



## Regents Park Catholic Parish

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

First Sunday in Lent Time A

26th 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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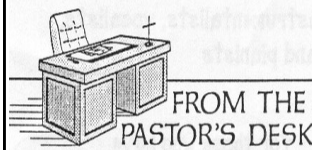
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#### School Principal

Mrs Jane Egan



### Ministry Matters

#### Ash Wednesday—The Lenten Journey.

Wednesday of last week marked the beginning of our Lenten Journey. Over the next six weeks of Lent, each of us will have the opportunity to stop, take time out of the busyness of our lives, even if only for five minutes a day, and be in the presence of God. Throughout these weeks of Lent there are many opportunities provided for us within the parish communities to find some time to build upon our connection with God.

It may be through the weekday Masses available, or through the 'Light and Presence Prayer' time on Tuesday Evening. It may be through one of the Lenten Prayer sessions available throughout the parish as well.

All of these events enable us to stop and to listen. To endeavour to hear the quiet whispers of God echoing through the busyness of our lives. It is for just six weeks that we are given this season of healing, listening and forgiveness that is our Lenten journey. It is a brief time in the midst of the many weeks and years of our lives when we can choose to stop and listen and immerse ourselves in the power and presence of God.

It may be a special time also when we choose our time of private prayer, to go into that secret place of our lives, that place that is known only to God and you, where we pause and pray in the silence of our hearts, and God will hear our prayer there as well.

Whatever way we choose to focus ourselves through this Lenten season, I hope and pray that this time given to us is so much more than just another six weeks of ordinary time in our lives. Let it be important. Let it be a time and a place for you and God. When that happens, when we find a quiet moment in our lives, even if only briefly, this time spent in the presence of God may change our lives, and that can make all the difference.

So, this Lenten season, as Jesus calls us to prepare for the fast approaching Easter season, give alms certainly, fast in your lives, whenever you are able and pray. Perhaps it is prayer that can indeed sustain us on the journey that is ahead.

May we share that journey together and uncover the wonder of our God in the ordinary and the everyday events of our lives.

*God bless, Fr John*

### PARISH MEETINGS At Parish Centre

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

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

*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

### 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

### Sunday 5 March 2023

Tea and Coffee  
after 9.00am Mass  
St Bernardine'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

### Sunday 19 March 2023

Tea and Coffee  
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: Tuesdays 7.00pm Light and Presence**

**Wednesdays 10.00am in Parish Centre**

**Wednesday 7.00pm Stations of the Cross**

**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.



Jo's recent visit to the Preps at St Bernardine's School - doing a great job



#### CUPPA and CHAT

Mondays in Parish  
Centre  
9.30am

#### Rosary before Mass

St Catherine's before  
5.30pm Mass each  
Sunday.

OLA before 7.30am  
Mass each Sunday

### 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.

### Morning tea after Mass

**Sunday 5 March after 9.00am Mass**  
**St Bernardine's Church**

(will be advertised permanently in the **Important Dates** section of the newsletter)

**Don't forget, please bring along a plate of 'goodies' to share**

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## CHILDREN'S LITURGY

### 9.00AM MASS ST BERNARDINE'S



**ALPHA - Come along...**

**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.*

**In this Weekend's Mass at St Bernardine's we  
welcome into our Catholic Community**

**6.00pm: Sayon Fernando**

Next Baptism Preparation Session:

**Monday 27th February at 7.00pm**

*Please email the office to register attendance.*

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**St Bernardine's School  
and Emmaus College attended the  
Project Compassion Launch  
at St Stephens Cathedral**



## LITURGY OF THE WORD - YEAR A

This Sunday Readings - First Sun of Lent Year A		Next Sunday Readings—Second Sun of Lent Year A	
<b>First Reading:</b>	Genesis 2:7-9, 3:1-7	<b>First Reading:</b>	Genesis 12:1-4
<b>Responsorial Psalm :</b>	Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.	<b>Responsorial Psalm :</b>	Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.
<b>Second Reading:</b>	Romans 5:12-19	<b>Second Reading:</b>	Timothy 1:8-10
<b>Gospel:</b>	Matthew 4:1-11	<b>Gospel:</b>	Matthew 17:1-9

Date	Mass Centre	Time
Sunday, 26th February <b>1st Sun Lent Year A</b>	Our Lady of the Assumption St Bernardine's Church St Catherine's Church	7.30am 9.00am 5.30pm
Tuesday, 28th February <b>Light &amp; Presence Prayer</b>	St Catherine's Church <b>St Bernardine's Church</b>	8:00am <b>7.00pm</b>
Wednesday, 1st March <b>STATIONS OF THE CROSS</b>	St Bernardine's Church <b>St Bernardine's Church</b>	9:00am <b>7.00pm</b>
Friday, 3rd March <b>Ember Day</b>	St Bernardine's Church	9:00am
Saturday, 4th March <b>Saint Casimir (OM)</b> <b>2nd Sun Lent Year A</b>	St Paul de Chartres Hall St Bernardine's Church	4:00pm 6:00pm
Sunday, 5th March <b>2nd Sun Lent Year A</b>	Our Lady of the Assumption St Bernardine's Church St Catherine's Church	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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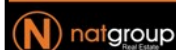
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