



# ST BERNADETTE'S CATHOLIC PARISH

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Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year C

12-13 February 2022

## Entrance Procession

Be my protector, O God,  
a mighty stronghold to save me.  
For you are my rock, my stronghold!  
Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name.

## First Reading: Jeremiah 17:5-8

*A curse on those who trust in humanity; a blessing on those who trust in the Lord.*

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah.

The Lord says this:

'A curse on the man who puts his trust in man,  
who relies on things of flesh,  
whose heart turns from the Lord.  
He is like dry scrub in the wastelands:  
if good comes, he has no eyes for it,  
he settles in the parched places of the wilderness,  
a salt land, uninhabited.  
'A blessing on the man who puts his trust in the Lord,  
with the Lord for his hope.  
He is like a tree by the waterside  
that thrusts its roots to the stream:  
when the heat comes it feels no alarm,  
its foliage stays green;  
it has no worries in a year of drought,  
and never ceases to bear fruit.'

The word of the Lord.

## Responsorial Psalm: Ps 1:1-4

**R.** Happy are they who hope in the Lord.

Happy indeed is the man  
who follows not the counsel of the wicked;  
nor lingers in the way of sinners  
nor sits in the company of scorners,  
but whose delight is the law of the Lord  
and who ponders his law day and night. **R.**

He is like a tree that is planted  
beside the flowing waters,  
that yields its fruit in due season  
and whose leaves shall never fade;  
and all that he does shall prosper. **R.**

Not so are the wicked, not so!  
For they like winnowed chaff  
shall be driven away by the wind.  
For the Lord guards the way of the just  
but the way of the wicked leads to doom. **R.**

## Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20

*If Christ is not raised from the dead, your faith is in vain.*

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians.

If Christ raised from the dead is what has been preached, how can some of you be saying that there is no resurrection of the dead? For if the dead are not raised, Christ has not been raised, and if Christ has not been raised, you are still in your sins. And what is more serious, all who have died in Christ have perished. If our hope in Christ has been for this life only, we are the most unfortunate of all people.

But Christ has in fact been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep.

The word of the Lord.

## Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!  
Rejoice and be glad;  
your reward is great in heaven. Alleluia!

## Gospel: Luke 6:17, 20-26

*Happy are the poor. Woe to the rich!*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

Jesus came down with the Twelve and stopped at a piece of level ground where there was a large gathering of his disciples with a great crowd of people from all parts of Judaea and from Jerusalem and from the coastal region of Tyre and Sidon who had come to hear him and to be cured of their diseases.

Then fixing his eyes on his disciples he said:

Blessed are you who are poor; yours is the kingdom of God.

Blessed are you who are hungry now: you shall be satisfied.

Blessed are you who weep now: you shall laugh.

'Blessed are you when people hate you, drive you out, abuse you, denounce your name as criminal, on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice when that day comes and dance for joy, for then your reward will be great in heaven. This was the way their ancestors treated the prophets.

'But alas for you who are rich: you are having your consolation now.

Alas for you who have your fill now: you shall go hungry.

Alas for you who laugh now: you shall mourn and weep.

'Alas for you when the world speaks well of you! This was the way their ancestors treated the false prophets.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

## Communion Antiphon

They ate and had their fill,  
and what they craved the Lord gave them;  
they were not disappointed in what they craved.

## Parish Contact Details:

**Parish Priest:** Fr Christopher FSF PP

**Assistant Priests:** Fr Ruben FSF &

Fr Benedict FSF

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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, 10.00am

Live-streamed Masses [directly via](#)

[YouTube \(Friars of St Francis\)](#)

### **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 11.30am. 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.

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## 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: [brbenedictsf@bigpond.com](mailto:brbenedictsf@bigpond.com) or visit [www.friarsofstfrancis.org](http://www.friarsofstfrancis.org)

## Parish Notice Board

- ❖ **Sunday School each Sunday:** 11.00am – 12noon in the school. All school children are welcome (K-12).
- ❖ **Holy Communion:** Please remember in order to receive Holy Communion you must be in the state of grace. This also means attending Mass faithfully every Sunday (unless you are elderly or ill). If you have missed Mass (other than the elderly or the ill) you need to go to Confession before receiving Holy Communion.
- ❖ **Volunteers required to teach Scripture Classes in our Local Public Schools** for only 1 hour per week. All resources and training will be provided. Please call or email Diane Tudehope on: 0419 687 397 or [diane.tudehope@gmail.com](mailto:diane.tudehope@gmail.com)

## Youth Notices

- ❖ **Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February:** Our Youth Group Leaders have lined up an evening of games and socialising with fun of all kinds. Please meet in the School Hall at 6.30pm finishing at 9.00pm

### **Parish Bank Account details for Donations, Planned Giving or Direct Transfers:**

*(Please quote in the reference either your SURNAME & INITIAL or ENVELOPE NUMBER)*

**Name:** St Bernadette's Catholic Parish

**BSB:** 067 950

**Account:** 00000271

## From the Padre:



**H**ere's a funny thing. Saint Francis of Assisi was very big on Holy Poverty. Yet his Order has never been able to live it as he did. And, I say it is funny because after Saint Francis died, when different groups of his Order stressed poverty, they almost always went off the rails and became heretics. The



Franciscan Order is replete with Canonised Saints – more than most Orders, yet few of them lived the literal poverty that Saint Francis did. However, they all truly lived the spirit of Holy Poverty, their lives extraordinarily simple, completely detached from this world's goods and utterly generous to all in need. Saint Francis was able to do what he did because he was on fire with love for Our Lord. Getting things in the right balance is very important. In the Gospel Our Lord is warning us about greed, selfishness and being centred on wealth. He does this because money, riches and wealth can easily lure us in. Many actually lose their souls by being caught up in the pursuit of wealth. It can make us selfish and harden our hearts. And saddest of all, the devil can use wealth to deceive people into making them no longer depend on God. God is our true provider. Yes, we have to work hard in this world, and many who are successful work very hard. That is not wrong in any way. What Our Lord wants is that we have the right spirit, to be always generous to those in need, and to trust in the Lord at all times, to depend upon Him for all our needs, and above all, to love God and be grateful to Him for all the good things and blessings He gives us. You see, we could have nothing except for Him. He gives us talents, health, ability and grace throughout our lives. He it is who enables us to achieve and succeed. Without the generous love of Our Lord we would have nothing. Therefore, even though we have worked for what we have, we need to understand that it is He through whom we have been able to do this. By showing humble gratitude to God we remain His and are on the road to His Eternal Kingdom.

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

Divna & Dusko Odrljin; Cathie Courage; Val Lavis; Michael Siddle; Dorothy Frost; and all our sick parishioners and loved ones.

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

Ellie Egan; Frieda Piesch; Anthony Sharah; Rita & Charlie Saliba; Carmelo Mifsud; Dorie Stanton; The Holy Souls in Purgatory; ***May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.***

### *Saints of the Week:*

*14<sup>th</sup> Feb – Saints Cyril and Methodius*

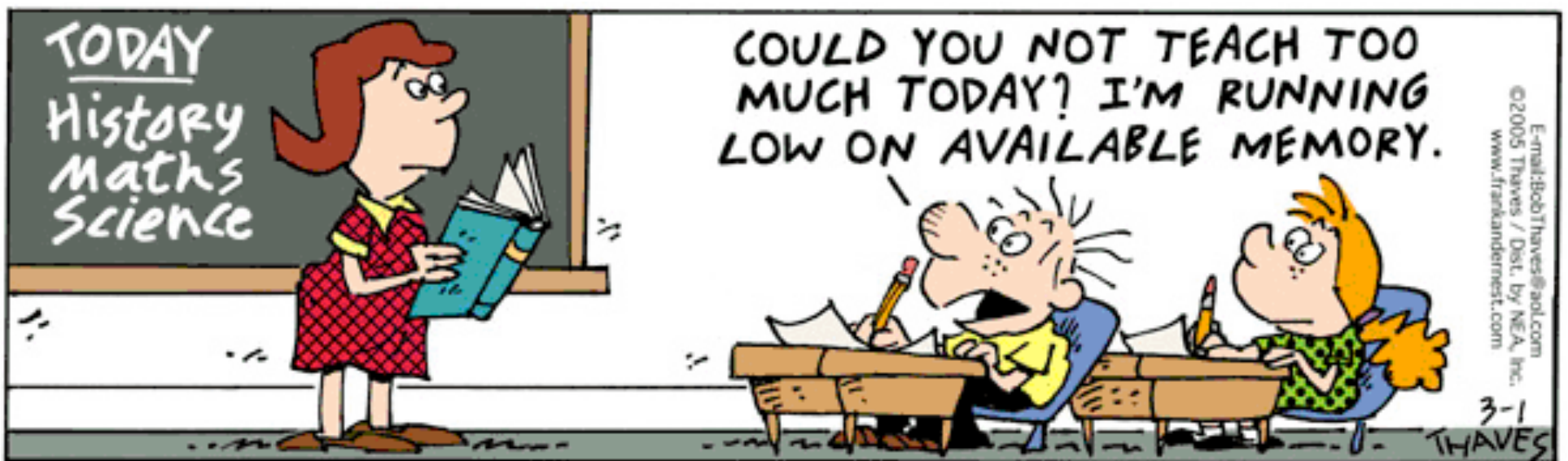
*17<sup>th</sup> Feb – The Seven Founders of the Order of Servites*


*18<sup>th</sup> Feb – SAINT BERNADETTE, Cordsbearer*

**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**





**McAuley Hawach**  
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<b>Roster for Ministries 19-20 Feb 2022</b>			
	<b>Sat Vigil 6pm</b>	<b>Sun 8am</b>	<b>Sun 10am</b>
<b>Readers:</b>	J Redolfi	S Carter	T Nott
<b>Acolytes:</b>	B Hanson	R Cabela	G Redolfi
<b>Altar Servers:</b>	R Cipollone N Chehade S Skocic	R Baricevic JP Cabela B Nakhoul J Locke	X Redolfi N Higgins L Rivera W Ha S Ha
<b>Flower Donor:</b>	Mr Stephen Rossi		
<b>Altar Gowns:</b>			
<b>Floral Arrangers:</b>	Nisa, Breannah, Yenny		
<b>Altar Society:</b>	<b>G4: Thurs 17/02/22 @ 9.30am</b> V Standfort, C Y Cheung, J Bonner		
<b>Cleaners:</b>	<b>G3: Sat 12/02/22 @ 8am</b> S Nakhoul, S Laoulach, M Baricevic, C Harb, M Gray, C Gillies & family, C Koong, L Louke		