

Regents Park Catholic Parish

**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.

*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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School Principal: Mrs Jane Egan

Safeguarding Update:-**Pontifical Commission for the Protection of Minors Annual Report on Church Policies and Procedures for Safeguarding**

"The Pontifical Commission for the Protection of Minors has published its first annual report on safeguarding in the Church globally. Some global "challenges" identified included:

- long delays in processing abuse cases by the Dicastery for the Doctrine of the Faith;
- lack of resources for safeguarding training;
- clericalism and prioritizing the church's reputation over supporting victims and survivors;
- lack of effective measures in current safeguarding activities to address abuse online; and
- inadequate formation to help clergy in understanding and promoting safeguarding.

Some key areas for further action set out in the report include:

- providing "access to the truth," especially for victims wanting information about their allegations of abuse and the status of their alleged abuser;
- a clear, uniform definition of what constitutes a "vulnerable adult";
- the need for a disciplinary or administrative proceeding that provides an efficient path for resignation or removal from office" of church leaders; and
- promoting the theological-pastoral vision of child dignity and human rights.

Cardinal Sean P. O'Malley emphasized the importance of including victims' voices and ensuring accountability to prevent future abuses.

Juan Carlos Cruz, another commission member, communications executive and abuse survivor, said that it is true that the annual report is "not perfect" and is just "the tip of the iceberg" with so much more to do.

But, he said, "I've realized that there are many more good people in the church, many more good people, than bad."

"What happens is if the good people don't talk, they don't speak and they don't do things like this report, the bad people are very good at doing their evil, so they win," he said.

Encouraging other victims to tell their stories, Cruz said that people must keep "bringing light where many wanted darkness."

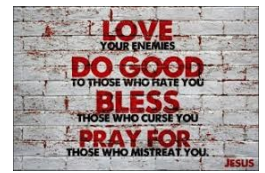
The report notes this positive trend:-

A meaningful commitment to the concepts of the conversational justice framework in Oceania (Australia and New Zealand) has been realised through the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse (Australia) and the ongoing Royal Commission of Inquiry into Abuse in State Care and in the Care of Faith-based Institutions (New Zealand)."

At our Parish level, it is important to remember – "Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility". We all need to be aware of our surroundings and activities and ensure everyone is safe, especially our children and adults-at-risk. It is also important to keep our Safeguarding training updated.

The full report is available <https://www.tutelaminorum.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/10/English-AR-Digital-Version-2024-1.pdf>

Juan McGuire Local Safeguarding Representative



MASS TIMES

Wednesday 26th February

9.00am Mass St Bernardine's Church
6.30pm RCIA session (parish centre)

Thursday 27th February

Saint Gregory of Narek (OM)
8.00am Mass St Catherine's Church

Friday 28th February

9.00am Mass St Paul de Chartres

Saturday 1st March

Saturday Mass of the Blessed Virgin Mary
EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
4.00pm Mass St Paul de Chartres
6.00pm Mass St Bernardine's Church

Sunday 2nd March

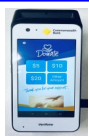
EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
7.30am Mass Our Lady of the Assumption Church
9.30am Mass St Bernardine's Church
11.30am Fijian Community Mass
5.30pm Mass St Catherine's Church

Reconciliation Times

St Bernardine's Wednesday **after** Mass
St Catherine's Thursday **after** Mass
St Bernardine's Saturday **after** Mass
OR BY APPOINTMENT WITH FR ONYEMA

Jo and Bassania will be out of the office Monday 24th February. Whilst the office will still be open please be patient for a reply to email or phone message.

The parish has just received an eftpos machine. It can be used for donations and the piety stall at each church.



PLEASE help to contribute to the running and growth of our parish, there are several ways of giving.



Parish Giving App

The Archdiocese of Brisbane has created an App directly for our parish that you can get to via Apple store, Android store.



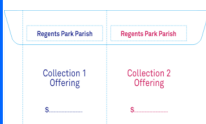
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Collection plate at Mass.

This Week: SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

1st Reading: 1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23
Responsorial Psalm:
The Lord is kind and merciful.
2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:45-49
Gospel: Luke 6:27-38

Next Week: EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

1st Reading: Sirach 27:4-7
Responsorial Psalm:
Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.
2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:54-58
Gospel: Luke 6:39-45

Prayer requests for the sick of our parish

Luka Gabriel, Donald Wallace, Andrea Armanasco, ,
Doug Bakon, Eva & Bilo Tarr, Cely Geronimo,
Claude Smith, John Grech, Arthur Maloney,
Gina Eldridge, Suzie Collyer.

Prayers for recently Deceased

Trish Scammell, Virginia Guingon,
Terry Cridland, Dorothy Pighills

Children's Liturgy

Children's Liturgy Sunday 9.30am St Bernardine's .
**For school aged children
unless accompanied by a parent.
Please book in your children .**

Baptism



This weekend through Baptism
at St Bernardine's we welcome
into our Catholic Community

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**Next Baptism Preparation Session
Wednesday 19th March 7.00pm
St Bernardine's Church**

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

Cuppa and Chat - All Welcome

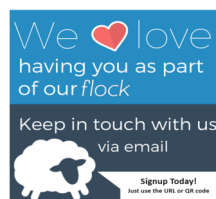


Cuppa and Chat
Monday 9.30am in the Parish Centre.

St Bernardine's Church Morning Tea

Dates Sunday, 2 March 2025
Sunday, 16 March 2025

after 9.30am Mass *bring along a plate to share.*



Parish Meetings at Parish Centre

Parish Leadership Team

5.30pm Wed 12th March 2025

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



Men's Group Breakfast was such a success. A wonderful group of men met on Saturday morning led by men alive to share stories, friendship and fellowship. Look out for the next men's group event.

MINISTRY GROUPS- As we have more ministry groups commencing in the Parish. We have found more making use of the Parish Centre and Hut at ST Bernardines. If you wish to use these 2 areas could you please book at the parish office please. This will avoid disappointment. Each time you need the centre or hut you will need to book. This does not apply to Children's Liturgy.

SACRAMENTAL – Children who received the Sacraments of Confirmation and Holy communion will need to confirm attendance at the Mass on the **16th March** for their commitment ceremony and to receive their workbook. The actual session date will be the **30th March**. Contact parish office for more details or questions.



Easter Palms for Ash Wednesday – If you would like to bring along your **BLESSED PALMS** from last year please place it in the bucket that is at the front of the church. The week before Ash Wednesday Fr Onyema will burn the palms for our ashes on the **5th March**.

The next **Encounter kids** primary school youth group is **Friday 7th March 3.30pm-5.30pm** register at www.encountercatholickids.com.au

God bless you all, Josephine (Jo) Pastoral Coordinator



Primary Aged Youth Group

Friday Afternoons
once a month till 5:30pm
The Hut
St Bernardine's Catholic Church



Register Here

www.encountercatholickids.com.au



2025 EASTER SCHEDULE

Ash Wednesday - 5th March

St Bernardine's	Mass 6.30am
St Bernardine's School Hall (parishioners welcome)	Liturgy 9.00am
St Catherine's	Mass 4.30pm
Our Lady of the Assumption	Mass 6.30pm

2nd Rite of Reconciliation

St Catherine's	Monday 7 April 6.00pm
St Bernardine's	Monday 14 April 6.30pm

St Bernardine's

Thursday of the Lord's Supper	17 April – 6.00pm
Way of the Cross	18 April – 1.45pm
Good Friday Passion	18 April – 3.00pm
Easter Vigil	19 April – 6.00pm
Easter Sunday	20 April – 9.30am

Our Lady of the Assumption

Way of the Cross	18 April – 7.30am
Easter Sunday	20 April – 7.30am

St Catherine's

Thursday of the Lord's Supper	17 April – 4.00pm
Way of the Cross	18 April – 10.00am
Easter Sunday	20 April – 11.00am

St Paul de Chartres

Thursday of the Lord's Supper	17 April – 9.00am
Easter Saturday	20 April – 4.00pm

Stations of the cross will be held each Friday during Lent at 7.00pm in St Bernardine's Church. Beginning 7th March.

Sacramental Programme 2025



Registrations for PENANCE is open, last years First Holy Communion families have been emailed information. Please RSVP attendance.

PENANCE (Year 5 and above)

Rite of Commitment -
16 March 9.30am Mass St Bernardine's Church

Penance, God's Mercy and Forgiveness -
30th March 9.30am Mass St Bernardine's Church

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION (Year 4 and above)

Dates to be advised.

CONFIRMATION (Year 3 and above)

Parent Information and Registration Night-
Wednesday 25th June 7.00pm St Bernardine's Church

More dates to be advised.

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February 23, 2025 - Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

"But rather, love your enemies and do good to them, and lend expecting nothing back; then your reward will be great and you will be children of the Most High, for he himself is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful." Luke 6: 35-36

Reflect, today, upon the unlimited love God has for you. It is beyond what you could ever comprehend. Reflect, also, upon the great benefit there is in opening yourself to God's perfect love, kindness, generosity and mercy. The benefit is that you are able to be filled with that which you receive. And as you receive this love of God, it necessarily overflows into the lives of everyone you encounter, the good and the wicked. Everyone must always be offered this love. Do not hesitate, for God does not hesitate with you