March

St Catherine's Church: 6.00pm Wednesday 1 March

Please register with parish office on 3362 8770  
for enquiries and for catering purposes.

## CATHOLIC LADIES EATING OUT DINNER (CLEO)

**Invitation** — Please feel free to come along and join in, you all are most very welcome.

We look forward to seeing some new faces to join us as we are a very informal, friendly and supportive group.

Jimboomba Tavern

Mt Lindesay Highway, Jimboomba

5.30pm Wednesday 1 March 2023

RSVP Astrid Raines on 0417 418 014 to confirm attendance as reservation numbers required by venue.

Brisbane Catholic Education is delighted to announce that it is currently working in collaboration with the Regents Park Catholic Parish to develop a new P-12 Catholic school at Flagstone.

To assist with planning, and to enable us to keep interested families updated, you are invited to submit an Expression of Interest.

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## LOGAN DEANERY IN-SERVICE DAY

Every two years the Archdiocese express and request that Lay ministers attend an in-service session.

Saturday, 25 February 2023 9.00am start for

Session 9.30am to 11.30am

Facilitated by Michael Mangan

Director of Liturgy Brisbane

RSVP to Jo Cullen -email [pastoral.stbern@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:pastoral.stbern@bne.catholic.net.au) or phone 0419 733 878 venue TBA

## Lenten Concert Series

Each Thursday in March at 12 noon  
in St Stephen's Cathedral

Come explore the 40-day journey of Lent through music—featuring compositions inspired by the key themes and scripture readings of Lent.

A time of inspiration and reflection before the 12.30pm Mass.

All welcome, free admission.



## WHAT DO ASHES SYMBOLIZE ON ASH WEDNESDAY?

The first day of Lent is Ash Wednesday. On this special day of reflection, Catholics wear a marking of the cross in ash on their foreheads. The ashes symbolize **our mortality** – “Remember you are dust, and to dust you shall return.” But you might be wondering, where do the ashes for Ash Wednesday come from? The ashes are from the previous year Palm Sunday.

### PALMS FROM LAST YEAR

If anyone has their palms from last year and would like to return them to the church, we will burn them for Ash Wednesday.

Ash Wednesday is important because **it marks the start of the Lenten period leading up to Easter, when Christians believe Jesus was resurrected.** The ashes symbolise both death and repentance. During this period, Christians show repentance and mourning for their sins, because they believe Christ died for them.

### FASTING FOR ASH WEDNESDAY AND LENT

**On Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, fasting rules allow Catholics to eat only one full meal and two smaller meals which, combined, would not equal a single normal meal. On Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and all Fridays of Lent: Everyone of age 14 and up must abstain from consuming meat.**

### Next Baptism Preparation Session:

Monday 27th February at 7.00pm

Please email the office to register attendance.



### CHILDREN'S LITURGY

26TH FEBRUARY 9AM MASS

## LITURGY OF THE WORD - YEAR A

This Sunday Readings - 7th Sun Ord Time Year A		Next Sunday Readings - First Sun of Lent Year A	
First Reading:	Ecclesiasticus 15:15-20	First Reading:	Genesis 2:7-9, 3:1-7
Responsorial Psalm :	Happy are they who follow the law of the Lord!	Responsorial Psalm :	Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.
Second Reading:	1 Corinthians 2:6-10	Second Reading:	Romans 5:12-19
Gospel:	Matthew 5:17-37	Gospel:	Matthew 4:1-11

Date	Mass Centre	Time
Sunday, 19th February <b>7th Sun Ord Time Year A</b> <b>PROJECT COMPASSION</b>	Our Lady of the Assumption St Bernardine's Church St Catherine's Church	7.30am 9.00am 5.30pm
Tuesday, 21st February <b>Anointing Mass</b> <b>Light and Presence</b> <b>St Peter Damian</b>	St Catherine's Church <b>St Bernardine's Church</b>	8:00am <b>7.00pm</b>
Wednesday, 22nd February <b>ASH WEDNESDAY</b> <b>FAST AND ABSTINENCE</b>	<b>Siena School Hall</b> <b>Parishioners welcome</b> St Bernardine's Church	<b>9:00am</b> 7:00pm
Friday, 24th February <b>Anointing Mass</b>	St Paul de Chartres Hall	9:00am
Saturday, 25th February <b>1st Sun Lent Year A</b>	St Paul de Chartres Hall St Bernardine's Church	4:00pm 6:00pm
Sunday, 26th February <b>1st Sun Lent Year A</b>	Our Lady of the Assumption St Bernardine's Church St Catherine's	7.30am 9.00am 5.30pm



Pray for those in our Parish who are unwell and in need of our prayerful support and offer your prayers also for those recently deceased and those whose anniversaries occur around this time and for the souls resting in the Columbarium

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God rest in peace.*

### LIGHT AND PRESENCE PRAYER

Tuesdays at 7.00pm  
St Bernardine's Church

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