SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR B

25th February 2024

Regents Park Catholic Parish





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.

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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Reflections on the Rite of Election: A Journey of Grace by John, Caleb & Michael.

Attending the Rite of Election of Catechumens was an enriching experience that left an profound mark on my spiritual journey. Under the guidance of Archbishop Mark Coleridge, the ceremony unfolded with a depth and richness that spoke to the very essence of faith. Archbishop Coleridge's Words of Introduction, where he likened the Holy Spirit to the gentle yet



powerful presence of dew in the Holy Land, resonated deeply with me. His eloquence painted a vivid picture of survival for those who know where to look in seemingly desolate landscapes. As we stepped outside to gather on the lawn after the Rite, a gentle yet powerful breeze swept through us; the presence of the Holy Spirit reaffirming the Archbishop's words. I am immensely grateful to my fellow catechumens, sponsors, godparents, and church members who have walked alongside me on this journey.

Their generosity, support, and willingness to share has been valuable and appreciated. Embracing baptism as an adult has been both meaningful and inspiring, paving the way for the new life of Easter ahead. As we journey together towards this sacred season, let us continue to be guided by the gentle yet powerful presence of the Holy Spirit, binding us together in faith, hope, and love. **John Davey**

On the 18th of February, something extraordinary happened. It marked the beginning physical steps of my journey towards confirmation and Eucharist. When I arrived at the Cathedral, I had felt a great sense of fear, seeing the confessionals didn't help but it also reminded me of all the great things that are to come. As the ceremony unfolded the fear was erased and replaced with a sense of welcome and love, receiving the blessing and knowing that my other fellow candidates were there with me, was a physical sign of the acceptance I've only known so far into the Catholic faith. That afternoon exceeded all my expectations, and it's precisely because the ceremony itself surpassed my expectations that it's difficult to capture the entirety of the afternoon in just one paragraph. To sum it all up, the afternoon was brilliant, it was welcoming, it was full of joy and celebration, and it was a humbling experience far beyond any words. It reminded me of the power of faith and community. **Caleb Perkins**

Undergoing the Rite of Election was a wonderful experience. I felt an overwhelming sense of joy and spiritual reaffirmation when declaring my commitment to a deeper relationship with God. Listening to gospel (in) and singing hymns (out) felt like calming breaths to my soul. I was touched to see hundreds of people come in support of the catechumen. It made me feel connected to a larger community for the first time and encouraged me to continue my journey. The RCIA has opened my eyes to what I've been missing. I can't wait to finally get Baptised! *Michael Young*

MASS TIMES

Monday 26th February 8.00am Mass St Catherine's Church, Jimboomba

Wednesday 28th February

9.00am Mass St Bernardine's Church

Friday 1st March - Ember Day

9:00am Mass St Paul de Chartres 7.00pm Stations of the Cross St Bernardine's Church

Saturday 2nd March

Third Sunday of Lent

4.00pm Mass St Paul de Chartres6.00pm Mass St Bernardine's Church

Sunday 3rd March Third Sunday of Lent

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 Catherine's Monday after Mass St Bernardine's Wednesday after Mass St Bernardine's Saturday after Mass or by appointment with Fr Onyema



St Bernardine's

Thursday of the Lord's Supper

	28 March – 6.30pm
Good Friday Passion	29 March – 3.00pm
Easter Vigil	30 March – 6.00pm
Easter Sunday	31 March – 9.00am

Our Lady of the Assumption

Way of the Cross Easter Sunday 29 March – 10.00am 31 March – 7.30am

St Catherine's

Thursday of the Lord's Supper

Way of the Cross Easter Sunday 28 March – 4.30pm 29 March – 10.00am 31 March – 11.00am

This Week: Second Sunday of Lent

1st Reading: Genesis 22:1-2, 9-13, 15-18 Responsorial Psalm:

I will walk in the presence of the Lord, in the land of the living. 2nd Reading: Romans 8:31-34 Gospel: Mark 9:2-10

Next Week: Third Sunday of Lent

1st Reading: Exodus 20:1-17 Responsorial Psalm: *Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.*

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:22-25 Gospel: John 2:13-25

Prayer Requests for the sick of our parish

Hernan Martinez, Val Rooney, Ron Herbert, John McReady, John Grech, Arthur Maloney, Gina Eldridge, Suzie Collyer.

Prayers for the Recently Deceased & Anniversaries

Ivor Biddlecombe

Children's Liturgy

Sunday 9am St Bernardine's during school term. For school aged children unless accompanied by a parent.

Baptism Preparation

Next Baptism Preparation Session *Monday 26th February at 7.00pm St Bernardine's Church* Please email the office to register attendance. stbernardines@bne.catholic.net.au

Light and Presence

Will resume on 5 March 2024 7pm to 8pm Tuesday St Bernardine's Church.

Cuppa and Chat - All Welcome

9.30am Mondays In The Parish Centre

St Bernardine's Church Morning Tea Dates Sunday, 3 March 2024 Sunday, 17 March 2024

after 9.00am Mass bring along a plate to share.

Parish Meetings at Parish Centre

Parish Finance Council 5.00pm Mon 11th March 2024

Parish Leadership Team 7.00pm Mon 11th March 2024

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



SACRAMENTAL DATES 2024

SACRAMENT OF PENENCE

For children in Grade 5 and above who have been baptised, and received the Sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion are invited to receive God's Mercy (reconciliation) on **Sunday 3rd March** after 9am Mass.

For all enrolment enquires please email sacramental.stbern@bne.catholic.net.au





FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

For children who have been Confirmed and are in Grade 4 and above. Rite of Commitment with Workshop **5th May**, First Holy Communion Mass **15th/16th June**. Registration will open **April**.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION For children in Grade 3 and above Parent Information Night - Wed 8th May, Confirmation Ceremony 23rd August. Registration will open in May.



PASTORAL MATTERS

Lenten Retreat

Saturday 16 March, at OLA, 9.15 sharp to 2.30pm. \$5 to cover morning tea and lunch. Please let us know of any dietary requirements. Set aside this time for prayerful reflection.

God Bless you all, Josephine (Jo)

Pastoral Coordinator



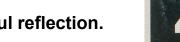


AGEING WISELY: FREE SEMINAR

The Archdiocese of Brisbane's free Ageing Wisely seminar provides advise and information on a range of pertinent matters, as a service to older parishioners. The seminar will feature professional guest speakers and will provide information on estate planning and legal advise, retirement planning and financial advice, charitable gifts in wills and perpetual endowments, funeral planning and in-home support services.

Date:	Tuesday 12 March
Time:	9.30am - 1.30pm
Venue:	Our Lady of Lourdes
	121 Mains Rd, Sunnybank
RSVP: se	ec.sunnybank@bne.catholic.net.au
	y Thursday 7 March

Morning Tea & lunch provided free of charge.





The Hut St Bernardine's Catholic Church

Register Here



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