Regents Park Catholic Parish





25 Vergulde Road Regents Park Qld 4118



St Catherine's Church

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Our Lady of the Assumption

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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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HUMILITY IN SUFFERING AND SERVICE

Today we are beginning the best week in the whole liturgical year. Centuries ago it was called the 'Great Week'. But today the Mother Church calls it 'Holy Week'. We follow Jesus every step of the way. We start with his triumphant entry into Jerusalem (Palm Sunday), where he is welcomed, applauded and acclaimed, by a big crowd of followers.



On Thursday we will join him at table and receive the gift of Himself in bread and wine. After dining with him we will walk with him along the path that leads from the Upper Room to the Garden of Olives. There, we will see him falling to the ground in fear and anxiety about the cruel death that awaits him.

Friday will find us standing beside his mother at the foot of the cross, and feeling compassion for him in both his physical agony and his mental torment. We will be feeling especially some of his sense of being alone and abandoned, betrayed, and deserted, not only by friends and followers, but even by God (Matthew 27:46 – *'Eli Eli, Lema Sabathani?"* – *My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"*).

On Saturday we will be quiet and silent around his tomb, as we remember the injustice, hostility and cruelty, of all those people who crucified him. Then, late on Saturday, we will move from the darkness of our journey to the place of the brightly burning fire. There, we will join the procession of the great Easter Candle, representing the Risen Christ, as he lights up the darkness of our church and lives. There and then, the pain and sadness of our journey with Jesus to Calvary, will give way to the hope and joy that comes with our awareness.

Jesus Christ is not dead and gone. No, he is alive, strong and powerful, alive in himself, and alive in us. And so, with the gift of the Holy Spirit in us, we will be hearing in our hearts those assuring words that Juliana of Norwich wrote in her book; "Vision of Christ" thus: 'All will be well, all will be well, all manner of things will be well.'

Peace and Grace to you all. Fr Onyema

"If a grain of wheat falls on the ground and dies, it yields a rich harvest." John 2:13-25

MASS TIMES

Monday 25th March

8.00am Mass St Catherine's Church, Jimboomba

Wednesday 27th March

9.00am Mass St Bernardine's Church

Thursday 28th March

Thursday of the Lord's Supper

4.30pm Mass St Catherine's Church, Jimboomba

6.30pm Mass St Bernardine's Church

Friday 29th March

FRIDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

10.00am Way of the Cross

Our Lady of the Assumption Church

10.00am Way of the Cross

St Catherine's Church

3.00pm Good Friday Passion

St Bernardine's Church

Saturday 30th March

PASCHAL VIGIL IN THE HOLY NIGHT

6.00pm Mass St Bernardine's Church

Sunday 31st March

SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION

7.30am Mass Our Lady of the Assumption Church

9:00am Mass St Bernardine's Church

11.00am Mass St Catherine's Church

(NO SUNDAY EVENING MASS)



EASTER HOLIDAYS

The office will be closed
Friday 29th March to
Monday 8th April

to give our staff and

wonderful volunteers a well earned break after a very busy Lent and Easter.

During this time for an emergency that only requires a priest please phone **0475 436 247**.

This Week: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

1st Reading: Isaiah 50:4-7

Responsorial Psalm:

My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

2nd Reading: Philippians 2:6-11

Gospel: Mark 15:1-39

Next Week: Easter Vigil of the Resurrection of the Lord.

1st Reading: Genesis 1:1-2:2

Responsorial Psalm:

Lord send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

2nd Reading: Exodus 14:15-15:1

Responsorial Psalm:

Let us sing to the lord; he has covered himself in glory.

3rd Reading: Isaiah 55:1-11

Responsorial Psalm:

You will draw water joyfully from the springs of salvation.

Epistle: Romans 6:3-11

Gospel: Mark 16:1-7

Next Week: Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

1st Reading: Acts of the Apostles 10:34, 37-43

Responsorial Psalm:

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

2nd Reading: Colossians 3:1-4

Gospel: John 20:1-9

Prayer Requests for the sick of our parish

Claude Smith, Hernan Martinez, Ron Herbert, John McReady, John Grech, Arthur Maloney, Gina Eldridge, Suzie Collyer.

Prayers for the Recently Deceased

Eric Martin

Children's Liturgy

Sunday 9am St Bernardine's during school term.

For school aged children unless
accompanied by a parent.

Baptism

Next Baptism Preparation Session

Wednesday 27th March at 7.00pm St Bernardine's Church

Please email the office to register attendance stbernardines@bne.catholic.net.au

9.30am Mondays In The Parish Centre

Cuppa and Chat - All Welcome



St Bernardine's Church Morning Tea Dates Sunday, 7 April 2024 Sunday, 21 April 2024

after 9.00am Mass bring along a plate to share.

Parish Meetings at Parish Centre

Parish Leadership Team

7.00pm Wed 10th April 2024

Parish Finance Council 5.00pm Mon 13th May 2024

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

SACRAMENTAL DATES 2024



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

During Lenten week 6 Send a letter to a person who you have not spoken to for a long time or perhaps had unkind words you have had.













As the sacramental journey commences in our parish. The sacraments are celebrated Confirmation first then First Holy Communion.

Parent information night will be on 22nd April in the parish office centre at 7pm. Children are not expected to attend. Please phone Jo if you have any further questions 0419 733 878.

Last Saturday over 30 parishioners attended the Lenten retreat held at Our Lady of the Assumption. This was a day of prayer and quiet reflection for all of us to prepare for Holy Week. Fr Onyema opened and closed the retreat as well as offered private reconciliation in the beautiful gardens. The joy and friendship on the day was truly amazing. I want to especially thank all the people who came along to prepare their hearts and minds for Holy Week. It was extra special for people to take time out of their busy lives to join in prayer for our saviour. Peace and blessings

God Bless you all, Josephine (Jo) Pastoral Coordinator





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March 24 2024 -Palm Sunday

"Pilate again said to them, 'Then what shall I do with the man whom you call the King of the Jews?' And they cried out again, 'Crucify him.'" Mark 15:12-13

Jesus told us "whatever you do for the least of my brothers, you do for me." Everyday we are presented opportunities to help someone. Everyday we have the opportunity to see the face of Jesus in others and be the face of Jesus to others. Everyday we pass by someone in need. Pray for the strength and courage to be the answer to someone's prayer.



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I would like to thank Father Onyema and all the parishioners that have kept me in their prayers while I was unwell. I am slowly recovering thanks to your prayers.

> God Bless Val Rooney