



Member of the Knox Deanery

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

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### 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

## WEEKDAY MASS TIMETABLE

Monday	25th	9:10am Mass
Tuesday	26th	9:10am Mass
Wednesday	27th	No Mass @St Joseph's 12pm Mass @Janssen Centre
Thursday	28th	Holy Thursday ~ 8pm Mass
Friday	29th	Good Friday ~ 10.30 Station's of the cross Passion of Christ 3pm
Saturday	30th	9:10am Mass 8pm pm Vigil Mass
Sunday	31st	<b>EASTER SUNDAY</b> 9:00am Mass 11:00am Mass

## 24 March 2024

## PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

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

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

**Gospel Acclamation:** [Philippians 2: 8-9](#)

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 ~ 31ST MARCH 2024](#)

[EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD  
YEAR B](#)

**1st Reading:**

Acts of the Apostles  
10:34. 37-43

**Responsorial Psalm:**

Ps 117: 1-2. 16-17. 22-23. R v24

**2nd Reading:**

Colossians 3: 1-4

**Gospel Acclamation:**

1 Corinthians 5: 7-8

### WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK:-

Mon 25th Parish Reconciliation @7.30pm  
 Thur 28th Holy Thursday  
 Fri 29th GOOD FRIDAY  
 Sat 30th Holy Saturday  
 Sun 31st Easter Sunday

### UPCOMING EVENTS:-

- ♦ 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!

**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

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**Thank you!**

**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!



**THANK YOU.**

~ To Fr Mirek, Veronica, Leigh & Gerri & to all the parishioners who gave us condolences, cards, phone calls, prayers, flowers, hugs & kisses & for all those who celebrated with us the life of our very loved & valuable family member **Diamante (Diana) Folino** 97 years old, on Friday 1st March at St Joseph’s Boronia. The support and love of the wonderful people in our community of our past parishioner Diana from St Joseph’s & St Bernadette's at this time was overwhelming but appreciated from family members. **Big Thank you to all from Diana Folino’s Family.**



**HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SERVICES 2024**  
**Saint Joseph’s Catholic Church, Boronia**



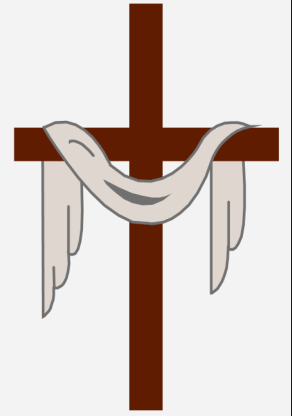
<p><b>PALM</b> <b>Sunday</b> 23rd~24th Mar <b>Saturday Vigil</b> 6:00pm <b>Sunday</b> 9:00am &amp; 11:00am</p>	<p>Parish Reconciliation 25th Mar <b>Monday</b> 7:30pm</p>	<p><b>HOLY</b> <b>Thursday</b> 8pm Mass</p>	<p><b>GOOD</b> <b>Friday</b> 29th Mar <b>Stations of the Cross</b> 10:30am <b>The Passion of the Lord</b> 3:00pm</p>	<p><b>HOLY</b> <b>Saturday</b> 30th Mar <b>Vigil Mass</b> 8:00pm</p>	<p><b>EASTER</b> <b>Sunday</b> 31st Mar 9:00am 11:00am</p>
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**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, Jane Butterworth, Renato Hernandez, John Ferguson



**LITURGY Roster**

**Easter Ceremonies March 2024**

**Special Liturgy Roster for the Easter Ceremonies**

The “Holy Week Liturgical Ministry Roster” has been placed at the back of the church for your inspection.

**Please take note of the schedule and ministry you are to be involved in.**

**Thank you to all volunteers and servers!**

<b>SERVICE Roster</b>					
<b>CHURCH CLEANING</b>	30th Mar Group 6	L Reid, N Klep, V Rajapaske, A Garcia, N Rau	<b>COUNTERS</b>	25th Mar Group 1	Leanne, Clare, Rod & Brenda
<b>CHILDREN'S LITURGY</b>		<b>NO PROGRAM</b>	<b>FLOWERS</b>	30th Mar	Lorraine
<b>HOSPITALITY 6PM</b>	30th Mar Group 3	Nishellie Rajapaske & Family	<b>HOSPITALITY 11AM</b>	31st Mar Group 4	Bernie & Veronica

**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

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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](mailto:boronia@cam.org.au)  
**Safeguarding Children Committee:** [boronia.professionalstandards@cam.org.au](mailto:boronia.professionalstandards@cam.org.au)



St Joseph's and St Bernadette's

Family Fun Fair

Thank-you

THANKS to everybody for your support in helping to run this year's Community Fair, and those that came along and enjoyed the attractions, activities and stalls.

Looking forward to seeing you at next year's Fete on Saturday 29th March 2025

A special thanks to the Fete Committee for their hard work, especially those who chased sponsors, organized stalls, bumped in on Friday and bumped out on Saturday and everything in between.

CONGRATULATIONS



HOLY LAND COLLECTION  
GOOD FRIDAY MARCH 29th 2024



The annual collection for the support of the church in the Holy Land will take place on Good Friday, March 29th. This 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, housing. Parishes, and orphanages. It is also used to maintain over 70 churches and shrines associated with the life of Jesus. Due to the ongoing war, the Church and people of the Holy Land are still struggling with reduced income due to fewer pilgrims and lower church attendance around the world. In 2023 Australian Catholics were once again extremely generous and we were able to send to the Holy Land nearly \$1.4 million [\$1.4 million (2022), \$1,126,098 (2021), \$406,023 (2020) and \$1.3 million (2019)]. The reality for the Holy Land mission is that they will continue to face challenges financial and spiritual and so we again ask Catholics around the world again to be as generous as possible, with their financial support as well as the spiritual support. Please remember the Christians of the Holy Land on Good Friday. **Please donate via the envelopes at the back of Church.** Thank you.



Sixth Sunday of Lent (Palm Sunday)

23 & 24 March



This year, we shared with you the story of three inspiring women from across the globe, who overcame challenges to complete their education, access water and find secure employment. With the support of compassionate people like you, they are now forging a path to a better future for their families and their communities. **Ronita** from the Philippines has now graduated high school and secured a job at a call centre.

This job was only possible because of a certificate she gained from completing her studies. **Leaia** and her family now have a water tank at their home in Samoa. She and her family now have a steady supply of clean drinking water. Next year, they will also have a toilet built, with the support of Caritas Samoa, which will further improve their health and living conditions. **Memory** completed her vocational training course in carpentry and joinery.

After completing a work contract at one of the largest electrical companies in Malawi, Memory now plans to return to her village and provide carpentry services to people in her community. It's through the generosity of people like you that we can continue to support people like **Ronita**, **Leaia** and **Memory**.

There is still time to donate! 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](https://caritas.org.au/project-compassion) or by calling 1800 024 413.

