

Regents Park Catholic Parish

Our Lady of the Assumption – St Bernardine's – St Catherine's 2nd SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME B 14th January 2024

"Come and see, Jesus said to them."

We the Catholic Communities of Regents Park Parish, gather together in the presence of our loving God. To reflect on our Parish Values. To be respectful, Christ centred, inclusive, united, inspiring and generous in our service to God and the Community.

REGENTS PARK PARISH

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Ministry Matters:

Called and commissioned

It is amazing just how quickly this New Year is disappearing. Already we have reached the second week of January. Australia beat the Pakistani's 3 nil and now we wait for the next test of our Aussie cricketers, without the gifts and talents of Davey Warner as we welcome the West Indies cricketers to arrive and put our cricketers to the test once again.

But that is for another time and another place.

This weekend, we find ourselves in the midst of calls and commissions. There was a Night when Samuel had been called by God. Not once but three times, and eventually Samuel responded to God's presence within his life. Speak Lord, Samuel said, Your servant is listening.

That was all he had to say. In that one moment of encounter Samuel would be immersed in the power and the presence of God. It was God who called him, 'Samuel, Samuel,' and it was God who then would no doubt direct Samuel's life of being one of the great prophets of God.

But, it was only possible because Samuel chose to respond. He chose to open himself to the in-dwelling of that presence of God within his life. Speak, Lord, your Servant is listening. These few simple words would echo down through the lives of so many people who would also choose to stop and listen. Those who perhaps would sit and listen in that

sacred silence of the Night, when God would call, perhaps even by Name, as God had done with Samuel.

Called by Name to be an instrument of God's Kingdom at work in the world. But, again, like Samuel, it is important for all of us to listen for that call and invitation in the sacred silence of our lives and then be willing to respond, just as Samuel had done. Speak Lord, your servant is listening. When we do that, when we choose to respond to the invitation from God, then we chose to make a difference in the world.

God bless to all. Fr John.

BAPTISM at Our Lady of the Assumption

This Sunday Morning at the 7:30am Mass we welcome an initiate into our faith community through the Rite of Baptism,

Henry Stephen Harbort.

May God continue to bless and sustain Henry and his family as they continue to grow in faith.

TRANSPORT required for a lady who lives in Pinelia Court, Regents Park to Mass at St Bernardine's—if you live nearby and can assist please let the Office know.

Pastoral matters

Farewells for Fr John. Everyone is invited to attend where and when you can. Morning teas at churches: St Bernadine's Masses on Sat 20th and Sun 21st January. St Catherine's after Mass on Sun 21st January. OLA on Sun 28th January after Mass.

Friday 19 January– Greenbank RSL at 5.30pm for drinks and nibbles. All parishioners are welcome to attend. Please place your name and number of people attending on sheet at back of church or contact the Office,

<u>Fr Oneyma</u> will preside his first Masses in our parish across the weekend $3^{rd} \& 4^{th}$ Feb.

SACRAMENTAL DATES 2024



Penance for children in Years 5 & 6 are invited to receive God's Mercy

(reconciliation) on Sunday 3rd March after 9 am Mass,

please enrol at Parish Office.

Confirmation Parent Information Night—Wed 8th May,

Confirmation ceremony 23rd August

Communion Rite of Commitment with Workshop(1) 5th May,

First Holy Communion 16th June.

More information and registration paperwork will be advised in the New Year.

Are you interested in becoming Catholic or learning about the Catholic faith? Becoming Catholic involves a journey of faith, accompanied by the support of a parish community. This process is called Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, or **RCIA**. During the RCIA process you meet with others to share, reflect, pray and learn more about the Catholic faith. If you or someone you know would like to know more about becoming Catholic,

please contact Jo pastoral.stbern@bne.catholic.net.au

This year has certainly gone fast as we head into Ordinary time.

I want to especially thank the people who have stepped forward to be part of the different ministry groups. There are a couple of ministries that still need help. They are listed below. If you are interested or want to know more please contact me directly and I will gladly spend time training and showing you. We can't always leave it to the same people to provide each week. We need to support our parish and priest. Especially with a new priest starting I hope you all might take the opportunity to be involved.

- . Cleaners for the church (only once a month)
- . Hospitality (only once a month) to help set up for cuppa after Mass
- . Readers and communion ministers for all Masses
- . Altar servers (See Jo for training)
- . Welcomers to help welcome people prior to mass.
- . Mass coordinators (this is just setting up the items prior to mass (Training is provided)
- . Decorating the church for special Masses
- . Any new members who would like to join the Sacramental team.
- . Home and nursing home communion ministers (only once month) Commencing in March
- . Youth Musicians, guitar, keyboard, drums. (only once a month)

Please contact Jo on 0419 733 878 or pastoral.stbern@bne.catholic.net.

God Bless you all, Josephine (Jo) Pastoral Coordinator



WORSHIP

This Week: Second Sunday of Ordinary Time First Reading: Samuel 3:3-10, 19 Responsorial Psalm:

Here am I, Lord: I come to do your will. Second Reading: St Paul to Cor6: :13-15, 17-20 Gospel: John 1:35-42

Next Week: 3nd Sunday Ordinary Time First Reading: Jonah 3:1-5, 10 Responsorial Psalm: Teach me your ways, O Lord. Second Reading: 1 Cor 7 : 29-31 Gospel: Mark: 1:14-20

Prayer Requests for the sick: John McReady; Garry Edwards, John Grech, Chloe O'Ryan, Arthur Maloney, Gina Eldridge, Judy McConville, Suzie Collyer.

> Recently Deceased: Pat Delaney, Pua Faasavalei;

Anniversary of Death Nev Hunsley; Benedict Magaiua

Children's Liturgy will be taking a break over Christmas Holidays. It will return Sunday January 28th.

MASS TIMES - 14th Jan to 21st Jan Sunday Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

7.30am Mass Our Lady of the Assumption Church Rosary before Mass

9:00am Mass St Bernardine's Church

5.30pm Mass St Catherine's Church Rosary before Mass

Tuesday 16th January -8:00am St Catherine's Church Wednesday 17th January— St Anthony 9:00am St Bernardine's Church Friday 19th January 9:00am Mass St Paul de Chartres

Saturday 20th JanuarySaint Fabion & Saint SebastianThird Sunday in Ordinary Time4.00pmMass St Paul de Chartres6.00pmMass St Bernardine's ChurchSunday 21st January

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 7.30am Mass Our Lady of the Assumption Church Rosary before Mass
- 9:00am Mass St Bernardine's Church
- 5.30pm Mass St Catherine's Church Rosary before Mass

Reconciliation Times

St Bernardine's Saturday 5:15pm- 5:45 pm.

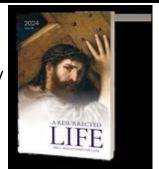
Or by appointment with Fr John

Light and Presence **Will resume on 5 March 2024** From 7pm to 8pm Tuesday St Bernardine's Church.



Date Claimer—Ash Wednesday 14 February

Lenten Books will be on sale shortly—please place your name with the Mass Co-ordinators to secure a copy at \$5 each (content of the books vary each year).



No Baptisms till March please call parish office for Baptism information nights to attend first.

A month ago Tropical Cyclone Jasper hit Far North Queensland. We have all seen the devastation on the NEWS. The total loss of homes, evacuations and unbelievable flooding was enormous. With Fr Conway's blessing, the Finance Council has donated \$5000 to the St Vincent de Paul Cyclone and Flood Appeal on behalf of all Parishioners. Other parts of Australia have also been hit by Mother Nature's fury. Let's keep all those affected by disaster in our prayers.

For lovers of poetry, Dorothea McKellar's "I Love a Sunburnt Country" sums up the devastation.

From Regent's Park Parish Finance Council.



Regents Park Catholic Parish - Churches/Mass Centres



St Bernardine's Church 25 Vergulde Road Regents Park Qld 4118



St Catherine's Church 74-76 East Street Jimboomba Qld 4280



Our Lady of the Assumption 4095-4105 Mt Lindesay H'way Park Ridge South Qld 4125 Stoney Camp Road Exit Mt Lindesay Highway



Book online @ mnjpestcontrol.com.au

Email mnjpestcontrol@gmail.com Phone: 0422646111 ... Tina Edwards St Bernardine's Church Morning Tea Dates

CUPPA and CHAT: All welcome 9.30am Mondays In The Parish Centre

Sunday, 21 January 2024 Sunday, 4 February 2024 **after 9.00am Mass** *bring along a plate to share.*

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