



St Bernard's Parish, Botany

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**Fifth Sunday of
Lent
Year A
26/03/2023**

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Sunday Mass Times

Saturday Vigil: 5:30pm

Sunday: 7:00am and 9:00am

Croatian Mass: Sun 11:00am

Kid's Church

Sunday 9:00am during School days

Weekday Masses

Mon, Wed, Thu, Fri & Sat: 9:00 am

Tuesday: 7:00 pm Mass and Novena

Baptism: By appointment

On Sundays at 10.15 am

Reconciliation:

Saturdays 9:30 am – 10:15 am

Confirmation:

Sunday 21st May at 3.30pm

Marriage:

By appointment (Six months' notice)

Divine Mercy Prayers & Benediction

Fridays 6:30pm

St Vincent de Paul Society Meetings

1st Weds of the month 6pm presbytery

Entrance Antiphon: Give me justice, O God, and plead my cause against a nation that is faithless. From the deceitful and cunning rescue me, for you, O God, are my strength.

Theme: The Gospel for this Sunday tells the story of the raising of Lazarus; and invites us to reflect on the themes of life, death, and resurrection. Jesus loved Mary, Martha, and Lazarus, and was close to Lazarus's family. His absence during the death and burial of Lazarus is noticeable. When he arrived in Bethany, Lazarus has been dead for four days. This passage is a powerful reminder of the hope and promise of resurrection that is at the heart of the Christian faith. Jesus' raising of Lazarus prefigures his own resurrection, which we will celebrate on Easter Sunday. It reminds us that, no matter how difficult or painful our lives may be, there is always hope for new life and transformation through the power of Christ. Through this miracle, Jesus promises to his friends that he will raise them to eternal life. May our faith be a source of blessing for us.

Communion Antiphon: Everyone who lives and believes in me will not die for ever, says the Lord.

Palms for Passion Sunday

If you can provide palm leaves & olive branches for Palm Sunday 1st/2nd April, put your name down in the form provided at the church foyer. If you are bringing the palms, please bring them on Saturday 1st April before 4.30pm; or volunteer(s) will collect them from your home.

Project Compassion

Your donations can be handed to the parish during Lent, or on Holy Thursday. Donations above \$2 are tax deductible.

Parish Council Meeting on Thursday 30th March at 6.30pm in the presbytery.

Flowers & Candles Offering.

We are requesting for a sponsor for the Ascension Sunday 21st May.

Sacrament of Confirmation

Sacrament of Confirmation will take place on Sunday 21st May 2023 at 3.30pm. Confirmation Information Night will on Wed 29th, March 2023 at 6.00pm.

Acolytes Meeting

On Sunday 2nd April at 10.15 AM. All Acolytes are kindly requested to attend this Holy Week preparation meeting.

HOLY WEEK CEREMONIES

PALM SUNDAY

Sat 1st April, Vigil Mass at 5:30pm

Sun 2nd April, Mass at 7am & 9am

Croatian Mass at 11:00am

MONDAY & TUESDAY – Mass as usual

Wed 5th April - RECONCILIATION DAY

Mass at 9.00 followed by Reconciliation.

HOLY THURSDAY 6TH APRIL

Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00pm

Adoration from 8:00pm

GOOD FRIDAY 7TH APRIL

Stations of the Cross 10:00 am

(Celebration of Lord's Passion 3:00pm)

HOLY SATURDAY 8TH APRIL

Easter Vigil Mass at 7:00pm

EASTER SUNDAY 9TH APRIL

Mass at 7:00am and 9:00am

Croatian Mass at 11:00am

**ALSO, RECONCILIATION ON REQUEST
DURING THE HOLY WEEK**

Daylight Savings ends on Sunday 2nd April. Clocks are put back one hour at 3am to 2am.

Prayer Requests

1. Mass Intentions

2. The Sick: Grazia Ferraro, Ruby C. Gorospe, Patricia McCarthy, Atie Tenorio, Ann Fiala, Hilda Caiza, Roselda Oliva, Tino Bukalan, Gesalit Cabrera, Maria Cerreto, Terry Delaney, Maureen Maher, Carol Merrick, Gwen Menzies, Nadia Radmilo, Michael Ruiz, Maria Terzita Trassari, Diana Wiley, the sick in the parish, and all the sick and suffering.

3. Recently: Marie Dashwood

4. Anniversary: Teodoro Tecson (10th anniv), Aleli Escalante Gonzalez (22/3), Ernesto Cubar (26/3), Iluminado Livelio (29/3), Raul Eslao (31/3)

5. Others: Candida Lobo, Therese & Alfred Scerri, Isabel Fenech, Margaret & Joseph Fenech, All Souls in Purgatory.

6. Prayer Intention of Wendy Vella

ROSTERS for Palm Sunday

Sat 1 Apr - VIGIL SAT 5.30 PM

Reader 1)Janelle Panton 2)Margaret C

Narrator: Yoalanda Fernandez

Others/Crowd: Maria Heaton

Acolyte: Chris Hanna

Sun 2 Apr - SUNDAY 7.00 AM

Reader 1) Carol O'Loughlin 2)Pauline Q

Narrator: Mathew Lefevre

Others/Crowd: Zenny Custodio

Acolyte: Socorro Lucas

Sun 2 Apr - SUNDAY 9.00 AM

Reader 1)Cathie Bossini 2)Allanah B

Narrator: David Bowen

Others/Crowd: Katrina Andrew

Acolyte: Joseph Manesh P

Counters: Cathie B & Beatrice Bentley

Altar Society: Chartio LK & Marilou Ong

Flowers Offering: Bowen Family

