



THE MASSABIELLE

THE WEEKLY NEWSLETTER OF ST BERNADETTE'S PARISH COMMUNITY

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WEEKLY MASS TIMES

Monday, Tuesday

6:45am

Wednesday, Thursday,

6:45am, 9:15am

Friday 2nd June

6:45am, 9:15am, 12noon

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

27-28 MAY 2023

PENTECOST SUNDAY YEAR A

Continued from last week.



19. The Acts of the Apostles document some important moments along the path of the Apostolic Church when the People of God is called as a community to discern the will of the risen Lord. The leading figure who guides the way and gives direction is the Holy Spirit, poured out on the Church on the day of Pentecost (cf. Acts 2,2-3). The disciples, in carrying out their various roles, have the responsibility of listening to the Spirit's voice and discerning the way to go (cf. Acts 5,19-21; 8,26.29.39; 12,6-17; 13.1-3; 16,6-7.9-10; 20,22). Good examples are: the choice of "seven men of good reputation, filled with the Spirit and with wisdom", who were entrusted by the Apostles with the task of "giving out food" (cf. Acts 6,1-6); and the discernment of the crucial question of the mission to the Gentiles (cf. Acts 10).

20. This question is dealt with in what tradition has called 'the apostolic Council of Jerusalem' (cf. Acts 15, and also Galatians 2,1-10). There we can see a synodal event coming into being, in which the apostolic Church, in a decisive moment of its development, lives out its vocation in view of its mission, enlightened by the presence of the risen Lord. Across the centuries, this event has been interpreted as the paradigm for Synods celebrated by the Church.

The account gives a precise description of the unfolding of the event. In view of the important and controversial question facing them, the community at Antioch decides to consult "the Apostles and Elders" (15,2) of the Church in Jerusalem, and sends Paul and Barnabas there. The community in Jerusalem, the Apostles and the Elders promptly meet (15,4) to examine the situation. Paul and Barnabas explain what has happened. A lively and open discussion follows (ἐκζητήσωσιν (ekzeteo): 15,7a). They listen particularly to Peter's authoritative witness and profession of faith (15,7b-12).

James interprets what happened in the light of prophecy (cf. Amos 9,11-12; Acts 15,14-18), which asserts God's universal saving will, and that He has chosen "a people... out of the gentiles" (15,14), and he formulates his decision giving some rules of behaviour (15,19-21). His speech shows a vision of the Church's mission that is firmly grounded in God's plan, but at the same time is open to Him making Himself present in the gradual unfolding of the history of salvation. Eventually they choose some representatives to take the letter that explains the decision taken and prescribes the procedure to be followed (15,23-39); the letter is delivered and read to the community in Antioch, who receive it gladly (15,30-31).

21. Everyone plays an active part, though with varied roles and contributions. The question is presented to the whole Church in Jerusalem (15,12), which is present throughout and involved in the final decision (15,22). But in the first instance those consulted are the Apostles (Peter and James each give a speech) and the Elders, who exercise their specific ministry with authority.

The decision is taken by James, who guides the Church in Jerusalem, by virtue of the action of the Holy Spirit, who guides the Church along its path by guaranteeing its fidelity to the Gospel of Jesus: "It has been decided by the Holy Spirit and by ourselves" (15,28). It is received and adopted by the whole assembly in Jerusalem (15,22) and then by the assembly in Antioch (15,30-31).

By all listening to the Holy Spirit through the witness given of God's action and by each giving his own judgment, initially divergent opinions move towards the consensus and unanimity (cf. 15,25) that are the fruit of communal discernment that serve the evangelising mission of the Church.

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

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Account Name Castle Hill Catholic Church
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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 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.

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. *Welcome*
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.

Youth



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YOUTH GROUP – 2ND JUNE - THE TRINITY- GOD THE SON

Our Junior (yr 5-8) and Senior (yr 9-12) youth groups will be on Friday 2nd June. This term we will be looking at the Trinity, and on the 2nd we will be focussing on God the Son.

Both groups run every second Friday from 7:00-8:30pm

For more information please contact Fr Matthew Dimian at ym@stbernadette.org.au or 9634 2622

YOUNG ADULTS SOCIAL—SUNDAY 25TH JUNE

Sunday 25th June 7:00-9:00pm in the St Joseph's Room.

Dinner included. Please let us know any dietary requirements.

Fr Matthew will be our guest speaker.

YOUNG ADULTS BIBLE STUDY

Our Young Adults are running a weekly Bible Study in the St Joseph's Room on Thursday nights from 7:30-8:30pm.

We will be looking at the upcoming Sunday Gospel reading.

JOIN OUR YOUTH LEADERSHIP TEAM!

We are looking for volunteers to become leaders within both of our youth programs. For more information please contact Fr Matthew Dimian at ym@stbernadette.org.au or 9634 2622

ROSTERS 3-4 June 2023

	Mass	Vigil	7:30am	9:00am	10:30am	6:00pm
Ministry						
Lectors	Douglas Carvalho Tony Calabria Felicity Carvalho	Sue Pinkerton Daniel Vergano Lisa Kemmis	Hyacinth Jones Catherine Whitelock Ann O'Brien	Sylvia Rego Gemma Saccasan Peter Saccasan		
Communion ministers	Rick Jenkins Brian Fitzalan Natalia Chui +1	Yvonne Desouza Patrick Bowie Remy Sei Campion Fernando	Angela Stenglin Christine Jenneke Hubert Jenneke Rosalie Sampath Celeste McLean	Mila Mina Coney Lau Helen Carr-Boyd Elizabeth Joseph Jiji Joseph		
Bookshop	Pauline Home	Eugenia Fidel	Christine & Hubert Jenneke	Coney Lau	Remy De Leon	
Flowers	1st Collection	2nd Collection	Children's Liturgy	Housekeeping	Church Linen	
Olivia Cheng	Mon 5th June Marie Woodward Elaine Small	John Giorgiutti Joe Boudib Mila Mina	Alexis Chang Laura Burton	Andrea Tomic Krystyna Graczyk Myra Tan Pauline Home	Remy De Leon	



PARRAMATTA CATHOLIC FOUNDATION

Be the face of Christ to our First Nations people

"Let all that you do be done in love."
- 1 Corinthians 16:14



Please give generously to the Bishop's Good Samaritan Appeal. Envelopes can be found on the pews or in the church foyer. Donations can also be made online by scanning the QR code or at yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/appeal. When making online donations please select St Bernadette's CASTLE HILL to ensure your donation is attributed to our quota.

CAR PARK CHANGES 27/28 MAY

Please be aware that this weekend of Pentecost (27/28 May) the basketball courts will not be available for parking due to the food fiesta. Please be mindful of changed traffic conditions over this weekend.

FIRST FRIDAY MASS WITH ANOINTING OF THE SICK

will take place this Friday, 2nd June at 12noon followed by a light lunch in the Marian Centre. All welcome. If you require transport please contact Maureen Fearnside on 9634 3329.

AUSTRALIA'S BIGGEST MORNING TEA

Thank you to all those who attended our morning tea. We raised a total of \$1444.70 for Cancer Council Australia. We had lots of fun with delicious food, playing games, and winning great prizes! We hope to see you all next year.

CAR PARK CHANGES SATURDAYS IN JUNE

Due to works onsite, the first driveway entry from Brisbane road will be blocked off, commencing next Saturday, 3rd June, and for the following Saturdays during June (SATURDAYS ONLY). The carpark can still be accessed via the second driveway entry (into the school grounds) and from Old Northern Road. Please be mindful when entering and exiting.

Readings Next Weekend
3-4 June 2023
The Most Holy Trinity Year A

First Reading	Second reading	Gospel
Ex 34:4-6,8-9	2 Cor 13:11-13	Jn 3:16-18

Feast Days This Week

28 May	Pentecost Sunday
29 May	Mary, Mother of the Church
31 May	The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
1 June	Saint Justin
2 June	Saints Marcellinus and Peter
3 June	Saint Charles Lwanga

PENTECOST

FOOD AND FUN FIESTA

28 MAY
11:00AM-3:00PM

Breakfast available from 8am

Aussie BBQ | Mexican | Chinese
Indian | Austrian | Japanese
Sri Lankan | Italian | Malaysian
Filipino | Desserts & lollies
Tea & Coffee | AND MORE!

Entertainment
School Bands | Solo acts | Dance

St Bernadette's
Parish Castle Hill
367 Old Northern Rd

No cash- food vouchers only.
Vouchers available for purchase after weekend masses from Sat 6th May, or on the day.

Upcoming Events
Please see notices for further details.

May/June	This Week
Tues 30th	Tuesday Morning Prayer Group Reparation Prayer Group
Wed 31st	Wednesday Morning Bible Study
Thurs 1st	Young Adults Bible Study Holy Hour 8:00pm-9:00pm
Fri 2nd	First Friday Anointing Mass and lunch Youth Group

June	This Month
12th June	King's Birthday Public Holiday
17th June	CPR training
18th June	First Holy Communions
24th June	
25th June	Fr Jobi's Farewell morning tea Young Adults
27th June	Confirmation Parent Information night

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 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

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

Second Reading 1 Cor 12:3-7, 12-13

No one can say, 'Jesus is Lord' unless he is under the influence of the Holy Spirit. There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose. Just as a human body, though it is made up of many parts, is a single unit because all these parts, though many, make one body, so it is with Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised, Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well as citizens, and one Spirit was given to us all to drink.

'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.'

*After saying this he breathed on them and said:
'Receive the Holy Spirit.'*

John 20:21-22

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 Jn 20:19-23

In the evening of the first day of the week, the doors were closed
in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus
came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with
you', and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were
filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again,
'Peace be with you. 'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.'
After saying this he breathed on them and said: 'Receive the Holy
Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven: for
those whose sins you retain, they are retained.'

Communion Antiphon:

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

7 Gifts of the Holy Spirit

Wisdom Understanding Counsel Fortitude Knowledge Piety Fear of the Lord

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SOUL OF

Recently Deceased Grace Boitano, Jean Keenan, Andrea Jao, Emmanuel Soriano, Elenita Panganiban and Susan Moore
For the Anniversaries of William Pak, John Fransen, John Bowan, Catherine Bowan, Ben Morgan, and Arielle Bradshaw

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Barbara Ison, Flavia Panto, John Abernethy, Brian De Silva, Victoria Rix, Richard Curtis, Mary Bohman, Kym Holden, Eleanor Ross,
Michael Whitbread, Kathy Whitbread, Yvonne Hill, Paul Earley, Elaine Geoghegan, Frank Laoulach, Helen Shaw.