



# ST BERNADETTE'S CATHOLIC PARISH

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## 4th Sunday of Easter- Year B

24-25 April 2021

### Entrance Procession

The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth;  
by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia.

### First Reading: Acts 4:8-12

*This is the only name by which we can be saved.*

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Peter said: 'Rulers of the people, and elders! If you are questioning us today about an act of kindness to a cripple, and asking us how he was healed, then I am glad to tell you all, and would indeed be glad to tell the whole people of Israel, that it was by the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene, the one you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, by this name and by no other that this man is able to stand up perfectly healthy, here in your presence today. This is the stone rejected by you the builders, but which has proved to be the keystone. For of all the names in the world given to men, this is the only one by which we can be saved.'

The word of the Lord.

### Responsorial Psalm: Ps 117:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28-29

**R.** *The stone rejected by the builders has become the corner stone.*

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,  
for his love has no end.  
It is better to take refuge in the Lord  
than to trust in men:  
it is better to take refuge in the Lord  
than to trust in princes. **R.**

I will thank you for you have given answer  
and you are my saviour.  
The stone which the builders rejected  
has become the corner stone.  
This is the work of the Lord,  
a marvel in our eyes. **R.**

Blessed in the name of the Lord  
is he who comes.  
We bless you from the house of the Lord;  
I will thank you for you have given answer  
and you are my saviour.  
Give thanks to the Lord for he is good;  
for his love has no end. **R.**

### Second Reading John 3:1-2

*We shall see God as he is.*

A reading from the first letter of St John

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us,  
by letting us be called God's children;  
and that is what we are.  
Because the world refused to acknowledge him,  
therefore it does not acknowledge us.

My dear people, we are already the children of God  
but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed;  
all we know is, that when it is revealed  
we shall be like him  
because we shall see him as he really is.

The word of the Lord.

### Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!  
I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;  
I know my sheep, and mine know me.  
Alleluia!

### Gospel: John 10:11-18

*The good shepherd lays down his life for his sheep.*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jesus said:

'I am the good shepherd:  
the good shepherd is one who lays down his life for  
his sheep.  
The hired man, since he is not the shepherd  
and the sheep do not belong to him,  
abandons the sheep and runs away  
as soon as he sees a wolf coming,  
and then the wolf attacks and scatters the sheep;  
this is because he is only a hired man  
and has no concern for the sheep.  
I am the good shepherd;  
I know my own  
and my own know me,  
just as the Father knows me  
and I know the Father;  
and I lay down my life for my sheep.  
And there are other sheep I have  
that are not of this fold,  
and these I have to lead as well.  
They too will listen to my voice,  
and there will be only one flock  
and one shepherd.  
The Father loves me,  
because I lay down my life  
in order to take it up again.  
No one takes it from me;  
I lay it down of my own free will,  
and as it is in my power to lay it down,  
so it is in my power to take it up again;  
and this is the command I have been given by my  
Father.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

### Communion Antiphon

The Good Shepherd has risen,  
who laid down his life for his sheep  
and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.

## Parish Contact Details:

**Parish Priest:** Fr Christopher FSF PP  
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**Facebook:** St Bernadette Dundas Valley  
**Parish Office Hours:** 9.30am-1.30pm  
Tues, Wed & Fri

## Parish Masses & Services:

### **Weekend Mass Times:**

Saturday Vigil: 6pm  
Sunday: 8am, 9.30am  
Live-streamed Masses via  
[www.friarsofstfrancis.org](http://www.friarsofstfrancis.org) or directly via  
YouTube

### **Weekday Mass Times:**

Tuesday: 9.00am  
Wednesday: 7.30am  
Thursday: 9.00am  
Friday: 9.00am  
Saturday: 7.30am

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

Thursday (during Holy Hour) 5.15pm - 5.45pm.  
Saturday 5.00 - 5.45pm

**Holy Hour and Exposition:** Thursdays, 5.00pm - 6.00pm. Begins with Vespers (evening prayer of the Church) and finishes with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

**All Night Adoration:** First Friday of each month, from 8.30pm throughout until Saturday morning, concluding with Benediction at about 7am.

### **Infant Baptism**

Baptisms held every third Sunday of the month at 11am. Please book with the Parish Secretary.

### **Sacrament of Matrimony and Weddings**

Please give at least 6 months' notice. Please book with the Parish Secretary

**Sunday School:** Years K-12 at 11am in St Bernadette's Primary School.

## Parish Prayer Groups:

**Rosary:** Mon: 7.55am  
Tues, Thurs & Fri: 8.25am  
Wed & Sat: After 7.30am Mass  
Sun: After 9.30am Mass  
**Legion of Mary:** Fridays 9.45am

## Parish Youth Groups:

**Younger Teens:** Years 6-8  
**Older Teens:** Years: 9-12  
**Young Adults:** 18-35  
**Catholic Central:** 18+

Please contact Father Benedict for Youth Group enquires:

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[www.friarsofstfrancis.org](http://www.friarsofstfrancis.org)

## Parish Notice Board

- ❖ **Holy Hour has resumed: Thursdays 5.00-6.00pm.**
- ❖ **Monthly All Night Eucharistic Adoration:** Friday 7<sup>th</sup> May starting at 8.30pm with Exposition at 8.30pm and concluding with Benediction at 7am, followed by Mass at 7.30am. Please write your name down on clipboard in main foyer if you are interested
- ❖ **Sunday School resumes 2<sup>nd</sup> May.** There be NO Sunday School on Mother's Day 9<sup>th</sup> May.
- ❖ **Gardening Volunteers We Are Nearly There:** Thank you to the families that have already volunteered to help look after some of our beautiful Church gardens. However, **we still require one more volunteer** to help maintain small sections of the gardens. We are asking that volunteers look after the smaller gardens for a period of say one year, i.e. until the start of autumn next year. If you would like to help out, or would like some more information, please contact the Parish Office, or John Petre on 0417 246 741.

## Youth Notices

- ❖ **Friday 7<sup>th</sup> May 6.30pm –Young Teens Life Night** 'The Big Picture: Death, Hell and Heaven'. In the School Hall.
- ❖ **Friday 14<sup>th</sup> May 6.30pm – Older Teens Life Night** 'The Big Picture: Death, Hell and Heaven'. In the School Hall.
- ❖ **Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> May 3pm – Youth Choir Practice**
- ❖ **Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> May - Catholic Central Upcoming Speaker, Dr Kevin Wagner:** "Being in the World but not of the World – Insights from the Life of St Anthony of the Desert". Eucharistic Adoration and Confessions from 6pm-7pm in the Church with the talk starting at 7pm in the School Hall.
- ❖ **Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 9.30am – Pentecost Youth Mass**
- ❖ **Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> May 3pm – Youth Choir Practice**

### Saints of the Week:

26<sup>th</sup> April - ST MARK, EVANGELIST  
27<sup>th</sup> April - St Louis Grignon de Montfort  
28<sup>th</sup> April - St Peter Chanel  
29<sup>th</sup> April - St Catherine of Siena  
30<sup>th</sup> April - St Pius V

### **Contributions to Planned Giving:**

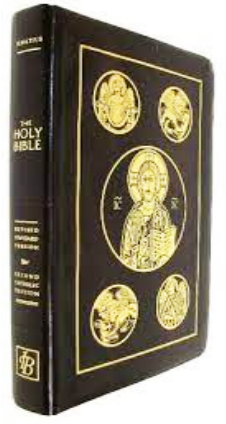
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## From the Padre:



Do not be contented in being ignorant of God or of our faith. Learn and desire to learn. Feed your soul with truth and wisdom. It is important to read the Sacred Scriptures. They are not only the Word of God, so in reading them we hear God speaking, but they are also full of wisdom and truth. Take that brilliant book called "Proverbs", for example. So much practical insight and understanding into life and faith. Here is an example which is basic for the believer: Proverbs 6:16-19. *"There are six things which the Lord hates, seven which are an abomination to him: haughty eyes, a lying tongue, and hands that shed innocent blood, a heart that devises wicked plans, feet that make haste to run to evil, a false witness who breathes out lies, and a man who sows discord among brothers."*



The Scriptures are full of wonderful teachings, stories of heroism, love and salvation. There are books in the Bible that will grip you and fill you with wonder, others that will baffle you and leave you wanting more. There is the great love song known as the Song of Songs (or Canticles) and there are prophetic teachings that speak of our own age and of the future. Try out the Books of Ruth, Tobit, Judith, Esther, Job and the Prophet Daniel.

A good Catholic Bible to own is the Ignatius Bible, Revised Standard Version.

### **Let us pray for all our sick relatives, friends and parishioners, especially:**

Ellie Eagan, Michael Siddle; Carmel Bowden; and all of our sick parishioners and loved ones.

### **Let us pray for our deceased loved ones, especially:**

Frieda Piesch; Maria Teresa Armenti; Charlie & Rita Slaiba; Carmelo Mifsud; Mr Fraser; Nour Shalala; Nouhed & Nakia Wehbe; Florence Paneta; Collin Patten; The Holy Souls in Purgatory; ***May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.***




**Saint Michael the Archangel,  
defend us in the battle; be our protection against the malice and snares of the Devil. May  
God restrain him, we humbly pray, and You, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the divine  
power cast into Hell Satan and all the other evil spirits who roam through the world  
seeking the ruin of souls.  
Amen.**

**Most Sacred Heart of Jesus: have mercy on us. (3 times)  
Immaculate Heart of Mary: pray for us**

### **ROSTER FOR MINISTRIES: 1-2 May 2021**

<b>Readers:</b>	<b>Sat Vigil 6pm</b> B Heath	<b>Sun 8am</b> D Tudehope	<b>Sun 9.30am</b> R Siciliano
<b>Altar Servers:</b>	Burbridge Family Raphael Cipollone Brandon Nakhoul Nicholas Chehade Xavier Redolfi	Russell Mandla Emily Billingsley Flitcroft Family Rick Atie	Rafael Baricevic Mierzanowski Family Liam Maze John Paul Cabela Benjamin Gaynor
<b>Acolytes:</b>	Gerard Redolfi	Nidhin Thomas	Peter Thomas
<b>Flower Donor:</b>	Mr Stephen Rossi, Sandra Mason		
<b>Altar Gowns:</b>	Souzi Nakhoul		
<b>Floral Arrangers:</b>	Sylvana, Dominica, Mary G (5th Sunday of Easter)		
<b>Altar Society:</b>	<b>G 2: Thurs 29/04/2021 @ 9.30am:</b> Pravin, Margaret Flitcroft, Anthoinette		
<b>Cleaners:</b>	<b>G 1: Saturday 1/5/2021 @ 8.15am</b> Sandra Ballienas, Lori Leonardi, Hartono Sumardji, Olive Poon, Jann Bonner, Ana Furjanic, Juliette Salomon		



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