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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

THE MASSABIELLE

THE WEEKLY NEWSLETTER OF ST BERNADETTE'S PARISH COMMUNITY CASTLE HILL

17-18 AUG 2024

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B

Continued from last week

In 1500 Pope Alexander VI announced that the Doors in the four major basilicas would be opened contemporaneously, and that he himself would open the Holy Door of Saint Peter's. The ninth Jubilee was solemnly opened on December 24th 1524 by Pope Clement VII, at a time when there were already symptoms of the great crises which would soon tear the Church apart, with the Protestant Reform. The 1550 Jubilee was proclaimed by Paul II, but it was Pope Julius III who actually opened it. The remarkable afflux of pilgrims caused no few difficulties in the city and Saint Philip Neri was among those who came to their help with his Holy Trinity Confraternity. It is recorded that in 1575, in the time of Pope Gregory XIII, as many as 300,000 people came to Rome from all over Europe. The next Holy Years were proclaimed by Clement VIII, (1600) Urban VIII (1650), Clement X (1675).



Innocent XII, who opened the Jubilee of the year 1700, is remembered especially for establishing one of Rome's most renowned charitable institutions, the Hospice St Michele a Ripa. Gradually other similar institutions were opened to offer shelter and assistance to pilgrims, as in the year 1725, the Holy Year called by Benedict XIII. A famous preacher during the Jubilee 1750, proclaimed by Benedict XIV, was Saint Leonardo da Porto Maurizio, the apostle of the Via Crucis, who set up 14 stations of the Cross inside the ruins of the Colosseum. Clement XIV announced the Jubilee of the Year 1775 but he died three months before Christmas and the Holy Door was opened by the new Pope, Pius VI. The difficult situation in which the Church found herself during the hegemonic rule of Napoleon prevented Pius VII from proclaiming the Jubilee of 1800.

More than a half a million pilgrims made the journey to Rome for the Jubilee of 1825. As St Paul's Basilica was under new construction, having been destroyed by fire two years earlier, Pope Leo XII substituted the visit to St Paul's outside the walls with Santa Maria in Trastevere Basilica. Twenty five years later, the Holy Year could not be held because of the unsettled situation in the Roman Republic and temporary exile of Pius IX. However, this Pope did proclaim the Holy Year 1875, although there was no ceremony of the opening of the Door due to Rome's occupation by the troops of King Vittorio Emmanuele.

It was Pope Leo XIII who called the 22nd Christian Jubilee which opened the 20th century of the Christian era, characterised by six beatifications and two canonizations, (Saint Jean Baptist de La Salle and Saint Rita da Cascia). In the Holy Year 1925, Pius XI wished to direct the attention of the faithful to the prodigious work of the missions. To gain the indulgence, the people were asked to pray (according to the intention of the Pope) for peace among peoples. In 1950, a few years after World War II, Pius XII called the Holy Year with the following indications: the sanctification of souls through prayer and penance and unflinching faith in Christ and the Church; action for peace and protection of the Holy Places; defence of the Church against constant attacks by her enemies; prayers for the gift of faith for those in error, and for unbelievers; the promotion of social justice and assistance of the poor and needy. It was during this year that the Pope defined the Assumption into Heaven of Mary, the Mother of Jesus, as a dogma of the Catholic faith. (November 1st, 1950). The last ordinary Jubilee was called in 1975 by Pope Paul VI with two main themes for reflection and action: Renewal and Reconciliation. At the opening of the Holy Door on Christmas night 1974, Buddhist monks were also present. It was the first Jubilee to be broadcast worldwide and saw the lifting of historic excommunications with the Church of Byzantium and the participation of the Patriarch of Alexandria Melitone.

Continued next week

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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JUNIOR YOUTH (YR 5-8)

Friday 23rd Aug 7:00-8:30pm
Our Junior youth will be learning about "sophrosune"

SENIOR YOUTH (YR 9-12)

Friday 30th August 7:00-8:45pm
We will be learning about navigating modern dating

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. We are using the study 'Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother' By Dr Edward Sri.



YOUNG ADULTS NIGHT 18TH AUGUST

Our Young Adults Nights (18-35 Yrs) is on Sunday 18th August 7:00pm-9:00pm in the St Joseph's Room. Guest Speaker Fr Matthew will be sharing with us about Christological Heresies



Dinner included. Please let us know any dietary requirements by contacting ym@stbernadette.org.au.

ROSTERS 24-25 AUGUST 2024

Ministry \ Mass	Vigil	7:30am	9:00am	10:30am	6:00pm
Lectors	Caroline Dumapit Malisa Barsic Sean Eberhaut	Martin Collins Michelle Monteiro Yvonne Desouza	Brian Blacklock Hansel Fernando	Venetia Lee Hyacinth Jones Leo Stanton	Michelle Barreto Anne Younis Jackson Ryan
Communion Ministers	Felicity Carvalho Douglas Carvalho Mary McMahon Bernard Home Pauline Home	Yvonne Desouza Patrick Bowie Campion Fernando +1	Mary Tondini Ranmalee De Silva Lynda Sillick Yvette Braganza Shane Robinson	Mila Mina Coney Lau Helen Carr-Boyd Elizabeth Joseph Jiji Joseph	
Bookshop	Pauline Home	Eugenia Fidel	Jenny and Brian Blacklock	Dorothy Finucane	Remy de Leon
Flowers	1st Collection	2nd Collection	Children's Liturgy	Housekeeping	Church Linen
Darshi Wettasinghe	Mon 26th Aug Marie Woodward Elaine Small	John Geoghegan Kevin Johnson Douglas Carvalho	Liza Echevarria Danielle Vassallo	Andrea Tomic Krystyna Graczyk Myra Tan Pauline Home	Tess De Santo

CATECHISTS WANTED

We are looking for volunteers who are available to take a half-hour lesson on a **Wednesday or Friday** at one of our local public school. All our teachers are provided with the training and support required, as well as the lesson plans and resources used in the classroom. For more information please contact Christine Jenneke on 0433 183 322



COFFEE & CHAT THURSDAY 22ND AUG

Please stop by the Marian Centre for coffee & chat this Thursday morning after the 9.15am mass. All welcome. This month guest speaker lawyer Daniel Marucci will be coming to speak about: *Estate Planning - A General Overview Of Wills, Powers Of Attorney, And Guardianships.*

FUNDRAISER BBQ

The St Bernadette's Care Group will be running a fundraiser BBQ at the morning masses next Sunday 25th August. Bacon and Egg Rolls for sale \$5 each. Cash and EFTPOS available.



LITURGICAL MINISTRY FORMATION COURSES 2024

The Liturgical Ministry Formation Courses will commence in September. This is formation for anyone interested in serving within the Liturgical Ministries either as Readers, Extraordinary Ministers of Communion or Communion to the Sick and Dying. If you are interested please contact Nancy in the Parish Office on 9634 2622 or pa@stbernadette.org.au

BETHLEHEM OLIVEWOOD STALL

Thank you to all who purchased from the Bethlehem Olivewood stall last weekend. A total of \$5285 was raised, which will help Catholic families living in Bethlehem. See you again next year.

DIOCESAN PASTORAL PLAN FOR A SYNODAL CHURCH

On Saturday 10 August, the Diocese of Parramatta launched the Diocesan Pastoral Plan for a Synodal Church. Our pastoral plan represents the culmination of our Synod journey, where we have come together to listen, discern, and envision a path forward for our diocese over the past 16 months. To download a copy of the Diocesan Pastoral Plan, visit parracatholic.org/synodality.

FR FERNANDO'S ANNIVERSARY MASS

Thank you to all those who RSVP'd for Fr Fernando's Anniversary. Just a reminder that the reception is an 18yrs+ only event. All are welcome to attend the Mass.

CARPARK CHANGES

Please note the top court carpark will be unavailable for parking this weekend. We apologise for the inconvenience.



Enrolments for Kindergarten 2025 (& Yrs 1 to 6 2025)

It has been lovely meeting all of our new families and students for next year. If you would like to enrol your little one in Kindergarten 2025 or other grades, please contact the school office on 9407 6600.



SUPPORT OUR RETIRED PRIESTS

Please give generously to the Bishop's Father's Day Appeal
Donate at parracatholic.org/fathersdayappeal

Upcoming Events

Please see notices for further details.

August	This Week
Tues 20th	Tuesday Morning Prayer Group 10am Reparation Prayer Group 8:00pm
Wed 21st	Wednesday Morning Bible Study 10am Young Adults Bible Study 7:30pm
Thurs 22nd	Coffee and Chat 10am Guest speaker Daniel Marucci Holy Hour 8pm-9pm
Fri 23rd	Junior Youth: "Sophrosune"
Sun 25th	Fundraiser BBQ: Care Group
August/September	Next Month
Fri 30th Aug	Fr Fernando's 25th Anniversary Mass
Sun 1st Sept	Fathers' Day
Sun 15th Sept	Young Adults: Fr Raymond
Sun 22nd Sept	Fundraiser BBQ
Thurs 26th	Coffee and Chat 10am

Today's Readings

Entrance Antiphon:

Turn your eyes, O God, our shield; and look on the face of your anointed one; one day within your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.

First Reading Proverbs 9:1-6

Wisdom has built herself a house, she has erected her seven pillars, she has slaughtered her beasts, prepared her wine, she has laid her table. She has despatched her maidservants and proclaimed from the city's heights: 'Who is ignorant? Let him step this way.' To the fool she says, 'Come and eat my bread, drink the wine I have prepared! Leave your folly and you will live, walk in the ways of perception.'

Responsorial Psalm Ps 33:2-3. 10-15. R. v.9

(R) Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

Second Reading Ephesians 5:15-20

Be very careful about the sort of lives you lead, like intelligent and not like senseless people. This may be a wicked age, but your lives should redeem it. And do not be thoughtless but recognise what is the will of the Lord. Do not drug yourselves with wine, this is simply dissipation; be filled with the Spirit. Sing the words and tunes of the psalms and hymns when you are together, and go on singing and chanting to the Lord in your hearts, so that always and everywhere you are giving thanks to God who is our Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who eat my flesh and drink my blood live in me and I in them, says the Lord.

Alleluia!

Gospel John 6:51-58

Jesus said to the crowd: 'I am the living bread which has come down from heaven. Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world.' Then the Jews started arguing with one another: 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' they said. Jesus replied: 'I tell you most solemnly, if you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you will not have life in you. Anyone who does eat my flesh and drink my blood has eternal life, and I shall raise him up on the last day. For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me and I live in him. As I, who am sent by the living Father, myself draw life from the Father, so whoever eats me will draw life from me. This is the bread come down from heaven; not like the bread our ancestors ate: they are dead, but anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.'

Communion Antiphon:

With the Lord there is mercy; in him is plentiful redemption.

*For my flesh is real food
and my blood is real drink.
He who eats my flesh and
drinks my blood lives in me
and I live in him.*



John 6:55

Readings Next Weekend

24-25 August 2024

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

First Reading	Second reading	Gospel
Josh 24:1-2, 15-18	Eph 5:21-32	Jn 6:60-69

Feast Days This Week

19 Aug	Saint John Eudes
20 Aug	Saint Bernard
21 Aug	Saint Pius X
22 Aug	The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
23 Aug	Saint Rose of Lima
24 Aug	Saint Bartholomew

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SOUL OF

Recently Deceased: Giuseppe Grasso,

For the Anniversaries of: Dennis Davis, Catherine Home, Sybil Lingier, Maria D'Silva, Lawrence Joseph DeSouza

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Victoria Rix, Eleanor Ross, Yvonne Hill, Andrew Tchang, Minda Robles, Rey Abeleda,
Bernie Good, Sarah Brkic, Kathy Brkic, Kate McFadzen