Upper Mt Gravatt Wishart Parish

Guided by the Holy Spirit, we aim to be an evangelising, faith-filled parish whose members care for one another and are welcoming and inclusive.

NEWSLETTER 30 / 31 October 2021

31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR B
Deuteronomy 6:2-6; Hebrews 7:23-28
GOSPEL: Mark 12:28-34

The Upper Mt Gravatt Wishart Catholic Parish acknowledges the Jagera and Turrbul people, the Traditional Custodians who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples to this Country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of Reconciliation.

 mê “Book of Remembrance” - To add names of family and friends please fill in a form at the registration desk. All those whose funerals were held in the Parish are automatically included in the Books of Remembrance.

November Masses - Envelopes still available at all churches.

All Souls Mass 2 November - Thank you for registering in advance.

Catholic Mission - This is the final weekend for envelopes to be handed in at each church. Thank you for your generous support.

Readers Required - Please contact the parish office if you or someone you know is interested in training as a Reader at our weekend masses. Readers must be at least 16 years or older and need to complete Volunteer registration.

Responsive love. That’s the theme across the First Reading and the Gospel. The First Reading follows Moses reminding the gathered Israel of everything God has already done for them. Then he reminds them of all the blessings God can shower on them. Finally, he tells them to respond - love the one Lord. Don’t get distracted by the gods of the nations that will surround Israel, don’t forget, don’t simply outwardly conform. And, at least in practice, Israel took these words to heart. The text for today’s reading became the ‘Shema’, the prayer that every devout Jew recites each morning on rising. The prayer is a daily reminder not only of the covenant obligations but also of the privilege from which those obligations flow. Israel is a people addressed by God, called each day to listen and obey.

Similarly, in the Gospel, Jesus does not command us to love ‘God’ in the abstract. Teaching Jew to Jew he says: ‘You shall love the Lord your God – the Lord who had rescued the Jewish people from slavery. So, commanding a love which responds to an initiative of Divine Love. Why wouldn’t one respond ‘heart, mind, strength, soul’ in gratitude for the gift of life itself, for the many varied ways God has acted in our lives? And if the Lord God loved you in such a way, why wouldn’t you love yourself?

Then you can properly ‘Love your neighbour as yourself’. There is nothing sentimental in his teaching from Leviticus 19:18 and the passage it is drawn from. Jesus was pointing to the system of social justice which looked after the poor and which did not exploit workers.

The Second Reading once again continues the imagery from Jesus as the great High Priest. Only the High Priest could perform the sacrifice for the sins of the people on the Day of Atonement. He is the great intercessor before God on behalf of the people, and there were special purity laws associated with this position to ensure his holiness. In addition, the High Priest also had to offer a daily animal sacrifice for himself, for his own purification from sin. The practices associated with the High Priest and the imagery of sacrifice are particularly strong in this letter because the author is addressing a community who were once Jews and so were used to the daily and festive rituals of Judaism. It is not the only interpretation of Jesus’ death. Paul makes use of many different images to make sense of Jesus’ life and death, and John’s Gospel has another unique interpretation.

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**WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED**

Especially Joe Costello (brother of Rosa Butler-Kelly), John Wilson, Eileen McGrath, Leanne Davey who have died recently. Also Peter Tsiamis, Robertus Hendarto, Gus Sim, Laura Sim, Rita Galea, Simon Tinh, Lucy Doniger, Nita Harrington, Mary Tuite, June Robertson, Ron Duell, Mary Daly, Bob Beard whom we remember.

**WEEKEND MASS REGISTRATION**

- **Saturday, 5.00 pm**
  - St Catherine’s Church
  - Book now for November 13 & 20

- **Sunday, 7.30 am**
  - St Martin’s Church
  - Book now for November 14 & 21

- **Sunday, 9.00 am & 5.00 pm**
  - St Bernard’s Church
  - Book now for November 14 & 21

**BAPTISMS**

- Harvey McEniery, son of John & Megan;
- Mia McEniery, daughter of Shaun & Emily;
- Arthur Roberts, son of Bridget & Adrian.

They will be baptised in the Parish this weekend.

**ANNUAL ANGLICAN ROMAN CATHOLIC RECONCILIATION SERVICE**

**Thursday 4 November,** 11am-12pm,
St Stephen’s Cathedral, Brisbane City.
Pre-registration for this event is not required.

**ST BERNARD’S PIETY STORE**

The following items are available at the St Bernard’s Piety Store:
- **Christmas Cards** (pkt 8 for $3)
- **2022 Sisters of St Joseph Calendars** ($8)
- **2022 Columban Calendars** ($10)

**‘SPIRIT OF HOPE’ PRAYER MEETING**

**St Stephen’s Chapel**
(In the Cathedral grounds Brisbane City Centre)
**Next Meeting Wednesday 3 November**
10.45am – 12.15pm (after 10am Mass)
Praise and Worship in the CBD
Teaching and Personal Prayer Ministry Available
EVERYONE WELCOME!
Contact Maureen 0403 002 199
or Helena 0405 321 901

**INFORMATION DAY FOR POTENTIAL CATHEDRAL GUIDES AND WELCOMERS**

The guides and welcomers’ group at The Cathedral of St. Stephen warmly invite you to attend an Information Day on the role of a tour guide and/or a welcomer at the Cathedral.

**Saturday 27th November 2021 from 10 am to 2 pm.**
Hanly Room, Francis Rush Centre,
Cathedral of St. Stephen, Elizabeth St.
Refreshments provided.
The Information day is open to anyone who desires becoming part of a friendly and supportive team of Cathedral guides and welcomers. Please register your interest with Carmel Devery at the Cathedral Office on 07 3324 3006 or by emailing deveryc@bne.catholic.net.au

**PASSING ON THE FLAME**

5 November 2021
5.45pm-8pm
Hanly Room
Cost: $20 ($15 for concession)
Register: https://app.tickets.org.au/eb/spiritwomen

**2023 YEAR 7 & 10 ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS**

APPLY NOW!
lhc.qld.edu.au
**Holy Thursday at Home**

**Upper Mt Gravatt Wishart Parish**

**ENTRANCE PROCEDURE: Ubi Caritas**

Refrain: *Ubi caritas et amore*

*Ubi caritas Deus ibi est*

1. Your love, O Jesus Christ, has gathered us together. **Refrain**
2. Let us love one another as God has loved us. **Refrain**


**GLORIA**

*Antiphon:* Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, We bless you, We adore you, We glorify you, We give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God heavenly king, O God, almighty father. **Antiphon**

Lord Jesus Christ, Only begotten son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the father, You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; You take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; You are seated at the right hand of the father, Have mercy on us. **Antiphon**

For you alone are the holy one, You alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, With the Holy Spirit, In the glory of God, the Father. **Antiphon**


**RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 17**


**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

*Antiphon:* Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death And brought us life through his gospel. Alle, Alleluia! **Antiphon**

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**APOSTLE’S CREED**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting.

Amen.

**EUCHARISTIC ACCLAMATION**

We proclaim your death, O Lord, and profess your resurrection until you come again.

COMMUNION: Love Is His Word

1. Love is his word, love is his way,
   feasting with friends, fasting alone,
   living and dying, rising again.
   Love, only love, is his way.  Refrain

Refrain: Richer than gold is the love of my Lord:
Better than splendour and wealth.

2. Love is his way, love is his mark,
   sharing his last Passover feast,
   Christ at his table, host to the twelve.
   Love, only love, is his mark.  Refrain

3. Love is his mark, love is his sign,
   bread for our strength, wine for our joy.
   “This is my body, this is my blood.”
   Love, only love is his sign.  Refrain

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SONG OF PRAISE: A New Commandment

A new commandment I give unto you,
that you love one another as I have loved you,
that you love one another as I have loved you.
By this shall others know you are my disciples,
if you have love one to another.
By this shall others know you are my disciples,
if you have love one to another.

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RECESSIONAL: Strong and Constant

1. I will be your God who walks with you!
   You will be always within My hand!
   Take your heart and give it all to Me!  Refrain

Refrain: Strong and constant is My love!
Strong and constant is My love!

2. Should you wander far away from me
   I will search for you in ev’ry land!
   Should you call, then you will truly know:  Refrain

3. When you know sorrow within your life,
   I will come I will embrace your heart!
   Through your pain you will discover me!  Refrain

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Tree of Life Leaves

If you would like someone who has passed away remembered on our Tree of Life during November:
1. Cut out template
2. Add names
3. Punch hole and thread with string/wool.
4. Place in basket with Marshal before Mass.

MASS TIMES
1 - 7 November 2021

Bookings essential for weekend Masses.
Church doors open 40 minutes before Mass.
Please arrive at least 20 minutes before Mass starts to check in, hand sanitise and be ushered to your seat.
No one is permitted to enter once doors close and Mass begins.

Monday 1 November
9.15am St Catherine’s

Tuesday 2 November
9.15am St Bernard’s

Wednesday 3 November
7.00am St Catherine’s

Thursday 4 November
7.00am St Bernard’s

Friday 5 November
8.00am St Bernard’s
   9.30am St Martin’s

Saturday 6 November
5.00pm St Catherine’s

Sunday 7 November
7.30am St Martin’s
   9.00am St Bernard’s
   5.00pm St Bernard’s

RECONCILIATION
By appointment

PARISH OFFICE HOURS
8.30am - 4.30pm
Monday - Friday
For urgent matters after hours please leave a message on 3849 7158 and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

32nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B
6/7 November 2021

READINGS
1 Kings 17:10-16
Hebrews 9:24-28
GOSPEL
Mark 12:38-44

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