

St Bernard's Parish, Botany

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28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year A 15th October 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: 9:00am Tuesday: 7:00pm Mass and Novena

Baptism: By appointment On Sundays at 10:15 am

Reconciliation:

Saturdays 9:30am - 10:15am

Confirmation:

Date for year 2024 is not announced yet. **Marriage**:

By appointment (Six months' notice)

Divine Mercy Prayers & Benediction Fridays 6:30pm

Marian Movement of Priests Cenacle Prayers (Rosary & Act of Consecration)

Thursdays 9:30am to 10:00am

St Vincent de Paul Society Meetings

1st Weds of the month 6pm presbytery.



Entrance Antiphon: If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But with you is found forgiveness, O God of Israel.

Theme: Today's readings tell of the abundance of the Kingdom of God. Jesus compares the Kingdom of Heaven to a lavish and significant wedding banquet. The parable highlights the idea that salvation and God's love are open to all. However, there's an underlying message. The guest without the wedding attire serves as a cautionary tale. While the invitation is open to all, it's crucial to be prepared. Christ invites every one of us to the inheritance of the blessings of heaven. He does not demand anything impossible or extraordinary except genuine Christian virtues. Jesus expects our full conversion in complete acceptance of his mercy. As preparation for the heavenly banquet let us first serve unconditional love and kindness to our brothers and sisters us and in faith celebrate the Eucharist.

Communion Antiphon: The rich suffer want and go hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.

October month of Mission and Rosary

Please pray the Evangelization Mission of the church and its missionaries. October also is the month dedicated to the praying of the rosary. We are encouraged to pray the rosary especially this month.

First Holy Communion

First Holy Communion for the public schools' students in our parish will be held on Sunday 26th November at 9am Mass. Preparations have started. Please contact Cathie Bossini 0402 077 850

Feast days of the Week

17 Oct – Saint Ignatius of Antioch 18 Oct – Saint Luke

Pravers & Thanks

Thanks to **Maureen & Desmond Lodsman** for the altar flowers. Let us pray for repose of souls of the deceased members of the Lodsman & Luiz Families; eternal rest grant unto them.

Thanks also to **Kevin & Claire McKernan** for the flowers offered in anticipation of the arrival of their second child very soon. We pray for a safe birth delivery for Claire and safe and joyful birth of the baby.

Flowers and Candle offering

There is a new Flowers Offering form in the foyer. Two people/families will be able to offer flowers on the same date. The parish will pray for your prayer intention on the weekend you offer flowers. No flowers will be offered during Advent.

Catholic Mission Appeal

World Mission Sunday is next weekend. Catholic Mission Appeal will take place next weekend 21/22 October. This appeal supports the vital work of missionaries of Catholic Mission. This year concentrates on helping Timor-Leste address gaps in health care & empowering their communities.

Volunteer needed.

Another volunteer is needed to read at the Sunday 9am mass. If you would like to help, please see Fr Augusthy or contact the parish office.

Catholic Weekly for \$2 each in the foyer.

- Palestinian Christians plead for peace amid Holy Land violence
- Dan Schutte on the writing of "Here I am Lord" (10-15)
- Family reunited after six years separated

Prayer Requests

- 1. Mass Intentions
- 2. The Sick: Ernie Amante, Ryan Genard Bacal, Gesalit Cabrera, Hilda Caiza, Maria Cerreto, Terry Delaney, Raymond Dever, Grazia Ferraro, Ann Fiala, Steve Forster, Nathan Gopiao, Ruby C. Gorospe, Lourdes Infante, Lourdes Lubrin, Tomi Lusaipau, Gwen Menzies, Carol Merrick, Alexander Metierre, Rod Nera, Nadia Radmilo, Ben Stever, Katie Thornton, Diana Wiley, the sick in the parish, and all the sick and suffering.
- **3. Recently deceased:** Narcissus Nobre, Myra D'Souza, Jose Rances
- **4. Deceased Anniversary**: Antonio Lucas (4th anniv), Christopher Grouse, Marko Vidovich
- **5. Other Deceased**: deceased members of the Lodsman & Luiz Families, Margaret & Joseph Fenech, Therese & Alfred Scerri, Isabel Fenech, All Souls in Purgatory.
- 6. Thanksgiving:

ROSTERS for Next Week Sat 21 Oct - VIGIL SAT 5.30 PM

Readers: Kathy Smyth/

Maureen Burnett

Acolyte: Chris Hanna

Sun 22 Oct - SUNDAY 7.00 AM

Readers: Michael Spies/

Julie Bjazevich

Acolyte: Socorro Lucas

Sun 22 Oct - SUNDAY 9.00 AM

Readers: School Mass children

Acolyte: Albert Nera

Counters: Maria Yanto & family
Altar Society: (Gp3) Gloria Nimmett

& Joan Butler

Flowers Offering: Maryanne Mrakovcic