



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

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 Fr. Mirek Knap CR, Sr. Elisabeth Hariyanti SSPs, Donna Bowker, Chris Ashdowne, Rosemary Gibson, Marie Jones, Sue Hawkins, Peter Middleton, Mark Westwood,

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OUR PARISH SCHOOLS

School Principal St Joseph's and St Bernadette's
 Mr. Peter Vanstan
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 St Joseph's - Leonie Sheehy 9762 3275
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OUR REGIONAL SCHOOLS

St Joseph's College Ferntree Gully 9758 2000
 Principal Mrs. Cathy Livingston
 Rector Fr. John Prest,
 Mater Christi College 9754 6611
 Principal Mary Fitz-Gerald

WEEKDAY MASS TIMETABLE

WEEK COMMENCING

Sixteenth week in Ordinary Time - 22 July

Monday 23rd 9.10am Mass St Joseph's
Tuesday 24th 9.10am Mass St Joseph's
Wednesday 25th 9.10am Mass Janssen Centre
Thursday 26th No Mass
Friday 27th 9.10am Mass St Joseph's
Saturday 28th 9.10am Mass St Joseph's
 6.00pm Vigil Mass St Joseph's
Sunday 29th Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 8.00am Mass St Joseph's
 9.30am Mass St Bernadette's
 11.00am Mass St Joseph's

Reconciliation Saturday 9.30am

22nd July 2018

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Responsorial Psalm:

The Lord is my shepherd;
 there is nothing I shall want.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!
 My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord;
 I know them, and they follow me.
 Alleluia

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
 2 Kgs: 4:42-44, Psalm 144. 10-11, 15-18 R. v.2,
 Eph: 4: 1-1. Jn. 6:1-15.



*the remnant of my flock
 I myself will gather
 from all the countries*

REFLECTION: DIVIDING WALLS OF ENMITY

It has sometimes been claimed that, from space, astronauts can see the Great Wall of China – stretching for thousands of miles and constructed so as to keep the enemies of the Chinese kingdom ‘outside’. We humans love constructing barriers, sometimes to keep others out, sometimes to keep others in – the ‘otherness’ usually based on race or ethnic or religious identity. In any case, it is to make clear who is ‘not one of us’, who is to be regarded as ‘the other’. The Jewish people did that at the Temple in Jerusalem. There was a stone barrier separating the inner area which only Jewish people could enter, and an outer area where ‘gentiles’ i.e. people from other religious backgrounds i.e. non-Jews – could gather. In the late 19th century a slab was found bearing the inscription that any non Jew crossing the stone barrier would do so under the pain of death. It is that barrier which St Paul refers to in the second reading: ‘The dividing wall of enmity’. And what St Paul is celebrating is the fact that the ‘dividing wall of enmity’ between Jew and non-Jew has been torn down. It is torn down by Jesus Christ in whom a new humanity is being created without discrimination, without segregation, a new People of God. This new People of God is supposed to be found in the Catholic Church. But what did the Catholic Church often do when it was in a position of political power, or able to influence its exercise? It collaborated in putting the Jews behind a ‘dividing wall of enmity’ i.e. created ghettos which disfigured many European cities. These were areas in the cities barricaded off and to which Jewish people were forced to retreat (except, of course, when facilitating commerce for the Christian majority à la ‘The Merchant of Venice’). But we can be very proud that it was an Australian, Cardinal Cassidy, who led the

difficult early stages of dialogue between the Catholic Church and adherents of the Jewish religion throughout the world. He was given this task by the Pope who adopted St Paul’s name as part of his own: Pope John Paul II. The Pope’s mission in this regard was best symbolised during his pilgrimage to the site of the old Temple in Jerusalem in March 2000. You have all seen pictures of the so-called ‘Wailing Wall’ at which Jewish people pray. It is actually the last remaining great foundation stones of the Temple. In a little cleft or gap between the stones the Pope pushed a piece of paper on which was written his prayer expressing sorrow for centuries of Christian maltreatment of those whom he called ‘the children of Abraham’. I am quite sure that Cardinal Cassidy’s hand could be found in the drafting of that prayer. It is regarded as the greatest gesture of reconciliation between Catholics and Jews and an Australian cardinal helped to facilitate it! It is true that we are distinctive and have our own identity. Every week we come to Mass in response to Our Lord’s invitation in today’s gospel: ‘Come away and rest awhile.’ Our Lord is saying ‘Come away by yourselves so that I can nourish you with Heavenly Bread and Spiritual Drink which is my Holy Communion with you.’ Yes, we do that as a moment of refreshment or re-creation, but always as a prelude to the great task. We are to go out and break down the walls of hostility between peoples – the various ‘dividing walls of enmity’: racism, caste and class, historical grievances, sexist subjugation. We, like Pope John Paul II, are to press our prayers and actions into whatever opportunities present themselves. When, and only if, we do so, will we be truly disciples of Jesus Christ, truly of the new humanity He envisaged, truly Catholic.

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RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

An invitation...



A Journey into Faith.

If you wish to explore our Catholic Christian Faith we are happy to accompany you in this search; to go on the journey with you. We conduct evening sessions to help you on your way to discover what God is calling you to.

you are welcome

Coming to us does not mean you are already committed – you are welcome to come and go as you wish.

Please contact Frances:

(francesmongan@hotmail.com or

9874 3016) by the end of July if you would like to be part of this or speak to Fr. Mirek or Sr. Elisabeth.



The Year of Youth
in your parish

SATURDAY 4TH AUGUST

YOUTH GROUP

International Year of Youth

The Boronia Parish of St Joseph’s and St Bernadette’s would like to invite all students in year 5, 6, 7 and 8 to celebrate the international year of youth with the Parish Community. The evening will begin with Mass at 6pm and then gather in the John Cross Center for some hot food and FUN ACTIVITIES.

To cover costs of dinner and activities we are asking for a gold coin donation.

Parents or guardians are asked to find Anna or Vanessa (will be wearing YEAR OF YOUTH t-shirts) to sign your children in from 5.45 and provide an emergency contact number for the evening.

The event will finish at 8.30pm.

FOR CATERING PURPOSES PLEASE RSVP:

ANNA 0417053316 OR VANESSA 0419302573

vkelaitha@yahoo.com.au

We Pray For:-

Sick List: Wendy Cumming, Michael Rankin, Laura Ramidge, Elaine Ahern, Anton Parsons, Halina Hart, Dan Wintle, Margaret Millard, Frank Honan, Yolliana Girgis, Veneranda Sernande, Maria Newbigin, Richard Hughes, Dharshi Rajakarier, Margaret Beck, Matthew MacDonald, Caterina Bernabo, Lilly Robertson, Kevin Cooper, Kathleen Dalby, Michael Bott, Sheila Forster, John Barker

Recently Deceased:

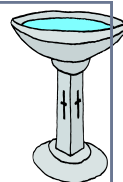
Anniversaries: Raymond Merida, George Grech, Lina Bonello, Richard Makarucha



BAPTISM

We Congratulate

Angus Jordan Rooney



Who will be Baptised this Weekend
*May God's blessings be upon you
on this special occasion and
always.*

Liturgy Roster 29 July 2018

Time	Lector	Commentator	Special Minister	Computer	Set Up
6.00pm	G Gilfedder	P Johnson	C Abraham, F Postma, C O'Connell, P Crennan, C Sorenson, 2 volunteers needed	D Perlado	M Makarucha
8.00am	D Bowker	A Schmid	M Holt, N Klep, B Payne, R Vanderstaak	A O'Riley	D Bowker
9.30am	J Buchanan	P Middleton	M Asquith, C Schwarz, 1 volunteer needed	R Gesthuizen	S Rebbechi & J Buchanan
11.00am	T Purchase	K King	J Butterworth, E Butterworth, E Hariyanti, R Feuerbach, M Delpont, P Parlevliet, R Parlevliet	M Westwood	R Feuerbach

St Vincent de Paul - sleep out special collection

We wish to sincerely thank our hard working volunteer Carole Stones and the four workers from 'each' who bravely slept on the concrete area outside the John Cross Centre on Saturday evening to highlight the presence of homelessness in our midst. We wish also to acknowledge the outstanding generosity by our parishioners here at St Joseph's and St Bernadette's. Details following.

Thank you all for your generosity

St Vincent De Paul Boronia Conference

ROSTERS:-

Money Counters: 23 July

David and Clare Ross,
Therese Kitching, Peter Ryan

Church Cleaning: 28 July

Jim Ahearn, David & Clare Ross
Tanya Samaraweera, Therese Kitching

Flowers: 28 July

Geraldine

Hospitality: 6pm - 28 July

Clare O'Connell

Hospitality: 11am - 29 July

Magdalena, Kris and Lien

CATHOLIC MISSION - SPECIAL COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

This year's Catholic mission church appeal highlights the important work of Catholic Mission in Myanmar; through programs aimed to improve education for children specifically through teacher training and the implementation of alternative, child-centred education around the country.

SOLEMN INSTALLATION MASS FOR THE NINTH ARCHBISHOP OF MELBOURNE

Wednesday 1 August, 7pm

St Patrick's Cathedral, 1 Cathedral Place, East Melbourne

You are warmly invited to attend the liturgical reception and Solemn Mass for the ninth Archbishop of Melbourne, Most Reverend Peter A Comensoli, who will be installed as Archbishop at this Mass. Refreshments will follow at Central Hall, 20 Brunswick Street, Fitzroy. All welcome. With limited space in the cathedral, guests are requested to book to ensure a place.

Guest bookings: <https://www.trybooking.com/WXSE>

MATER CHRISTI COLLEGE: Bring your family and friends to our upcoming tour, **Sun-**

day 29 July, commencing 10.00am. Mater Christi girls consistently achieve region leading VCE and vocational results. A visit will enable your family to witness our vibrant, inclusive and warm community. Visit materchristi.edu.au to book your tour.

St. Joseph's Friendship Group

Come join our friendly group of over 55's at St. Joseph's Parish if you have a spare Tuesday afternoon from 12.00pm to 3.00pm. Open to all surrounding parishes, non-denominational, come meet with us. We play cards, several board games, and have social events each month.

For more information, contact
Eleanor 9762 3272 or
Rosemary 9801 4435

HALL HIRE...

For any enquiries about hiring either of the Parish Halls, BBQ, Etc. please call -

St. Joseph's Hall

Pat Elliott

97621515

St. Bernadette's Hall

Gaye Smith

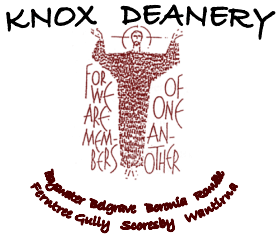
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**Dear Fr. Mirek and Parishioners
of St. Joseph and St. Bernadette,**
*Thank you all for the six wonderful years
you have welcomed me in the Parish and
also thank you for the beautiful farewell last
Sunday. I pray that you will continue to
grow in God's love.*
Please remember me in your prayers too.
Fr. Nick

Member of the Knox Deanery



Save the Date
**KNOX DEANERY
EVENT**
 For secondary school
 Youth and Beyond
 Wednesday 22 August
 7:30pm - 9:15pm
 St Joseph's Parish Hall



*The Lord is my shepherd,
 there is nothing I shall want.
 He lays me down in green pastures,
 He leads me besides still waters,
 He restores my soul.
 He leads me on the path of righteousness
 for his name sake.
 Even though I walk in the valley of darkness
 I fear no evil
 For he is with me,
 his crook and his staff give me comfort
 He lays a table before me in the sight of my ene-
 mies.
 He anoints my head with oil.
 My cup overflows.
 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me for the
 rest of my days.
 And I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever
 and ever.*



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.

