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**Mass Times**  
**Tues 20:** 5.30pm Mass  
**Wed 21:** 8:40am Rosary  
9am Mass  
**Thurs 22:** 9am Mass  
**Fri 23:** 9am Stations of  
the Cross 9.15am Mass  
5.30pm Adoration  
**Sat 24** 9am Rosary  
5pm Reconciliation  
6pm Vigil Mass  
**Sun 25:** 9am Mass  
5pm Mass  
**Sacristans**

**6pm:** Craddy & Carmody  
**9am:** Scicluna & Bemelman  
**5pm:** D. & B. McCormack  
**ROSTERS 24/25 August**  
**Church Cleaning:**  
B Coffey & M Paine (26-30)  
**Welcomers** 6pm L Baz  
9am C Connell  
5pm Volunteer  
**Readers**  
6pm P O'Kelly, J Mackay  
9am A Skinner, A Fowler  
5pm Volunteers please  
**Commentator**  
6pm M Weatherall  
9am A Brown  
5pm C Nicoletti  
**Extraordinary Ministers**  
6pm C Brownlie, L Favetta, J  
& N O'Neill  
9am C Connell, A Skinner, M  
& C Lowe  
5pm B McCormack,  
J O'Sullivan  
**Computer Screen**  
6pm D Coffee  
9am T Priest  
**Children's Liturgy :**  
T Cashman  
**Morning Tea:** N Beatty,  
M deSmet  
**Hospital Visitation:** Mary  
O'Neill Aug 25

## CELEBRATING THE LEGACIES OF ST BERNARD



Saints are said to be 'ordinary people who did ordinary things in an extraordinary way'. St. Bernard of Clairvaux (1090 – 20 August 1153), was one of them. He was a French abbot and a major leader in the reform of Benedictine Monasticism that caused the formation of the Cistercian Order. Bernard's parents were Tescelin de Fontaine, Lord of Fontaine-lès-Dijon, and Alèthe de Montbard, both members of the highest nobility of Burgundy. Bernard was the third of seven children, six boys and a girl. At the age of nine, he was sent to a school run by the secular Nuns (Saint-Vorles). Bernard was only nineteen years when his mother died. During his youth, he did not escape trying temptations and around this time he thought of retiring from the world and living a life of solitude and prayer.

After the death of his mother, Bernard sought admission into the Cistercian order. At the age of 22, while Bernard was at prayer in a church, he felt the calling of God to enter the monastery of Cîteaux. Bernard's testimony was so irresistible that 30 of his friends, brothers, and relatives followed him into the monastic life. Bernard joined the Cistercian Order. He was sent to found a new abbey at an isolated clearing in a glen known as the Val d'Absinthe. According to tradition, Bernard founded the monastery in 1115, naming it *Claire Vallée*, which evolved into *Clairvaux*. The monastery, however, made rapid progress. Disciples flocked to it in great numbers and put themselves under the direction of St. Bernard. The reputation of his holiness soon attracted new monks, including his own father. His father and all his brothers entered Clairvaux to pursue religious life, leaving only his sister, who soon took the veil in the Benedictine nunnery.

In 1119, Bernard was present at the first general chapter of the order. Though not yet 30 years old, Bernard was listened to with the greatest attention and respect, especially when he developed his thoughts upon the revival of the primitive spirit of regularity and fervour in all the monastic orders. It was this general chapter that gave definitive form to the constitutions of the order and the regulations of the Charter of Charity for the Order. The zeal of Bernard extended to the bishops, the clergy, and lay people.

While, remaining a pillar to his Order, Bernard contributed to the Church of Rome. He defended the rights of the Church against the encroachments of kings and princes. After the death of Honorius II, 14 February 1130, schism broke out in the Church by the election of two popes, Pope Innocent II and Antipope Anacletus II. By the end of 1131, Bernard worked hard "that all may be one". Also, in 1139, Bernard assisted at the Second Council of the Lateran.

Bernard had a great taste for literature and devoted himself for some time to poetry. His success in his studies won the admiration of his teachers. He wanted to excel in literature in order to take up the study of the scriptures. He had a special devotion to Mary and he would later write several works about the Queen of Heaven. Believing himself at last secure in his cloister, Bernard devoted himself with renewed vigour to the composition of the works which would win for him the title of "Doctor of the Church".

Also, Bernard sent bands of monks from his overcrowded monastery to mission in Europe and was responsible for the foundation of at least 163 monasteries in different parts of Europe.

Bernard died at age sixty-three on 20 August 1153, after forty years in the cloister. He was buried at the Clairvaux Abbey, but after its dissolution in 1792 his remains were transferred to Troyes. Bernard was named a Doctor of the Church in 1830 and considered by Pope Pius XII to be "The Last of the Church Fathers". So great was his reputation that Princes and Popes sought his advice, and even the enemies of the Church admired the holiness of his life and the greatness of his writings. Bernard's theology and Mariology continue to be of major importance, particularly within the Cistercian and Trappist orders. His Feast Day is celebrated on August 20<sup>th</sup> every year.

Through the intercession of St. Bernard, *may all be one.*

*Fr Martins*

### 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 Tue & last Wed of 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:** 9 am 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: AUGUST**  
19th PFC Meeting 5 pm Parish Office  
22nd PPC Meeting 5 pm Meeting Room  
28th St Bernards Feast Day 12 midday at the church

### 19TH AUGUST IS WORLD HUMANITARIAN DAY #WOMEN HUMANITARIANS

This year we honour the work of women in crisis throughout the world. We focus on the unsung heroes who have long been working on the front lines, from the war-wounded in Afghanistan to the food insecure in the Sahel as well as those who have lost their homes and livelihoods in places such as the Central African Republic, South Sudan, Syria and Yemen. We salute the efforts of women aid workers across the world who rally to people in need.



**ST BERNARDS ANNUAL PARISH LUNCHEON TO CELEBRATE ST BERNARDS FEAST DAY IS ON SUNDAY AUGUST 18TH STARTING WITH MASS AT 10 AM AND LUNCH AT 12 NOON.**

*This year's theme is "Family" and there will be plenty of children's activities including a jumping castle.*



**Wishing all members of St Bernards community a Happy Feast Day!!**

**Congratulations to the new members of the Pastoral Care Team, Patricia, Moira and Liz**

**Over the last three months the volunteers in the Parish Pastoral Care have been undergoing 10 hours of training in order to be equipped for the Pastoral Care Ministry. This weekend we present more Certificates to Patricia, Moira and Liz. We thank the team for volunteering and Marie Weatherall for co-ordination.**

### SAVE THE DATE

**COMING UP**

**FATHERS DAY BREAKFAST:** Will be held at Carroll College on Thursday 29th August at 7.30—8.30 am., in the Senior Courtyard. All dads, grandads and guardians are warmly invited to attend for an egg and bacon roll, tea and coffee.

**THE ORDINATION** of Deacon Alex Osborne will be held on Friday 30th August at 6 pm at St Christopher's Cathedral in the A.C.T. All are welcome to attend.

**FATHERS DAY:** *Calling all cooks and bakers !!* For weekend 1st September, the Liturgy Committee have suggested giving biscuits to dads. If you could bake some biscuits to be put into cellophane bags on Friday 30th August ready for the Sunday, please email the parish office to let us know at [batemansbay@cg.org.au](mailto:batemansbay@cg.org.au) or write your name on the list in the foyer this weekend. For the morning tea on Sunday 1st September, it would be appreciated if people could bring a plate to share.

**TOGETHER...WE CAN:** Is a program being run at the Anglican "Annex" (opposite the Anglican Church in Batemans Bay. Running every Tuesday and Thursday from 10am—12pm until September 5th, workshops, information and support will be available for anyone struggling with everyday issues, such as stress, anxiety, conflict or trauma. All are welcome. The program is free to attend with morning tea provided and transport can be arranged if required.

**REPLACEMENT OF CHURCH OVERHEAD PROJECTORS:** Thank you to everyone who has generously given donations to replace the church overhead projectors. So far \$4680 has been promised/donated. An excellent response. **Thank you!!**. Further donations will be gratefully accepted. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

**WRAP WITH LOVE:** Help is needed to sew up squares placed on the shelf in the meeting room. Many thanks. Enquiries: Jenny 0414 664 077

**VOLUNTEER OVERSEAS:** The Cagliero Project, Salesians of Don Bosco - We are seeking volunteers for January 2020 departure, working with disadvantaged young people in Salesian communities throughout Cambodia, Samoa, East Timor & Solomon Islands. Applications close October 15th. For further information contact [www.cagliero.org.au](http://www.cagliero.org.au)

**2020 EASTER PILGRIMAGE:** *Walking in the footsteps of Jesus*—An unforgettable pilgrimage to the land of Jesus, Mary and the Apostles will begin on Sunday 5th April 2020. A 14 night tour with first class accommodation, air-conditioned coach and most meals included. For further information phone 0412 850 883 or [info@gpbs.com.au](mailto:info@gpbs.com.au)

### Banking details

#### 1st Collection

**Acc. Name:**  
**Central**  
**Presbytery Fund**  
**Bank Acc: 29248**  
**BSB: 062-786** Ref:  
SUBURB/TOWN  
& SURNAME.  
Eg: Batebay jones

#### Banking details 2nd Collection

**Acc. Name:**  
**St Bernard's**  
**Operating**  
**Account**  
**Bank Acc:0012939**  
**BSB: 062-786**  
Ref: FAMILY NAME.  
Eg: Jones

**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, Luke Ward, Rosemary Cooley, Andrew Morton, Judy Betts, Ken Evendon, Anne Jackson and those in our local Nursing Homes and Hospital.

**Rest In Peace:** Bernie Wakeling, Sr Anne Derwin, Hazel Elliot, Terry O'Neill, Sr Marie Miller, Malcom Simpson, Paul Ryan, Ray Duke, Gloria Harrison, Des Beckhaus, Bea Field, Jim Daley, Merle Hague, Guiseppe Ferrante and Anthony Clift

**Pope Francis Monthly Prayer Intention**

**AUGUST**

**The Treasure of Families**

That any far-reaching decisions of economists and politicians may protect the family as one of the treasures of humanity

**Parish Coffee Club** All

are welcome to join the Parish Coffee Club on Thursday after the 9am mass.

**Venue : JJ's At The Marina**

**Coffee, Connect and Chat**



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