



THE MASSABIELLE

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

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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

19-20 OCT 2024 *TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B*

Continued from last week

Appeals for hope

16. Echoing the age-old message of the prophets, the Jubilee reminds us that the goods of the earth are not destined for a privileged few, but for everyone. The rich must be generous and not avert their eyes from the faces of their brothers and sisters in need. Here I think especially of those who lack water and food: hunger is a scandal, an open wound on the body of our humanity, and it summons all of us to a serious examination of conscience. I renew my appeal that "with the money spent on weapons and other military expenditures, let us establish a global fund that can finally put an end to hunger and favour development in the most impoverished countries, so that their citizens will not resort to violent or illusory situations, or have to leave their countries in order to seek a more dignified life".

Another heartfelt appeal that I would make in light of the coming Jubilee is directed to the more affluent nations. I ask that they acknowledge the gravity of so many of their past decisions and determine to forgive the debts of countries that will never be able to repay them. More than a question of generosity, this is a matter of justice. It is made all the more serious today by a new form of injustice which we increasingly recognize, namely, that "a true 'ecological debt' exists, particularly between the global North and South, connected to commercial imbalances with effects on the environment and the disproportionate use of natural resources by certain countries over long periods of time". As sacred Scripture teaches, the earth is the Lord's and all of us dwell in it as "aliens and tenants" (Lev 25:23). If we really wish to prepare a path to peace in our world, let us commit ourselves to remedying the remote causes of injustice, settling unjust and unpayable debts, and feeding the hungry.

17. The coming Jubilee Year will also coincide with a significant date for all Christians, namely, the 1700th anniversary of the celebration of the first great Ecumenical Council, that of Nicaea. It is worth noting that, from apostolic times, bishops have gathered on various occasions in order to discuss doctrinal questions and disciplinary matters. In the first centuries of Christianity, synods frequently took place in both East and West, showing the importance of ensuring the unity of God's People and the faithful proclamation of the Gospel. The Jubilee can serve as an important occasion for giving concrete expression to this form of synodality, which the Christian community today considers increasingly necessary for responding to the urgent need for evangelization. All the baptized, with their respective charisms and ministries, are co-responsible for ensuring that manifold signs of hope bear witness to God's presence in the world.

The Council of Nicaea sought to preserve the Church's unity, which was seriously threatened by the denial of the full divinity of Jesus Christ and hence his consubstantiality with the Father. Some three hundred bishops took part, convoked at the behest of the Emperor Constantine; their first meeting took place in the Imperial Palace on 20 May 325. After various debates, by the grace of the Spirit they unanimously approved the Creed that we still recite each Sunday at the celebration of the Eucharist. The Council Fathers chose to begin that Creed by using for the first time the expression "We believe", as a sign that all the Churches were in communion and that all Christians professed the same faith.

Continued next week

Wishing all our HSC students the best with their exams. We pray that they will stay calm under pressure and work to the best of their ability. May they feel Your loving presence in their lives, now and always, and may they be strengthened by the prayerful support of us, their parish community



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



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 @St Bernadette's Young Adults

JUNIOR YOUTH

Fri 8th Nov and Fri 22nd Nov
 7:00-8:30pm in the Hall.

SENIOR YOUTH

Fri 1st Nov and Fri 15th Nov
 7:00-8:30pm in St Joseph's room.

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 20TH OCTOBER

Our Young Adults Nights (18-35 Yrs) is on Sunday 20th October 7:00pm-9:00pm in the St Joseph's Room. Guest Speakers Anne Younis and Christopher Iannuzzi will be talking about East Vs West: The differences and similarities between the Eastern and Western Rites of the Catholic Church.



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

ROSTERS 26-27 OCTOBER 2024

Ministry \ Mass	Vigil	7:30am	9:00am	10:30am	6:00pm
Lectors	Kristine Murgatroyd Les Blanch Rod Burridge	Wayne Vergano Jackie Willard Margaret Ash	Dawn Wickramasignhe Ranmalee de Silva Sherryl Rozario	Joanne Dobry Alex Joyce Edwin Zambrano	Timothy Leong Anabel Formosa
Communion Ministers	Lisa Hurst Rick Jenkins Brian Fitzalan Natalia Chui Conni Tierney	Yvonne Desouza Patrick Bowie Sherryl Rozario Campion Fernando	Delphine Fernandes John Donnelly Lois Donnelly Winnie Lam Gabrielle Jamison	Teresa Somasundram Margaret Hawkes Dorothy Finucane Hilary Fong Bernadette Boulos	
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Flowers	1st Collection	2nd Collection	Children's Liturgy	Housekeeping	Church Linen
Maria Gobbo	Mon 28th Oct Maureen Fearnside Remy de Leon	John Geoghegan Kevin Johnson Douglas Carvalho	Lolita Suyko Danielle Vassallo	Cathy Teh Clarissa De Lima Joanne Myatt Constance Fidel	Remy de Leon

NOVEMBER MASSES

Envelopes are available in the foyer for November Mass offerings. Parishioners are invited to write the names of deceased relatives and friends on the envelope which can be placed in the collection boxes or given in to the Parish Office. From there the names will be put into the "Book of Remembrance" which will be placed on a temporary altar on the Sanctuary throughout November. Masses will be offered during the month of November for these friends and family who have gone before us.



NEW SETS OF PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES 2025



Planned Giving envelopes for the next 12 months are available in the foyer. Should you wish to move to credit card or direct debit please contact the parish office.

COFFEE & CHAT THURSDAY 24TH OCTOBER

Please stop by the Marian Center for coffee & chat this Thursday morning after the 9.15am mass. All welcome



FUNDRAISER BBQ

The St Bernadette's Refugee Group are running a fundraiser BBQ at the morning masses next Sunday 27th October. Bacon and Egg Rolls for sale \$5 each. Cash and EFTPOS available.

CATHOLIC MISSION APPEAL

This World Mission Month, we invite you to extend your generosity to help enhance Catholic Mission's vital services. Your support can make a significant difference to the lives of many, offering hope and tangible assistance. Your gift will support a variety of Church programs around the world. Donations can be made at www.catholicmission.org.au/ways-to-donate or by scanning the QR code. Donations envelopes can be found on the pews.



SCAN ME



PARRAMATTA WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

The annual Wedding Anniversary Mass will be held on Sunday 27 October at 11am at St Patrick's Cathedral. Bishop Vincent will celebrate Solemn Mass, followed by a light lunch at the Cathedral Hall. Please register your name, years of marriage and numbers attending at 0488 000 211 or at parracatholic.org/weddingmass by 20th October. Family and friends welcome.

SAVE THE DATE: FOOD FIESTA MEETING

We will be holding a planning meeting on Thursday 14th November at 7pm in the Marian Centre to discuss next year's Pentecost Food Fiesta (Sunday 8th June 2025). If you are interested in being involved in the food fiesta, please come along to our meeting.

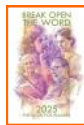


SAVE THE DATE: PARISH CHRISTMAS CAROLS NIGHT

On Friday 13th December, the Parish will be holding a Christmas Carols evening in the church, with performances by some of the parish choirs and music groups, solos and duets, local school groups, and other local parishes. If you are interested in performing or being part of the house choir or band, please contact Steve Lavis at steve@teachingservices.com.au



FOR SALE

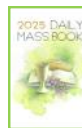


LECTORS BOOKS-BREAK OPEN THE WORD

Break Open the Word for 2025 books are available for sale at the Parish Office. Cost \$30 each. Cash only.

DAILY MASS BOOKS

2025 Daily mass books available from the bookshop and the Parish Office. Cost \$25 each. Cash only.



THE LIGHT: ADVENT BOOKS

The Wollongong Diocese Advent Reflection books are available from the bookshop and Parish Office \$7 each. Cash only.

SAVE THE DATE: FR MATTHEW'S FAREWELL

Please join us as we farewell Fr Matthew on Sunday 24th November after the 10:30am Mass, in the Parish Hall. Please bring a plate of finger food to share.



Upcoming Events

Please see notices for further details.

October	This Week
Tues 22nd	Tuesday Morning Prayer Group 10am Reparation Prayer Group 8:00pm
Wed 23rd	Wednesday Morning Bible Study 10am Young Adults Bible Study 7:30pm
Thurs 24th	Coffee and Chat Holy Hour 8pm-9pm
Sun 27th	Fundraiser BBQ: Refugee Group
November	Next Month
Fri 1st Nov	All Saints Day First Friday healing mass and adoration Senior Youth
Sat 2nd Nov	All Souls Day Castle Hill Cemetery Mass 10am
Fri 8th Nov	Junior Youth
Thurs 14th Nov	Food Fiesta meeting
Sun 17th Nov	Young Adults
Thurs 28th Nov	Coffee and Chat

Today's Readings

Entrance Antiphon:

To you I call; for you will surely heed me, O God; turn your ear to me; hear my words. Guard me as the apple of your eye; in the shadow of your wings protect me.

First Reading Isaiah 53:10-11

The Lord has been pleased to crush his servant with suffering. If he offers his life in atonement, he shall see his heirs, he shall have a long life and through him what the Lord wishes will be done. His soul's anguish over he shall see the light and be content. By his sufferings shall my servant justify many, taking their faults on himself.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 32:4-5. 18-20. 22. R. v.22

(R) Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

Second Reading Hebrews 4:14-16

Since in Jesus, the Son of God, we have the supreme high priest who has gone through to the highest heaven, we must never let go of the faith that we have professed. For it is not as if we had a high priest who was incapable of feeling our weaknesses with us; but we have one who has been tempted in every way that we are, though he is without sin. Let us be confident, then, in approaching the throne of grace, that we shall have mercy from him and find grace when we are in need of help.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Son of Man came to serve and to give his life as a ransom for all.

Alleluia!

Gospel Mark 10:35-45

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, approached Jesus. 'Master,' they said to him, 'we want you to do us a favour.' He said to them, 'What is it you want me to do for you?' They said to him, 'Allow us to sit one at your right hand and the other at your left in your glory.' 'You do not know what you are asking' Jesus said to them. 'Can you drink the cup that I must drink, or be baptised with the baptism with which I must be baptised?' They replied, 'We can.' Jesus said to them, 'The cup that I must drink you shall drink, and with the baptism with which I must be baptised you shall be baptised, but as for seats at my right hand or my left, these are not mine to grant; they belong to those to whom they have been allotted.'

When the other ten heard this they began to feel indignant with James and John, so Jesus called them to him and said to them: 'You know that among the pagans their so-called rulers lord it over them, and their great men make their authority felt. This is not to happen among you. No; anyone who wants to become great among you must be your servant, and anyone who wants to be first among you must be slave to all. For the Son of Man himself did not come to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.'

Communion Antiphon:

Behold, the eyes of the Lord are on those who fear him, who hope in his merciful love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine.

Readings Next Weekend

26-27 October 2024

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

First Reading	Second reading	Gospel
Jer 31:7-9	Heb 5:1-6	Mk 10:46-52

Feast Days This Week

22 Oct Saint John Paul II

ANYONE WHO WANTS
TO BECOME GREAT
AMONG YOU MUST
BE YOUR SERVANT,
AND ANYONE WHO
WANTS TO BE FIRST
AMONG YOU MUST
BE SLAVE TO ALL.



MARK 10: 44

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SOUL OF

Recently Deceased: Meng Pan Ng

For the Anniversaries of: Margaret Bowie, Joseph Pancras, Simon Anderson, Diana Giorgiutti, Philippe Bellerose, Tjia Man Kie, Thian Tjuikim, Joseph D'Silva, Pranoto, Pariahiam

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Victoria Rix, Eleanor Ross, Yvonne Hill, Andrew Tchang, Minda Robles, Marion Heron, Geoff Roney