



Regents Park Catholic Parish

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

Feast of the Ascension Year A

21st May 2023

'I will be with you always—to the end of time.'

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 service.

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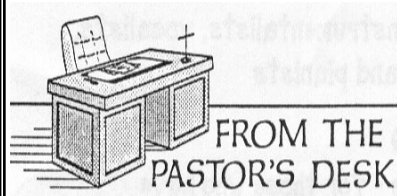
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Ministry Matters

THE ARCHDIOCESAN SUMMIT

Now come and gone, and we await the outcomes to be presented.

The Ascension of the Lord

Priority: Implementing Integral Ecology.

So we come to this sixth priority promulgated by Archbishop Mark in concert with the Archdiocesan Summit that has now come to an end. But there is so much that is contained within the writings on this particular subject and perhaps, once again, it is worth visiting the powerful reflection that grounds this particular priority. Discipleship we are told, is at its heart and the question that no doubt can confront us all from this particular priority: **What** is a Disciple? Then, the second question is associated with the first. **How** can we make more disciples? Let's stop and listen to the wisdom of the Archdiocese.

CORPUS CHRISTI Procession

This is an early reminder, but the Archdiocese is re-establishing the Corpus Christi procession after the COVID hiatus for the past few years. This year it returns on **Sunday 11th June** commencing at St Stephen's Cathedral at 2:00pm. I would ask you to please take a flyer from the door of the Church that is promoting this special event within the life of our Church.

BOOK OF PETITION

There is a Book enclosed which parishioners can use to record prayer intentions that will be presented at the Cathedral by members of the parish to place those written petitions at the feet of the Lord.

Parishioners have the next few weeks to record their prayer intentions that will be taken to the Cathedral on the Day of Corpus Christi.

Livestreaming

For those who cannot make it to the Cathedral for the Procession on the day, it will also be livestreamed via www.corpuschristibrisbane.com

God bless, Fr John

COLUMBARIUM 2023

Do you have a single or double niche booked in the Parish Columbarium? Please let the parish office know so that we can update our records in the office. Thank you for your assistance in this regard.



MANY
THANKS
see page 2 of
newsletter

PARISH MEETINGS At Parish Centre

Parish Finance Council
5.00pm Mon 5th June 2023

Parish Leadership Team
7.00pm Mon 12th June 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)

Lamps Ablaze: Apostolic Priorities for the Archdiocese of Brisbane

Priority Six: Implementing Integral Ecology

Natural and human ecology interact in mysterious and unmistakable ways. To interfere with one is to interfere with the other; to promote the good of one is to promote the good of the other. Fratelli Tutti (a recent Papal Encyclical) focuses more upon human ecology in speaking of the radical interconnectedness of all human beings at a moment when alienation and polarisation are making disconnectedness seem the norm. The Church is called in such a moment to be a sign of contradiction, speaking in a way that rises above politics and economics so that a genuinely biblical and Christian voice can be heard.

WITH
LAMPS
ABLAZE

Download the whole document at tinyurl.com/lampsablaze

ASCENSION SUNDAY

I am praying for them JOHN 17:9

Prayer is the foundation of our Faith and the foundation of Stewardship. Prayer is always the first best option in any situation-not just our last resort. Pray for friends and family, and especially for those that don't treat you very well. Pray to give praise, to thank, and to ask God for help. Pray to see what God wants you to do with the gifts He has given you. Teach others how to pray. It has been said that teaching someone how to pray is the best gift you can give someone.

Accessed 29/04/2023 from www.archstl.org/about-stewardship/bulletin-inserts/weeklybible-reflections

Everyone is invited to the
**Flores de Mayo
(Flowers of May)**
to honour the Most Blessed Virgin Mary on
Sunday, 28th May 2023



in St. Bernardine's church.
Highlights of this special day include
Rosary Procession at 2:30pm,
Flower Offering at 3:00pm,
followed by Holy Mass at 3:30pm
to be celebrated by Rev Father John Hong.
Light refreshment at 5:00pm will be shared
Please bring a plate for fellowship.

**St Bernardines
Morning Tea Dates**
Sunday, 4 June 2023
Sunday, 18 June 2023
After 9.00am Mass
bring a plate to share

This week is volunteer week. So To all our volunteers. We think you are AWESOME!!! What a great job you all do in being part of our church community and in the many ways you give of your time and talent to share with your community. Thank you for your service and for going above and beyond, especially with our church gardens, hospitality cuppas, cleaning, ministers who serve at Mass, Youth, finance team, PLT, St Vinnies and many many more who step forward and want to be part and make our churches so spiritually inviting. As Pastoral Ministry coordinator it is such a pleasure to work with you all. I can see the love you have for your community but mainly in building the Kingdom of God in any small special way. Fr John has also expressed the gratitude for everyone who give of themselves to support our churches in our parish. May you know you are appreciated especially in the Lord's eyes.

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SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME 2023

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Holy Communion Workshop

Sunday 28th May 2023

Workshop follows 9.00am Mass

Parents MUST attend

St Bernardine's Church

CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Saturday, 3rd June 2023 – 6pm St Bernardine's Mass

OR

Sunday, 4th June 2023 – 9am St Bernardine's Mass

Sunday, 4th June 2023 - 5.30pm St Catherine's Mass

Email address for Sacramental communication

sacramental.stbern@bne.catholic.net.au

or telephone the Parish Office on 07 3362 8770

Big thank you to the Year 4's at St Bernardine's who made the Mother's day Cards so hand out at St Bernardines' church as well as the lovely photos of Mother Mary.

Such a lovely thought.

CROSSROADS RCIA

Sacraments for children from year 7 upwards in high school are welcome to join the Crossroad RCIA program.

We have three high school students being welcomed into Crossroads RCIA this weekend.

Please offer up your prayers for them as they commence their RCIA journey

If anyone is interested in joining this group please contact Josephine Cullen on pastoral.stbern@bne.catholic.net.au or phone the parish office.

God Bless you all, Josephine (Jo) Pastoral Coordinator

Feast of St Bernardine

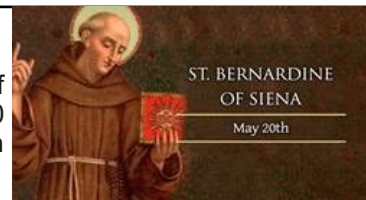
On May 20th, we celebrate the feast of Saint Bernardine of Siena (8 Sept 1380 – 20 May 1444). St Bernardine was a Franciscan theologian and preacher of great eloquence.

Of noble birth, Bernardine lost both parents by age seven.

He completed his education in Siena, where he then served the sick in hospitals, contracting and nearly dying of plague. Bernardine became a priest in 1404, but did not begin his renowned preaching tours through Italy until 1417. Appalled by the breakdown in morals, the lawlessness, and the civil strife that resulted from the Great Western Schism, he strove to restore morals by inculcating a deep personal love of Jesus Christ.

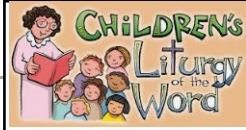
Bernardine demonstrated a remarkable concern for the poor as an outgrowth of his love for God. Having become accustomed to fasting, he preferred at times to go without any food in order to help someone in greater need.

Celebrate St Bernardine's feast day this weekend. After Sunday 9 am Mass we have a cuppa, cakes, sausage sizzle, lollies, icy poles





Easter Season

SUN 21st May <i>The Ascension of the Lord</i>	7.30am Mass 9:00am Mass 5:30pm Mass	Our Lady of the Assumption Church St Bernardine's Church St Catherine's Church	 SUNDAY, ST BERNARDINE'S
TUE 23rd May	8:00am Mass 7:00pm Light and Presence	St Catherine's Church St Bernardine's Church	
WED 24th May <i>OUR LADY, HELP of CHRISTIANS</i>	9:00am Mass	St Bernardine's Church	
FRI 26th May <i>St Philip Neri</i>	9:00am Mass 10.30am Mass	St Paul de Chartres Regis Aged Care	
SAT 27th May <i>St Augustine of Canterbury</i> PENTECOST SUNDAY	4:00pm Mass 6:00pm Mass	St Paul de Chartres St Bernardine's Church	
SUN 28th May PENTECOST SUNDAY	7:30am Mass 9:00am Mass 5:30pm Mass	Our Lady of the Assumption Church St Bernardine's Church..... Rosary before Mass St Catherine's Church..... Rosary before Mass	



The celebration of Pentecost takes place 27th/28th May.
We invite you to wear red, orange or yellow as a symbol of flames to Mass next weekend.

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This Sunday Readings — The Ascension of the Lord		Next Sunday Readings — Pentecost Sunday	
First Reading	Acts 1:1-11	First Reading	Acts 2:1-11
Responsorial Psalm	God mounts his throne to shouts of joy; a blare of trumpets for the Lord.	Responsorial Psalm	Lord, send out your spirit and renew the face of the earth.
Second Reading	Ephesians 1:17-23	Second Reading	Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13
Gospel	Matthew 28:16-20	Gospel	John 20:19-23



Next Baptism Preparation Session:

Monday 22nd May at 7.00pm

Please email the office to register attendance.

Invitation

Special Mass recognising National Reconciliation Week 2023

7.00pm on Thursday 1 June 2023

St Patrick's Church

24 Tobruk Street, Beenleigh

Scrumptious Supper After

All Welcome



Flowers

we are in need of flowers for the St Bernardine's church. A big thank you to our regular floral arrangers who so generously give each week by decorating the church. Due to illness

they will not be able to do this each week.

If anyone would like to donate some flowers or who is good at floral decorating please see Fr John or Jo. We have plenty of vases



Pray for those in our Parish who are unwell and in need of our prayerful support

Helen Harvey

and offer your prayers also for those recently deceased

Pablita A Santiano

and those whose anniversaries occur around this time

Diane McClelland

Peter and Rosa Perkovic;

and for the souls resting in the Columbarium.



Our St Bernardine's St Vincent de Paul conference would like to thank everyone for their most generous support of the Mother's Day raffle. Altogether we raised \$1225 on the raffle and another very kind donation of \$250. With an ever-increasing number of families coming to us weekly for help with necessities, this money will certainly aid us to continue giving some much needed assistance. May God bless you all.

Winners

1. J Holland
2. Vicki Spaexcatore
3. Lorraine Smith
4. Helen
5. Ruth McAtamney
6. Loan Nelson
7. Christin
8. Moe (Heritage Park)

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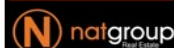
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