Catholic Parish of Bacchus Marsh

St Bernard's Bacchus Marsh / Our Lady Help of Christians, Korobeit 309 Myrniong-Korobeit Road, Korobeit 3341

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Fr Fabian Smith Fr Patrick Bradford and Fr John Paul Mount Dolores Turcsan, Tues-Thu 9:00am-1:00pm Naim Chdid, Fri 10:00am-3:00pm



Fifth Sunday of Easter - Year B

29th April 2018

"Children, let us love not in word or speech, but in deed and truth." 1 JOHN 3:18

Regarding our Catholic faith, do you "walk the talk"? Do your actions reflect what it means to be a good disciple? Are you an active participant at Sunday Mass? Are you joyful when participating in parish ministry? Do you give gratefully nad generously with your financial support to your parish and other church needs? If not, it's not too late to start!

MASS & DEVOTION TIMES THIS WEEK

St Bernard's

1 hour Adoration before every weekday Mass.

Monday 30th no Mass Tuesday 1st 5:30pm Wednesday 2nd 9:30am Thursday 3rd 9:30am Fridav 4th 9:30am Mass & Adoration Saturdav 5th 5:00pm Vigil

Sunday 6th 8:30am 10:00am

Our Lady Help of Christians

Saturday 5th 6:30pm

RECONCILIATION – 1ST RITE

Saturday	4:30pm	St Bernard's
Saturday	4:45pm	St Anthony's

CHILDREN'S LITURGY is usually held every Sunday during 10:00am Mass in the

meeting room in the Parish Centre.

ROSARY is usually held every Monday at 7:30pm with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament for one hour.

Rosary is also held on the first Friday of the month following morning Mass. Next First Friday: 4th May 2018

PROJECT COMPASSION / EASTER

A gentle reminder, if you still have your **Project** Compassion box and/or Easter Offering envelope, to return them to the Parish Office. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

O sing a new song to the Lord, for he has worked wonders; in the sight of the nations, he has shown his deliverance, alleluia.

FIRST READING ACTS OF THE APOSTLES 9:26-31 He explained how the Lord appeared to Saul and spoke to him on his journey.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALMS 21:26-28, 30-32. R.v.26

- R. I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people. My vows I will pay before those who fear him. The poor shall eat and shall have their fill. They shall praise the Lord, those who
 - seek him. May their hearts live for ever and ever. All the earth shall remember and return to the Lord; all families of
 - the nations worship before him. They shall worship him, all the mighty of the earth; before him shall bow all who go down to the dust.
 - And my soul shall live for him, my children serve him. They shall tell of the Lord to generations yet to come, declare his faithfulness to peoples yet unborn: "These things the Lord has done".
- R. I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people.

SECOND READING 1 JOHN 3:18-24

His commandments are these: that we believe and that we love one another.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION JOHN 15:4-5

Alleluia, alleluia! Live in me and let me live in you, says the Lord; my branches bear much fruit. Alleluia!

GOSPEL JOHN 15:1-8 All who live in me, and I in them, bear much fruit.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

I am the true vine and you are the branches, says the Lord. Whoever remains in me, and I in him, bears fruit in plenty, alleluia.

St Bernard's (continued)

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION is usually

held on the **first Friday** of the month from **10:00am** to **7:00pm.** All are welcome to come along and spend some time with the Lord. **Next Adoration:** 4th May 2018

PROVIDENCE MASS

The Village, 5-7 Griffith Street, Maddingley

Mass is usually held on the **second Friday** of the month at **11:00am**. Next Mass: 11th May 2018

SENIOR PARISHIONERS' MASS is

usually held on the **third Friday** of the month in the Parish Centre at **10:30am**. Everybody is welcome, not just the seniors. **Next Seniors' Mass: 18th May 2018**

BAPTISM PREPARATION PROGRAM

is usually held on the **fourth Sunday** of the month in the Parish Centre at **11:15am**. **Next Program: 27th May 2018 Coordinators:** Steve & Geraldine Vereker

Registration forms can be downloaded from our website: <u>http://pol.org.au/bacchusmarsh</u>. Bring completed Registration Form with a copy of your child's Birth Certificate to the program. **Please note:** Both parents and Godparents are required to attend the program.

MORNING TEA is usually held on the first Sunday of the month in the Parish Centre after 10:00am Mass. Next Morning Tea: 6th May 2018 Host: Rosary & Prayer Group

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Parish Centre Bookings Tel: 5367 3427 Mon-Fri 9:00am to 6:00pm Hall Managers: Marie & Terry Casey

RECENTLY DECEASED

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES

Dorothy Bourke, Dan Horan, Fr Frank Modden, Jenny Whelan, Helen Wilcox.

Prayers for the Sick & Frail

(please let us know when your loved one is no longer required on this list)

John Anderson, Noah Barlow, Dudley Baddeley, Michael Barrett, Peter Bennett, Steven Braszel, Kevin Bridges, John Canty, Fred Capuano, Gary Ching, Ted Cooling, Lindsay & Kathleen Dally, Judy Delahey, Jack DeLuca, Ian Dominquez, Allison Evans, Helen Evans, Justin Fernandez, Pasquale Gagliarbi, Mario Galea, Cynthia Goodyear, Gwen Green, Joe Gristi, Brian Harrison, Adam Hillier, Elle Hillman, Kiahni Holamotutama, Alicia Holborn, Matthew Jansen, David Kasprzak, Loretta Kervin, Marie Maloney, Patricia Marechal, Debbie Marshall, Jordanis Maryo, Pauline McDonald, Ian McKechnie, Marcus Meno, Paul Mullin, Arthur Pape, Michael Paterson, Georgia Peacock, Arabella Periera, Bev Pickett, Mitchell Prendergast, Peter Roberts, Julie Scott, Ken Shaw, Marian Smith, Frank & Elizabeth Stehmann, Mitchell Tung, John Van Orsouw, Angela Vicum, Louis Vogels, Barry Walsh, Mary & Michael Walsh, Carol Wells, Cath Wheelahan, Jayne Wilkins, Nils Wyren, Patricia Yazbek, Betty Young, Hannah Young.

MINISTRIES – 28th & 29th April 2018

Mass Times	5:00pm Sat Vigil	8:30am Sun	10:00am Sun
Readers	Trish Davine	Gerard Harrington Jenny Hooper	Carmel Shea
Eucharist Ministers	Mary Beaton	Carole Ryder	Jenny Kearney
Altar Servers	as per Roster in Sacristy		
Piety	28 th April 29 th April	Sean Giani Marj Tung	
Counters #6	Gerry Shelly, Jill Geurts, Kate Maurer, Michael Larkin, Ron Geurts		

NICENO-CONSTANTINOPOLITAN CREED

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, [bow during the next two lines] and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and

rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen

MINISTRIES – 5 th & 6 th May 2018				
Mass Times	5:00pm Sat Vigil	8:30am Sun	10:00am Sun	
Readers	Vikki Benson	Peter Lafranchi Margaret Love	Carole Ryder	
Eucharist Ministers	Stuart Robertson	Colm Carragher	James Waters	
Altar Servers	as per Roster in Sacristy			
Piety	5 th MayJan & Colm Carragher6 th MayMandy Harrington			
Counters #7	Denis Everard, Bernard Coburn Mary Flanagan, Patrick Flanagan			
Church Grounds May	Front Garden: Stuart Roberton Back/Side Garden: Hugh Miller Parish Centre/Carpark/Pines: Volunteer Back Paddock: Henry Gasior			
Church Flowers Friday 4 th May	Tup Shea	POF May	Dolores Turcsan	
Readings Sixth Sunday of Easter	First Reading Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48	Resp. Psalm Ps 97:1-4. R. cf. v. 2	Second Reading John 4:7-10	

Hopetoun Catholic Cemetery

Bacchus Marsh Road, Bacchus Marsh

Catholic Museum 88 Main Street West Convent Lane. Bacchus Marsh

St Vincent de Paul Society

Welfare Number: 1800 305 330 Between 10:00am and 3:00pm weekdays

The new Vinnies store is located at **8 Grant Street, Bacchus Marsh**, and is now open 7 days a week, Mon-Fri 9am–5pm & Sat-Sun 10am-4pm. Extra volunteers would be greatly appreciated.

If you would like more information, please ring **0417 525 617**.

The Neighbour's Place

Emergency Foodbank and Hospitality Centre

Address:	77 Main Street, Bacchus Marsh
Open:	Monday, Wednesday, Friday
	9:30am – 3:00pm
Tel:	5367 6222
Email:	<u>neighbourspl@iinet.net.au</u>

HAIL, HOLY QUEEN (Salve Regina)

Hail, holy Queen, Mother of mercy. Hail, our life, our sweetness, and our hope! To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve; to thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in the vale of tears. Turn then most gracious advocate, thine eyes of mercy towards us. And after this, our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

P: Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.*R:* That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

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PIETY STALL

Divine Mercy publications still in stock \$2.00 each:

- Novena to Saint Faustina in the Jubilee Year of Mercy Leaflet
- The Devotion to The Divine Mercy
- Just Remember
- Works of Mercy
- Come Holy Spirit
- Divine Mercy Sunday
- Laminated Chaplet/Novena Leaflet
- Laminated Divine Mercy Message and Devotion Leaflet

Melbourne Catholic – April 2018

Available from the Piety Stall – **\$4.00** each Due to lack of sales, the Piety Stall will no longer stock the Melbourne Catholic magazine. The magazine can be ordered directly from Media and Communications Office, Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne on 03 9926 5758.

NEW PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Please note, the amended Parish Office Hours at St Bernard's are now as follows:

Dolores Turcsan – Parish Secretary Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday – 9:00am–1:00pm

Naim Chdid – Sacramental Coordinator Friday – 10:00am–3:00pm

ST BERNARD'S ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The **Annual General Meeting** of St Bernard's Parish will be held on the evening of **Saturday 26th May 2018** at **6:15pm** in the **Parish Centre**.

All coordinators of Parish groups are invited to submit a report, so that these can be communicated to the Parish at the AGM. It is requested that **reports be forwarded to the Parish office by Friday 4th May** so that a booklet can be compiled for issue at the AGM.

Also, if any parishioner wishes to have an item tabled for discussion at the AGM, it is requested that any such items be forwarded to the Parish office no later than the Friday 4th May.

There will be a number of vacancies available on the Parish Council for the coming year. Therefore, if you know of anyone interested in joining the St Bernard's Parish Council, it is requested that nominations be forwarded to the Parish office. Nominations will also be called for at the AGM.

MARY MACKILLOP MUSEUM Open Day

The Mary MacKillop Museum tells the inspiring story of Australia's St Mary of the Cross MacKillop. The Museum has a special **Open Day** on **Saturday 5th May 2018** from **10:00am-4:00pm** with a guided Walking Tour at 11:00am and a special morning or afternoon tea available between 11:00am and 3:00pm. You are also welcome to pray in the Chapel, and visit the Gift Shop.

The Sisters of St Joseph thank you for your continued support and assistance as they continue to promote the extraordinary story of this pioneering Australian Catholic woman who was canonised in 2010 as Australia's first Saint of the universal Catholic Church.

Where:Mary MacKillop Heritage Centre, 362 Albert Street, East MelbourneContact:9926 9300 or admin.mmhc@sosj.org.au

THE DOMINICAN SISTERS OF ST CECILIA invite you to a Siena Night

What:	It is a time of fellowship, prayer, dinner and spiritual
	conversation.
Who:	Catholic Women, ages 18-35
When:	Saturday 5 th May 2018, after 5:00pm Mass at St Bernard's
Where:	St Bernard's Parish Centre
Cost:	FREE
RSVP:	for catering purposes, to <u>melbourne@op-tn.org</u>
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We hope to see you there!

ROSTERS FOR READERS AND EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTERS

A gentle reminder to all Readers and Extra Ordinary Ministers that new Rosters were sent out by email. If you have not received a copy, please either collect one from the Sacristy, or contact the Parish Office and one will be sent to you. Please note that the Roster can also be viewed online and a copy is on the Noticeboard in the Gathering Space (*without telephone numbers*).

Thank you for your ongoing support in this Ministry.

If there are any changes to your commitment and/or contact details, please advise the Parish Office as soon as possible. Also, if anyone else would like to volunteer, please call 5367 2069.

2018 is the Year of Youth: The Creed in Slow Motion XII

And in Jesus Christ (3)

From what the prophets said in the Old Testament, flashes here and there, because the prophets are not easy to understand, the Jews learned a lot they had not realised before. They found out that the reason they were always being defeated by their enemies was because they were so wicked; they did not keep God's law: they oppressed the poor, they worshipped false gods, and so on. And they came to see that the Christ, called by them in Hebrew the Messiah, would have to deliver them, not from their enemies, but from their sins; that his reign was going to be a reign of peace and of justice, not a sort of bank holiday which they would spend in crowing over their enemies.

And there was a strange story – that part of it they found very difficult to understand – that this King, this Christ, or Messiah, who was to come, would have to suffer, would have to make atonement for the sins of his people.

And at the same time it began to be clear that this King, this Christ, was not to be an ordinary person. He would be someone who was to come down from heaven to judge the world; he would look, the prophets said, like a Son of Man – which meant, of course, that he would not just be an ordinary son of man, or what would be the point of saying that he looked like one?

By this time, you see, the hopes of the Jews had grown rather confusing, but they were as strong as ever. And round about the year which we call, for our own private reasons, the year Nought, you find pious Jews described as people who waited for the consolation of Israel; that is, they were expecting the Christ to come, because it was about the time that the prophet Daniel had foretold that he would come.

Do you know what it is to be trying to open a drawer, and going through a bunch of keys, to see if you can find one that will fit? And how splendid it is when at last one of the keys fits in, as if it had been made for that drawer, and the lock turns without difficulty? So it was here; a key fitted the lock; an event happened which corresponded with all that the Jews had been looking forward to. A baby was born in Bethlehem, the son of a poor woman, who called him Jesus. She was poor, but she was descended from King David; and that got known, so that blind beggars, when he grew up, used to shout after him, "Have mercy on us, thou Son of David".

He did not call himself the Son of David; he used to call himself the Son of Man; to remind people of that Son of Man whom Daniel had foretold was to come in judgement. And he claimed to be a prophet, like Moses – but greater than Moses, or how could he say, "Moses said this, but I tell you that"? And when he asked his friends who they thought he was, the most intimate of them, Simon Peter, answered, "Thou art the Christ".

He would not let them tell anybody about it at the time; but later, when the chief priests brought him to trial, and asked him, "Art thou the Christ?" he said: "I am; and when you see me again, I shall be coming to earth in judgement."

The Son of Abraham, the Son of David, calling himself the Son of Man, claiming to be greater than the prophets, claiming that he had come to found a kingdom, claiming to be the Christ, the Judge of the world – that was Jesus of Nazareth. And because we believe in that claim, we say, "Jesus is the Christ".

The baby who was born at Bethlehem is that Christ, that Anointed One from heaven, whom the Jews had been looking forward to all those centuries. The Key had fitted in the lock, and the door had swung open, and revealed to us all we wanted to know about the supernatural world, and heaven, and hell, and the forgiveness of our sins.

By Fr Ronald Knox