



**ST BERNARD'S PARISH**

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Youth Minister  
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St. Bernard's Prim. Sch.  
**Mrs. Jacqui Heffernan,**  
**Princ.**

**Mass Times**

**Tues 04:** 5.30pm Mass  
**Wed 05:** 8:40am Rosary  
9am Mass  
**Thurs 06:** 9am Mass  
**Fri 07:** 9am Stations of  
the Cross 9.15am Mass  
5.30pm Adoration  
**Sat 08:** 9am Rosary  
5pm Reconciliation  
6pm Vigil Mass

**Sund 09 :** 9am Mass  
5pm Mass  
**Sacristans**

**6pm:** T. Craddy & B. Carmody  
**9am:** A. Scicluna &  
R. Bemelman

**5pm:** D. & B. McCormack

**ROSTERS 8/9 June**

**Church Cleaning:**

R & K Ison (10-14)

**Welcomers**

6pm K Conway

9am M Naughton

5pm D Ebejer

**Readers**

6pm J Quigley, Susan Smith

9am L Page, A Brown

5pm S Ebejer, K O'Sullivan

**Commentator**

6pm H Blake

9am A Skinner

5pm C Nicoletti

**Extraordinary Ministers**

6pm J & N O'Neill, A Rogers

9am K Corbin, N Page

M Trojkovic, C Connell

5pm A Horsfall, B McCormack

**Computer Screen**

6pm D Coffey

9am T. Jackson

**Children's Liturgy**

T Cashman

**Morning Tea:**

R & D Aquilina

**Parish Coffee Club**

*All are welcome to join the Parish Coffee  
Club on Thursday after the 9am mass. Venue:*

*Tribe, Beach Road  
Catelina  
Coffee N Chat*

# the ASCENSION

*Forty days after the resurrection of Christ at Easter, we celebrate the solemnity of the Ascension. In some continents of the world, this is celebrated Thursday of the sixth week of Easter. These include Africa, Asia, North and South America and in Europe. Subsequently, ten days after the Solemnity of Ascension, the Feast of Pentecost is celebrated to coincide with the 50 days after the resurrection of Christ, the out-pouring of the Holy Spirit was celebrated by the Apostles. However, in Australia, the feast of Ascension is celebrated on the Seventh Sunday of Easter and the following Sunday, Pentecost is celebrated.*

*Each Sunday, in the Creed, we profess "He ascended into Heaven." Christ's Ascension was the culmination of God's Divine plan for Christ Jesus – his return to his Father with his "Mission Accomplished." Ascension is the grand finale of all Jesus' words and works done for us and for our salvation. As Jesus is now with God in glory, so Jesus is with us now in Spirit: "Lo, I am with you always."*

*The feast of the Ascension celebrates one aspect of the Resurrection, namely Jesus' exaltation. The focus of this feast is the Heavenly reign of Christ. The Lord is now "seated at the right hand of the Father" as we profess in the Nicene Creed, meaning He alone is in control of the continuing plan of salvation through the Holy Spirit, unrestricted by time, space or culture. Thus, in the Paschal Mystery, Jesus' Passion, Death, Resurrection, Ascension and the sending of the Holy Spirit form one unbroken reality which is to be understood by Faith. The Ascension means that Jesus, His salvific suffering for our Salvation completed, is with his Father in glory. Being seated at the right hand of the Father is the fulfillment of "the prophet Daniel's vision concerning the Son of Man: 'To him was given dominion and glory and kingdom, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him; his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom one that shall not be destroyed' (Catechism of the Catholic Church [CCC] #664).*

*The Ascension of Christ is the culmination of his mission, but not the conclusion. At the point of his ascension, he commissioned his disciples with these words: "to Preach the Good News and be my witnesses:" Matthew, Mark and Acts of the Apostles recorded Jesus' last words differently: 1) "You will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth" (Acts 1:8). 2) "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations" (Matthew 28:19). 3) "Go into all the world and proclaim the good news to the whole creation" (Mark 16:15). All agree that (a) Jesus gave the disciples a mission of bearing witness to him by preaching and living the Good News. They are to tell and re-tell the story of Jesus' life, suffering, death and Resurrection. (b) He assured them of the Divine assistance of the Holy Spirit in the carrying out of this mission. (c) He instructed them to baptise the believers: "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you." (Mt 16: 19-20).*

*As we celebrate the solemnity of Ascension, we congratulate the 19 Boys and Girls who receive the sacrament of Confirmation this Sunday. We welcome them to the sacrament by which they will be empowered by the Holy Spirit in order to give witness to their faith. Thanks to their families and Godparents for inspiring and supporting them, the school and parish community for guiding and praying for them and Archbishop Prowse for presiding at the Confirmation Ceremony. Thanks to all who were part of the journey.*

**Fr. Martins**

**IT'S NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK**  
**WALK TOGETHER WITH COURAGE**  
**GROUNDING IN TRUTH**

**Weekly Events:**

**Singalong:** Every Monday at 1pm in the Church.

**RCIA Process/Faith Formation:** Every Wed 7pm,

**Rosary:** Every Wednesday at 8:40am, Church

**Stations of the Cross:** Every Friday at 9am in the

**Adoration/Vespers:** Every Friday at 5:30pm

**Craft:** Every Thursday 10–12pm Meeting Room

**Wrap with Love:** 2nd Tuesday & last Wednesday of

the month in Church

**Men Alive:** Every 1st & 3rd Wed in Church

**Reconciliation:** Every Saturday at 5pm in Church

**Cenacle Prayer:** Every Tues at 4.45pm in Church

**Monthly Events**

**First Saturday:** 9am Mass

**Opal Mass:** Every 1st Wed at 10:30am

**Glen Mass:** Every 3rd Thurs at 10:30am

**Maranatha Mass:** Every 4th Wed at 2pm

**Baptism Preparation:** Last Wed at 6.30pm

**Mass of the Sick:** Every 1st Tue at 5.30pm

**Weddings and Funerals** by arrangement

**Upcoming Events: JUNE**

**Sunday 2 June:** Confirmation Ceremony at 9am mass

**Tues 4:** Pastoral Care Meeting at 9am, Meeting Room

**Thurs 6:** Liturgy Team Meeting at 4pm, Meeting Room

## MEN'S BREAKFAST

From January to November St Bernard's Parish hold six Men's Breakfast get-togethers on the third Saturday of the odd numbered months. To some, that sounds a little confusing but it is a rhythm we have become used to. - January, March, May, July, September and November. The timetable of every other month was decided upon to make the Breakfast an event that was easy to regularly frequent while not being burdensome.

Our "Charter" is simple. It is an opportunity for the men of the parish to gather together and enjoy a relaxing meal and friendly conversation. From time to time a guest speaker is featured or a theme adopted to make the morning more informative and fun filled. Not wanting to be exclusive there are times when the breakfast has been a mixed affair such as when we hosted the Caritas Kitchen Breakfast in 2018.

Some male oriented themes have been an Obscure Road Rules Quiz, a Dad's Joke Fest, and a Christmas Cracker Joke "Joust". But these form only a small part of the morning's conversation which is always friendly, diverse and energetic and ranging across many aspects of everyday life, personal history and potential futures.

**Our next Breakfast is on Saturday July 20<sup>th</sup> and is proposed to have a "Christmas in July" Theme.** What will that include? You would need to come along to find out as we don't even know yet! Regular participation numbers are 16-18.

All men of the parish as well as friends and neighbours would be most welcome and are invited to join us at any time. Notice of the next Breakfast is published in the Parish Newsletter in the preceding weeks of the month with contact details and regular attenders are reminded by email if they have them. If you would like more information or like to be on our emailing list you can contact Terry Jackson on 0488052147 or email [tgjaxon@gmail.com](mailto:tgjaxon@gmail.com).

## 2019 CONFIRMATION

**The Parish of St. Bernard's, Batemans Bay,**

**welcome the Archbishop, Christopher Prowse to the 2019**

**Confirmation Ceremony this Sunday 2nd June at the 9am mass.**

**19 Candidates from St. Bernard's Primary School are being**

**confirmed. The celebration will be followed by a sausage**

**sizzle, bacon and egg breakfast and morning tea.**

**All are welcome after Mass.**

**PRAYER MEETING:** All are welcome to attend an evening of prayer for BBECET on Monday 10th June between 5—6 pm at the Presbyterian Church, 13 Melaleuca Crescent, Batehaven. *Please come along and pray for our young people.*

**PROJECT COMPASSION:** If there are any stray Project Compassion Boxes around the Parish can they please be returned by next Sunday in order that we may pass on our contribution to Caritas for use where it is needed around the world

**PASTORAL CARE INTRODUCTORY COURSE:** You are invited to attend the St Bernard's Pastoral Care Introductory Course [ five sessions] to be held on the following five Saturdays from 10am – 12 noon In the Parish Church Meeting Room: May 11 & 25; June: 8 & 22; July 6, 2019

**GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY APPEAL:** This May, we have been thankful for your support of the Good Shepherd Sunday Appeal. Our goal this year is to raise \$75,000 towards the cost of educating and forming our seminarians. The people of the Archdiocese have given generously and we are closing in on our target. There is still time to make a gift or begin a monthly donation. Envelopes are available in the church, which can be left on the collection plate or posted to The GSS Appeal, GPO 3089 Canberra ACT 2610. Donations can also be made online through the website [www.cgatholic.org.au/donate](http://www.cgatholic.org.au/donate). Your prayers and financial support for the future priests of our community are vital. **THANK YOU!**

**CATHOLIC VOICE:** *The latest edition is available at the Church Foyer with many interesting articles and stories across the Archdiocese. Please, pick up a copy for yourself, friends and others.*

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**Collection**

**Acc. Name:**

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**We Remember the Sick:** Dennis Sheather, Mary Henderson, James Lee, John Dillon, George Fitzgerald, Declan Holmes, Diane Lanzon, Marion O'Grady, Victor Edith, Jan Simpson, Dawn Robinson, Margaret Harris, Timothy Gerrard, Patricia McLennan, Bill Giust, Allan Odium, John Jessop, Luke Ward, Rosemary Cooney, Judy Betts, Andrew Morton and those in our local Nursing Homes and Hospital.

**Rest In Peace:** Bella Duggan, Elsie Patricia Waltham, Coby Blyes, May Turner, Robyn Albert, Gregory Parsons, Betty Lorraine Hogarty, Mila Bandur, Maria Golak, Dawn Rash and Rowland Heycox

**Pope Francis Monthly  
Prayer Intention**

## JUNE

**Mode of Life of  
Priests.**

***That priests,  
through the modesty and humility  
of their lives, commit themselves actively to a solidarity  
with those who are most poor***

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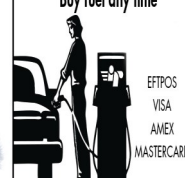
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