



# St Bernard's Parish, Botany

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## NATIONAL VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK

18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Year B 4 August 2024

### Parish Priest:

Fr. Abraham Tharappel Augusthy  
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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

### 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:** O God, come to my assistance; O Lord, make haste to help me! You are my rescuer, my help; O Lord, do not delay.

**Theme:** In John's Gospel, Jesus uses the metaphor of bread to show that He offers more than just physical food. When Jesus calls Himself the "bread of life," He says, He provides spiritual nourishment that lasts forever. Many people follow Jesus not for His teachings, but for what He can give them in this life. This reflection invites us to evaluate our priorities and desires. It asks us to recognize that while our physical needs are important, they are not the end goal. The true aim is to find lasting peace and satisfaction through the spiritual nourishment. By turning to Jesus, we align ourselves with a source of eternal life that transcends the temporary and offers lasting fulfillment.

**Communion Antiphon:** I am the bread of life, says the Lord; whoever comes to me will not hunger and whoever believes in me will not thirst.

### National Vocations Awareness Week

National Vocations Awareness Week (4 Aug to 11 Aug 2024) is dedicated to promoting vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life through prayer and education, and to renewing our prayers and support for those who are considering one of these vocations. This celebration coincides with the feast of the country's first saint: St Mary of the Cross MacKillop. During this week, you are invited to pray about how God is calling you to live out your vocation more deeply. We pray for more generous vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life for the Church.

### Feast Days of the Week

6 Aug – The Transfiguration of the Cross

8 Aug – Saint Mary of the Cross

10 Aug – Saint Lawrence

### Prayers & Thanks

Thank you to **Pauline Weir and Sue Donovan** for the altar flowers in loving memory of Vincent and Valerie Hinks on the anniversary of their passing. May perpetual light shine upon them.

### Happy Birthday to Joan Butler!

We wish her many happy returns. Thank you for the altar flowers. May God bless you with happiness and good health.

### Flowers & Candles Offering

The new *Flowers & Candles Offering* form *Aug to Nov 2024* is in the foyer. Please fill in the form to offer your pledges. The parish will pray for your intentions on the weekend you choose to sponsor.

### Charitable Works Fund Appeal

This appeal will be held next weekend 10<sup>th</sup>/11<sup>th</sup> of August. Please contribute generously. Help keep alive vital ministries of the Church in service to those who need it most; in hospitals, churches, schools, communities and families. All donations above \$2 are tax deductible.

**Readers Roster July to Dec 2024** are available in the church foyer. Please tick your name after picking up your copy.

### Catholic Weekly

Please buy a catholic weekly for only \$2. Available at the church foyer. Please support the Catholic media.

### Acknowledgement of Country

We respect and honour Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Elders past, present and future. We acknowledge the stories, traditions and living cultures of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples on this land.

### Prayer Requests

#### 1. Mass Intentions

**2. The Sick:** Sophie Lamberton, Olave Laporte, Georgia Neale, Regina Attalah, Ryan Bacal, Gesalit Cabrera, Felicia Clark, Gabby Custodio, Terry Delaney, Grazia Ferraro, Ruby Gorospe, Adrian de Guzman, Mark Rodney Javier, Lourdes Infante, Carlos Lobo, Jeanette Magee, Gwen Menzies, Adriano Oliva, Nadia Radmilo, Sasha Rances, Nally Terenal, Noleen Walsh, Diana Wiley, all the sick and suffering.

**3. Recently Deceased:** Anton Snashel, Steve Forster, Teofilo Labao Javier,

**4. Death Anniversary:** Vincent & Lilian Hinks, Chito Sanmocte, Kath and Bill Anderson, George Hanna, Roberto Iligan, Leonard Harper, Giovanni Follone, Grazia Follone, Filippo Merillo, Francesca Merillo, Giovannina Tesoriero, Giovanni Tesoriero, Bartolomeo Tesoriero, Giuseppe Tesoriero, Giovanni Zappala

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

### ROSTERS FOR NEXT WEEK

**Sat 10 Aug- VIGIL SAT 5.30 PM**

Readers: Maria & Fabian Heaton

Acolyte: Rinaldo Fernandez

**Sun 11 Aug - SUNDAY 7.00 AM**

Readers: Z. Custodio/ M. Lusaipau

Acolyte: Socorro Lucas

**Sun 11 Aug - SUNDAY 9.00 AM**

Readers: Mona Laporte/Kylie Brakel

Acolyte: Joseph Manesh P

Counters: Joseph & Josephine Apolonio

Altar Society: (Gp 1) Frances Heming,

Maureen Burnett & Zenny Custodio

Flowers Offering: Tigere Edmore Ruzoza

