

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



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BOOKINGS: Please contact Parish Office: 9499 1515 for Sacramental enrolments or appointments for Marriage <i>Our Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing & dignity of all children. If you have any concerns or wish to report any issues please contact one of our Parish Child Safety Officers: Clare Bellio (9499 4984) or Lucy Dal Pozzo (0402 192 889)</i>			

MOTHERS' DAY

The relationship we hold with our mothers is something that should forever be cherished; they are the ones who bring us to birth, who raise us, pick us up when we fall, nurse us when we are sick, shower us with love, forgive our wrong-doings, and stand by us in the most important times of our lives - they are always there to guide us on our journey.

Some of us may no longer have our mothers by our side, which can make the journey of life even more challenging with its many ups and downs. Others may never have known a mother's love and care. On this Mothers' Day pray that all mothers may be blessed in their vocation of sharing God's gracious love.

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

Saturday	6.00pm	St. Bernadette's
Sunday	9.00am	Mary Immaculate
	10.30am	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

Every Saturday

- ◆ 5.00pm - 5.20pm at Mary Immaculate
 - ◆ 5.30pm - 5.50pm at St. Bernadette's
- or on weekdays at Mother of God*

PART 2: POPE FRANCIS' NEW APOSTOLIC EXHORTATION

GAUDETE ET EXSULTATE

ON THE CALL TO HOLINESS IN TODAY'S WORLD

SUMMARY OF CHAPTER 2: Two subtle enemies of holiness

A person's perfection is measured not by the information or knowledge they possess, but by the depth of their charity. "Gnostics" do not understand this, because they judge others based on their ability to understand the complexity of certain doctrines. (37)

A healthy and humble use of reason in order to reflect on the theological and moral teaching of the Gospel is one thing. It is another to reduce Jesus' teaching to a cold and harsh logic that seeks to dominate everything. (39)

When somebody has an answer for every question, it is a sign that they are not on the right road. (41)

God is mysteriously present in the life of every person, in a way that he himself chooses, and we cannot exclude this by our presumed certainties. Even when someone's life appears completely wrecked, even when we see it devastated by vices or addictions, God is present there. (42)

So often we say that God dwells in us, but it is better to say that we dwell in him, that he enables us to dwell in his light and love. (51)

The life of the Church can become a museum piece or the possession of a select few. This can occur when some groups of Christians give excessive importance to certain rules, customs or ways of acting. The Gospel then tends to be reduced and constricted, deprived of its simplicity, allure and savour. (58)

IVANHOE PARISH PRIMARY SCHOOLS

St Bernadette's Primary School
Principal: Kathryn Lowe
53 Stanley St, Ivanhoe West 3079
Phone: 9499 3914

Mary Immaculate Primary School
Principal: Veronica Antrim
9 Rockbears Grove, Ivanhoe 3079
Phone: 9497 1827

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



PARISH WEEKLY CALENDAR 2018

Saturday 12 May (*Vigil of the Ascension*)

5.00pm Reconciliation at Mary Immaculate
 5.30pm Reconciliation at St. Bernadette's
 6.00pm Mass at St Bernadette's

Sunday 13 May (*Ascension of the Lord*)

9.00am Mass & Baptisms at Mary Immaculate
 10.15am Confirmation class at Mother of God
 10.30am Mass at Mother of God
 7.30pm Vigil Prayers for Peter Patti - St. Bernadette's

Monday 14 May (*St Matthias*)

10.30am Funeral Mass: Peter Patti - St. Bernadette's

Tuesday 15 May (*Easter feria*)

9.15am Mass at Mother of God
 4.15pm Christian Meditation, Mary Immaculate Hall

Wednesday 16 May (*Easter feria*)

9.15am Mass at Mary Immaculate

Thursday 17 May (*Easter feria*)

9.15am Mass at Mary Immaculate
 10.00am Liturgy Group meeting in Parish Office

Friday 18 May (*Easter feria*)

9.15am Mass at St Bernadette's with Years 1 & 2

Saturday 19 May (*Vigil of Pentecost*)

9.30am Mass and Parish Retreat Day at Mother of God
 5.00pm Reconciliation at Mary Immaculate
 5.30pm Reconciliation at St. Bernadette's
 6.00pm Mass at St Bernadette's

Sunday 20 May (*Pentecost*)

9.00am Mass at Mary Immaculate with Years 1 & 2
 10.00am Confirmation class at Mother of God
 10.30am Mass & Baptisms at Mother of God

LOOKING AHEAD

Wednesday 23 May

7.30pm Parish Pastoral Council

Tuesday 5 & 12 June

7.30pm Rehearsal for Confirmation Choir at MI

Sunday 17 June

2.30pm Parish Confirmation at St. Patrick's Cathedral.

SPECIAL COLLECTION: Last weekend's special collection for Chaplaincy Sunday raised \$717.00 to assist the Church's ministry to prisons, hospitals, youth justice system, mental health, seafarers, and those with HIV/AIDS.

NEW COUNTING TEAMS: If any of our new counters have not yet received their new roster please contact Fr. Bill or the Parish Office.

MASS ROSTERS	THIS WEEKEND 12 - 13 May	NEXT WEEKEND 19 - 20 May
6pm St Bernadette's Sacristan Reader Counters	J. Gray J. Gray Parish Office	J. Gray C. Dixon Parish Office
9am Mary Immaculate Leader Reader Co-ordinator Counters	Wignall family Wignall family E. Ballao T. McKinley E. Ballao	M. McIntosh MI School S. & P. Kelly M. Rocco P. Shannon
10.30am Mother of God Choir Altar Society Sacristan Reader Special Ministers Counters	A. Moloney P. Verrocchi I. Chiera T. Barker C. Bellio R. Beltrame D. Carey T. Barker	I. Chiera M. Hoban L. Dal Pozzo G. Crawford MA Darcy P. / M. De Silva T. Barker J. Curry

PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY

BAPTISMS: Spencer Kelly & Nicholas Johnson

SICK & IN NEED: Robert Fisher, Barney Cooney, Ian Claric, Stefan Dabrowski, Rob McKeree, Merle Lewis, Damian Pilla, Oriana Formica, Patrick Brooks, Barry Townsin, Kathleen Dowling, Jill O'Neill, Lucy Cust, Dan McMahon, Joe Markham, Nazha Shamieh

RIP RECENT: Peter Pattie

RIP ANNIVERSARIES: Elmo Pertile, Matthew Ryan, Alseldo Dri

Names on sick list remain for nine weeks (a Novena) unless otherwise advised. Please submit any items for the newsletter, including names for the prayer list, by 5pm Wednesdays.

EASTER TO PENTECOST WITH OUTREACH

- The Christmas in July bus trip to the Cuckoo on 25th July will remain open this month in the hope we can attract another 25 people to fill the bus. It would be a great disappointment if we had to cancel. You are assured of a lively, happy day. Cost: \$65 or \$45 (pensioner/student concession). Email or phone Ruth 9499 1515 to make your booking.
- There was considerable interest in organising a CPI group for 'Morning Melodies' in the Ivanhoe Hotel at 10.30am on Wednesday, 20 June. Morning Tea plus show costs \$10. Add a 2 course lunch afterwards for \$15 total cost. **RSVP is essential** as we have been told that these occasions are very popular. Bookings by end of May to Eileen 9499 7120 or Helen 9499 7793

LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTIONS

1st Collection	Envelopes:	\$1,265	2nd Collection	Envelopes:	\$461
	Direct Debit & Credit Cards:	\$1,007		Direct Debit & Credit Cards:	\$169
	Loose cash:	\$474		Loose cash:	\$339
Total 1st Collection (Parish)		\$2,746	Total 2nd Collection (Presbytery)		\$969

COLLECTIONS: JUST HOW MANY TIMES DO WE HAVE TO PASS THE PLATE AROUND?



I've always been amused by the number of times some churches pass the plate around during Mass. God knows what visiting non-churchgoers must think when the plate comes around a second time and sometimes even a third. "Well they obviously didn't get enough last time round so they're having another go at it!"

I know two collections are common in the Catholic Church but Ivanhoe is the only parish where I have experienced it as the Parish Priest. It annoys me on two counts:

i: It becomes a real intrusion into the Liturgy. Traditionally the gifts of the people are collected at the offertory. Outside of that ritual action another collection is meaningless and intrusive.

ii: It insults our intelligence and our willingness to give sacrificially. Surely we are mature enough to prayerfully and sacrificially give towards the work and mission of the church and do it in one hit!

Well come the first weekend in June we are biting the bullet and moving to one collection only during Mass. We already use one envelope for both our Parish and Presbytery giving and we will divide the single loose collection between Parish and Presbytery. This will bring us into line with our neighbouring parishes of St. Pius X West Heidelberg, St. John's Heidelberg and St. Martin's Rosanna.

As some have reminded me - it is a risk. And we may undermine the Presbytery Account (2nd collection) which is already sometimes unable to cover the minimum stipend. My simple response to that is surely we have the intelligence and the good will to put into one collection what we previously put into two collections.

So, from the first weekend in June, the plate will only be passed around once during Mass - at the offertory - so please ensure that your offering for both the Parish and the Presbytery goes into the plate. There will be no second collection after communion - no second chance!

If I'm proved wrong and it all goes down the financial gurgler and the parish can no longer afford its own priest then the Parish of Ivanhoe can simply become an outpost of West Heidelberg.

Just to add a little confusion - on the 1st weekend of each month we will still have our special collection - but that is after Mass as we leave church and is always for a special cause outside the parish - like charitable works, the missions or overseas aid.

Fr. Bill

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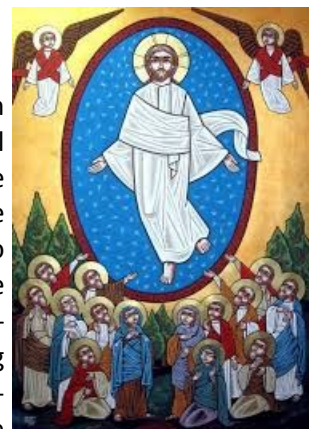
'PEOPLE COME FIRST' A PARISH RETREAT DAY REFLECTING ON THE PASTORAL THEOLOGY OF POPE FRANCIS

Our Retreat Conductor: Br. Mark O'Connor FMS

Sat 19th May 9.30am - 4.00pm Mother of God Church

LIVING THE GOSPEL – PROCLAIM GOOD NEWS

Francis of Assisi is credited with saying, 'Preach the gospel at all times and when necessary, use words!' In every interaction we have we say so much about who we are, what we think of the other person and what we believe – even without opening our mouth. Our actions and attitudes proclaim our beliefs more powerfully than our words ever do. If we claim to be concerned about justice and yet behave unjustly then it is our actions, not our words, that will be heard! When we are called to 'proclaim the Good News' we are called to do this first and foremost in action.



A DIFFERENT VIEW – SNAKE HANDLERS AND FAITH HEALERS

There are certainly Christians who interpret literally Jesus' description of the signs that will be associated with believers. We have all seen images of old Revivalist meetings where people were called forth to be healed by touch and have evil spirits driven from them. Much of this practice can be traced to this week's gospel. The many evangelical churches and the tele-evangelists who dominate our early morning television screens operate out of this tradition and generally have a very literal interpretation of scripture. It is based in a belief that God acts in the world through miraculous intervention rather than through the slow and steady presence of individuals like you and me. We are called to be faithful not magicians.

CONFIRMATION CHOIR:

We have a wonderful tradition of forming a special parish choir to sing in the Cathedral for our Parish Confirmation Mass. We invite all singers who would like to be a part of the Confirmation Choir to come along to the rehearsals on Tuesday 5th & 12th of June, 7.30pm at Mary Immaculate Church. The Confirmation at the Cathedral is on Sunday 17th June at 2.30pm.

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1st Reading *Acts 1:1-11*

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

In my earlier work, Theophilus, I dealt with everything Jesus had done and taught from the beginning until the day he gave his instructions to the apostles he had chosen through the Holy Spirit, and was taken up to heaven. He had shown himself alive to them after his Passion by many demonstrations: for forty days he had continued to appear to them and tell them about the kingdom of God. When he had been at table with them, he had told them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for what the Father had promised. 'It is,' he had said, 'what you have heard me speak about: John baptised with water but you, not many days from now, will be baptised with the Holy Spirit.'

Now having met together, they asked him, 'Lord, has the time come? Are you going to restore the kingdom to Israel?' He replied, 'It is not for you to know times or dates that the Father has decided by his own authority, but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you, and then you will be my witnesses not only in Jerusalem but throughout Judaea and Samaria, and indeed to the ends of the earth.'

As he said this he was lifted up while they looked on, and a cloud took him from their sight. They were still staring into the sky when suddenly two men in white were standing near them and they said, 'Why are you men from Galilee standing here looking into the sky? Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven, this same Jesus will come back in the same way as you have seen him go there.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm *46:2-3, 6-9*

(R) God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.

All peoples, clap your hands, cry to God with shouts of joy! For the Lord, the Most High, we must fear, great king over all the earth.

(R) God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.

God goes up with shouts of joy; the Lord goes up with trumpet blast. Sing praise for God, sing praise, sing praise to our king, sing praise.

(R) God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.

God is king of all the earth. Sing praise with all your skill. God is king over the nations; God reigns on his holy throne.

(R) God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.

2nd Reading *Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-13*

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians

I, the prisoner in the Lord, implore you to lead a life worthy of your vocation. Bear with one another charitably, in complete selflessness, gentleness and patience. Do all you can to preserve the unity of the Spirit by the peace that binds you together. There is one Body, one Spirit, just as you were all called into one and the same hope when you were called. There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, and one God who is father of all, over all, through all and within all. Each one of us, however, has been given his own share of grace, given as Christ allotted it. The one who rose higher than all the heavens to fill all things is none other than the one who descended. And to some his gift was that they should be apostles; to some, prophets; to some, evangelists; to some, pastors

and teachers; so that the saints together make a unity in the work of service, building up the body of Christ. In this way we are all to come to unity in our faith and in our knowledge of the Son of God, until we become the perfect Man, fully mature with the fullness of Christ himself.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Go and teach all people my gospel. I am with you always, until the end of the world. Alleluia!

Gospel *Mark 16: 15-20*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

Jesus showed himself to the Eleven and said to them, 'Go out to the whole world; proclaim the Good News to all creation. He who believes and is baptised is saved; he who does not believe will be condemned. These are the signs that will be associated with believers: in my name they will cast out devils; they will have the gift of tongues; they will pick up snakes in their hands, and be unharmed should they drink deadly poison; they will lay their hands on the sick, who will recover.' And so the Lord Jesus, after he had spoken to them, was taken up into heaven: there at the right hand of God he took his place, while they, going out, preached everywhere, the Lord working with them and confirming the word by the signs that accompanied it.

The Gospel of the Lord:

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Prayers of the Faithful

Ascended Christ hear us:

Lord, hear our prayer.

Next Week: Pentecost Sunday

1st Reading: Acts 2: 1-11

Resp. Psalm: 103:1, 22, 29-31, 34

2nd Reading: Galatians 5:16-25

Gospel: John 15:26-27; 16:12-15