



# St Bernard's Parish, Botany

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## Third Sunday of Lent

3 March 2024 Year B

### Parish Priest:

Fr. Abraham Tharappel Augusthy  
Parish Secretary: Margaret Liew

### WHS & Working with Children Check:

#### Parish Safeguarding Officer:-

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### St Bernard Primary School:

Principal: Kelly Bouris

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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 19<sup>th</sup> 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

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

**Entrance Antiphon:** When I prove my holiness among you, I will gather you from all the foreign lands; and I will pour clean water upon you and cleanse you from all your impurities and I will give you a new spirit, says the Lord.

**Theme:** During the feast of Passover at the Jerusalem temple Christ violently intervened and drew out all those who were engaged in business. He was enraged, unhappy and confronted all who desecrated the Temple. Cleaning the temple leads to the new Passover. We are all temples of God, and Christ invites us to get ready for the new Passover, the Eucharist, by cleansing ourselves. We are called to reflect and ask ourselves how we may have turned our own lives into a marketplace, where we prioritize material possessions and worldly pursuits over our relationship with God. Like the merchants and money changers, we may have allowed distractions and temptations to take over our lives, causing us to lose sight of what is truly important.

**Communion Antiphon:** The sparrow finds a home; and the swallow a nest for her young: by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are they who dwell in your house, for ever singing your praise.

### Confirmation 2024

Bishop Richard Umbers will celebrate the Confirmation Mass on Sun 19<sup>th</sup> May 2024 at 3:30pm. Parent Information Night on Thur 7<sup>th</sup> March at 6pm. Enrolment Mass is on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> March.

### Acolytes

**Acolytes Meeting** on Sun 17<sup>th</sup> March at 10.30am in the Presbytery

**Acolytes Rosters** from 20/04/2024 to 24/11/2024 are available in the sacristy.

### Flowers and Candle offering

There is a new flower offering form 14<sup>th</sup> Apr to 16<sup>th</sup> June 2024 in the foyer. Two people/families can now offer flowers on the same date. The parish will pray for your prayer intention on the weekend you offer flowers. No flowers are offered during Lent and Advent.

### 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.

### 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

Lenten Prayer Group on **Wednesdays at about 9.30am** (after the 9am mass) led by Michael Spies. The registration form is the foyer. The Archdiocese of Sydney's Parish Renewal Team has provided us with free Lenten companion booklets '*Repent and Believe: Be Filled with the Love of God*'. Please take a copy.

### Project Compassion

Through the Lenten campaign Caritas Australia reaches out to the poorest of the poor. Project Compassion envelopes and boxes are available at the church foyer for your almsgiving.

**Kids Church:** Parents and Carers, do you want to be a leader or helper at Kids Church? Extra helpers are always welcomed. The time commitment is one Sunday Mass per term and all theme details are provided. Please contact the parish office if interested.

### Prayer Requests

#### 1. Mass Intentions

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

**3. Recently deceased:** Apolenar & Cecilia Jovella, Bro Charles Evans

**4. Anniversary:** Olga Rivas (1<sup>st</sup> year), Fred Pantano, Victor Jauco, John Baker, Roberto Rances Snr

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

### ROSTERS for Next Week

#### Sat 9 Mar - VIGIL SAT 5.30 PM

Readers: Mariela & Rebecca Dever

Acolyte: Rinaldo Fernandez

#### Sun 10 Mar - SUNDAY 7.00 AM

Readers: Michael Spies/Julie Bjazevich

Acolyte: Socorro Lucas

#### Sun 10 Mar - SUNDAY 9.00 AM

Readers: Maria & Fabian Heaton

Acolyte: Albert Nera

Counters: Maria Yanto & family

Altar Society: (Gp3) Gloria Nimmnett  
& Joan Butler

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