



# St Bernard's Parish, Botany

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## Fifth Sunday of Lent

17 March 2024 Year B

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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<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:** Give me justice, O God, and plead my cause against a nation that is faithless. From the deceitful and cunning rescue, me, for you, O God, are my strength.

**Theme:** At Jerusalem, during the Passover, Jesus predicted his suffering, death, and resurrection. Using the metaphor of the grain of wheat, he presented the idea that his dying would be beneficial. He emphasized self-denial and promised eternal life for those who serve Him. In Lent, we learn how demanding the journey to eternal happiness can be. It may not be material things that we're asked to let go of. We may need to let go of attitudes, emotional binds, compulsions, and a false sense of self. Lent enables us to transform ourselves into the true selves that are being created in Christ. In these last two weeks of Lent, we can consider the magnitude of the journey Christ has asked us to pursue. Yet it is not a journey we make on our own; if we look ahead, he is there, and we follow. Let our worship enable us to follow Christ, with minds made pure through our Lenten practice.

**Communion Antiphon:** Amen, Amen I say to you: Unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains a single grain. But if it dies, it bears much fruit.

### Confirmation 2024

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

**Project Compassion** helps the world's most vulnerable communities to end poverty and uphold dignity. Donations above \$2 are tax deductible. Envelopes/boxes are in the foyer.

### Acolytes Meeting

Sun 17<sup>th</sup> at 10.30 am in the presbytery.

**Acolytes Roster 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 27<sup>th</sup> Mar - RECONCILIATION DAY**

Mass at 9.00 followed by Reconciliation.

#### HOLY THURSDAY 28<sup>th</sup> March

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

Adoration from 8:00pm

#### GOOD FRIDAY 29<sup>th</sup> March

Stations of the Cross 10:00 am

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

#### HOLY SATURDAY 30<sup>th</sup> March

Easter Vigil Mass at 7:00pm

#### EASTER SUNDAY 31<sup>st</sup> 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<sup>rd</sup>/24<sup>th</sup> 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<sup>rd</sup> 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, Ryan Genard Bacal, Gesalit Cabrera, Gabby Custodio, Terry Delaney, Grazia Ferraro, Ann Fiala, Steve Forster, Shayne Garrett, Jonathan Renante Gorospe, Ruby Gorospe, Lourdes Infante, Margaret Lee, Carlos Lobo, Tomi Lusaipau, Flora MacNeill, Jeanette Magee, Mijo Markus, Gwen Menzies, Carol Merrick, Adriano Oliva, Michael C Smith, Teodoro Pineda, Nadia Radmilo, Chelsea Rooney, Ben Stever, Diana Wiley, all the sick and suffering.

**3. Recently deceased** Lindy Nombrado

**4. Death Anniversary:** Natalia Mandado Silvio Dell'Anna, Maria Luisa Arevalo, Jose & Aurora Garcia, Maria Ajhert,

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

**6. Thanksgiving:** Pam Hutton

### ROSTERS for Next Week

**Sat 23 Mar - VIGIL SAT 5.30 PM**

Reader 1)Mona Laporte 2)Rebecca Dever

Narrator: Yoalanda Fernandez

Others/Crowd: Janelle Panton

Acolyte: Maureen Burnett

**Sun 24 Mar - SUNDAY 7.00 AM**

Reader 1) Bernadine L 2)Ruby Gorospe

Narrator: Julie Bjazevich Acolyte: Cory

Others/Crowd: Mele Lusaipau

**Sun 24 Mar - SUNDAY 9.00 AM**

Reader 1)school-child 2)school-child

Narrator: Kylie Brakel

Others/Crowd: Jimmy Ong

Acolyte: Joseph Apolonio

Counters: J & J Apolonio

Altar Society: (Gp1) Frances Heming,

Maureen Burnett & Zenny Custodio

