



THE MASSABIELLE

THE WEEKLY NEWSLETTER OF ST BERNADETTE'S PARISH COMMUNITY

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WEEKLY MASS TIMES

Monday, Tuesday

6:45am

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday

6:45am, 9:15am

Saturday and Public Holidays

8:00am

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil

5:00pm

Sunday

7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am,

6:00pm

RECONCILIATION TIMES

Saturday

8:30am-9:00am

4:00pm-4:30pm

Or by appointment

16-17 MARCH 2024 *FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR B*

HOLY WEEK MASS TIMES

Please take a copy of the Massabielle home for reference

Palm Sunday 23/24 March

Saturday 5pm Vigil,
Sunday 7:30am, 9am, 10:30am, 6pm
Palms available to take home.

Wednesday 27th March

Morning masses as per normal 6:45am, 9:15am.
Chrism Mass 7:30pm at St Patrick's Cathedral
Parramatta. All welcome.

Holy Thursday 28th March

No morning mass.
Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:30pm.
Please return your Project Compassion boxes.
Food donations for the House of Welcome will be
accepted at this mass. For further details please
see inside bulletin.

Good Friday 29th March

No morning mass.
Stations of the Cross 9:30am and 12noon
Stations of the Cross acted out by the youth and
young adults of the Parish.
Both sessions last approx. 1hr.
Reconciliation 10:30am-2:30pm.
No reconciliation after 3pm Liturgy.
Passion of the Lord Liturgy 3pm.
Parish Office closed.

Easter Vigil 30th March

No morning mass
Blessing of the Easter Food 11am
Vigil Mass 7:00pm
No Reconciliation on Holy Saturday

Easter Sunday 31st March

Masses as per normal –
7:30am, 9am, 10:30am and 6pm

Easter Monday 1st April

8am mass only.
Public Holiday.
Parish Office closed.

DONATIONS TO SUPPORT THE PARISH

Donations can be made using the bank details below, the QR code, or via the Tap-and-go machines and cash collection boxes in the church. Your donations are greatly appreciated.



SUPPORT DONATIONS

For EFT to the First Collection - supporting the priests

BSB 067 950
Account No 00004265
Account Name Diocesan Clergy
Reference 6006 Your name

EFT to the Second Collection – for support of the Parish

BSB 067 950
Account No 00000032
Account Name Castle Hill Catholic Church
Reference Second Collection (Your Name)

SACRAMENTS

For First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation programs for school children please contact Mrs Christine Jenneke (Sacramental Co-ordinator) at sacraments@stbernadette.org.au or 0433 183 322

For Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals and Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA), please contact the Parish Office on 9634 2622 or at admin@stbernadette.org.au for bookings and further details.

Baptisms are held on the 1st, 2nd and 5th (when occurring) Sunday of each month at 12noon.

Note the church law: parents are obliged to take care that infants are baptised within the first few weeks. As soon as possible after the birth indeed even before it, they are to approach the pastor to request the sacrament for their child and to be prepared properly for it. [Can. 867§1]

NEW TO THE PARISH

We would like to welcome all new parishioners. If you are new to the parish, please collect a registration form from the foyer or the Parish Office and please come and say hello to one of the Clergy or Nancy at mass.

Welcome

Youth

St Bernadette's
Parish Castle Hill
Youth

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SENIOR YOUTH FRIDAY 22ND MARCH

Friday 22nd March in the St Joseph's Room.

Our Senior Youth (Yrs 5-8) will be looking at What is Gender? For more details on the term plans for both Senior and Junior youth, scan the QR codes.



PASSION PLAY 2024

The youth and young adults of the parish present the Passion of our Lord on Good Friday at 9:30am and 12noon. All high school aged students and young adults are invited to be involved in this year's Passion Play. For more information, please speak to Fr Matthew Dimian, Mrs Puspa Winendiah, or contact the Parish Office. To sign up please scan the QR code.



YOUNG ADULTS BIBLE STUDY (16-35yrs)

Wednesday evenings 7:30pm-9:30pm in the St Joseph's Room.

YOUNG ADULTS NIGHT 17TH MARCH

Our Young Adults Nights (18-35 Yrs) is on Sunday 17th March 7:00pm-9:00pm in the St Joseph's Room. Guest Speaker Lindsay Nakhoul will be sharing on The Single Vocation.



ROSTERS 23-24 MARCH 2024

Mass	Vigil	7:30am	9:00am	10:30am	6:00pm
Ministry					
Lectors	Judith Donoghue John Geoghegan Lourdes Nathan	Ross Pinkerton Graeme Kearns Jacinta Kearns	Goeffrey Kemmis Jennifer Piyush Shane Robinson	Irene Ngu Jeethu Bobby May O'Connell	Timothy Leong Anne Younis Jackson Ryan
Communion Ministers	Charles D'Emanuele Cynthia D'Emanuele Kris Murgatroyd Sue Pinkerton Ross Pinkerton	Lucilla Wilson Claire Lagunzad Doug Desouza Bill Lee	Delphine Fernandes Lois Donnelly John Donnelly Winnie Lam Gabrielle Jamison	Sylvia Rego Sherryl Rozario Winnie Li Henry Li Nina Irwin	
Bookshop	Maureen Fearnside	Eugenia Fidel	Christine and Hubert Jenneke	Coney Lau	Remy de Leon
Flowers	1st Collection	2nd Collection	Children's Liturgy	Housekeeping	Church Linen
N/A	Mon 25th March Dorothy Finucane Margaret Stedman	David Tye Cosimo Miccoli Chris Clancy	N/A	Margaret Sinha Francesca Menezes Pancras Robinson	Belinda Yapp

St. Bernadette's Parish Castle Hill
Parish Maintenance Fund Raising
Donations are NOT Tax Deductible

St Bernadette's
 Parish Castle Hill

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 Name on Card: _____
 Amount: \$ _____

Donation envelopes can be found on the pews to support our Air Conditioner. Our target is \$150,000 to replace the ducted air conditioner systems in the church and hall. Thank you for your generous support. Donation envelopes can be placed on the collection plates, in the collection boxes, handed to the Priests or given to the Parish Office.

First HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION 2024

Enrolments are now open for First Holy Communion 2024. This preparation process is suitable for children who are currently in Year 4 and above, who have received the sacrament of Baptism and Reconciliation. **Registrations close Wednesday 27th March.** If you have any questions or would like information, please contact Mrs Christine Jenneke on 0433 183 322 or sacraments@stbernadette.org.au



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HOUSE OF WELCOME

This year as part of our Holy Thursday Mass, we will be collecting non-perishable donations for the House of Welcome. During the Offertory procession there will be an opportunity to place donations into tubs on the sanctuary steps. The House of Welcome are looking for donations of canned, long-life and dry foods (rice, flour, lentils etc), toiletries and cleaning products. They **do not** need donations of tinned soup, baked beans or tinned spaghetti (they already have an abundance of these items). No alcohol or fresh produce please.



THURSDAY HOLY HOUR:

Adoration and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 8:00pm-9:00pm every Thursday evening. Including Rosary, Silent Meditation and Scripture Reading. Parishioners and visitors welcome.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Will be celebrated on Friday evenings during Lent at 7.30pm in the Church. Reconciliation will be available during this time.



TUESDAY MORNING PRAYER GROUP

Would you like to do something extra during Lent?

Then come to the Tuesday morning Group at 10am in Marian Centre. Where we go through the Sunday Mass Readings and see what we can learn from them. For more information contact Pauline Camilleri on 0407417039.

WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Would you like to do something extra during Lent?

Then come to the Wednesday morning Group at 10am in Marian Centre. This term we are looking at Hebrews. For more information contact Jill on 0437 307 832 or Mary on 0476 279 870



ST BERNADETTE STATUE

The statue of Our Lady with St Bernadette is available for Parishioners to borrow for a week during 2024. The bookings roster for the new year is on the noticeboard in the foyer. For enquiries and bookings contact Janina Mousley on 9899 6060 or 0444 599 502

PILGRIMAGE TO MEXICO

To celebrate his 25th Anniversary, Fr Fernando will be leading a Pilgrimage to Mexico in September. Places are limited. To register your interest, scan the QR code or contact the Parish Office on 9634 2622 or at admin@stbernadette.org.au. For further details, see the flier on the noticeboard in the church foyer or collect a booklet from the Parish Office.



Upcoming Events

Please see notices for further details.

March	This Week
Tues 19th	Tuesday Morning Prayer Group
	Reparation Prayer Group
Wed 20th	Wednesday Bible Study
	Young Adults Bible Study
Thurs 21st	PIETA Lenten Program 7:00pm
	Holy Hour 8:00pm-9:00pm
Fri 22nd	Senior Youth Group 7:00pm-8:30pm
	Stations of the Cross 7:30pm
Sun 24th	Passion Play Rehearsal 12pm-3pm

Today's Readings

Entrance Antiphon:

Give me justice, O God, and plead my cause against a nation that is faithless. From the deceitful and cunning rescue me, for you, O God, are my strength.

First Reading Jeremiah 31:31-34

See, the days are coming – it is the Lord who speaks – when I will make a new covenant with the House of Israel and the House of Judah, but not a covenant like the one I made with their ancestors on the day I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt. They broke that covenant of mine, so I had to show them who was master. It is the Lord who speaks. No, this is the covenant I will make with the House of Israel when those days arrive – it is the Lord who speaks. Deep within them I will plant my Law, writing it on their hearts. Then I will be their God and they shall be my people. There will be no further need for neighbour to try to teach neighbour, or brother to say to brother, 'Learn to know the Lord!' No, they will all know me, the least no less than the greatest – it is the Lord who speaks – since I will forgive their iniquity and never call their sin to mind.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 50:3-4. 12-15. R. v.12

(R.) Create a clean heart in me, O God.

Second Reading Hebrews 5:7-9

During his life on earth, Christ offered up prayer and entreaty, aloud and in silent tears, to the one who had the power to save him out of death, and he submitted so humbly that his prayer was heard. Although he was Son, he learnt to obey through suffering; but having been made perfect, he became for all who obey him the source of eternal salvation.

Gospel Acclamation

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

If you serve me, follow me, says the Lord;
and where I am, my servant will also be.

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

Gospel John 12:20-33

Among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. These approached Philip, who came from Bethsaida in Galilee, and put this request to him, 'Sir, we should like to see Jesus.' Philip went to tell Andrew, and Andrew and Philip together went to tell Jesus. Jesus replied to them: 'Now the hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. I tell you most solemnly, unless a wheat grain falls on the ground and dies, it remains only a single grain; but if it dies, it yields a rich harvest. Anyone who loves his life loses it; anyone who hates his life in this world will keep it for the eternal life. If a man serves me, he must follow me, wherever I am, my servant will be there too. If anyone serves me, my Father will honour him. Now my soul is troubled. What shall I say: Father, save me from this hour? But it was for this very reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name!' A voice came from heaven, 'I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.' People standing by, who heard this, said it was a clap of thunder; others said, 'It was an angel speaking to him.' Jesus answered, 'It was not for my sake that this voice came, but for yours. 'Now sentence is being passed on this world; now the prince of this world is to be overthrown. And when I am lifted up from the earth, I shall draw all men to myself.' By these words he indicated the kind of death he would die.

Communion Antiphon:

Amen, Amen I say to you: Unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains a single grain. But if it dies, it bears much fruit.

Readings Next Weekend

23-24 March 2024

Palm Sunday Year B

First Reading

Is 50:4-7

Second reading

Phil 2:6-11

Gospel

Mk 14:1-15:47

Feast Days This Week

18 Mar
19 Mar

Saint Patrick
Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SOUL OF

Recently Deceased Dulcie Almeida

For the Anniversaries of Sofija Sustek, Joe Back

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Flavia Panto, Brian De Silva, Victoria Rix, Eleanor Ross, Yvonne Hill, Nida Farmiento, Elizabeth Mifsud, Sophia Werner