

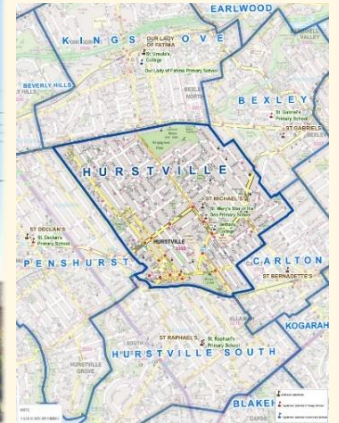
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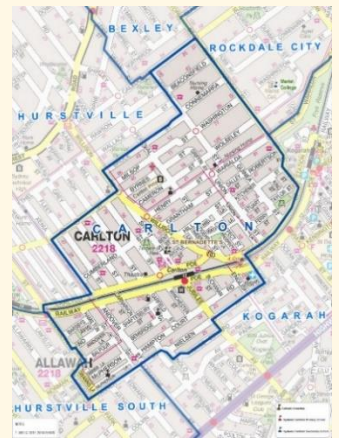
Collaboration of Parishes

St Michael Hurstville, St Bernadette Carlton, St Patrick Kogarah

St Michael Hurstville



St Bernadette Carlton



St Patrick Kogarah



Deanery 8 (St George)



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Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney, Deanery 8 (St George), Group C

Collaboration of Parishes of St Michael Hurstville, St Bernadette Carlton and St Patrick Kogarah

Dear parishioner,

Welcome to our Parish Cluster Group C in the Archdiocese of Sydney, Deanery 8.

'On 12 December 2020, the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, also known as the Star of the New Evangelisation, Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP launched the new Mission Plan for the Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney, entitled Go Make Disciples.'

Among many pastoral suggestions, all parishes are encouraged to informally collaborate with one another in order to 'minimise duplication, hold common activity and initiate forms of outreach that they could not undertake alone'.

It is suggested that the Parishes of St Michael Hurstville, St Bernadette Carlton and St Patrick Kogarah are "clustering" for the purpose of informal collaboration.

On 9 February 2021, the respective parish priests met, discussed, planned and agreed on the outline of activities and other ways of cooperation which are outlined in this Cluster Bulletin. We hope you will find all the information useful.

Please participate in as many events as possible to enliven our community and all our parishes. For more information on each event please contact the respective parishes.

You are also invited to join our Cluster Working Group to look at realising the strategies and actions suggested by the Go Make Disciples Mission Plan in a practical way for our cluster and each of our respective parishes. Meetings are held every 4th Monday, 7:30pm at St Michael's Presbytery.

In Archbishop Fisher's words "Every pastor, every member of the faithful and all our parish communities are called to deep spiritual renewal as disciples, to being better connected with each other, and to reaching out better to others".

Yours in Christ,

Rev Dr Janusz Bieniek CSMA PP (Parish of St Michael, Hurstville)

Rev George Gorzkowski CSMA Adm (Parish of St Michael, Hurstville)

Rev Gabriel Ballawig Adm (Parish of St Bernadette, Carlton)

Rev Mgr Henryk Micek Adm (Parish of St Patrick, Kogarah)

Margaret Budanovic - Cluster Secretary

Reference <https://www.gomakedisciples.org.au/p238,p241>

St Michael's Hurstville	St Bernadette's Carlton	St Patrick's Kogarah
10 Croydon Road Hurstville NSW 2220	10 Argyle Street Carlton NSW 2218	143 Princes Highway Kogarah NSW 2217
		Presbytery/Parish Office: 38 Chapel Street Kogarah NSW 2217
https://www.stmichaelhurst.org.au/ office@stmichaelhurst.org.au	https://stbernadettescarlton.org.au/ secretary@stbernadettescarlton.org.au	https://www.stpatrickskogarah.org/ stpatrickschurchkogarah@gmail.com
P: 02 9587 2166	P: 02 9587 4246	P: 02 9587 5444

- **Sacramental/Pastoral**

SUNDAY HOLY MASS

Saturday

St Michael's Hurstville	St Bernadette's Carlton	St Patrick's Kogarah
5pm	5:30pm	5:30pm
6:30pm Spanish		

Sunday

St Michael's Hurstville	St Bernadette's Carlton	St Patrick's Kogarah
8am	9am	8am
10am		10am Family
4 th Sun 12pm Cantonese		7pm Youth
1 st & 3 rd Sun 12:15pm Mandarin		
6pm Youth		

DAILY HOLY MASS

St Michael's Hurstville	St Bernadette's Carlton	St Patrick's Kogarah
Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat 9:15am	Mon, Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat 8:30am	Mon, Wed, Fri 6pm
1 st Fri 7pm	1 st Fri 7pm	Tue, Thu, Sat 9:15am
Solemnities and Feasts 9:15am, 7:30pm		Solemnities and Feasts 9:15am, 6pm

HEALING MASS

St Michael's Hurstville	St Bernadette's Carlton	St Patrick's Kogarah
Anointing of the Sick 1 st Sat 9:15am	Anointing of the Sick 1 st Fri 8:30am	Anointing of the Sick 2 nd Sat 9:15am

RECONCILIATION

St Michael's Hurstville	St Bernadette's Carlton	St Patrick's Kogarah
1 st Fri 6pm-7pm	Thu, Fri 8am-8:25am	Sat 9:45am-10:15am
Sat 9:45am-10:45am	1 st Fri 8pm-9:30pm	Sat 5pm-5:25pm
Sat 4:15pm-4:45pm	Sat 5pm-5:25pm	1 st Fri 5:30pm-6pm
On demand-before or after Holy Mass	Sun 8:30am-8:55am	On demand-before or after Holy Mass
Other days by appointment		

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

St Michael's Hurstville	St Bernadette's Carlton	St Patrick's Kogarah
Mon-Fri 9:45am-10:30am	Mon, Wed-Sat 9am-9:30am	Solemnities 10am-6pm
Tue 6pm-9pm	Mon-Sat 6pm-11pm	1 st Fri 10am-6:30pm Holy Hour 5:30pm
Fri 8pm-9:30pm 1 st Fri 6pm	Tue 6pm + Rosary 7pm Communion Service	Sat 9:45am-5pm* *Subject to change
Sat 9:45am-11:30am	Fri 9am-11pm	

NOVENA/DEVOTIONS

St Michael's Hurstville	St Bernadette's Carlton	St Patrick's Kogarah
Marian Cenacle Tue 6pm	Cenacle, Sacred Heart, Rosary, Divine Mercy 1 st Fri 7pm-11pm	St Michael & Holy Angels Mon 6:30pm
St Michael & Holy Angels Tue 7pm	Marian Clergy Cenacle 24 Mar Wed 1:30pm	Our Lady of Perpetual Help Wed 6pm
Marian Cenacle Croatian Thu 10:30am		Marian Cenacle Wed 7pm
Padre Pio 1 st Fri 10:am		Sacred Heart of Jesus 1 st Fri 6pm
Sacred Heart of Jesus 1 st Fri 6pm		Divine Mercy 1 st Sat 9:45am

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Sat 9:45am		
Divine Mercy 4 th Sat 3pm		
Our Lady of Fatima 1 st Sat 6pm		
9 Day Divine Mercy Novena starts Good Friday		
9 Day St Michael Novena - before St Michael Feast		

PARISH PATRONAL FEAST DAYS 2021

St Michael's Hurstville	St Bernadette's Carlton	St Patrick's Kogarah
29 September Wed	16 April Fri	17 March Wed

RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

For those who are thinking about becoming Catholic or have questions about taking the next step

St Michael's Hurstville	St Bernadette's Carlton	St Patrick's Kogarah
Tue 8pm (not 2 nd) St Michael's Presbytery		
Sun 10:30am Cantonese St Michael's Presbytery		
1 st , 3 rd Sun 11am Mandarin St Michael's Presbytery		

● 2021 Lent

St Michael's Hurstville	St Bernadette's Carlton	St Patrick's Kogarah
Stations of the Cross Fri 7:30pm 19 Feb-26 Mar	Stations of the Cross Tue Fri 6pm	Holy Mass + Divine Mercy Chaplet + Stations of the Cross Fri 6pm 19 Feb-26 Mar
Annual Lenten Retreat 19 Mar Fri - 21 Mar Sun Fr Zachary Lewis OSPPE	Annual Lenten Retreat 19 Mar Fri - 21 Mar Sun Fr Zachary Lewis OSPPE	Annual Lenten Retreat 19 Mar Fri - 21 Mar Sun Fr Zachary Lewis OSPPE
Lenten Reconciliation (2 nd Rite) 29 Mar Mon 7:30pm St Patrick's Church		

- **2021 Year of St Joseph - 10 Sessions**

St Michael's Hurstville	St Bernadette's Carlton	St Patrick's Kogarah
Session 1 - 25 March Thu St Patrick's Presbytery Sessions 2 to 10 - 3 rd Thu (TBA)		

- **Catholic Young Adults Group - Everyone is invited to attend.**

St Michael's Hurstville	St Bernadette's Carlton	St Patrick's Kogarah
1 st Mon 7pm St Patrick's Presbytery - Jane (Coordinator)		

- **Go Make Disciples Mission Plan for the Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney - Cluster Working Group Meeting - Everyone is invited to attend.**

St Michael's Hurstville	St Bernadette's Carlton	St Patrick's Kogarah
4 th Mon 7:30pm St Michael's Presbytery		

- **Go Make Disciples Mission Plan for the Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney - Cluster Clergy Meeting**

St Michael's Hurstville	St Bernadette's Carlton	St Patrick's Kogarah
2 nd Tue 10am St Patrick's Presbytery		

- **Deanery Social Clergy Meeting with our Regional Bishop - Most Rev Richard J Umbers**

St Michael's Hurstville	St Bernadette's Carlton	St Patrick's Kogarah
2 nd Mon 7pm St Patrick's Presbytery		

- **Resources available for Cluster Parishes**

St Michael's Hurstville	St Bernadette's Carlton	St Patrick's Kogarah
Library	Conference Room/ Parish Hall	Parish Hall

- **Links**

<https://www.sydneycatholic.org/>

<https://www.sydneycatholic.org/casys/parish-map/Deanery-8.png>

<http://www.catholicdirectory.com.au/diocese/sydney>

<https://www.gomakedisciples.org.au/>

In the Archbishop's desire for communities to be better connected in this mission, and with the responsibility to ensure the vitality of our parishes for generations yet to come, at least **five principal arrangements** will be considered for communities in the years ahead – the collaboration of parishes, the twinning or clustering of parishes, the amalgamation of parishes, changes to parish boundaries, and the establishment of new parishes in areas of growth.

The goal is to ensure that our communities are faithful to the person of Jesus, truly mission-oriented, better connected with one another, and sustainably resourced to best serve their existing faithful and reach out to those yet to hear the message of the Gospel, and plan for generations yet to come.

- a. All parishes in the Archdiocese are encouraged to **informally collaborate with another**. Collaboration permits parishes, migrant chaplaincies and ecclesial movements to 'do more with less' by pooling funds, talent, time, meeting spaces and other resources. It enables communities to minimise duplication, hold common activity and initiate forms of outreach that they could not undertake alone. Over time, new relationships are formed between collaborating parishes and groups, and fresh possibilities for pastoral life and evangelisation can emerge that are not possible in isolation. As suggested by past consultation with clergy, this can include the engagement of youth ministers across more than one community and the gathering of larger cohorts or hubs of young people in faith. Families from different communities can be formed together in preparation for the sacraments we celebrate, combined formation days for ministry leaders and parish staff can be held, RCIA groups can meet in common regularly or occasionally, and common retreat days can be inaugurated. Parishes can pool funds to employ staff to assist with administration and compliance. Parishes can confer with each other and provide complementary rather than competing Mass times to provide parishioners and busy families with more choice. The same can be done for offerings of the Sacrament of Penance. In fact, this was the experience of the early Christians who shared their resources for mission and experienced the fruit of a greater diversity of gifts and charisms to support the work of God.

Collaboration can also take place at a deanery level through deanery-wide offerings such as retreats and formation days. It can also take place more locally through the parish groupings shared in this chapter, in which parishes with natural affiliations can be encouraged to work together. The Parish Renewal Team within the Sydney Centre for Evangelisation will be available to work with deaneries and parishes to support such collaboration, facilitating ideas for shared life and combined outreach.

Migrant communities can also collaborate and share resources to strengthen their mission. The Sydney Centre for Evangelisation will work with migrant

5. Processes for the Discernment and Implementation of New Structures

Through the 'Parish 2020' process the Archdiocese gathered information on the viability of parishes particularly having regard to essential resources for mission in the form of current and projected community participation, temporal resources and personnel as reported. This data will inform the following process for discernment, decision and implementation regarding any new parish structures for mission.

It is important to note that no decision by the Archbishop has yet been made regarding the twinning or merging of parishes, pending the process of parish assessment and discernment outlined in this plan for mission.

Informal Collaboration

All parishes are encouraged to collaborate with one another on pastoral initiatives and share resources. This Mission Plan identifies **groups of parishes that are encouraged to collaborate with one another**, as identified through empirical data as well as various advisory bodies including regional bishops, parish clergy, local deans and deanery groups, the College of Consultors, the Council of Deans, the Council of Priests, and the parish priests themselves. Some might collaborate with one neighbour in particular, others might collaborate with one or more on some matters and with other neighbours on other matters.

These groupings represent a starting point for collaboration, informed by consultation, and such groupings may evolve over the next decade to respond to changing pastoral needs and situations.

It is important to emphasise that these groupings identify parishes that could collaborate with one another. They do not indicate groups intended for twinning or merger, though some parishes within each grouping may need to contemplate change if they are identified as 'parishes under consideration' as outlined later in this chapter.

The groups suggested for informal collaboration are provided below: