



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
 Pastoral Worker Sr. Elisabeth Hariyanti SSps
 Parish Secretaries Mary Makarucha
 Leigh Bilston

Parish Pastoral Council :-

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

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 Sr. Frances Mongan PBVM 9874 3016

OUR PARISH SCHOOLS

St Joseph's - Acting Principal - Leonie Sheehy 9762 3275
 - Deputy Principal - Nick Frederiksen
 St Bernadette's - Acting Principal - Peter Steward 9762 5135
 - Deputy Principal - Jennifer Kennedy

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

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday	4 th	9.10am Mass St Joseph's
Tuesday	5 th	9.10am Mass St Joseph's
Wednesday	6 th	9:10am Mass Janssen Centre
Thursday	7 th	No Mass
Friday	8 th	11:30am Seniors Mass
Saturday	9 th	9.10am Mass St Joseph's 6.00pm Vigil Mass St Joseph's
Sunday	10 th	Fifth Sunday Ordinary Time 8.00am Mass St Joseph's 9.30am Mass St Bernadette's 11:00am Mass St Joseph's

Reconciliation Saturday 9.30am

3rd February 2019

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Responsorial Psalm:

I will sing of your salvation.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Lord sent me to bring Good News to the poor
 and freedom to prisoners.

Alleluia

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

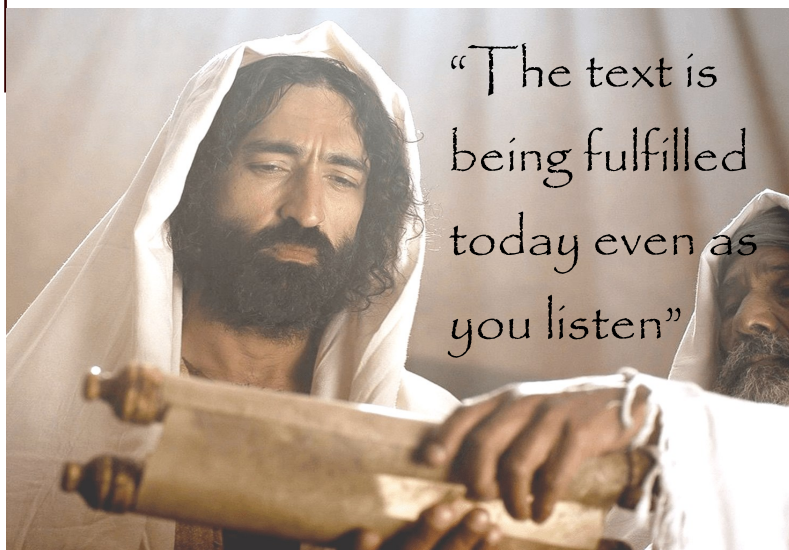
Is 6:1-8, Ps 137: 1-5, 7-8. R.v.1
 1 Cor: 15:1-11 Lk 5:1-11

WHATS HAPPENING THIS WEEK:

Sunday	3 Feb	Celebration & thanks for Sr. Elisabeth
Tuesday	5 Feb	Fete Meeting
Wednesday	6 Feb	Baptism Preparation Meeting
Friday	8 Feb	Seniors Mass and luncheon
Saturday	9 Feb	6:00pm Opening School Year Mass

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Saturday	23 Feb	"50" years celebrations for Sr. Francis
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REFLECTION: GOD-GIVEN IDENTITY

Nazara was a village of about 300-400 people. It was a small town with a small town mentality. This Gospel incident shows that in a couple of ways. Firstly, you will have noticed that the villagers were rapt in Jesus, with great enthusiasm. As it says in the gospel, he obtained 'the approval of all'. It ended with mob violence and the threat of killing him: 'They were enraged'. Why? Why? Because in telling the stories about the foreign widow and the foreign leper (whilst there were lots of widows and lepers in Israel), Jesus was indicating that his mission would go beyond his 'own people' in the local Galilean villages. He would be liberating non-Jews from the afflictions, poverty, sickness and despair amongst them. This was enough to enrage his fellow Jews with their small town mentality. If Jesus was to do any mighty deeds it should be for them exclusively. 'You may be a local boy who has made good, yes, but you remain local.' There is a temptation common to religious people. They can think that they have an exclusive, in the sense of an excluding, relationship with God. Salvation would not be possible for those not identified by them as being within the boundaries of their community. But Jesus embodied the boundary breaking nature of God's grace. Many Christians adopt that excluding mentality: 'No salvation outside the Church'. This is, of course, a heresy condemned by the Catholic Church. In the Mass, we try to make this clear. In the third Eucharist Prayer, for example, we pray that: '...our departed brothers and sisters and all who were pleasing to you at their passing from this life...' may be welcomed into heavenly glory. The labourer who has never heard of Christianity in the huge metropolis of Shanghai, can be saved. One can imagine that

labourer revering and sending money back to his elderly parents, resisting corruption in the area in which he is forced to live, trying to lead a decent life, by the grace of God. Such a person, outside the boundaries of the baptised, can be received into heavenly glory. But, there is still more in this Gospel for us. The small-town people of Nazara thought they had Jesus pigeon-holed. He probably had worked in the carpentry shop for most of his life as offside to Joseph. They had given him an identity with which they could cope, with which they could feel comfortable. But, each of us has an identity far, far, deeper than can be seen by those who think they have known us forever. The life project is to discern the identity willed for you, willed for me, by our Creator, from all eternity. God speaks to me, God speaks to you, as he spoke to Jeremiah: 'Before I formed you in the womb I knew you. Before you came to birth I consecrated you. I have appointed you as.....' As what? To do what? Some of you have discovered the 'what' of your identity desired by God. Some of you have suppressed that identity, know it in your heart, and are sad. Some of you are still searching. The fact is, that you are not made in the imagination, the image-ing, of other people. You are made as a particular and unique image of God. The life task is to discover the outlines of this image and then to try to flesh it out. Try to discern this by reading the gospels and by being open to human need for healing, liberation and love wherever it may be. God is speaking to you through his Holy Word: 'Before I formed you in the womb I knew you. Before you came to birth I consecrated you I have appointed you as'. As? That is the question. For now, simply respond: 'Here I am, Lord.'

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COMBINED PARISH RAFFLE

PARISH FUNDRAISER

you are most welcome to take booklets of raffle tickets to sell to your family / friends / neighbours / work colleagues.

Raffle tickets are available to purchase today at the back of the church just \$2 a ticket.

Don't miss out on this wonderful chance to win these

fabulous prizes, including 3 Suzuki cars - Coles Myer gift vouchers !!

TICKETS ON SALE NOW

SENIOR'S MASS

FOLLOWED BY A LUNCHEON

Friday 8 February 11.30am Mass.

Luncheon after mass.

All are most welcome.

If you require a lift or know of someone who would like to attend and needs a lift, please ring Yvonne on 9887 1680

This year I celebrate 50 years as a Presentation Sister.

For 20 of those years I have celebrated Eucharist here with you. I love belonging in this community and thank you for all the life we have shared and will share. My heart is indeed very grateful!

I know you have milestones in your lives too and know that they are a great time for reflection and giving thanks for the gifts that are ours. I would humbly hope that as I give thanks for 50 years you might reflect on your lives too and celebrate and give thanks for all your blessings too.

So let us celebrate and give thanks together on Saturday 23rd February at the 6pm Parish Mass

followed by a cuppa and light refreshments in the John Cross Centre. Fr. John Petrus will be here to be part of the celebration with us. It won't quite be the feast at Cana but we may raise our glasses with some sparkle as our spirits rejoice in the knowledge that the Lord is indeed with us!



Consider this your personal invitation I would love your company!
Frances

50 Years

We Pray For:-

PRAYER List: Lilly Robertson, Michael Rankin, Elaine Ahearn, Laura Ramidge, Anton Parsons, Halina Hart, Dan Wintle, Margaret Millard, Frank Honan, Yolliana Girgis, Veneranda Sernande, Maria Newbigin, Richard Hughes, Patrick Wong, Helen Hearn, Dharshi Rajakarier, Sheila Forster, Matthew MacDonald, Margaret Beck, Michael Bott, John Barker, Kevin Cooper, Margaret Gazeche, Kathleen Dalby, Marian Bullen, Christian McMahon, Bill Cumming, Marilyn Longmuir, Carlos Astronomo

Recently Deceased:

Anniversaries: Joan White



BAPTISM

We Congratulate

Mason Gerard Van Dijk



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

Liturgy 10 February 2019

Time	Lector	Commentator	Special Minister	Computer	Set Up
6.00pm	B Douds	P George	G Boyer, J Boyer, N Hughes, F Postma, Y Johnson, P Johnson, T Kitching	Pri George	P Johnson
8.00am	C Hardy	D Bowker	Volunteer, D Mason, A Schmid, R Chen	A O'Riley	R Vanderstaak
9.30am	C Schwarz	F Roberts	M Middleton, P Middleton, F Mongan	E Roberts	P&M Middleton
11.00am	Volunteer	T Purchase	J Butterworth, E Butterworth, P Shanahan, R Parlevliet, F Tonis, N Johnson, J Colborne	M Westwood	R Feuerbach

Farewell and God Bless Sr. Elisabeth

Sr. Elisabeth will attend all the masses this weekend. However the card and gift will be given to Elisabeth at the end of the 11am mass on Sunday at St Joseph's. The card will still be available for parishioners to sign after each mass.

ROSTERS:-

Money Counters: 4 February

David and Clare Ross

Therese Kitching, Peter Ryan

Church Cleaning: 9 February

Jim Ahearn, Tanya Samaraweera

Therese Kitching, David and Clare Ross

Flowers 10 February

John Faulkner

Hospitality: 6pm - 9 February

Josie and Gerard Boyer

Hospitality: 11am - 10 February

Jim and Eileen Butterworth

FETE

Trash & Treasure.

To all of you who watch Netflix and have begun to unclutter the Marie Kondo way "Life changing magic of tidying up" you are most welcome to

drop off all your unwanted preloved goods for our Fete.

Books, crockery, glass wear, book cases, small furniture, toys etc. Leave near the garage under the church at St Joseph's.

FETE - 30 MARCH 2019



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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

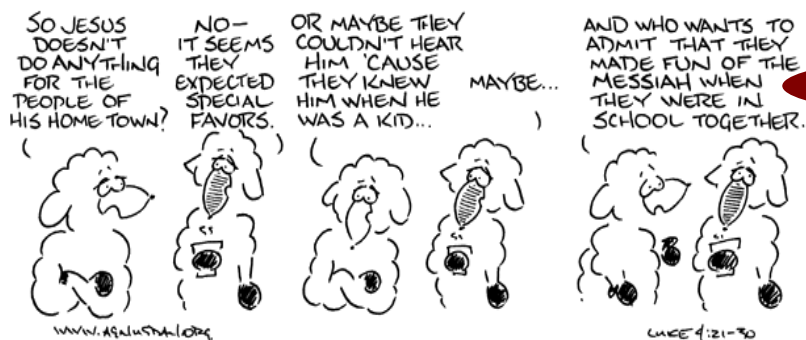
Pat Elliott

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St. Bernadette's Hall

Gaye Smith

0468 316 487



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Pope Francis has declared 8th February to be the World Day of Prayer Reflection and Action against Human Trafficking for the Universal Church.

You are all most heartily invited to attend the Vigil Mass to celebrate the Feast of St. Josephine Bakhita and to mark the International Day of Prayer, Reflection and Action Against Human Trafficking.

Time: 7.30pm

Date: Thursday 7th February 2019

Place: St Patrick's Cathedral

Principal Celebrant: Archbishop Peter A. Comensoli

RSVP/Inquiries: justice@cam.org.au

BAPTISM PREPARATION MEETING

The Baptism Preparation Meeting will not held on the first Monday of the month as usual for this month of February. It will be held on Wednesday 6 February. Please contact the parish office if you are interested in attending on 9761 2124 or boronia@cam.org.au



Boronia Road Uniting Church
(cnr Boronia Rd & Zeising Crt)

Invites you to a FASHION PARADE by Cliche Clothing

Company on SATURDAY, 23rd February 2019 1.30pm – 3.30pm

Come along and see a wide variety of clothes suitable for all ages and sizes - being displayed by BRUC's own models! Have the opportunity to try on any of the clothes you particularly like. All garments are VERY reasonably priced.

Entry Cost - \$15 (which includes door prizes + a delicious afternoon tea to be served following the parade) Any queries please call Irene on 0421 769 067

READY TO GIVE BACK?

DISCOVER HOW SHARING YOUR SKILLS IN A COMMUNITY ABROAD CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE



Palms Australia

**MELBOURNE
INFORMATION
SESSION**

SATURDAY
MARCH 2ND, 2019
10.30AM - 12.00PM

JENNY FLORENCE ROOM,
ROSS HOUSE
247-251 FLINDERS LANE

OR SEE [PALMS.ORG.AU](http://palms.org.au) AND APPLY TODAY.

PLENARY COUNCIL 2020: IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO PARTICIPATE!

Have your say by Wednesday 6 March

<http://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/resources/have-your-say/>

Plenary Council 2020

"Listen to what the Spirit is saying..."

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.

PALLOTTINE CAMINO

Thursday 25 to Saturday 27 April

Join this beautiful walk along Dandenong Creek, the Warburton Trail and O'Shannassy Aqueduct to Millgrove.

Enquiries and bookings: Denise on 0420 200 266 or denisejlyons@gmail.com

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'In your heart you know that it is not the same to live without himwhat has helped you to live and given you hope, is what you also need to communicate to others.'

- POPE FRANCES
EVANGELII GAUDIUM § 121