



Member of the Knox Deanery

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

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Office Hours: Tuesday to Friday 9am - 3pm

### OUR PARISH TEAM

PARISH PRIEST	Fr. Mirek Knap CR
PARISH SECRETARIES	Gerri Cheyne Leigh Bilston Veronica Maguire
PASTORAL WORKER	Veronica Maguire
PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL :-	Fr. Mirek Knap, Veronica Maguire, Rosemary Gibson, Noelle Hughes, Chris Ashdowne, Mary Asquith, Marie Jones, Mark Westwood, Peter Steward,
SAFEGUARDING COMMITTEE :-	Fr. Mirek Knap, Rosemary Gibson, Graham Gibson, Mary Asquith, Peter Asquith, Noelle Hughes
St. Vincent de Paul -	1800 305 330
Family Group Coordinators -	0417 987 848
Jill & John Faulkner	
RCIA Coordinator	9874 3016
- Sr. Frances Mongan PBVM	
Communion to the Sick	0431 638 476
- Veronica Maguire	

### OUR PARISH SCHOOLS

St Joseph's - Principal - Mark Westwood	9762 3275
- Acting Deputy Principal - Georgina Bennett	
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 Jim Ackerman sdb	
Mater Christi College	9754 6611
Principal Maria Haggett	

## WEEKDAY MASS TIMETABLE

Monday	4th	9:10am Mass
Tuesday	5th	9:10am Mass
Wednesday	6th	9.10am Mass @Janssen Centre
Thursday	7th	No Mass
Friday	8th	11.30am Senior's Mass 9.10am Mass
Saturday	9th	9:10am Mass 6:00pm Vigil Mass
Sunday	10th	<b>4TH SUNDAY OF LENT</b> 9:00am Mass 11:00am Mass

## 3 March 2024

# THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 18:8-11. R. Jn 6:68

Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

Gospel Acclamation: John 3:16

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!  
God gave the world so much, he gave his only son, that  
all who believe in him might have eternal life.

### NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

### FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR B

1st Reading:

2 Chronicles  
36:14-16. 19-23

Responsorial Psalm:

Ps 136. R. v.6

2nd Reading:

Ephesians 2:4-10

Gospel Acclamation:

John 3:16

### WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK:-

Thurs 7th Mar	@5.30pm 1st Reconciliation Workshop @ St Bernadette's
Sat 9th Mar	@10.15 Parents Play & Pray
Sun 10th Mar	@7.30am Welcoming Rite

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

- ◆ Catholic Education Week  
from Sunday 10 March to Sunday 17 March
- ◆ Labour Day 11th March





## JANSSEN SPIRITUALITY CENTRE

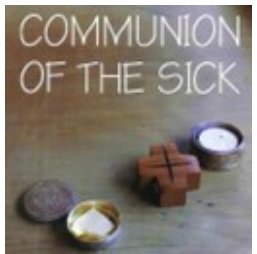
Mass is celebrated at  
the Centre each Wednesday at 9.10am  
Followed by a 'Cuppa"  
**All are invited!**

### Communion Ministry for the Sick and the Homebound

If any parishioner knows of a member in  
our community who would like Holy  
Communion brought to them  
please contact:

Parish House on 9761 2124 or

Veronica at [pastoral.boronia@cam.org.au](mailto:pastoral.boronia@cam.org.au) or 0431 638 476



The **Parish Fair Craft Stall** are **look-  
ing for items** to be donated from  
our parish community, these items  
will be sold at the Parish Community  
Fair on March 23<sup>rd</sup> 2024.

For further details please contact:

**Maureen** on **0417 391 477**

**all donations will be greatly accepted**

Do you grow more fruit and vegies  
than you can eat? Would you be in-  
terested in donating any excess to our  
Fair to sell? The Plant stall will gladly  
accept your fresh produce on the day  
of the Fair.

Any questions, ring Pat 9762 3656.



## Rite of Election

Please pray for **Kylie** and **Tristan**  
who are preparing to be received  
into our Catholic Community at the  
Easter Vigil.

As we all make this Lenten journey  
may we be inspired to renew our  
faith as Kylie and Tristan walk with  
us in the RCIA. May we all listen to  
God's word and be inspired to put  
it into practice as we all grow in  
Love.

Pictured at the Rite of Election on  
Sunday, where we gathered with  
people from parishes all across

Melbourne who are also being prepared for the Sacraments of Baptism,  
Confirmation and Eucharist at Easter. From left to right: Veronica,  
Frances, Kylie, Tristan, Divina and John. Kylie and Tristan are  
accompanied by members of the RCIA team.



## 10 Ways To **Love**

**LENT 2024** theme:  
Love of God

**FASTING** - to love oneself.

**PRAYER** - to love God

**ALMSGIVING** - to love others.

**LISTEN** without interrupting

**SPEAK** without accusing

**GIVE** without sparing

**PRAY** without ceasing

**ANSWER** without arguing

**SHARE** without pretending

**ENJOY** without complaint

**TRUST** without wavering

**FORGIVE** without punishing

**PROMISE** without forgetting

## PLEASE NOTE - Thanksgiving Donations

Hello Parishioners,

We have noticed recently that some thanksgiving donations  
being made via credit card have ceased.

- This is a system issue and has been rectified.
- Those who this has affected will notice that their  
contribution has started coming out again.

If this isn't the case and you don't believe your ongoing  
contribution is being made, please contact the Parish house  
on **9761 2124** or via email: [boronia@cam.org.au](mailto:boronia@cam.org.au)

**We apologise for any inconvenience this may have caused.**

**Kind regards**

**Boronia Parish**

## We Pray For:-

**Anne Burke**, Helen Keogh, Mary Phillips, Martin McGrath, Peter Ordner, Dianna Folino, Florence Domini Nisperos, Ruben Prieto, Ann-Marie Doffay, Beth Holohan, Brian Douds, Charlie Sindray, Charles Ceravolo, Christian McMahon, David Butler, Eleanor Foster, Emma Porcuincola, Gaye de Boer, Gayl Hindle, Halina Hart, Helen Hearn, Jane Anderson, John Barker, John Quinn, Joseph Grabner, Kathleen Dalby, Lance Travers, Laura Ramidge, Leonie Hodge, Lilly Robertson, Liza & Rex Natividad, Lucy Denzin, Lynne McGregor, Margaret Holt, Marie Costello, Margaret Fagan, Margaret Gazechi, Margaret Millard, Mark Hammerstein, Marilyn Longmuir, Marjorie O'Connor, Mary Phillips, Matthew MacDonald, Melissa Rowe, Michael Bott, Nola Ryan, Pauline Crennan, Shaz Khan, Shanuki Karunanayake, Sheila Forster, Tony Cannon, Trish Kalms, Yolliana Girgis

**Recently Deceased: DIANA FOLINO**

**Anniversaries: Antonius Weerden**



## LITURGY Roster Fourth Sunday of LENT– 10th March 2024

MASS TIME	LECTOR	COMMENTATOR	SPECIAL MINISTER	MUSIC	COMPUTER	SET-UP
6.00pm	C ABRAHAM	PAULINE GEORGE	J KEUKEN	COMPUTER	D PERLADO	G GILFEDDER
9.00am	M CHEN	F ROBERTS	M ASQUITH	COMPUTER	C MULENGA	J FAULKNER
11.00am	R GIBSON	G GIBSON	M CAMILLERI	COMPUTER	J DU	G QUINN

## SERVICE Roster

<b>CHURCH CLEANING</b>	9th Mar Group 3	R & P Parlevliet, Mary Camilleri Eileen Butterworth, Claudia	<b>COUNTERS</b>	4th Mar Group 1	Leanne, Clare Rod & Brenda
<b>CHILDREN'S LITURGY</b>	10th Mar	Carmel	<b>FLOWERS</b>	10th Mar	No Flowers
<b>HOSPITALITY 6PM</b>	9th Mar Group 5	Lien & Magda	<b>HOSPITALITY 11AM</b>	10th Mar Group 1	Eileen & Jim

## CHURCH AND PARISH DONATIONS

### Parish Church Account:

St Joseph's and St Bernadette's Church Account:

**BSB:** 083 347

**Acc No:** 63544 5281

**Ref :** TG (your Thanksgiving Number if you have it)

### Presbytery Account to support the Parish Priest:

Catholic Presbytery Account Boronia:

**BSB:** 083 347

**Acc No:** 63544 6217

**Ref :** TGPres

## PARISH DONATIONS Capital Works

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**Ref :** CWfeb (your name)

Parishioners who would like to place a donation towards the church seats please donate into the Parish Church Account specifying the specific reference: Seat, (followed by your name).

*Thank you for your donations*

## \*\* CHILD SAFE PARISH \*\*



St Joseph and St Bernadette, Boronia Parish 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 Declaration and Safeguarding Children Policy.

If you have any concerns - please contact the **Parish Office** or **Fr. Mirek:** [boronia@cam.org.au](mailto:boronia@cam.org.au)

**Safeguarding Children Committee:** [Boronia.ProfessionalStandards@cam.org.au](mailto:Boronia.ProfessionalStandards@cam.org.au)

# PARENTS PRAY & PLAY

This small church community is an opportunity for parents and their young children to meet in fellowship, to support each other as they grow in faith, and family life, with their children.

**AIMS:** To support each other in their family's faith journey. To support the children as they begin to understand Christian values. To deepen spiritual life through prayer.

**When:** Saturdays

**Time:** 10.15am ~ 11.15am

**Venue:** John Cross Centre

**Bring:** Your child's/children's snacks & drink



**Contact:**

Meity 0466 343 883

Veronica 1431 638 476

**Further details are on the noticeboard**



## FETE notice

We are looking at including some international food at our upcoming FETE, but need some help. Do you have a favorite food you enjoy cooking? eg: noodles, curries, pasta dishes, fried rice, samosas, etc. Would you be willing to cook up a batch and bring it along to the canteen on the day?

Please contact **Angela** 0422 180 285 to discuss quantities, etc.

## NOTICE!

Prayers for the Sick Names will appear in the Newsletter for 8 weeks & will then be removed. Please inform the Parish house if you require any adjustments to this list.

Thank you

[Boronia@cam.org.au](mailto:Boronia@cam.org.au)

## *My Faith Rosary*

35 colored Rosary beads sets with wooden cross.

Each decade in red, white, yellow, blue and green.

Fold-out book with instructions and prayers on how to pray the Rosary.

Available at St. Joseph and St. Bernadette's Church for \$5.



**Third Sunday of Lent  
2 & 3 March**



Samoa may be a country surrounded by water, but access to clean drinking water is scarce in some areas, with many families facing extreme hardship as a result. Leaia lives with her five children, husband, brother and sister-in-law on the island of Upolu in Samoa. Not having access to a reliable source of clean water caused Leaia a lot of worry. Their home is not connected to a piped water system, so they had to rely solely on rainwater collected in old fridges. When their water ran out, Leaia had to walk with her young children to collect water in buckets and containers from a neighbour down the street. With the support of Caritas Australia's local partner, Caritas Samoa, a water tank was installed at Leaia's home. She and her family now have a steady supply of clean drinking water at home. Next year, they will also have a toilet built, with the support of Caritas Samoa, which will further improve their health and living conditions. "We are very thankful and grateful for the water tank. It has helped us so much and made our daily life easier," Leaia said.

**Please donate to Project Compassion.**

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow **for all future generations**. You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting [caritas.org.au/project-compassion](http://caritas.org.au/project-compassion) or by calling 1800 024 413.





*St Joseph's and St Bernadette's  
Family Fun Fair—10am ~3pm  
Saturday March 23rd, 2024*

**It's all systems go for our Fair with three weeks to go and lots of help needed.**

**There are a number of items we would like to bring to your attention:**

- **Garage Sale:** To be held on Saturday March 16th, **Hours : 8am – 1pm** to sell some of the bigger items such as furniture, before the Fair. These are stored under the church.
- **Trash and Treasure:** Items can be left next to the garage doors under the church. For any large items please contact Lynn or Natalie.

Contact: **Lynn 0402 148 505** or **Natalie 0411 140 466**

- **Clothing:** New or factory seconds are welcome, **NO 2nd hand clothing.**
- **Delivery of Fair Flyers:** Is your favorite exercise walking? We need walkers to deliver our Fair flyers to as many letterboxes as we can. The more people who know about the Fair means more customers spending their money.

**Parishioners** please check the table at the back of the church and **school** parents please check the tables in the walkways of the schools. There will be a map with all the areas marked on it and numbered bundles of flyers corresponding to these areas.

***Remember to write your name next to the bundles/area/s you have taken, on the sheet next to the map. Your assistance will be greatly appreciated.***

- **Cake Stall:** Plates with notes explaining what is needed, are available in the back of the church and will be sent home from the schools. The cake stall would love to have your favorite cake, muffin, biscuit, slice, etc., to sell to our Fair customers. Everyone has at least one recipe that they make well... let's share it with everyone. Jams, chutneys, etc are also welcome.
- **Basketball Competition:** At this year's fete we are having a basketball shoot-ing competition for all to enjoy. We are currently trying to touch base with Knox Raiders and other basketball associations to see if they will come along on the day, more information to follow..

***\*~\* Thankyou from your Fair Committee \*~\****