



Port Elizabeth Oratory

Parish of St Bernadette

Sunday 8 March 2020: 2nd Sunday of Lent



Musical Oratory
STATIONS OF THE CROSS
Friday 3 April, 19:00 - 20:30

Stations of the Cross

Stations of the Cross (*Via Crucis*) is a traditional Catholic devotion in which we accompany Our Lord in the journey of his Passion, meditating upon this mystery in which Jesus manifested his obedience "even unto death, death on a cross" (Phil. 2:8). Among the prayers traditionally used in this devotion are those of St Alphonsus Liguori, a saint closely connected to the Oratory; our new St John Henry Newman also composed much-loved meditations for the *Via Crucis*. A plenary indulgence is offered to those who make this devotion, either with others, or individually, making use of the Stations erected in a Church. The indulgence is dependent on the usual conditions: holy communion (preferably on the day the Stations are prayed), confession (this could be some days before or afterwards), prayer for the intentions of the Pope (this is done publicly at the end of our Friday stations). (This Plenary Indulgence can be obtained on any day of the year.)

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Stations of the Cross

Take place on Fridays during Lent at 17:00.
(There is no Exposition)

Lenten Oratory

Lenten Oratory continues this Thursday at 17.30. Each week, the Fathers will speak about one of the new saints canonised in Rome along with our St John Henry Newman last October: Mariam Theresia Chiramel Mankidiyan, Josephine Vannini, Irma Dulce Pontes and Margeurite Bays. Their inspiring examples of Christian sanctity, helping us on our Lenten journey, encourage us to "run with perseverance the race that is set before us" (Heb. 12:1).

Come early for confessions at 17:00 and blessing with the relic of St Philip at 17:15. The Oratory talk and prayers start at 17:30 and finish by 18:10. As a result there is no evening Mass on Thursdays in Lent; it is replaced by an extra Mass at 06:30 (use the side doors for Holy Mass), as well as the usual 08:30 Mass.

Church Opening: The parish church is open for prayer via the Fordyce Road entrance only, from Monday to Friday (excluding public holidays) between 08:00 and 12:30, and again between 16:00 and 18:00. Come in and spend some time with the Lord in prayer.

Mass Times

Saturday 18:00 (Vigil) Gregorian Chant

Sunday

07:00 Said
08:30 Choir
10:00 Extraordinary Form
(Latin, with Chant)
11:00 Walmer Township
18:00 Youth
Mon - Fri: 08:30 & 17:30 Sat: 08:30

Rosary: Mon - Sat after 8:30am Mass

Divine Mercy: Monday after Rosary

Confessions

20 mins before all Sun. morning Masses;
Sunday evenings from 17:30;
Saturdays from 17:00; Fridays 16:30 - 17:20.
At other times on request

Solemn Vespers Sunday 17:00

Blessing with the relic of St Philip
Thursdays 09:00 & 17:20

Exposition Friday (suspended); Saturday 17:00

Benediction Saturday 17:40
Sunday 17:30

Sunday Readings:

Daily Missal 220
Sunday Missal 96
Collins - Old 134
Collins - New 175
Roman Missal 456

Psalm response:

May your merciful love be upon us, as we hope in you, O Lord.

Extraordinary Form:

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Announcements

Oaklyn Rennick, daughter of Clement and Lyndle, was baptised on 7 March.

Ren Wightman passed away on Saturday 29 February.

Yvonne Hoggons passed away on Tuesday 3 March.

Tony Stephens passed away on Wednesday 4 March.

Parish Notices

Lenten Appeal: The South African Catholic Bishop's annual appeal will take place each Sunday in Lent, starting on Sunday 1 March.

Planned Giving: The new Planned Giving boxes are available in the church foyer. The new Planned Giving year starts on 1 March 2020 and runs through to the end of February 2021. Please use only the new envelopes from 1 March; your Planned Giving numbers may have changed. For more details, please contact the parish office.

The Living Faith (R30 each) for April to June are available in the Repository & office.

Life Teen: Life Teen is a complete, comprehensive and interactive model of religious formation. Grounded in the sacraments, high school teens are introduced to dynamic catechesis that removes the classroom desks and draws them into an interactive learning experience. Life Teen takes place on Sunday evenings after the 6pm Mass in the parish hall. For information, contact Pravesh on 083 700 3107.

Oratory Draw: Supporters from 2019 are kindly invited to sign up again for 2020. *EFT bank details: Friends of the Oratory, First National Bank, Branch code: 211- 217 (Walmer) Acc number: 62177534544*

Fridays in Lent: The church's universal law prescribes abstinence on every Friday of the year, but the bishops of South Africa give us the option of replacing abstinence from meat with abstinence from alcohol, tobacco or luxury foods, or with acts of charity or exercises of piety. (This excludes Good Friday, however, when we all abstain from meat.) There is no specific requirement in South Africa for the Fridays of Lent, but traditionally these are penitential days of our own choosing. Many Catholics honour the tradition of meat-free Fridays during Lent.

News from the Diocese

Easter Eggs for the poor: The Knights of Da Gama will be collecting Easter Eggs to be distributed to the poor for Easter. If you would like to donate, kindly place them in the foyer of the church. Thank you!

Retrouaille Weekend: Retrouaille is a marriage help programme that gives couples the opportunity to take time out, to get away, and examine their lives together in a real and realistic way. One couple wrote "Over the weekend and in the weeks that followed a new sense of worth came into our lives. Retrouaille put our marriage back on track in a way I never could have hoped for." For confidential information about Retrouaille, or to register for the next weekend in Port Elizabeth from 17th to 19th April 2020 visit the web site at www.helpourmarriage.com or phone 072 783 6785.

Retreat Enrichment Day: The Family Ministry Team of the PDO is presenting a Retreat Enrichment Day for Divorced/Separated Persons on Saturday 14th March 2020 @ Mater Dei Hall, Cape Road, Newton Park, from 09:30 to 13:00. Tea and coffee will be served; you are welcome to bring your own snack. A small donation of R30 is welcomed, but if payment is a problem you are still welcome to attend (no questions asked). Bookings can be done with Denise: telephone 041-3730675, email info@pastoraldevelopment.org or Whatsapp 071 079 9702.

St Patrick's Dance: St Augustine's Cathedral invites you to join their annual St Patrick's Dance in the MacSherry Hall on Friday the 13th March, 2020. Bring your basket and your drinks and enjoy an evening of Music and Dance. Tickets R50.00 each and table bookings through St Augustine's parish office on 041 585 2161.

Please note there is no General Audience this week.

SVDP: March Wishlist

- 01 March - Peanut Butter (400g bottle)
- 08 March - Samp (2,5kg bag)
- 15 March - Tinned Fish (400g tin)
- 22 March - Sugar Beans (500g bag)
- 29 March - Brown Sugar (1kg)

The SVDP Forty Day Challenge

Each day of Lent, remove one item of non-perishable food from your pantry, and at the end of Lent, donate these items to the SVDP for a disadvantaged family.



PARISH OF ST BERNADETTE 75th ANNIVERSARY



Church Ceiling Repair: As part of the extraordinary maintenance projects for this year, work has begun on the first and third panels of the church ceiling. This should be completed within the next few weeks.

COMMISSIONED TO SERVE



Thanks be to God for our newly commissioned Readers of the Word and Extraordinary Ministers for 2020.

Liturgical Week

Mass Intentions

2nd Sunday of Lent

Sat. Vigil
Sunday

18:00 Avi Misri RIP (Jagwanth family)
7:00 Donor's Ints; 8:30 Ints of Fr Jonathan (His family); 10:00 Emil Mukheibir RIP (Anniv.) (André Mukheibir); 18:00 Pro Populo

Feria / St Frances of Rome

Monday
Tuesday
Wednesday
Thursday
Friday
Saturday
Sunday

8:30 Ints of Christopher Venske (Venske family); 17:30 Donor's Ints
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8:30 Ren Wightman RIP (CWL); 17:30 Donor's Ints
6:30 Donor's Ints; 8:30 Andrée Desterbecq RIP

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8:30 Donor's Ints; 17:30 Ints of Jacques Batista
8:30 Donor's Ints; 18:00 Jeanne and John Scholtz RIP (Their family)
7:00 Pro Populo; 8:30 Iona Stopford RIP; 10:00 Neville & Geraldine Grimbeek RIP (Boezio family); 18:00 Ints of Fr Michael (Helen Donzé)