



# St Bernard's Parish, Botany

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## Sacrament of Confirmation

### Ascension Sunday

21/05/2023  
Year A

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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: 9:00am

Tuesday: 7:00pm Mass and Novena

#### Baptism: By appointment

On Sundays at 10:15 am

#### Reconciliation:

Saturdays 9:30am – 10:15am

#### Confirmation:

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> May at 3:30pm

#### Marriage:

By appointment (Six months' notice)

#### Divine Mercy Prayers & Benediction

Fridays 6:30pm

#### St Vincent de Paul Society Meetings

1<sup>st</sup> Weds of the month 6pm presbytery

**Entrance Antiphon:** Men of Galilee, why gaze in wonder at the heavens? This Jesus whom you saw ascending into heaven will return as you saw him go, alleluia.

**Theme:** The Solemnity of the Ascension commemorate Jesus Christ's ascension into heaven, on the fortieth day after Easter. Before Christ ascends into heaven, he commands his disciples to be his witnesses, to proclaim the good news to everyone. The Ascension of Christ to heaven marks the end of his earthly mission. As a sign of his love and fellowship Christ promises to infuse his faithful followers with his own spirit and so the Holy Spirit will continue to live in them, teaching, guiding, healing, strengthening, and comforting. The Holy Spirit plays a central role in the Christian faith, empowering and guiding every believer. As we believe in Jesus, we are also blessed with the gifts of the Holy Spirit; and Christ invites us also to proclaim the good news to the ends of the earth.

**Communion Antiphon:** Behold, I am with you always, even to the end of the age, alleluia.

#### Sacrament of Confirmation

The Sacrament of Confirmation takes place at the 3:30pm mass this Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2023. We welcome Bishop Terry Brady, all the candidates, their families and sponsors. Thank you to all the teachers and catechists for helping the candidates prepare for the sacraments. Thanks to the families/guardians and sponsors for the support.

#### Feast Day of the Week

24 May – Our Lady, Help of Christians

26 May – Saint Philip Neri

#### Acknowledgement of Country

We respect and honour Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Elders past, present and future.

#### Prayers & Thanks

Thanks to Ruby and Joselyn Gorospe for the altar flowers offered in thanksgiving to God to mark the occasion of Ruby's birthday. Happy Birthday to Ruby. Let us pray for Ruby and the intention of family.

#### Flowers & Candles Offering.

The Flowers and Candles offering form is in the church foyer. Dates available for pledges on the new form: 11/06, 25/06, 9/07, 16/07, 23/07, 13/08, 20/08, 3/09. The parish will pray specially for your intentions on the weekend you choose to offer flowers and candles.

#### Charitable Works Fund Appeal

CWF May 2023 Appeal total collected is \$1678.40: \$1368.40 cash/cheques and \$310 cards. Tax Receipts for the May 2023 CWF Appeal credit card slips donations will be issued by the Development & Fundraising Office. The parish will issue tax receipts for the rest of CWF FY2023 taxable donations. Thank you very much for your donations and support.

#### Late Veronica Rowney's Estate

Veronica Rowney included in her Last Will a donation to Saint Bernard Parish. The Rowney Family has donated \$3000 to Saint Botany Parish on 9<sup>th</sup> May 2023. Please keep Veronica in your prayers. May Christ bless her and reward her faith.

#### Catholic Weekly for \$2 each

Pulpit points 21 May 2023

- Let there be light: Fatima procession illuminates St Mary's
- ACT Government mounts takeover of Calvary Public Hospital

#### Prayer Requests

##### 1. Mass Intentions

**2. The Sick:** Katie Thornton, Ryan Genard Bacal, Rachel Baker, Gesalit Cabrera, Hilda Caiza, Jennifer Caiza, Maria Cerreto, Terry Delaney, Grazia Ferraro, Ann Fiala, Steve Forster, Ruby C. Gorospe, Lourdes Infante, Lourdes Lubrin, Rosa Martinez, Gwen Menzies, Carol Merrick, Milan Milahjevic, Nadia Radmilo, Maria Terzita Trassari, Diana Wiley, the sick in the parish, and all the sick and suffering.

**3. Recently:** Michael Ruiz

**4. Anniversary:** Luis Judd Rances, Nicolas Arevalo

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



#### ROSTERS for Next Week

##### Sat 27 May- VIGIL SAT 5.30 PM

Readers: Maria & Fabian Heaton

Acolyte: Maureen Burnett

##### Sun 28 May - SUNDAY 7.00 AM

Readers: Zenny Custodio &

Matthew Lefevre

Acolyte: Socorro Lucas

##### Sun 28 May - SUNDAY 9.00 AM

Readers: School children

Acolyte: Albert Nera

Counters: Kate Thornton & Pauline Weir

Altar Society: (Gp2) Charito Lan Kam & Marilou Ong

Flowers Offering: Raffi & Tanya Sarkissian