



# Port Elizabeth Oratory

## Parish of St Bernadette

Sunday 15 March 2020: 3rd Sunday of Lent

### 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.*

**Stations of the Cross: Fridays during Lent at 17:00. (There is no Exposition)**

**Feast of St Joseph: Thursday 19 March**



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

H O L Y W E E K S C H E D U L E			
04/04	for Palm Sunday	17:00 17:40 18:00	Confessions and Exposition Benediction Holy Mass (with distribution of palms)
05/04	Palm Sunday	07:00 08:30 10:00 17:00 18:00	<i>Confessions: 20 minutes before each Mass</i> Holy Mass (with distribution of palms) Holy Mass with procession (starts in the hall) Holy Mass (Extraordinary Form, Latin) Solemn Vespers and Benediction Holy Mass (with distribution of palms)
06/04	Holy Monday	08:30 17:00 17:30	Holy Mass Stations of the Cross Holy Mass
07/04	Holy Tuesday	08:30 11:00 17:00 17:30	Holy Mass Chrism Mass (at Sacred Heart) Stations of the Cross Holy Mass
08/04	Holy Wednesday	08:30 17:00 17:30	Holy Mass Stations of the Cross Holy Mass
09/04	Maundy Thursday	18:30 19:00 <b>Until</b> 23:45 - 12:00	Confessions Mass of the Last Supper Altar of Repose (use Fordyce Rd entrance) Compline (Night Prayer)
10/04	Good Friday	09:00 - 11:30 10:30 14:30 - 14:55 15:00	Confessions Stations of the Cross Confessions Celebration of the Passion of the Lord
11/04	Holy Saturday	09:00 - 10:30 18:30 - 18:55 19:00	Confessions Confessions Easter Vigil (approx. 2 hours)
12/04	Easter Sunday	06:40 - 06:55 07:00 08:10 - 08:25 08:30 09:40 - 09:55 10:00 17:00	Confessions Holy Mass Confessions Holy Mass Confessions Holy Mass (Extraordinary Form, Latin) Solemn Vespers & Benediction <b>No Evening Mass</b>

### 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 243  
Sunday Missal 100  
Collins - Old 137  
Collins - New 178  
Roman Missal 465

### Psalm response:

O that today you would listen to his voice! Harden not your hearts.

### Extraordinary Form:

3rd Sunday of Lent

## 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.

### 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 75<sup>th</sup> 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.

**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.

**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.

**Vocations workshop** will be held on Saturday 28th March at Holy Name Parish from 10am – 2pm. If you are interested in attending, or would like to discuss the possibility of the Lord calling you to a priestly or religious vocation, please contact any of our priests via the parish office.

## 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!

**Retrouvaille Weekend:** Retrouvaille offers tools needed to rediscover a loving marriage. Thousands of couples have successfully overcome difficulties in their marriage by attending the programme. One participant wrote "I was apprehensive and nervous before I arrived, not sure what to expect or what was expected of us. Over the weekend as we listened to the stories of the presenting couples we felt encouraged by their honesty and openness."

For confidential information about Retrouvaille, or to register for the next weekend in Port Elizabeth from 17-19 April, visit [www.helpourmarriage.com](http://www.helpourmarriage.com) or phone 072 783 6785.

**Please collect a copy of the General Audience from the foyer this week.**

# SERVING THE TEENS OF OUR PARISH



The Life Teen Leaders recently hosted a weekend camp at Addo for the Gr 8-12 members of our parish. By all accounts, it was a wonderful experience aimed at deepening both Faith and friendships. Thank you, Life Teen, for your ongoing dedication to our young people.

"Serving the church has helped me grow my faith and build a greater community within my Life Teen family."

- Life Teen Core Leader

"Had an awesome weekend, made many new friends and memories while learning more about my faith."

- Gr 9 Life Teen member

### Liturgical Week

3rd Sunday of Lent

Feria

Feria / St Patrick

Feria / St Cyril of Jerusalem

St Joseph, husband of Mary

Feria

Feria

4th Sunday of Lent

### Mass Intentions

18:00 John & Jeanne 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)  
8:30 Ints of Amanda; 17:30 Donor's Ints  
8:30 Ren Wightman RIP; 17:30 Donor's Ints  
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6:30 Ints of Fr Arinze on his Feast Day; 8:30 Phyllis Cuff RIP (Anniv.)  
8:30 Donor's Ints; 17:30 In thanksgiving (Jodi)  
8:30 Donor's Ints; 18:00 Alan Clarke RIP (Anniv.) (His family)  
7:00 Pro Populo; 8:30 Ints of Fr Lewis (Helen Donzé); 10:00 Special Int. (Boezio family); 18:00 Ints of Merle Thorp (Her family)