



Member of the Knox Deanery

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WEEKDAY MASS TIMETABLE

WEEK COMMENCING

Thirteenth week in Ordinary Time - 1 July

Monday 2nd	9.10am Mass St Joseph's
Tuesday 3rd	9.10am Mass St Joseph's
Wednesday 4th	9.10am Mass Janssen Centre
Thursday 5th	No Mass
Friday 6th	8:30am Adoration 9.10am Mass St Joseph's
Saturday 7th	9.10am Mass St Joseph's 6.00pm Vigil Mass St Joseph's
Sunday 8th	Fourteenth 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

1st July 2018

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Responsorial Psalm:

I praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death and brought us life through his gospel.

Alleluia

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Ez: 2:2-5, Psalm 122. R. v.2,

2 Cor: 12: 7-10. Mk. 6:1-6,



'If I can touch even his clothes,'

she had told herself

'I will be well again.'

'Your faith has restored you.....

go in peace'

REFLECTION: SUBVERTING THE SOCIAL ORDER

This is a story of subversion, subversion of the social order turned upside down by the healing presence of Jesus. Jesus is approached by one of the local elite: a male, with a name [Jairus], prestige, an advocate for his twelve year old daughter, and he knows the correct procedure, adopting a deferential posture. Jesus hears his request to heal his daughter and sets off. Jesus' progress is stopped in its tracks by a contrary figure: a woman, with no name, voiceless, because of her haemorrhaging blood ostracised from social and religious contacts, and she adopted the utterly wrong approach. She touched Jesus, or at least his clothing, which risked contaminating him with her 'uncleanness'. But she was immediately healed. This voiceless, marginalised woman was healed at every level of her person: physical, social and religious. She could now mix with people and attend the synagogue. All the woman needed to do was get close and have faith that Jesus would restore her to a life worthy of a human being. By the way, that is the best way to approach confession. You or I should come into the confessional conscious of whatever is making one ill-at-ease with God because of something one has done or failed to do. Bring that dis-ease into close proximity to Jesus as the Divine Physician. The confessional is 'the hem of his cloak'. But to return to the Gospel. Jesus stops and looks around: 'Who touched me?' The disciples are unreconstructed supporters of the social status quo. They regard stopping to find out who touched Jesus as an unfortunate and rather misguided interruption to the important task of continuing on to the house of the local leader, the male at the top of the social scale who had so properly pleaded on behalf of his daughter. But, Jesus does stop and one of the most beautiful

moments in the Gospel ensues. The woman gets her voice back, tells Jesus it was she who had broken all the taboos and touched him. He turns to her and says: 'Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace and be healed of your disease.' He, Our Lord Jesus Christ, calls the out-cast who had endured social isolation for twelve years, 'Daughter'. This woman heard this term of relationship, this term of affection and care, 'Daughter', from the lips of Jesus. Can you imagine the liberating and joyful effect of hearing that title of honour and love from Our Lord? Yes, Jesus went on to heal the little girl. But unlike the disciples he did not regard stopping as an interruption. It was a priority which totally subverted the expectations and the power structures of that society. We are not Hindus. A caste system within the church is utterly at odds with this gospel. The Church is distorted if power, prestige, pedigree or wealth give one special status. The saving and healing presence of Jesus must always be allowed to be radically egalitarian. This is good for you and for me when we need the presence of Jesus, the Divine Physician. You and I are a priority when we need that healing presence. I want you to close your eyes for a moment. Bring to mind whatever it is that is making you ill-at-ease with God. Something you have done or failed to do you now experience as a dis-ease in part of your personality. Then say with the woman of today's gospel: 'I will touch the outer garment of my Lord and Saviour. I believe he will forgive me and heal me.' Say it with her profound confidence in divine power. Keep your eyes closed and hear Him say to you: 'My son [or] my daughter, my son [or] my daughter your faith has made you well; go in peace and be healed of your dis-ease.'

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We are now sending toiletries to the Brigidine Asylum Seeker Project.(BASP).

Items especially needed are Shampoo, conditioner, shaving cream & toothpaste. Cleaning items such as washing powder, dishwashing & other cleaning detergents and gladwrap, tinfoil and pegs. Disposable nappies, of all sizes and wipes are also required, as many families have young children. See box at back of Church.

(BASP) is a Melbourne-based initiative of the Brigidine Sisters which aims to: Provide hospitality and practical support for people seeking asylum; Actively network with like-minded individuals and groups who are working for justice for asylum seekers; Promote advocacy for the rights of people seeking asylum; Engage in education about asylum seekers' issues: www.basp.org.au



Social Justice
Group

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT



You are invited to come into the presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament for 30 minutes. Every First Friday of the Month. at 8:30am before our 9:10 Mass
Friday 6 July
St Joseph's Church Boronia.

IT'S NOT ABOUT THE GIRL: ST JOHN THE BAPTIST FTG PARISH MUSICAL

It's not too late to get your tickets for this uplifting Show. Check your diary /calendar now – are you free on: Thursday 5 July, Friday 6 July, Saturday 7 July, 7.30pm; or Sunday 8 July, 2pm? Come along to the Knox Community Arts Centre, corner Mountain Highway and Scoresby Road, Bayswater, to see SJB Productions new parish musical "It's Not About the Girl", a story of love, betrayal and forgiveness. A modern interpretation based on the story of the prodigal son, a great night of family entertainment featuring uplifting music, singing and dancing. Don't miss out! Adults \$12; Concession \$10; Children U/12 \$8; Bookings: email: office@stjohnthebaptist.net.au or ring 9758 1029 (Monday to Friday 9 am to 3pm)

Following on from our **Finance Report** last weekend. If any parishioner would like to contribute electronically to the **Capital Works of the Parish** our bank details are:

St Joseph's and St Bernadette's Church Account

BSB: 083 347

Acc No: 635445281

Ref : CpW Donation

If you have any queries please contact the parish office

We Pray For:-

Sick List: Wendy Cumming, Michael Rankin, Laura Ramidge, Elaine Ahern, Anton Parsons, , Halina Hart, Dan Wintle, Margaret Millard, Yolliana Girgis, Frank Honan, Veneranda Sernande, Steven Murray, Maria Newbiggin, Richard Hughes, Dharshi Rajakarier, Margaret Beck, Matthew MacDonald, Caterina Bernabo, Lilly Robertson, Kevin Cooper, Fr. Kaz Trawicki CR

Recently Deceased: John Tyrrell, Anne Di Nardo, Margaret Luxford, Jerome Nguyen

Anniversaries: Shanika Hyacinth Jayamaha, Joan Elvin, Noel O'Connell,



BAPTISM

We Congratulate

Summer Jewel & Scarlett Louise Dixon

Who will be Baptised this Weekend

May God's blessings be upon you on this special occasion and always.

Requiem Mass for Margaret Luxford will be held here at St Joseph's Boronia on Thursday 5 July at 10am.

Liturgy Roster 8 July 2018

Time	Lector	Commentator	Special Minister	Computer	Set Up
6.00pm	P Dinon	P George	T Kitching, C O'Connell, D Perlado, C Sorenson, P Crennan, J Douds, F Postma	Pri George	D Wilarachchi
8.00am	F Mongan	E Hariyanti	D Bowker, D Mason, F Mongan, A Schmid	G Horanyi	D Hearn
9.30am	F Roberts	C Schwarz	J Buchanan, M Fitzgerald, M Newbiggin	P Asquith	S Rebbechi & J Buchanan
11.00am	C Colborne	J Colborne	T Eklund, J Folino, N Johnson, N Meli, T Purchase, P Shanahan, F Tonis	R Feuerbach	T Eklund



St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal

SLEEPOUT : Special collection next 2 weekends

On Saturday July 14th we will be conducting our annual Vinnies sleepout. As the nights are getting colder and the sight of an old man sleeping on the concrete in Boronia, it's time to think of those who have no warm home to go to and who are sleeping rough. Together we can highlight poverty and be part of a movement that inspires change. We thank you for your support which raised \$1000 last year, and ask for your support again by making a donation this year.

Someone will be at the back of the church next weekend and Saturday 7th July & Sunday 8th July at all weekend Masses to collect your donations.

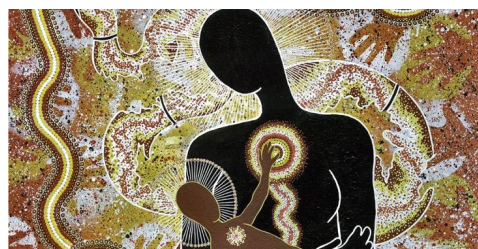
The money raised will support the soup vans that distribute food and comfort throughout the suburbs of Melbourne.

*Thank you all for your generosity
St Vincent De Paul
Boronia Conference*



BECAUSE OF HER, WE CAN!

NATSICC Vision Statement The National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholic Council promotes and celebrates the cultural identity of our peoples across the nation. By living and expressing in all its endeavours the spirituality of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholic peoples. Through this expression and recognition of our cultural identity we will find our rightful place within the Catholic Church in Australia.



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National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday 1 July 2018

ROSTERS:-

Money Counters: 2 July
Bud and Rosemary Snaza
Nola and Peter Ryan

Church Cleaning: 7 July
Jon and Dianna Franklin
Rodolfo and Mirna Avalos

Flowers: 7 July
Lorraine

Hospitality: 6pm - 7 July
Divina Perlado

Hospitality: 11am - 8 July
Ria and Peter Parlevliet
Frances Lemphers

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.

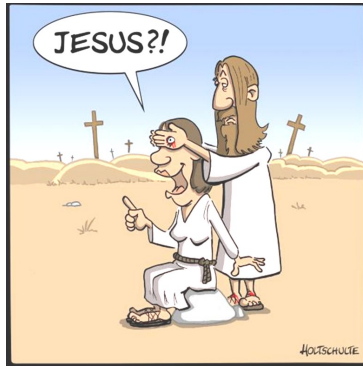
For more information, contact
Eleanor 9762 3272 or
Rosemary 9801 4435

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 0468 316 487



**There was a very gracious lady who was mailing an old family Bible to her brother in another part of the country.
 "Is there anything breakable in here?" asked the postal clerk.
 "Only the Ten Commandments." answered the lady.

A Sunday School teacher began her lesson with a question, "Boys and girls, what do we know about God?"

A hand shot up in the air. "He is an artist!" said the kindergarten boy.

"Really? How do you know?" the teacher asked.

"You know - Our Father, who does art in Heaven... "



Inspiration

'The soul is like an uninhabited world that comes to life only when God lays his head against us.'
 - St Thomas Aquinas

Prayer Openness to receive

'Every request I make of God is a message telling of my neediness, of my trust in God, of my willing dependence and openness to receive. My requests are often foolish, as I am, but God is well able to cope. If sometimes I try to rearrange the world to my own liking, I am not rejected but left resourceless until I recognise the presumption that prompted me. Prayer is the one moment in life where we need not fear to express ourselves in all our stupidity and imperfection. God already knows; it is we who need to be informed.'

Toward God, Fr. Michael Casey OCD, Tarrawarra Abbey, Vic.

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.

Exploring the Word

Jesus treats with respect and concern two 'untouchables': the haemorrhaging woman and the young girl's corpse. This double story shows us not only his compassion for those who are sick and his power over death but also his willingness to go beyond social and religious prohibitions in the service of others. The sick and desperate woman overcomes her social inhibitions in order to touch Jesus, hoping that mere contact with his garments will ensure her healing. Her faith urges her to act. In the case of Jairus' daughter, the child herself cannot ask. Instead, it is her father, who as a synagogue official was probably deeply suspicious of Jesus, who pleads for her. In both cases it is faith which is the key to healing.

DID YOU KNOW?

† *Jairus, as an official of the synagogue, belonged to one of the groups who were traditionally deeply suspicious and disapproving of Jesus. Here however, Jairus' faith is contrasted with the lack of faith of the onlookers who simply laugh at Jesus. His faith is rewarded.*

† *For Jesus to lay hands upon a young woman of twelve years of age (old enough to be betrothed) would have been seen as a scandalous act. Jesus breaks through the restrictions of social norm to bring life.*

MAKING CONNECTIONS

† *'Do not be afraid; only have faith.'* Reflect on this statement.

† *In the full text of this gospel, two people reach out to Jesus seeking to have their needs met. What are your needs at the moment? How can Jesus help in having those needs met?*

† *Who are the people in our communities, in our streets, who are the 'untouchables'? What are some of the ways in which welcome and healing can be extended to them?*