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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

13-14 APRIL 2024 *THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR B*

*Continued from last week*

- Jesus is raising Adam from his tomb with Eve on the other side. Adam offers his hand to Christ rather than clasping Christ's hand to show that it is Christ who raises us from the dead. With His other hand, Christ raises Eve from her tomb, or He may be depicted holding a scroll in His hand, to proclaim the Good News to the captives. Sometimes He is shown holding a cross in His hand, the tool by which He broke apart the gates of Hell.
- Christ's hands and feet show the marks of the nails. Sometimes angels are shown above the mandorla, holding the tools of salvation: the cross, the lance and the sponge.
- There are many figures surrounding Christ. On the left side in this icon, we have the kings David and Solomon who are Christ's relatives, according to the flesh; St. John the Baptist, the last of the Old Testament Prophets is also present, proclaiming in Hades as he did in this world "Repent for the Kingdom of God is at hand." Some say that John died before Christ so that he could be the "Forerunner" even in Hades; Moses is also shown, wearing a Phrygian cap, he represents the first covenant and one who witnessed the first Passover; and Abel, the first to suffer injustice as the consequences of sin; In the background are various kings, prophets, and righteous men who immediately recognize the Risen One. Some Icons only show a few kings from the Old Testament and a few saints.
- On the right side we have the contemporaries of Christ showing us that this is an eternal act that transcends time and space.

You can have a look of this Icon on the front page of the Parish bulletin this week. You can search the icon online, you just need to google "Icon of the Resurrection" and different versions of the same icon will appear.

Once again I wish you all a very happy Easter!



Peace in Jesus

*Fr. Fernando Montano*



### 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](mailto: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](mailto: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



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### YOUTH ON BREAK

The youth are now on break for the School Holidays. Youth will return in Term 2

### YOUNG ADULTS BIBLE STUDY (16-35yrs)

Our Young Adults Bible Study is held on Wednesday evenings from 7:30pm-9:30pm in the St Joseph's Room.

### YOUNG ADULTS NIGHT 21ST APRIL



Our Young Adults Nights (18-35 Yrs) is on Sunday 21st April 7:00pm-9:00pm in the St Joseph's Room. Dinner included. Please let us know any dietary requirements by contacting [ym@stbernadette.org.au](mailto:ym@stbernadette.org.au).



Guest Speaker Andrew Gorkic will be sharing with us on The Impact of Artificial Intelligence on our faith. Andrew works with AI in his role as a Lead Data Science Consultant, and is passionate about how AI impacts our everyday life, but also what it means for us as Catholics. What impact does AI have on our faith? Why are some priests using AI to write their homilies, and is that dangerous?

## ROSTERS 20-21 APRIL 2024

Mass	Vigil	7:30am	9:00am	10:30am	6:00pm
<b>Ministry</b>					
<b>Lectors</b>	Mitch Dielwart Gary Tierney Cheryl Braisby	Dan Mathias Paul D'Cruz Joyan Fife	Mila Mina Karen Lee Hubert Jenneke	Michael Abrahams Danielle Vassallo Raymond Pak	Timothy Leong Anne Younis Jackson Ryan
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<b>Bookshop</b>	Marjorie Anderson	Eugenia Fidel	Jenny and Brian Blacklock	Coney Lau	Remy de Leon
<b>Flowers</b>	<b>1st Collection</b>	<b>2nd Collection</b>	<b>Children's Liturgy</b>	<b>Housekeeping</b>	<b>Church Linen</b>
Sandra Fernando	Mon 22nd Apr Marie Woodward Elaine Small	John Geoghegan Kevin Johnson Douglas Carvalho	N/A	Andrea Tomic Krystyna Graczyk Myra Tan Pauline Home	Jane Ng

## FR RAYMOND'S 50TH BIRTHDAY MORNING TEA

We will be holding a morning tea on Sunday 21st April to celebrate Fr Raymond's 50th Birthday. The morning tea will be in the hall from 11:30am (after the 10:30am mass.) All welcome. Please bring a plate of finger food to share.



## AIR CONDITIONER UPDATE

**St. Bernadette's Parish Castle Hill**  
**Parish Maintenance Fund Raising**  
Donations are 90% Tax Deductible

**St Bernadette's**  
 Parish Castle Hill

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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. We have raised **\$54,104** so far. 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.



## PROJECT COMPASSION

Thank you to those who generously donated to Project Compassion. We raised almost \$9,000. If you have not returned your Project Compassion Box, please bring it with you to mass, or hand in to the Parish Office ASAP.



## FUNDRAISER BBQ

The St Bernadette's Football Club will be running a fundraiser BBQ at the morning masses on Sunday 28th April. Bacon and Egg Rolls for sale \$5 each.



## YOUTH MASS 'ROUND THE DIOCESE: 21 APRIL PLUMPTON

Our young people are visiting different churches around the Diocese for Mass and fellowship afterwards with new and known friends. The next Mass will be at The Good Shepherd Parish, Plumpton, on Sunday 21 April for 6pm Mass. For more information, please contact Sr Christine Ramada CSFN on [csfn.cristina@gmail.com](mailto:csfn.cristina@gmail.com)

**Australia's Biggest Morning Tea**

**Cancer Council**  
 Australia's Biggest Morning Tea

Scan to donate

**Thurs 23rd May**  
 after 9:15am mass  
 in the Marian Centre

## Support our seminarians to "go out into the deep."



[yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/appeal](http://yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/appeal)

## TUESDAY MORNING PRAYER GROUP

Come to the Tuesday morning Group at 10:00am in the 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.

## 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 year is on the noticeboard in the foyer. For enquiries and bookings contact Janina Mousley on 9899 6060 or 0444 599 502

## 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.



## ANZAC DAY TUESDAY 25th APRIL

Thursday 25th April is ANZAC Day. This is a Public Holiday, and mass will be at 8am. The church will be closed after 8am mass. The Parish Office will be closed and will reopen Friday 26th 9am.



## Upcoming Events

Please see notices for further details.

April	This Week
Tues 16th	Tuesday Morning Prayer Group Reparation Prayer Group
Wed 17th	Young Adults Bible Study
Thurs 18th	Holy Hour 8pm-9pm
Sun 21st April	Fr Raymond's 50th Morning Tea Young Adults Night- Andrew Gorkic
April	This Month
Thurs 25th April	ANZAC day. 8am Mass only. Public Holiday. Parish Office Closed.
Sun 28th April	Fundraiser BBQ

## Today's Readings

### Entrance Antiphon:

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth; O sing to the glory of his name. O render him glorious praise, alleluia.

### First Reading Acts 3:13-15, 17-19

Peter said to the people: 'You are Israelites, and it is the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our ancestors, who has glorified his servant Jesus, the same Jesus you handed over and then disowned in the presence of Pilate, after Pilate had decided to release him. It was you who accused the Holy One, the Just One, you who demanded the reprieve of a murderer while you killed the prince of life. God, however, raised him from the dead, and to that fact we are the witnesses. 'Now I know, brothers, that neither you nor your leaders had any idea what you were really doing; this was the way God carried out what he had foretold, when he said through all his prophets that his Christ would suffer. Now you must repent and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out.'

### Responsorial Psalm Ps 4:2. 4. 7. 9. R. v.7

(R.) Lord, let your face shine on us.

### Second Reading 1 John 2:1-5

I am writing this, my children, to stop you sinning; but if anyone should sin, we have our advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ, who is just; he is the sacrifice that takes our sins away, and not only ours, but the whole world's. We can be sure that we know God only by keeping his commandments. Anyone who says, 'I know him', and does not keep his commandments, is a liar, refusing to admit the truth. But when anyone does obey what he has said, God's love comes to perfection in him.

### Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us: make our hearts burn with love when you speak.

**Alleluia!**

### Gospel Luke 24:35-48

The disciples told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised Jesus at the breaking of bread. They were still talking about all this when Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you!' In a state of alarm and fright, they thought they were seeing a ghost. But he said, 'Why are you so agitated, and why are these doubts rising in your hearts? Look at my hands and feet; yes, it is I indeed. Touch me and see for yourselves; a ghost has no flesh and bones as you can see I have.' And as he said this he showed them his hands and feet. Their joy was so great that they could not believe it, and they stood dumbfounded; so he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' And they offered him a piece of grilled fish, which he took and ate before their eyes. Then he told them, 'This is what I meant when I said, while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses, in the Prophets and in the Psalms, has to be fulfilled.' He then opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'So you see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this.'

### Communion Antiphon:

The disciples recognized the Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread, alleluia.

## **Readings Next Weekend**

20-21 April 2024

Fourth Sunday of Easter Year B

**First Reading**

**Second reading**

**Gospel**

Acts 4:8-12

1 Jn 3:1-2

Jn 10:11-18

*"This is what I meant when I said, while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses, in the Prophets and in the Psalms, has to be fulfilled."*

### **PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SOUL OF**

Recently Deceased Dawn Phillips, Janice Pinter, Pauline Kwok, Hans Hendry, Eileen Tye

For the Anniversary of Elizabeth Pinkerton

### **PRAYERS FOR THE SICK**

Flavia Panto, Brian De Silva, Victoria Rix, Eleanor Ross, Yvonne Hill, Elizabeth Mifsud, Andrew Tchang