



St Bernard's Parish, Botany

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World Day of Prayer for The Sick Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

11 February 2024 Year B

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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 19th May 2024 at 3.30pm

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: Be my protector, O God, a mighty stronghold to save me. For you are my rock, my stronghold! Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name.

Theme: Today's Gospel reports the miraculous healing of a leper. The readings demonstrate the healing power of Jesus and his ability to rid us of what is unclean in our lives. The leper recognises Jesus as the source of his healing, and he kneels reverently before him and asks for his salvation. Lepers were condemned as sinners and unclean. They were prohibited to approach holy places and clean people. But the leper took courage and approached Jesus for healing. This encounter between Jesus and the leper tells us the nature of faith as an active, living force that challenges us to place our trust in God's will, even amidst life's uncertainties and trials. It serves as a reminder that our faith, when genuinely embraced, becomes a wellspring of strength and transformation, capable of guiding us toward a path of healing, restoration, and ultimately to wholeness.

Communion Antiphon: God so loved the world that he gave his Only Begotten Son, so that all who believe in him may not perish, but may have eternal life.

Kids Church continues every Sunday throughout the school term.

Volunteer Catechists are needed to teach scripture in public schools. Scripture Classes are about 30min to 45 mins a week during School term. Please contact the parish office if you can help.

Confirmation 2024

Bishop Richard Umbers will celebrate the Confirmation Mass on Sunday 19th May 2024 at 3:30pm. Please register before Sun 25th Feb 2024.

Prayers and Thanksgiving

Thanks to **Gloria Valenzuela** for the flowers offered in thanksgiving. We pray for her intentions.

Flowers and Candle offering

We are looking for sponsors for Altar flowers for Easter 31/03 and Divine Mercy Sun 7/04.

Season of Lent

During Lent the Church invites us towards spiritual renewal through Prayer, Fasting & Almsgiving. Let us try to be faithful to our baptismal promises.

Ash Wednesday

14th February is Ash Wednesday; and is a day of fasting, prayer and abstinence.

Ash Wed. Masses 9:00am and 7:00pm.

Stations of the Cross

Stations of the Cross will be held on Fridays during Lent commencing at 6:30pm followed by Divine Mercy prayers and Benediction.

Lenten Prayer Group

Parish Renewal Team of the Archdiocese of Sydney has provided us with free Lenten companion booklets '*Repent and Believe: Be Filled with the Love of God*'. Copies will be available in the foyer. **Michael Spies will lead a Lenten Prayer Group on Wednesdays after the 9am mass starting on 21 Feb 2024.** The registration form is the foyer.

Project Compassion

Through the Lenten campaign Caritas Australia reaches out to the poorest of the poor. Project Compassion envelopes and boxes will be available at the church foyer.

Happy Lunar New Year

To all who celebrate, wishing you a Happy Lunar New Year! May God bless you and your families abundantly.

Prayer Requests

1. Mass Intentions

2. The Sick: Adriano Oliva, Jonathan Renante Gorospe, Chelsea Rooney, Flora MacNeill, Laila Amante, Ernie Amante, Ryan Genard Bacal, Gesalit Cabrera, Terry Delaney, Grazia Ferraro, Ann Fiala, Steve Forster, Shayne Garrett, Ruby C. Gorospe, Lourdes Infante, Margaret Lee, Herman Liew, Carlos Lobo, Tomi Lusaipau, Jeanette Magee, Mijo Markus, Gwen Menzies, Carol Merrick, Teodoro Pineda, Maca Protulipac, Nadia Radmilo, Ben Stever, Diana Wiley, all the sick and suffering.

3. Recently deceased: Ray Neville, Robbie Jones, Gerald King

4. Anniversary: Anthony Xuereb, Jamie B. Gorospe, Cleotilde Arevalo, Vince Amasi, Anteneno Pantano,

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

6. Thanksgiving: Gloria Valenzuela

ROSTERS for Next Week

Sat 17 Feb - VIGIL SAT 5.30 PM

Readers: Kathy Smyth/
Maureen Burnett

Acolyte: Chris Hanna

Sun 18 Feb - SUNDAY 7.00 AM

Readers: Bernadine Lavender/Ruby

Gorospe

Acolyte: Socorro Lucas

Sun 18 Feb - SUNDAY 9.00 AM

Readers: Mona Laporte;/Kylie Brakel

Acolyte: Albert Nera

Counters: Joseph & Josephine Apolonio

Altar Society: (Gp4) Pearl Ventura,

Tess Oliva & Norma Bukalan

Catholic Weekly for only \$2 available

in the church foyer.

