St Joseph's & St Bernadette's (Boronia) Parish

St Joseph's Primary School ~ 212 Boronia Road, Boronia, 3155
St Bernadette's Primary School ~ 1264 Mountain Hwy, The Basin, 3154
Office Hours: Tuesday to Friday 9am – 3pm
OFFICE is CLOSED Mondays
Parish Admin: 9761 2124
E: Office@Boroniaparish.org.au
W: https://boroniaparish.org.au/

OUR PARISH TEAM

Parish Priest:	Fr Mirek Knap CR
Parish Finance:	Leigh Bilston – Tue
Parish Secretary:	Gerri Cheyne – Wed, Thur, Fri
Pastoral Worker:	Luise Westwood – Tue

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Fr Mirek Knap CR, Noelle Hughes, Chris Ashdowne, Mary Asquith, Marie Jones, Mark Westwood, Peter Steward, Luise Westwood, Juan Monsalve Tobon

SAFEGUARDING COMMITTEE:

Fr Mirek Knap CR, Mary Asquith, Peter Asquith, Noelle Hughes, Luise Westwood, Gerri Cheyne, Kerryn Hughes-Scott

St Vincent de Paul:	1800 305 330
RCIA Coordinator:	Sr Frances Mongan PBVM
Communion to the Sick:	0417 704 587 Luise Westwood

OUR PARISH SCHOOLS

St Joseph's Primary School – Boronia	9762 3275
Principal:	Mark Westwood
Deputy Principal:	Georgina Bennett
St Bernadette's – The Basin	9762 5135
Principal:	Peter Steward
Deputy Principal:	Jennifer Kennedy

OUR REGIONAL SCHOOLS

St Joseph's College – Ferntree Gully	9758 2000
Principal:	Ms Catherine Livingston
Deputy Principal:	Mr Guido Piotti
Mater Christi College – Belgrave	9754 6611
Principal:	Maria Haggett
Deputy Principal Staff/Students:	Shae Mayes

WEEKDAY MASS TIMETABLE

Mon	2nd	9.10am MASS
Tues	3rd	9.10am MASS
Wed	4th	9.10am MASS @Janssen Centre
Thur	5th	NO MASS @St Joseph's
Fri	6th	8.30am ADORATION 9.10am MASS
Sat	7th	9.10am MASS 9.30am RECONCILIATION 6pm VIGIL MASS
Sun	32nd Sunday in OT 8th	9.00am MASS 11.00am MASS



1 November 2026

ALL SAINTS YEAR A

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 23:1-6. see v.6

Lord, this is the people that longs to see your face.

Gospel Acclamation: Matthew 11:28

Alleluia, alleluia!
Come to me, all you that labour and are burdened, and I will give you rest, says the Lord.
Alleluia!

Next Week's Readings



THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Year A

8 November 2026

1st Reading:
Wisdom 6:12-16

Responsorial Psalm:
Ps 62:2-8. R. v.2

2nd Reading:
1 Thessalonians 4: 13-18

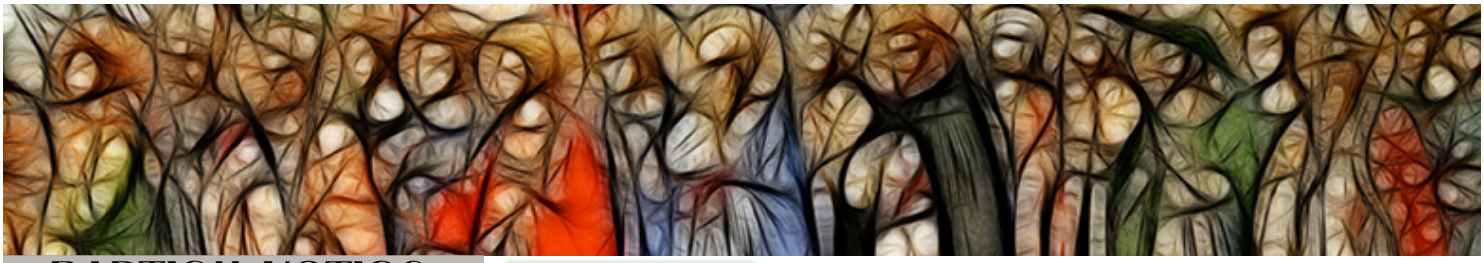
Gospel:
Matthew 25:1-13

REMINDERS FOR UPCOMING EVENTS:

1 Nov	CAPITAL WORKS ALL SAINTS DAY
2 Nov	ALL SOULS DAY
3 Nov	MELBOURNE CUP DAY
6 Nov	8.30am ADORATION
8 Nov	11am New Prep Family Mass
9 Nov	7.30pm Boronia Parish Annual Memorial Mass
10 Nov	5pm R.E. Classes 7pm Sacrament of Reconciliation
13 Nov	11.30am SENIORS MASS

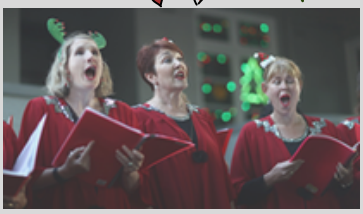






BAPTISM NOTICE:

Sunday 1st November is the last Baptism Preparation Meeting for 2026
Please see Fr Mirek after Mass this weekend to register if you are considering the Sacrament of Baptism for your child for this year.
Baptisms will commence again in February 2027
Thank you Luise Westwood
Pastoral Worker



Enjoy a Sunday afternoon of
Christmas Carols.
I am a member of a choir called Maroondah Singers and our Christmas Concert is on

December 6th
from 2.30 to 4.30 in the
Uniting Church Hall 559-561
Whitehorse Road, Mitcham.

For booking details please see flyer on notice board at rear of Church.
Save the date and it's not too early to book.

For more details I am happy to receive your call: 0417 704 587
Would love to see you there.
(Sr.) Frances Mongan.

REFLECTION

~by Dianne Bergant CSA
1 November 2026

Today we celebrate the memory of all the baptised who have gone before us and whose lives were virtuous. The saints of God are all those who have been baptised into Christ, who have washed their robes in the blood of the Lamb. We all know people whose lives were steeped in genuine holiness. The life of every one of us has been blessed by their goodness. This is a day for us to remember and to celebrate their holiness. We celebrate the lives of all those who have been marked with the sign of faith, those who have been canonised by the church, those whom we have known personally as well as those whose names we do not know.

In the beatitudes listed in today's gospel we are given examples of what it means to live lives of holiness. This gospel really does not present a blueprint for holiness. Rather, it offers a series of snapshots that demonstrate the holiness that is ours by virtue of our baptism. Those who have gone before us lived such lives. Today, as we remember them, we hold up their lives as examples of holiness and models for our imitation. The sentiments that are expressed and the commitment that it illustrated in the beatitudes clearly stand in opposition to the standards of the world. Their radicality may be more than some can understand, but they are traits that are recognisable by those who belong to the family of God, for they are genuine godly traits.

Memorial Garden Development



Dear Parishioners, Our memorial garden is a place where we store memories of our loved ones on plaques on the wall.
There were questions about the possibility of burying the ashes of our departed in this area.

After talking with the finance committee and investigating options we decided to reorganize that space and include the 'Columbarium' there which will give us the possibility to store cremated remains. We cannot have the spreading of ashes as it is prohibited by law. To achieve this project we need to redo that space. To achieve that I will need to know about any ashes already buried there as we will need to dig them up.

So please contact me or the office to talk about the appropriate arrangement. Also we would like to know if anyone is interested in securing a spot for the future. It will help us to plan the site where the Columbarium will be used. Thank you!

Please contact the office for more information.
Ph: 9761 2124
Em: Office@boroniaparish.org.au

"SENIORS MASS"
13 November
at 11.30am
2nd Friday of each month
ALL WELCOME for light refreshments after Mass



"ADORATION"
6 November @8.30am
1st Friday of each month

"PRAYER GROUP"
Thursdays @ 11.30am
Due to the weather,the venue has been changed, please contact the **Parish Office** if you wish to join!

Ph: 9761 2124

ST VINNIES DONATION
BSB: 063 003
A/C: 1008 1787
Ref: 416
https://www.vinnies.org.au/

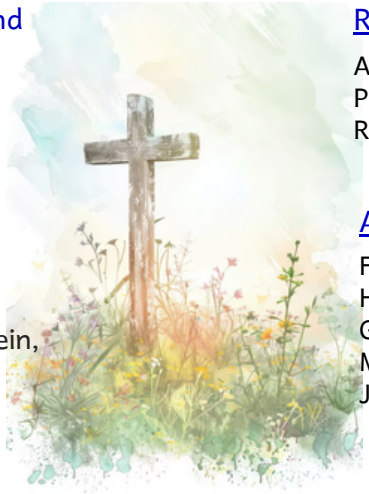
Sunday
27 November

'Capital Works'
Sunday
1 November
Collectors:
Please take up the collection after communion at all masses

"JANSSEN CENTRE"
9.10am MASS
Every Wednesday
All welcome for a cuppa afterwards, informationbooklet is located atthe back of the church.
https://janssencentre.au/

We Pray for all those who are sick at this time and especially those within our Parish:

Marian Bullen, Margaret Fagan, Olive Maker, Brin Thiedeman, Julie Keuken, Fr Brendan Lane, Robert Southcott, Ching Price, Eugene Vanderstaak, Ken Morris, Samantha Tauiliili, Gary Edmiston, Carole Stones, Lynette Scott, Maribel Rosales, Rebecca Cleave, Margaret Lawn, Maureen Hammerstein, Levi Djohan, Noel Dunlop, Hillie Koster, Mary Phillips, Christian McMahon, Peter Ordner, Melissa Rowe



Recently Deceased:

Anthony (Tony) McKernon
Petronella Christina (Nelly) Menting
Ross Miles-Colt

Anniversary:

Frank Jones
Helen van der Linden
Gwendoline (Babe) Taylor
Małgorzata Błaszczuk
Joey Saguindan

LITURGY Roster — 8 November 2026 - Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - YEAR A

MASS TIME	LECTOR	COMMENTATOR	SPECIAL MINISTER	MUSIC	COMPUTER	SET-UP
6.00pm	G GILFEDDER	J KEUKEN	T KITCHING	COMPUTER	D FERNANDO	K CRAIG
9.00am	A JAMES	F MONGAN	M CHEN	COMPUTER	A SCHMID	D BOWKER
11.00am	P DOHERTY	T PURCHASE	M WESTWOOD	COMPUTER	NEED REPLACEMENT	G QUINN

SERVICE Roster — 8 November 2026 - Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - YEAR A

CHURCH CLEANING	CHILDREN'S LITURGY	COUNTING	FLOWERS	HOSPITALITY SAT 6PM	HOSPITALITY SUN 9AM	HOSPITALITY SUN - 11AM
7 November Group 4	8 November	9 November Group 4	8 November	7 November Group 5	8 November Group 2	8 November Group 5
Ash Silva Cleaning Service PLEASE CONTACT PARISH ADMIN	D Perlado	L Dye L Reid D Bowker C O'Connell	J Faulkner	L Nguyen M Delport	M Chen R Chen	S Pulsford C Clarke

Parish Church Account:

St Joseph's and St Bernadette's Church:
BSB: 083 347
Acc No: 63544 5281
Ref : TG
(your Thanksgiving Number if you have it)

Presbytery Account supports our Parish Priest:

Catholic Presbytery Account Boronia:
BSB: 083 347
Acc No: 63544 6217
Ref : TGPres

Parish Church Account – Capital Works:

St Joseph's and St Bernadette's Church
Account: BSB: 083 347
Acc No: 63544 5281
Ref : CW (your name)

Next collection: 01/11/2026

Parishioners who would like to place a donation towards Church Maintenance, we have a number of areas in need of repair eg:

- Roof
- Damaged windows
- General maintenance.

Please donate into the Parish Church Account, specifying the reference: CW (followed by your name)

Thank you - Parish Finance

PLEASE NOTE!

When making donations/payments to the Parish accounts, the account name will come up as:

"Archdiocese of Melbourne Catholic Development Fund"

This is the **LEGALLY** Registered name. Your donations will however go to the correct account associated with the Parish

Thank you - Parish Finance

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE STATEMENT 2026

St Joseph's & St Bernadette's, Boronia Catholic Parish acknowledges and adheres by the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne Safeguarding documents, procedures and policies as outlined in their statement and guidelines. Our Parish Priest, Fr Mirek Knap, is dedicated to keeping our children, young people and vulnerable people, safe with the support of our Parish Staff, Safeguarding Committee, Parishioners, and Volunteers who serve in our Parish.



CHILD SAFE PARISH

Code of Conduct Declaration and Form

Safeguarding Children Policy

If you have any concerns please contact:
Safeguarding Children Committee
via **Parish Office**
Ph: 9761 2124

or Fr. Mirek: Office@Boroniaparish.org.au
or contact: https://www.esafety.gov.au



Faith in Action: An election guide from the Bishops of Victoria

Ahead of the 2026 Victorian election, the Bishops of Victoria have issued an election statement highlighting key issues for Catholics to consider when deciding their vote. You are invited to read the statement and prayerfully discern how your vote can contribute to the common good. View the statement online at: **bit.ly/StateElection2026** or via the QR code.

Flyers available in the foyer of the Church

ELECTION DAY
28th November 2026

we will be having Election Day in St Joseph's Hall.

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FETE CRAFT STALL 2027

- If you like to sew, knit or crochet, then give us a call.
- If you are a handy man and like making things for the house and garden, we would love to hear from you. Think about making things for the Fete.





We are planning for next years fete and would like to have your help. If you are interested or have any ideas, give us a call. Making aprons, rugs, children's clothing. Patchwork or any craft objects.

We are interested in your thoughts. Have you any items of sewing or craft work you might have started and not yet finishes.
Then our craft group could finish them off. Do you have Material we could use for making goods.

Let us know.

We have a craft group currently working and would welcome some new ideas and help.

Phone either:

- **Brenda 0411 602 239**
- **Clare 0405 403 576**

SAVE THE DATE COZ we're having a FETE! 20 March 2027 10am - 3pm Put it in your diary now!



Set up day will be Friday 19th March 2027 this is a student free day - YAYYYY.

RIDES

We already have these great rides booked:
Cha Cha Cup and Saucer
Animal Farm Pony Rides
Jurassic Park inflatable and we hope to have 1 or 2 more.



SPONSORSHIP

The rides are our biggest expense and so we are always looking for sponsorship to help pay for them. If you have your own business or know of a business who might be willing to sponsor us, please send us the business name and contact details and we will do the rest. Email to fete@boroniaparish.org.au Thanks in advance.

ENTERTAINMENT

If you belong to a band, a dance group, a singing group, a calisthenics group, a martial arts group, a circus group, etc and you would like to showcase your talents, please send us an email and we'll get back to you with the details of our entertainment timeslots. fete@boroniaparish.org.au

DO YOU HAVE ANY IDEAS FOR OUR FETE?

Did you come to this year's fete? Did you think something was missing? Do you have an idea you think will work well? Would you be willing to help out with this if we can make it work? Please let us know and we'll consider your suggestions and welcome your help. fete@boroniaparish.org.au

DONATIONS FOR OUR RAFFLES

We welcome any donations to add to our raffle prizes as long as they are not used. We can organise collection of these donations if needed or let you know where to leave them for our raffle co ordinator.

LET'S ALL WORK TOGETHER TO MAKE THIS FETE THE BEST YET!

ANNUAL MEMORIAL MASS

Date: 9 November
Time: 7.30pm

St Joseph's Parish invites you & your family to join us as we celebrate Mass for deceased loved ones.