



# 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

20-21 June 2026 *Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A*

*Continued from last week*

The Catechism's imagery also places earthly Eucharistic worship in continuity with heavenly worship: in the liturgy, believers share in a "foretaste" of the heavenly liturgy, where Christ is "Minister of the sanctuary and of the true tabernacle." (CCC 1090)

Liturgical law safeguards the meaning of the tabernacle through clear norms. The Most Blessed Sacrament should be reserved in a part of the church that is "truly noble, prominent, readily visible, beautifully decorated, and suitable for prayer," using a single, immovable tabernacle made of solid and inviolable (non-transparent) material that is locked to prevent profanation. (GIRM 314)



The Church also intends the tabernacle's placement to shape worship, because the same document in the number 315 says that it should not be placed on an altar where Mass is celebrated, but rather in a suitable area for private adoration and prayer, organically connected to the church and readily visible. The same number gives two options to where the tabernacle should be located, according to the judgement of the diocesan Bishop, either in the sanctuary, apart from the altar of celebration, in a form and place more appropriate, not excluding on an old altar no longer used for celebration or even in some chapel suitable for the faithful's private adoration and prayer and organically connected to the church and readily visible to the Christian faithful

Even the small details around the tabernacle teach reverence, the church indicates that near the tabernacle a special lamp should be kept lit to indicate and honor Christ's presence. (GIRM 316)

The body's gestures follow faith, the General Instruction of the Roman Missal (274) reminds us that If, the tabernacle with the Most Blessed Sacrament is present in the sanctuary, the priest, the deacon, and the other ministers genuflect when they approach the altar and when they depart from it, but not during the celebration of Mass itself. Otherwise, all who pass before the Most Blessed Sacrament genuflect, unless they are moving in procession. Ministers carrying the processional cross or candles bow their heads instead of genuflecting.

Finally, the tabernacle shows that the Mass does not end in the moment the liturgy concludes. Pope Francis teaches that the Real Presence of Christ "does not end with the Mass," and therefore the Eucharist is safeguarded in the tabernacle for Communion to the sick and for silent adoration, so that the "fruits of the Mass" mature in everyday life.

Please keep this in mind when you are in the church. Jesus is truly present in the forms of bread and wine, and he waits for us in the tabernacle. Social and casual catch-ups and conversations can happen outside the church, in the church Jesus wants to listen to our prayers, and we want to contemplate his divine presence among us. Let us remember the words of St Therese of Lisieux "Do you realize that Jesus is there in the tabernacle expressly for you – for you alone? He burns with the desire to come into your heart... Don't listen to the demon; laugh at him and go without fear to receive the Jesus of peace and love."



Peace in Jesus

*Fr. Fernando Montano*

## 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

### 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.au](mailto:sacraments@stbernadette.org.au)

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]*

### SAFEGUARDING IN OUR PARISH

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. It ensures that children, young people, and vulnerable adults are safe, respected, and protected in our parish community. All volunteers and ministry members are required to complete safeguarding training.

For more information, please visit the Diocese of Parramatta Safeguarding website: <https://parracatholic.org/safeguarding/>

Thank you for helping keep our parish a safe and welcoming place.

## Youth

### FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA



On Instagram  
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On Facebook  
@St Bernadette's youth Castle Hill  
@St Bernadette's Young Adults

#### JUNIOR YOUTH (years 5-8)

Friday 26th June 7:00-8:30pm in the hall.  
We will be talking about the sacrament of Reconciliation

#### SENIOR YOUTH (years 9-12)

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 7:00-8:30pm  
in the St Joseph's Room.  
We will be having a Catholic Trivia night

#### YOUNG ADULTS BIBLE STUDY (18-35yrs)

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 21ST JUNE

Our Young Adults Nights (18-35 Yrs) is on Sunday 21st June 7:00pm-9:00pm in the hall.

Olivia Eberhaut will be teaching us Bible 101: reading and understanding God's word.

Dinner included. Please let us know any dietary requirements by contacting [ym@stbernadette.org.au](mailto:ym@stbernadette.org.au)



## ROSTERS 27-28 June 2026

Mass	Vigil	7:30am	9:00am	10:30am	6:00pm
<b>Ministry</b>					
<b>Lectors</b>	Douglas Carvalho Tony Calabria Felicity Carvalho	Ross Pinkerton Graeme Kearns Jacinta Kearns	Dawn Wickramasinghe Ranmalee De Silva Sherryl Rozario	Sylvia Rego Vince del Gallego John Eberhaut	Timothy Leong Anabel Formosa Jane Lapidario
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<b>Bookshop</b>	Pauline Home	Catherine Seddon	Christine and Hubert Jenneke	Maria Gobbo	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>
Maria Gobbo	Mon 29 <sup>th</sup> June Marie Woodward Elaine Small	Joe Harney Paul D'Cruz Trish McDonald	N/A	Margaret Sinha Francesca Menezes Pancras Robinson Emma Arumai Paula Boyd	Risa Sidik



### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MASSES

**Congratulations to our 63 children who will be receiving the Sacrament of First Holy Communion this weekend and next weekend.** Please join us in praying for the candidates as they prepare for their special day. Please be mindful and patient as their family and friends join us for Mass on 20th and 21st June at the 5pm Vigil, 9am, 10:30am and 6pm masses, and 27th and 28th June at the 5pm Vigil and 10:30am masses. Please be especially mindful with movement in and around the carpark.

### CONFIRMATION PREPARATION 2026



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 30th 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 & 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)



### BIBLE STUDY WITH FR FERNANDO

Fr Fernando will be running his annual study series in July. Looking at the program Jesus: The Way, The Truth and The Life over 5 weeks this year and continuing 5 weeks next year, beginning Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> July at 7:00pm in the hall. Books are available from the Parish Office or on the night for \$40 each, cash only.



### SAVE THE DATE: PARISH OUTING SEPTEMBER 17<sup>TH</sup>

Nancy is organising a Parish Outing to Mary MacKillop Place on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> September. Leaving the parish at 9am, and returning at 4pm. Cost is \$70pp, includes morning tea, museum tour, lunch, free time and mass with Fr Menard in the MacKillop Chapel. Sign up form in the foyer. Places are limited.



### COFFEE & CHAT THURSDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> JUNE

#### GUEST SPEAKER: SOLICITOR MARTIN COLLINS

Please stop by the Marian Center for coffee & chat this Thursday morning after the 9.15am mass. Our Guest speaker, Solicitor Martin Collins will be speaking to us about all things legal!

## NEWS FROM THE DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA

### MUSIC WORKSHOP FOR CHILDREN: 14 JULY

Do you have a child in Year 4-12? Invite them to our 'Sing A New Song Holiday Music Workshop', for a fun day of singing and exploration of sacred music. Tuesday 14 July 2026, 9.30am-2pm Where: St Patrick's Cathedral Hall, Parramatta. Morning tea and lunch provided. Register here: [parracatholic.org/events/school-holiday-music-workshop/](http://parracatholic.org/events/school-holiday-music-workshop/)



### ADULT CONFIRMATIONS 2026

The Office for Worship will host a Catechesis and Formation Day for those candidates (16+) interested in receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation this year.

This will be on Saturday 29th August, 9.30am – 2.00pm at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre in Blacktown. Enrolment forms and a copy of Baptismal Certificates should be sent to OFW before Monday 18th August, 2026. For more information, please contact the Office for Worship [ofw@parracatholic.org](mailto:ofw@parracatholic.org)

Collection 2026



## PETER'S PENCE

"May the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all"

1 Thess. 3:12

### PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION: SUNDAY 28 JUNE 2026

The annual Peter's Pence Collection for the Holy Father will be held next weekend. The collection, usually held around the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, supports the Pope's mission; which extends throughout the entire world from the proclamation of the Gospel to the promotion of integral human development, education, peace and brotherhood among peoples. Every offering – large or small – will support the Holy Father in his ministry and in his charitable activities in response to emergencies and needs around the world.

**Cash donations can be placed in the gold Peters Pence boxes at the doors of the church next weekend.**



## Wine Tasting

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BAROSSA VALLEY WINES

Friday 24th July at 7pm in the hall.

\$30pp, \$50 per couple or \$180 per table of 8.

Charcuterie boxes are available for pre-order \$30 each.

Tickets available via the QR code

or at the Parish Office (cash only)



## Upcoming Events

Please see notices for further details.

June	This Week
Tues 23rd	Tuesday Morning Prayer Group 10am Reparation Prayer Group 7pm
Wed 24th	Wednesday morning bible study 10am Young Adults Bible Study 7:30pm
Thurs 25th	Coffee and Chat Holy Hour 8pm-9pm
Fri 26th	Altar server training 4pm Senior Youth: Holiness
Sat 27th, Sun 28th	First Holy Communion Masses
June	This Month
Tues 30th June	Confirmation 2026 Parent Information Night 7:00pm

# Today's Readings

## Entrance Antiphon

The Lord is the strength of his people, a saving refuge for the one he has anointed. Save your people, Lord, and bless your heritage, and govern them for ever.

## First Reading Jeremiah 20:10-13

Jeremiah said: 'I hear so many disparaging me, "Terror from every side! Denounce him! Let us denounce him!" All those who used to be my friends watched for my downfall, "Perhaps he will be seduced into error. Then we will master him and take our revenge!" But the Lord is at my side, a mighty hero; my opponents will stumble, mastered, confounded by their failure; everlasting, unforgettable disgrace will be theirs. But you, Lord of Hosts, you who probe with justice, who scrutinise the loins and heart, let me see the vengeance you will take on them, for I have committed my cause to you. Sing to the Lord, praise the Lord, for he has delivered the soul of the needy from the hands of evil men.'

## Responsorial Psalm Ps 68:8-10. 14. 17. 33-35. R. v.14

Lord, in your great love, answer me..

## Second Reading Romans 5:12-15

Sin entered the world through one man, and through sin death, and thus death has spread through the whole human race because everyone has sinned. Sin existed in the world long before the Law was given. There was no law and so no one could be accused of the sin of 'law-breaking', yet death reigned over all from Adam to Moses, even though their sin, unlike that of Adam, was not a matter of breaking a law. Adam prefigured the One to come, but the gift itself considerably outweighed the fall. If it is certain that through one man's fall so many died, it is even more certain that divine grace, coming through the one man, Jesus Christ, came to so many as an abundant free gift.

## Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia, alleluia!** The Spirit of Truth will bear witness to me, says the Lord, and you also will be my witnesses. **Alleluia!**

## Gospel Matthew 10:26-33

Jesus instructed the Twelve as follows: 'Do not be afraid. For everything that is now covered will be uncovered, and everything now hidden will be made clear. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the daylight; what you hear in whispers, proclaim from the house-tops. 'Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; fear him rather who can destroy both body and soul in hell. Can you not buy two sparrows for a penny? And yet not one falls to the ground without your Father knowing. Why, every hair on your head has been counted. So there is no need to be afraid; you are worth more than hundreds of sparrows. 'So if anyone declares himself for me in the presence of men, I will declare myself for him in the presence of my Father in heaven. But the one who disowns me in the presence of men, I will disown in the presence of my Father in heaven.'

## Communion Antiphon:

The eyes of all look to you, Lord, and you give them their food in due season.

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## Readings Next Weekend

27-28 June 2026

13<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

### First Reading

### Second reading

### Gospel

2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16

Rom 6:3-4, 8-11

Mt 10:37-42

## Feast Days This Week

22 June	Saints John Fisher and Thomas More
23 June	Saint Paulinus of Nola
24 June	The Nativity of Saint John The Baptist
27 June	Saint Cyril of Alexandria

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SOUL OF

Recently Deceased: Antonia Besters, Rosemary Hayes (funeral Thurs 25<sup>th</sup> 11am),

Mary Kelly O'Reilly, Antonio Agostino, Julia Hermawan, Rina Rossi, Giovanni Rambaldini, Peggy Cheung

Anniversaries: Dean Jarrett, Victor Mahoney, P J Joseph, Elizabeth Canavan, Gerard Grogan, Jane Holtom

## PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Lukas Ivanic, Victoria Rix, Eleanor Ross, Minda Robles, Duncan Abernethy, Rowena Ferguson, Helen Jacob