



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 ~ Thur & Fri
 Leigh Bilston ~ Tue & Wed
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

17 March 2024

FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 50:3-4. 12-15. R. v. 12

Create a clean heart in me, O God.

Gospel Acclamation: John 12:26

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!. If you serve me, follow me, says the Lord; and where I am, my servant will also be. Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS ~ 24TH MARCH 2024

**PALM SUNDAY OF THE
PASSION OF THE LORD YEAR B**

1st Reading:

Isaiah 50: 4-7

Responsorial Psalm:

Ps 21:8-9. 17-20. 23-24. R.v.2

2nd Reading:

Philippians 2:6-11

Gospel Acclamation:

Philippians 2: 8-9

WEEKDAY MASS TIMETABLE

Monday	18th	9:10am Mass
Tuesday	19th	9:10am Mass
Wednesday	20th	No Mass @St Joseph's 9.10am Mass @Janssen Centre
Thursday	21st	No Mass
Friday	22nd	9.10am Mass
Saturday	23rd	9:10am Mass 6:00pm Vigil Mass
Sunday	24th	PALM SUNDAY 9:00am Mass 11:00am Mass

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK:-

Catholic Education Week 10 March to 17 March

Wed 20th Mar Mass of Oil
 Thur 21st Mar First Reconciliation
 Sat 23rd Mar St Joseph's & St Bernadette's
 FETE DAY 10am—2pm

UPCOMING EVENTS:-

- ♦ Holy Thursday
- ♦ Good Friday
- ♦ School Holidays



Craft Co-Ordinator:

Maureen Milton is stepping down as our Craft Co-Ordinator after the 2024 Fair. We would like to sincerely thank Maureen for her many years of dedicated service. If you would be interested in becoming our Craft Co-Ordinator please contact Maureen on 0417 391 477 for further information. Thank you!

The **Parish Fair Craft Stall** are looking for items to be donated from our parish community, these items will be sold at the Parish Community Fair on March 23rd 2024. For further details please contact: **Maureen on 0417 391 477**
all donations will be greatly accepted

Do you grow more fruit and veggies than you can eat? Would you be interested 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.

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

Sacraments of Initiation

Please continue to pray for our Candidate, **Kylie**, and Catechumen, **Tristan**, as they prepare to receive the Sacraments of Initiation at the Easter Vigil. As we all continue our Lenten Journey and open our hearts to the Love of God working in us, may their journey inspire us to renew our faith and give thanks for the gift that is!



Enrolments for 2025 are now open!

If you have a child commencing in Prep in **2025**, please complete an enrolment form and return it to St Joseph's School office **ASAP**. If you know of anyone seeking enrolment for **2025**, please encourage them to come along to:

OPEN MORNING:

Wed 20th March 2024
@9.00am -12.30pm

Alternatively you can contact the school office on **9762 3275** to arrange a tour!



Mass is celebrated at the Centre each Wednesday at 9.10am Followed by a 'Cuppa'

JANSSEN SPIRITUALITY CENTRE



All are invited!

Contact: **Shantelle**

M: 0400 836 144



**** FREE ****

Face Painting Tutorial!!!

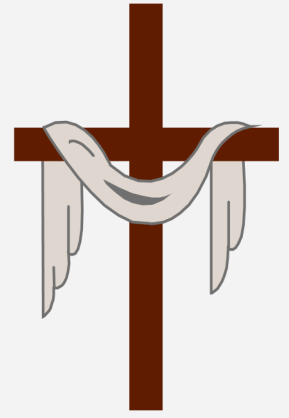
We are in need of **NEW** people to take over the reigns of Face Painting for the **Fete**, if you have a creative side & are interested please contact Shantelle

We Pray for all those who are sick at this time and especially those within our Parish:

Anne Burke, Lance Travers, Melissa Rowe, Peter Ordner, Marilyn Longmuir

Recently Deceased: Alice Mary Sullivan, Gayl (Lockhart) Hindle

Anniversaries: Elena De Cajal, Antonio Avalos



LITURGY Roster Palm Sunday – 24th March 2024

MASS TIME	LECTOR	COMMENTATOR	SPECIAL MINISTER	MUSIC	COMPUTER	SET-UP
6.00pm	P GEORGE	D PERLADO	N HUGHES	COMPUTER	C STEGGINK	D WILARACHCHI
9.00am	V MAGUIRE	C SCHWARZ	F ROBERTS	COMPUTER	A SCHMID	D BOWKER
11.00am	F MONGAN	R GIBSON	G GIBSON	COMPUTER	L REID	R FEUERBACH

SERVICE Roster

CHURCH CLEANING	23rd Mar Group 5	Carmel & John Garrity, Graham Hurley, Ruks Weploa & Priyani, Patrick Fitzgerald	COUNTERS	18th Mar Group 3	Therese, Jenny, Clare
CHILDREN'S LITURGY	24th Mar	Trish	FLOWERS	23rd Mar	Bowl for entrance Palm Sunday
HOSPITALITY 6PM	23rd Mar Group 2	C O'Connell & N Hughes	HOSPITALITY 11AM	24th Mar Group 3	Muditha & Claudia

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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Acc No: 63544 5281

Ref : CWfeb (your name)

Parishioners who would like to place a donation towards the church **single 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

Safeguarding Children Committee: 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



The roster for **Holy Week** and the Easter ceremonies is available this weekend.

If you are a volunteer on our normal weekend roster and would like to volunteer for this special week please add your name to the roster which is available at the back of the church.

This year we will have the feet washing ceremony on Holy Thursday and are looking for people to volunteer for this important ritual. **(You don't need to be on the weekend roster to volunteer for this)** Many thanks for your involvement. The Liturgy Team

I am selling funky socks for World Down Syndrome Day celebrated on March 21.

Sizes vary from Kids XS to Adult XL - There are lots of fun designs to choose from.

The socks are \$10 a pair All money raised goes to supporting the wonderful work

of Celebrate T2, who work closely with families to educate, empower and advocate for their choices, by

supporting and celebrating their child with Down syndrome, and extending a hand of

comfort and compassion when a diagnosis is received. Please contact

my Mum, Gayle, on 0438610122 or email us on

theashdownes1@bigpond.com if you would like to buy a pair.

Thanks so much for your support.

Sophie Ashdowne



Fifth Sunday of Lent 16 & 17 March



Partnership in action -

The work of Caritas Australia is only possible with the dedication, passion and tenacity of our local partners who implement the programs. They are the heroes on the ground, working tirelessly behind-the-scenes every day to create a better future for their communities.

Caritas Australia partners with the Faithful Companions of Jesus (FCJ) to support communities living in urban slums in the Philippines. FCJ runs a number of programs that include house renovating, food processing, basic literacy skills, urban gardening, upcycling and income generating activities. They also have a clinic visited weekly by a doctor and community nurse. Caritas Australia partners with Caritas Samoa to assist communities to have increased access to clean water, sanitation and hygiene to ensure human health and well-being by providing water tanks and sanitation facilities.

Caritas Australia partners with the Catholic Development Commission in Malawi through the A+ program. Since 2016, the A+ program has helped 7,397 families across Malawi improve their food security, access to basic water and sanitation, boost women's income generation and strengthen child protection.

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 or by calling 1800 024 413.

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

Community Fair: only 1 week to go, can you help?

Flyers: there are some areas that need distributing. Please check the table at the back of the church. We need to ensure the wider community knows about our fair and comes to support it.

Volunteer Rosters: Please check the volunteer rosters at the back of the church or scan the QR code if you have children at either school and decide where you can help out for the day. The more helpers we have, the more enjoyable the day will be for everyone. We need car park assistants, this will ensure that members of the community can come and go from the Fair enabling as many people as possible to attend.

Setup Day: If you can help with setting up the day before, just turn up anytime after 9am. The more helpers we have the earlier we can go home. *Please park in the usual area and walk around the back of the school, it'll be a hive of activity (we hope).*

Shopping bags wanted: Please drop your unwanted bags (paper ones are also welcome) in the box provided, at the back of the church. Thank you!

International Food: Please contact Angela on 0422 180 285 if you want to contribute your favourite food.

Plant Stall: Is anyone available on Set-up day who has a trailer or ute and can help Pat transport plants from her home to the school? Please call her on 9762 3656 Thank-you

Request for home grown vegetables: If you have a surplus of vegetables that you would like to donate to the Fair, please bring them to the plant stall either on setup day or the day of the Fair.

Business Owners: This is a shout out to our business community, if you would like to sponsor or donate to our Fair, please contact Jon 0400 370 034 or Leanne 0428 199 742. All donations will be greatly appreciated.

Thanks everyone. Your help will ensure a successful day for all.