THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF IVANHOE



St Bernadette's Church 89 Bond St, Ivanhoe Mother of God Church 56 Wilfred Rd, Ivanhoe East Mary Immaculate Church 4 Waverley Ave, Ivanhoe



Inclusiveness

Hospitality

Service

Mission

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Bookings: Baptisms, Sacramental Classes - First Reconciliation, First Eucharist & Confirmation, and Marriage

Please contact Parish Office: 9499 1515 for Sacramental enrolments or appointments for Marriage

Mother of God Rosters 2017

Rosters for 2017 can be collected from the foyer in Mother of God Church

Funerals this Week

Brendan McCarthy: Tuesday 1.30pm

at Mother of God

Dorothea Dunlevie: Wednesday 10.30am

at Mary Immaculate

Ante Lezaja: Thursday 2.00pm

at Mary Immaculate

SUNDAY MASS TIMES:

Saturday 6.00pm St. Bernadette's Sunday 9.00am Mary Immaculate

10.30am M

Mother of God

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES:

Tuesday 9.15am Mother of God Wednesday 9.15am Mary Immaculate Thursday 9.15am Mary Immaculate Friday 9.15am St. Bernadette's

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

5.00pm each Saturday

- ♦ 1st & 3rd Saturdays at Mary Immaculate
- ♦ 2nd & 5th Saturdays at Mother of God
- ♦ 4th Saturday at St. Bernadette's

or by appointment with the Parish Priest

Reflection on the Gospel

The readings from Isaiah and Paul's letter to the Corinthians emphasise that God's salvation is for all the world, not just the people of Israel. We find this also in the gospel when John the Baptist declares, 'there is the lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world'. It is the sin 'of the world' that Jesus takes away; that is, all humankind. This was a tough concept for the Jews whose relationship with God was grounded in the concept of being the 'chosen people'; a people set apart.

It continues to be a difficult concept for many Christian people today who struggle with the notion that God's love and mercy are so extravagant that they are poured out for absolutely anyone and everyone. Some Christians like to maintain an 'us and them' approach to their faith and think that if you're not one of 'us' then salvation will be denied by God.

John the Baptist fills the role of 'pointing the way' to Jesus. In our own lives we also have the ability to 'point the way' towards Jesus. It doesn't need to be as blatant as John's 'Look, there he is!' However, the way we choose to live our life can point the way just as powerfully as John did. More often than not, our actions speak much more powerfully than any words we might utter. Consistently treating others with respect, maintaining prayer as a central part of life and working for justice in the world will make an impression on others and point the way to Jesus.

As a Catholic Community we respect the Wurrundjeri people, the traditional custodians of the land upon which our parish resides, and commit ourselves to reconciliation and justice for all in our community and nation.

IVANHOE PARISH PRIMARY SCHOOLS

St Bernadette's Primary School Principal: Kathryn Lowe

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Mary Immaculate Primary School Principal: Veronica Antrim

9 Rockbeare Grove, Ivanhoe 3079

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Mother of God Primary School Principal: Louise McGrath

66 Wilfred Rd, Ivanhoe East 3079

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Entrance Antiphon:

All the earth shall bow down before you, O God, and shall sing to you, shall sing to your name, O Most High!

First Reading: Isaiah 49:3, 5-6

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

The Lord said to me, 'You are my servant, Israel, in whom I shall be glorified'; I was honoured in the eyes of the Lord, my God was my strength. And now the Lord has spoken, he who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, to gather Israel to him:

'It is not enough for you to be my servant, to restore the tribes of Jacob and bring back the survivors of Israel; I will make you the light of the nations so that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth.'

The Word of the Lord:

Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm:

39:2, 4, 7-10

R: Here I am, Lord; I come to do your will.

- I waited, I waited for the Lord and he stooped down to me; he heard my cry. He put a new song into my mouth, praise of our God. (R)
- 2. You do not ask for sacrifice and offerings, but an open ear. You do not ask for holocaust and victim.
 Instead, here am I. (R)
- 3. In the scroll of the book it stands written that I should do your will. My God, I delight in your law in the depth of my heart. (R)
- Your justice I have proclaimed in the great assembly. My lips I have not sealed; you know it, O Lord. (R)

Second Reading: 1 Cor 1:1-3

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

I, Paul, appointed by God to be an apostle, together with brother Sosthenes, send greetings to the church of God in Corinth, to the holy people of Jesus Christ, who are called to take their place among all the saints everywhere who pray to our Lord Jesus Christ; for he is their Lord no less than ours. May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ send you grace and peace.

The Word of the Lord: Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! The Word of God became flesh and dwelt among us. He enabled those who accepted him to become the children of God. Alleluia!



Gospel: John 1: 29-34

A reading from the holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Seeing Jesus coming towards him, John said, 'Look, there is the lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world. This is the one I spoke of when I said: A man is coming after me who ranks before me because he existed before me. I did not know him myself, and yet it was

to reveal him to Israel that I came baptising with water.' John also declared, 'I saw the Spirit coming down on him from heaven like a dove and resting on him. I did not know him myself, but he who sent me to baptise with water had said to me, "The man on whom you see the Spirit come down and rest is the one who is going to baptise with the Holy Spirit." Yes, I have seen and I am the witness that he is the Chosen One of God.'

The Gospel of the Lord:

Praise to you, Lord Jesus

Christ

Prayers of the Faithful:

Lord, hear us:

Lord, hear our prayer

Communion Antiphon:

You have prepared a table before me, and how precious is the chalice that quenches my thirst.

Next Week:

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

1 Reading: Isaiah 8:23-9:3 **Resp. Psalm:** 26:1, 4, 13-14

2 Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17

Gospel: Matthew 4:12-23

SICK AND IN NEED:

Barry Townsin, Fr Burns Huggan, Fr Joe McMahon, Joe Markham, Wendy Gower, Antonio Saggese, Ann Kuhn, Lucy Cust, Skye Cotu, Leo Milesi, Maria Mascia, Sheila Kinden, Nazha Shamieh, Dan and Brenda McMahon.

RECENT DEATHS:

Brendan McCarthy, Dorothea Dunlevie, Ante Lezaja