



# St. Joseph's & St. Bernadette's (Boronia) Parish

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## OUR PARISH TEAM

PARISH PRIEST Fr. Mirek Knap CR  
 PARISH SECRETARIES Mary Makarucha  
 Leigh Bilston

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL :-  
 Fr. Mirek Knap, Rosemary Gibson, Donna Bowker,  
 Carla Dean, Chris Ashdowne, Mary Asquith, Marie Jones,  
 Mark Westwood, Peter Steward, Jennifer Kennedy,  
 Nick Frederiksen

SAFEGUARDING COMMITTEE :-  
 Fr. Mirek Knap, Rosemary Gibson, Graham Gibson,  
 Donna Bowker, Mary Asquith, Peter Asquith

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 Family Group Coordinators -  
 Jill & John Faulkner 9800 3359  
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 Sr. Frances Mongan PBVM 9874 3016

## OUR PARISH SCHOOLS

St Joseph's - Principal - Mark Westwood 9762 3275  
 - Deputy Principal - Nick Frederiksen  
 St Bernadette's - Principal - Peter Steward 9762 5135  
 - Deputy Principal - Jennifer Kennedy

## OUR REGIONAL SCHOOLS

St Joseph's College Ferntree Gully 9758 2000  
 Principal Ms. Cathy Livingston  
 Rector Fr. Chris Ford  
 Mater Christi College 9754 6611  
 Principal Maria Haggett

## WEEKDAY MASS TIMETABLE

### WEEK COMMENCING

### HOLY WEEK

### MASS SERVICES BY REGISTRATIONS

Monday	29 <sup>th</sup>	9:10am Mass
Tuesday	30 <sup>th</sup>	9:10am Mass
Wednesday	31 <sup>st</sup>	9:10am Janssen Centre
Thursday	1 <sup>st</sup>	8:00pm (Registrations )
Friday	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3:00pm (Registrations )
Saturday	3 <sup>rd</sup>	No morning mass 8:00pm Mass (Registrations )
Sunday	4 <sup>th</sup>	<b>EASTER SUNDAY</b> 9:00am Mass (Registrations ) 11:00am Mass (Registrations )

# 28 March 2021

## PALM SUNDAY THE YEAR OF SAINT JOSEPH

### *Responsorial Psalm:*

My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

### *Gospel Acclamation:*

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!  
 Christ became obedient for us even to death dying on  
 the cross. Therefore God raised him on high and gave  
 him a name above all other names.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

### *NEXT WEEK'S READINGS*

#### EASTER SUNDAY

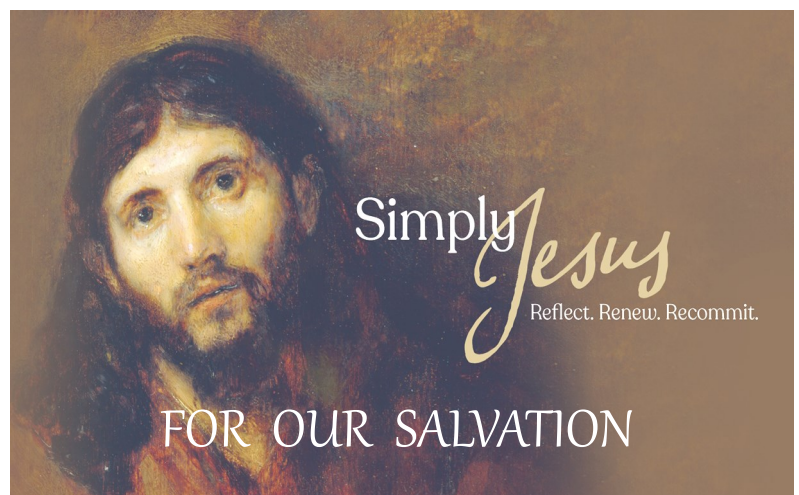
Acts 10:34, 37-43 Ps 117:1-2. 16-17. R.v. 24  
 Col 3: 1-4 Jn 20:1-9-9

### WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK:-

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> Palm Sunday  
 Monday 29<sup>th</sup> Parish Reconciliation  
 Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Thursday  
 Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> Good Friday Service  
 Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> Holy Saturday Vigil Mass

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> Easter Sunday



## DO YOU WANT TO FAST - HOLY WEEK? *In the words of Pope Francis*

- \* *Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others.*
- \* *Fast from grudges and be reconciled.*
- \* *Fast from words and be silent so you can listen.*



## Fair Trade Easter Eggs

The campaign, an initiative of Good Shepherd Australia New Zealand and ACRATH (Australian Catholic Religious Against Trafficking in Humans) asks people to buy FAIRTRADE chocolate for Easter to help stop the trafficking of children into West African cocoa plantations. This will send a message to chocolate producers who do not use FAIRTRADE chocolate.



**When you go to your local supermarket, look for chocolate that has one of these three symbols. If you can't find any, ask the manager if they stock any**



**Congratulations to our Students who celebrated the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time!** On Thursday evening, students from St Bernadette's, St Joseph's and Religious Education gathered together with their families in the church to celebrate their First Reconciliation. We congratulate them all and pray that they continue to take the opportunity to encounter God's love and mercy through this sacrament

**PARISH RECONCILIATION SERVICE WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY AT ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH AT 7:30PM**

**POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR MARCH** - seeks to highlight the joy that the Sacrament of Reconciliation brings, and reminds us that it's a loving and merciful encounter between us and God. It's a message full of hope, in which he invites us to rediscover the power of personal renewal that the Sacrament of Confession has in our life. "Let us pray that we may experience the Sacrament of Reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the forgiveness and infinite mercy of God," Pope Francis asks. [This month's video opens with](#) the Pope himself going to confession, "in order to be healed, to heal my soul." "Jesus waits for us, listens to us and forgives us" "In the heart of God, we come before our mistakes," says the Holy Father in The Pope Video, highlighting once more the power God's love has over our being and action. Receiving this Sacrament isn't a matter of standing before a judge, but of going to a loving encounter with a Father who receives us and always forgives us.



[Vatican News](#)

## HOLY LAND COLLECTION - Good Friday 2 April 2021

The collection promotes the missionary work of the Church in the Holy Land by providing welfare assistance to local Christians in areas such as health, education, employment and housing. Parishes, schools, orphanages and medical centers throughout the Holy Land also rely on assistance with this collection. It is used to maintain 70 churches and shrines associated with the life of Jesus. Please remember the Christians of the Holy Land on Good Friday and please keep them in your prayers.

Please come prepared to contribute this Good Friday. Envelopes are available at the exit to take this week.

**We Pray For:-**

**PRAYER List:** Michael Mongan, Carmel McGough, Annette Drew, Ann-Marie Doffay, Betty Winters, Charlie Sindray, Christian McMahon, Sr Clare Corcoran, Dan Wintle, Deborah Price, Des Hearn, Dharshi Rajakarier, Elaine Ahearn, Eleanor Foster, Eric D'Monte, Gaye de Boer, Halina Hart, Helen Hearn, Joan Douds, John Barker, John Holohan, Kathleen Dalby, Laura Ramidge, Lilly Robertson, Liza & Rex Natividad, Margaret Holt, Matthew MacDonald, Margaret Gazechi, Margaret Millard, Marilyn Longmuir, Michael Bott, Michael Rankin, Ray Johnson, Rita Michael, Rita White, Rosa Petraglia, Salam Assad, Sheila Forster, Veneranda Sernande, Yolliana Girgis, Charlie Sindrey

**Recently Deceased:** Elena de Cajal

**Anniversaries:** Henk Rietmeyer, Jane Butterworth,



# BAPTISM



We Congratulate  
**Dara Zane & Dami Zeke Ogbah**  
 Who will be Baptised this Weekend  
*May God's blessings be upon you  
 on this special occasion and  
 always.*



## BORONIA PARISH HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SERVICES

Please register online: [www.boroniaparish.org.au](http://www.boroniaparish.org.au)



<b>PALM SUNDAY</b>	<b>Reconciliation SERVICE</b>	<b>HOLY THURSDAY</b>	<b>GOOD FRIDAY</b>	<b>HOLY SATURDAY</b>	<b>EASTER SUNDAY</b>
28 March 2021	29 March 2021	1 April 2021	2 April 2021	3 April 2021	4 April 2021
Saturday Vigil St Joseph's: <b>6:00pm</b> Sunday St Joseph's <b>9:00am</b> <b>11:00am</b>	Monday St Joseph's <b>7:30pm</b>	Thursday St Joseph's <b>8:00pm</b>	The Passion of the Lord St Joseph's <b>3:00pm</b>	Vigil Mass St Joseph's <b>8:00pm</b>	Sunday St Joseph's <b>9:00am</b> <b>11:00am</b>

<u>TRYBOOKING LINK</u>	DAY	TIME	COORDINATOR	CONTACT
<a href="#">PLEASE CLICK ON THIS LINK FOR HOLY WEEK MASS BOOKINGS</a> <b>OR</b> If you unable to book online please <b>TEXT</b> the respective Liturgy team member with your details.	HOLY THURSDAY	8:00pm	Noelle	0408 578 706
	GOOD FRIDAY	3:00pm	Meity	0466 343 883
	HOLY SATURDAY (VIGIL)	8:00pm	John	0417 987 848
	EASTER SUNDAY	9:00am	Cathie	0437 213 927
11:00am		Ria	0468 476 813	

**Saturday Mass streamed live** Please note -All Saturday Masses will now be streamed live.

Use below link to access [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC4BRq5QzTrW9aPT46\\_RXI0A/live](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC4BRq5QzTrW9aPT46_RXI0A/live)



**LITURGY**

**HOLY WEEK ROSTER**

## World Down Syndrome Day (WDSD)

is celebrated each year on March 21, the day selected by the United Nations to signify the uniqueness of the triplification of the 21st chromosome which causes Down syndrome.

Each year to coincide with World Down Syndrome Day (WDSD) I create my "Celebrating Sophie" video. This year I came across a beautiful song written by Scottish songwriters/musicians Tom Kerr and Colin Kennedy, "Wouldn't Change a Thing", which really resonated with me. After contacting Tom to ask permission to use his song as a backing track for my video, he advised me that he had teamed up with the UK charity "Wouldn't Change a Thing" (WCAT) a parent led charity, similar to Celebrate T21 in Australia.

All proceeds from downloading or streaming the song go to WCAT to continue to raise positive awareness and support for families.

I am very grateful to the wonderful Tiffany Selzer from Tiny and Brave Family and Newborn photography for the beautiful family photographs and Celebrate T21, who have chosen Sophie as a returning Ambassador for 2021.

With Tom and WCAT's permission I present to you "Celebrating Sophie and World Down Syndrome Day 2021".

Please take the time to share my video far and wide to spread awareness of Down syndrome and World Down Syndrome Day.

Please click on this [LINK](#)  
[Celebrating Sophie and WDSD 2021](#)

## CHILD SAFE PARISH

Here at St Joseph and St Bernadette, Boronia Parish we follow the Child Safe Standards outlined by the Victorian Government and we also implement procedures and standards as directed by the Archdiocese of Melbourne. The Parish Office can supply you with our Code of Conduct and Child Safety Policy. If you have any concerns whatsoever - please contact the Parish Office or Fr. Mirek at [boronia@cam.org.au](mailto:boronia@cam.org.au).

## PROJECT COMPASSION

Sunday 28 March 2021

Please take home a Project Compassion box and/or a set of donation envelopes and support Caritas Australia this Lenten season themed "Be More".

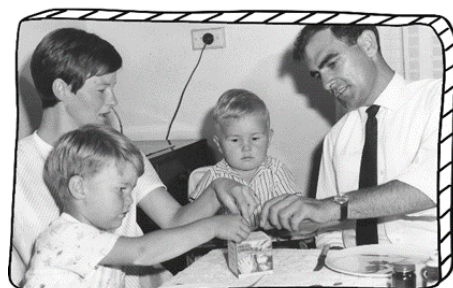
Saint Oscar Romero said, "Aspire not to have more, but to be more."

Through your generosity and by aspiring to "Be More", you are assisting some of the world's most vulnerable people build better futures for themselves, their families and their communities.

PROJECT COMPASSION  
**BE MORE**

For over half a century, generations of Australians have participated in Project Compassion, making it one of the nation's longest running charity campaigns. Throughout five decades of natural disasters, conflicts and crises, Caritas Australia has worked alongside vulnerable communities with the generous support of Australians. Project Compassion has also helped with access to education, health services, agricultural training and through programs that reduce maternal and infant mortality. This year, we have presented five stories from people striving to 'Be More' - just a few amongst the millions who have been helped through Project Compassion. As we celebrate this Australian icon, we would like to thank generations of supporters nationwide for their generosity, which allows us to move forward with lifesaving strategies to tackle new challenges.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2021 to so this transformational program can continue to empower vulnerable women, men and children, and strengthen the communities around them. You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting [www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion](http://www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion) or phoning 1800 024 413.



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