

# St Bernard's Parish, Botany

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Fourth Sunday of Lent
10 March 2024 Year B

# **Parish Priest:**

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# St Bernard Primary School:

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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  $19^{th}$  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**: Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her. Be joyful, all who were in mourning; exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.

**Theme:** Gospel of John introduces Nicodemus, who visits Jesus at night, recognizing Him as a divine teacher due to His miracles. Jesus tells him about the necessity of being "born again" to see God's kingdom, explaining it as a spiritual rebirth beyond the physical. This conversation, including the analogy of Moses and the serpent, foreshadows Jesus' crucifixion and the salvation it offers. This passage highlights the transformative concept of rebirth through the Spirit and the pivotal role of faith in salvation. In John's reflection, we find an observation about human sinfulness. Jesus is the light that has come into the world, but people preferred the darkness. We wish to keep our sins hidden. Jesus has come into the world to offer forgiveness.

**Communion Antiphon**: Jerusalem is built as a city bonded as one together. It is there that the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, to praise the name of the Lord.

### Confirmation 2024

Bishop Richard Umbers will celebrate the Confirmation Mass on Sun 19th May 2024 at 3:30pm.

# **Project Compassion**

Please contribute to Project Compassion which helps the world's most vulnerable communities to end poverty, promote justice and uphold dignity. Project Compassion envelopes and boxes are available at the church fover.

**Acolytes Meeting** on Sun  $17^{th}$  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.

# HOLY WEEK CEREMONIES PALM SUNDAY

Sat 23<sup>rd</sup> March, Vigil Mass at 5:30pm Sun 24<sup>th</sup> March, Mass at 7am & 9am Croatian Mass at 11:00am

Mon 25/3 & Tues 26/3 - Mass as usual

Wed 27th Mar - RECONCILIATION DAY

Mass at 9.00 followed by Reconciliation.

### **HOLY THURSDAY 28th March**

Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00pm Adoration from 8:00pm

### GOOD FRIDAY 29th March

Stations of the Cross 10:00 am

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

# **HOLY SATURDAY 30th March**

Easter Vigil Mass at 7:00pm

EASTER SUNDAY 31st March Mass at 7:00am and 9:00am

Croatian Mass at 11:00am

ALSO, RECONCILIATION ON REQUEST DURING THE HOLY WEEK

### **Palms for Passion Sunday**

If you can provide palm leaves & olive branches for Palm Sunday  $23^{\rm rd}/24^{\rm th}$  March, please put your name down in the form provided at the church foyer. If you are bringing the palms, please bring them on Saturday  $23^{\rm rd}$  March before 4.30pm; or volunteer(s) will collect them from your home. Thank you.

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# Prayer Requests

- 1. Mass Intentions
- 2. The Sick: Sasha Rances, Adrian de Guzman, 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. Death Anniversary**: Anthony Paul Cachia, Mary Josephine Spies, Olga Rivas (1st year), Fred Pantano
- **5. Other Deceased:** Margaret & Joseph Fenech, Therese & Alfred Scerri, Isabel Fenech, Holy Souls, All Souls in Purgatory
- **6. Birthday:** Phyllis Naidu
- 7. Special Intention: Natalie

# ROSTERS for Next Week Sat 16 Mar - VIGIL SAT 5.30 PM

Readers: Kathy Smyth/Maureen B

Acolyte: Chris Hanna

Sun 17 Mar - SUNDAY 7.00 AM

Readers: Pauline Quealy/Kate Thornton

Acolyte: Socorro Lucas

#### Sun 17 Mar - SUNDAY 9.00 AM

Readers: Cathy Bossini/Katrina Andrew

Acolyte: Joseph Manesh P

 ${\it Counters} \hbox{: Beatrice Bentley \& Cathie B}$ 

Altar Society: (Gp4) Pearl Ventura,

Tess Oliva & Norma Bukalan