



## ST. BERNADETTE'S PARISH

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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

7-8 JUNE 2025 *PENTECOST SUNDAY YEAR C*

Hello everyone!

This week, amongst the saints that the church celebrates this week, we will celebrate the memory of St Anthony of Padua on Friday 13th.

Saint Anthony was born in Lisbon in 1195 & died on the 13th of June 1231 in Arcella, Verona in Italy. As many of us know, he is invoked for the return of lost property & he is also the patron saint of sailors, fishermen, the poor, & surprisingly to many, in Mexico he is the saint invoked to find one's spouse.

Saint Anthony's name was originally Fernando Martins de Bulhoes, he was born into a wealthy family in Lisbon & was raised in the church. His wealthy & noble family arranged for him to be instructed at the local cathedral school. At the age of 15, he was received into the Canons Regular of the Order of the Holy Cross at the Abbey of Saint Vincent on the outskirts of Lisbon

He joined the Augustinian canons in 1210 & probably became a priest. In 1220 he joined the Franciscan order, taking the new name of Anthony (in honour of St Anthony of the Desert) & hoping to preach to the Saracens & become a martyr. On his way to Morocco, he became seriously ill & was forced to return home. However, his ship back to Portugal was blown off course & eventually landed in Sicily. Because of his continuing poor health, he was not allowed to pursue his missionary work. Instead, he taught theology at Bologna, Italy, & at Montpellier, Toulouse, & Le Puy-en-Velay in southern France. His preaching also took him to Padua, where he is believed to have founded a Franciscan community. He won great admiration as a preacher & was noted for his simple yet profound teaching of the Catholic faith. He was proclaimed a Doctor of the Church by Pope Pius XII in 1946.

The reason why we pray to him to find our lost things comes from a story that says that St Anthony had a valuable book of psalms that was extremely important to him, he kept notes on it about his sermons & devotions. One day, a novice monk who had chosen to leave had taken the psalter with him. Prior to the invention of the printing press, any book was hand-copied, & thus, an item of high value; a Franciscan friar in particular, given his vow of poverty, would have found such an item difficult to replace. When Anthony realized his psalter was missing, he prayed it would be found or returned, after which the thief was moved to not only return the book to Anthony, but also return to the order. The stolen book is said to be preserved in the Franciscan friary in Bologna

In his later years & the years after his death, Anthony became the centre of a strong devotion. People began looking for his help when they misplaced or lost something of value, & many reported experiencing successes in finding their lost possessions after praying to him.

The image of St Anthony is mainly recognized because next to St Joseph & the Blessed Virgin Mary, St Anthony of Padua is the saint who is most depicted in statues or images holding the Child Jesus.

The tradition honours a mystical experience St. Anthony had during his life that was witnessed by a benefactor who gave the Franciscan saint a place to stay for the night. One version of the story is narrated in The Life of St. Anthony published in 1895.

The mystical vision highlights the child-like simplicity of St. Anthony & the purity of his faith. He is known for his profound sermons & his love & care for the poor. His sanctity was so well-known throughout the Church that he was canonized less than one year after his death.

St Anthony of Padua, pray for us!



Peace in Jesus

*Fr. Fernando Montano*



### KING'S BIRTHDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY MONDAY 9TH JUNE

Monday 9th June is the King's Birthday Long Weekend.

Mass will be at 8am only.

The church will be closed after 8am Mass.

The Parish Office will be closed Monday.

### 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 Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation programs for school children please contact the Parish Office on 9634 2622 or at [sacraments@stbernadette.org](mailto:sacraments@stbernadette.org).

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

St Bernadette's  
Parish Castle Hill  
Youth

### FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA!



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On Facebook

@St Bernadette's youth Castle Hill  
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### JUNIOR YOUTH (years 5-8)

Friday 20th June  
7:00pm-8:30pm in the hall.  
Our theme for the night is  
**1+1+1=1**

### SENIOR YOUTH (years 9-12)

Friday 13th June  
7:00pm-8:30pm in the St Joseph's room. Our theme for the night is  
**Sola Scriptura: Show me the verse**

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

Our Young Adults Bible Study is held every Wednesday evening 7:30-9:30pm in the St Joseph's Room. We will be reading through the coming Sunday's readings through Lectio Divina.



### YOUNG ADULTS NIGHT 15TH JUNE

Come and join our Young Adults Nights (18-35 Yrs)  
Sunday 15th June 7:00pm-9:00pm in the Hall.  
Natalia Zurawska will be sharing her testimony with us  
"Rock Bottom: Under the Fig Tree"  
Dinner included. Please let us know any dietary requirements by contacting [ym@stbernadette.org.au](mailto:ym@stbernadette.org.au).



## ROSTERS 14-15 JUNE 2025

| Ministry \ Mass            | Vigil  | 7:30am   | 9:00am  | 10:30am   | 6:00pm   |
|----------------------------|--|--|---|---|--|
| <b>Lectors</b>             | Douglas Carvalho<br>Tony Calabria<br>Felicity Carvalho   | Dan Mathias<br>Paul D'Cruz<br>Joyan Fife                               | Mila Mina<br>John Fernando<br>Hubert Jenneke  | Michael Abrahams<br>Edwin Zambrano<br>Raymond Pak   | Hanna Pillai<br>Brandon Leyba<br>Michelle Kim      |
| <b>Communion Ministers</b> | Charles D'Emanuele<br>Cynthia D'Emanuele<br>Kris Murgatroyd<br>Sue Pinkerton<br>Ross Pinkerton | Yvonne Desouza<br>Patrick Bowie<br>Sherryl Rozario<br>Campion Fernando | Brian Blacklock<br>Jenny Blacklock<br>Ellen MacMahon<br>Skirma Cervin<br>Rudy Suwandy | Sylvia Rego<br>Venetia Lee<br>Winnie Li<br>Henry Li<br>Nina Irwin                           | Dess Gutierrez<br>Dominique Boudib<br>Remy de Leon |
| <b>Bookshop</b>            | Elaine Small   | Eugenia Fidel  | Margaret Stedman  | Dorothy Finucane  | 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>                                |
| Olivia Cheng               | Mon 16th June<br>Dorothy Finucane<br>Margaret Stedman  | Campion Fernando<br>Gary Moeller<br>Emelie de Leon                     | Liza Echevaria<br>Natalie Coghlan   | Margaret Sinha<br>Reg Sinha<br>Margaret Sinha Snr.<br>Francesca Menezes<br>Pancras Robinson | Claire Lagunzad                                    |

## HELP OUR SEMINARIANS TO BE 'PILGRIMS AND SOWERS OF HOPE'



### CONFIRMATION PREPARATION 2025

Families who would like their child to commence preparation to receive the sacrament of Confirmation are invited to attend our information evening being held on Tuesday 24th June at 7.00pm in the Church. This program is suitable for children who are in Year 6 and above, who have received the sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation and Eucharist. The evening will last approximately 45 mins and children do not need to attend. For more information, please contact the Parish Office on 9634 2622 or [sacraments@stbernadette.org.au](mailto:sacraments@stbernadette.org.au)

### SAVE THE DATE: PARISH SPIRIT TASTING FUNDRAISER

We will be hosting a Spirit Tasting fundraiser event on Friday 11th July at 7pm in the hall. Locally based JANCE Distillery will be sharing a variety of spirits and information with us. Tickets on sale now via the QR code or at the Parish Office.

\$30pp, \$50 per couple or \$180 per table of 8.  
Charcuterie boxes will also be available for pre-order.



## OAKHILL COLLEGE MUSICAL JESUS CHRIST SUPER STAR



Oakhill  
COLLEGE

Oakhill college warmly invite you to the College Musical Jesus Christ Super Star on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> June, Friday June 20<sup>th</sup>, Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> June, Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> June, Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> June & Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June at 7.00pm, and Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> June at 2.00pm

Tickets are on sale now via the QR code or at <https://www.trybooking.com/1397408>



### Feast Days This Week

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| <b>9 June</b>  | Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church |
| <b>11 June</b> | Saint Barnabas                            |
| <b>13 June</b> | Saint Anthony of Padua                    |

## Upcoming Events

Please see notices for further details.

| June                        | This Week  |
|-----------------------------|--|
| Mon 9th                     | Kings Birthday public holiday<br>8am Mass only<br>Church closed after Mass<br>Parish office closed |
| Tues 10th                   | Tuesday Morning Prayer Group 10am<br>Reparation Prayer Group 7:00pm                                |
| Wed 11th                    | Wednesday morning Bible Study 10am<br>Young Adults Bible Study 7:30pm                              |
| Thurs 12th                  | Hebrews Study with Fr Fernando 7pm<br>Holy Hour 8pm-9pm  |
| Fri 13th                    | Senior youth: Sola Scriptura   |
| June                        | Next Month   |
| Thurs 19th June             | Hebrews Study with Fr Fernando 7pm   |
| Fri 20th June               | Junior Youth   |
| 21st, 22nd, 28th, 29th June | First Holy Communion Masses  |
| Tues 24th June              | Confirmation Parent Information Night  |
| Thurs 26th Jun              | Coffee and Chat  |
| Sat 28th June               | Vinnies Winter Appeal  |
| Sun 29th June               |  |

## Pentecost

### FOOD AND FUN FIESTA

**8 JUNE 2025**

**11:00AM-3:00PM**

Bacon & Egg rolls from 8am

Aussie BBQ | Mexican  
Austrian | Polish | Italian | Spanish  
Chinese | Filipino | Indonesian  
Indian/Sri Lankan | Indo-Portuguese  
lollies | cakes | popcorn | tea & coffee

#### Entertainment

School Bands | Solo acts | Dance  
Face painting | Games

**No cash- food vouchers only.**  
Vouchers available for purchase on the day.

### CAR PARK CHANGES

Please be aware that this weekend the basketball courts will not be available for parking due to the food fiesta. The driveway through the school will be open to drive through only until 10:45am, when the gates will be locked. Please be mindful of changed traffic conditions over this weekend. Traffic control/security will be in the carpark on Sunday helping to direct the flow of traffic. Please follow their instructions.



## Today's Readings

### Entrance Antiphon

The Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world and that which contains all things understands what is said, alleluia.

### First Reading Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11

When Pentecost day came round, the apostles had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech. Now there were devout men living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled, each one bewildered to hear these men speaking his own language. They were amazed and astonished. 'Surely' they said 'all these men speaking are Galileans? How does it happen that each of us hears them in his own native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; people from Mesopotamia, Judaea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya round Cyrene; as well as visitors from Rome – Jews and proselytes alike – Cretans and Arabs; we hear them preaching in our own language about the marvels of God.'

### Responsorial Psalm Ps 103:1. 24. 29-31. 34. R. v.30

Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

### Second Reading Romans 8:8-17

People who are interested only in unspiritual things can never be pleasing to God. Your interests, however, are not in the unspiritual, but in the spiritual, since the Spirit of God has made his home in you. In fact, unless you possessed the Spirit of Christ you would not belong to him. Though your body may be dead it is because of sin, but if Christ is in you then your spirit is life itself because you have been justified; and if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your own mortal bodies through his Spirit living in you. So then, my brothers, there is no necessity for us to obey our unspiritual selves or to live unspiritual lives. If you do live in that way, you are doomed to die; but if by the Spirit you put an end to the misdeeds of the body you will live. Everyone moved by the Spirit is a son of God. The spirit you received is not the spirit of slaves bringing fear into your lives again; it is the spirit of sons, and it makes us cry out, 'Abba, Father!' The Spirit himself and our spirit bear united witness that we are children of God. And if we are children we are heirs as well: heirs of God and coheirs with Christ, sharing his sufferings so as to share his glory.

### Sequence

Holy Spirit, Lord of light, From the clear celestial height  
Thy pure beaming radiance give.  
Come, thou Father of the poor, Come with treasures which endure;  
Come, thou light of all that live!  
Thou, of all consolers best, Thou, the soul's delightful guest,  
Dost refreshing peace bestow;  
Thou in toil art comfort sweet; Pleasant coolness in the heat;  
Solace in the midst of woe.  
Light immortal, light divine, Visit thou these hearts of thine,  
And our inmost being fill:  
If thou take thy grace away, Nothing pure in man will stay;  
All his good is turned to ill.  
Heal our wounds, our strength renew; On our dryness pour thy dew;  
Wash the stains of guilt away:  
Bend the stubborn heart and will; Melt the frozen, warm the chill;  
Guide the steps that go astray.  
Thou, on us who evermore Thee confess and thee adore,  
With thy sevenfold gifts descend:  
Give us comfort when we die; Give us life with thee on high;  
Give us joys that never end.

### Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

Come, Holy Spirit; fill the hearts of your faithful  
and kindle in them the fire of your love.

**Alleluia!**

### Gospel John 14:15-16. 23-26

Jesus said to his disciples 'If you love me you will keep my commandments. I shall ask the Father and he will give you another Advocate to be with you for ever. If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him and make our home with him. Those who do not love me do not keep my words. And my word is not my own; it is the word of the one who sent me. I have said these things to you while still with you; but the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I have said to you.'

### Communion Antiphon:

They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke of the marvels of God, alleluia.

## Readings Next Weekend

14-15 June 2025

*The Most Holy Trinity Year C*

### First Reading

Prov 8:22-31

### Second reading

Rom 5:1-5

### Gospel

Jn 16:12-15

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SOUL OF

Recently Deceased: Clare Hoare, Roy Dias, Clyde Dias, Lubina Paes, Maria Agorto, Chu Har Li,  
Geoff Roney (funeral Friday 13th June 12:30pm)

Anniversaries: Fred Camilleri, Michael Toun, V K Scaria, Chacko Joseph, Aleyamma Joseph

## PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Victoria Rix, Eleanor Ross, Yvonne Hill, Minda Robles, Sylvia Fagan, Marion Heron,  
Michael Wilson, Hong Van Nguyen, Ederlina Badiola, Noemi Rico, Mary Grace Zamora