

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

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Mission

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

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)



LENT 2018

Stations of the Cross

Every Friday in Lent

After the 9.15am Mass

at St. Bernadette's

7.30pm at Mary Immaculate

PROJECT COMPASSION

FOR A JUST FUTURE

Evangeline is strengthening Aboriginal culture while making a living and creating opportunities for her community. Featured in Project Compassion 2016, Evangeline went from seeking employment to being a Senior Arts worker and an inspirational leader for youth. Her work at the non-profit Djilpin Arts Aboriginal Corporation has supported the organisation's growth and it is now a major employer for young people in the remote Northern Territory community.



Please donate to Project Compassion 2018 and help provide employment and training for First Australians, allowing them to remain on country and keep their culture alive, essential for a just future.

A Just Future starts with your support! You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes (available from the church foyer), by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.

MOG WORKING BEE Many thanks to parishioners old and new who turned up to help at our working bee last weekend. We achieved a huge amount and the clean up was a huge success. It was great that those who turned up were prepared to say "Here I am Lord" and got stuck in!

WALK FOR JUSTICE FOR REFUGEES - PALM SUNDAY Pope Francis warns us that "Whoever turns refugees away, forgets that Jesus was also one." We are "Called to Welcome & Protest" Palm Sunday 25 March.

- ◆ 1.00pm Prayer Service at St. Patrick's Cathedral
- ◆ 1.40pm Depart Cathedral to join -
- ◆ 2.00pm Walk for Justice for Refugees State Library of Victoria Corner Swanston & La Trobe Streets



Anointing Mass for the Sick & Aged

Wed 14 March

at 10.30am

at Mary Immaculate Church followed by Morning Tea



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

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 10 March (*Lenten feria*)

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

Sunday 11 March (*Laetare Sunday - 4th Sun of Lent*)

9.00am Mass at Mary Immaculate
 10.15am Reconciliation Preparation Class at MOG
 10.30am Mass at Mother of God

Monday 12 March (*Lenten feria*)

Tuesday 13 March (*Lenten feria*)

9.15am Mass at Mother of God
 7.30pm Choir Practice at Mother of God Church
 8.00pm Lenten McKinney Lecture at St George's Anglican Church, Warnclyffe Rd, Ivanhoe East [see page 3]

Wednesday 14 March (*Lenten feria*)

9.15am **NO MASS** at Mary Immaculate
 10.30am Mass & Anointing of the Sick with Yrs 5SV & 6B at MI Church, followed by Morning Tea in Parish Office and Film Afternoon in Mary Immaculate Hall.

Thursday 15 March (*Lenten feria*)

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

Friday 16 March (*Lenten feria*)

9.15am Mass at St Bernadette's [with Yrs 1/2C] followed by Stations of the Cross
 7.30pm Stations of the Cross at Mary Immaculate

Saturday 17 March (*St. Patrick's Day*)

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

Sunday 18 March (*5th Sunday of Lent*)

9.00am Mass at Mary Immaculate
 10.15am Reconciliation Preparation Class at MOG
 10.30am Mass at Mother of God

LOOKING AHEAD

Tuesday 20 March

6.00pm First Reconciliation at St Bernadette's
 8.00pm 3rd McKinney Lecture at MOG

Wednesday 21 March

7.30pm Parish Pastoral Council

Thursday 22 March

6.00pm First Reconciliation at Mary Immaculate

Friday 23 March

7.30pm Lenten Penitential Service followed by the Sacrament of Reconciliation

MASS ROSTERS	THIS WEEKEND 10 - 11 March	NEXT WEEKEND 17 - 18 March
6.00pm St Bernadette's Sacristan Reader Counters	J. Gray J. Gray M. Simpson P. Melvaine	J. Gray J. Murphy J. Manders
9.00am Mary Immac. Leader Reader Co-ordinator Counters	Dondardt family Donhardt family M. Gilbo J. Pidutti H. Pidutti	M. Sibillin R. Wickremesinghe J. Costa P. Nguyen H. Nguyen
10.30am Mother of God Choir Altar Society Sacristan Reader Special Ministers Counters	I. Chiera A. Moloney P. Verrocchi I. Chiera T. Barker C. Bellio R. Beltrame T. Barker J. Curry	I. Chiera I. Chiera M. Hoban L. Dal Pozzo I. Chiera G. Crawford M. A. Darcy T. Barker D. Carey

PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY

SICK & IN NEED:

Oriana Formica, Patrick Brooks, Scott Moorhen, Helen Tzimas, Kathleen Dowling, Jill O'Neill, Pauline Solomon, Esther Geiran, Claire O'Neill, Lucy Cust, Ronnie Kozak, Dan and Brenda McMahon, Joe Markham, Nazha Shamieh

RIP ANNIVERSARIES:

Antonietta Montorio, Letizia Chiodo, Mary Mulqueeny, Len Ryan, Mary McEvey

DEATH: Skye Cotu

Names on the 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 10am Thursdays.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION 2018

Children, (not attending our Parish Schools) living within the Parish of Ivanhoe, who wish to be prepared for the Sacraments of 1st Communion (Grade 3 & above) or Confirmation (Grade 6 and above) should collect an Information Pack and Registration Form from Parish Office or from Fr. Bill after any weekend Mass.

Closing dates for registration: Confirmation 26th March; 1st Communion 25th June; 1st Reconciliation - registrations closed.

SAVE THE DATE - PARISH RETREAT: 'PEOPLE COME FIRST'

A Reflection Day on the pastoral teaching of Pope Francis. Saturday May 19 at Mother of God. Time 9.30am tbc. Retreat Conductor: Br. Mark O'Connor FMS.

LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTIONS

1st Collection	Envelopes:	\$1,553	2nd Collection	Envelopes:	\$642
	Direct Debit & Credit Cards:	\$633		Direct Debit & Credit Cards:	\$35
	Loose cash:	\$470		Loose cash:	\$533
Total 1st Collection (Parish)		\$2,656	Total 2nd Collection (Presbytery)		\$1,210



PASCHAL LAMBS Easter Chocolate Paschal Lambs will be on sale this weekend after Mass in each of our three churches. All proceeds support the Polish Missions

CHOIR PRACTICES FOR EASTER CEREMONIES

Practices are at 7.30pm at Mother of God Church

- **Tuesday 13 March** and **Tuesday 27 March**

All are invited and all are welcome as we prepare for and sing at these significant ceremonies.

**No 9.15AM MASS WEDNESDAY 14 MARCH
AT MARY IMMACULATE CHURCH**

OUTREACH PROGRAM FOR 2018

- 14 March - Anointing Mass at Mary Immaculate Church followed by Morning Tea provided by Mary Immaculate School in the Parish Office Meeting Room.

After Morning Tea we will go to Mary Immaculate Hall for our first film afternoon of the year where John Costa will screen 'High Society'. \$15per person. High Tea after the film. Enjoy the opportunity of not having to prepare meals for the day. If attending, contact organisers for catering purposes: Sue 9499 1485, Eileen 9499 7120, Helen 9499 7793 and Frances 9497 3190

- 4 April - Senior's hotel lunch at the Ivanhoe Hotel.

No social afternoon at MOG foyer

CHRISTMAS IN JULY BUS TRIP TO THE CUCKOO RESTAURANT IN OLINDA

It is very encouraging to find that this plan has generated a lot of discussion amongst our parishioners. In order to respond to some queries, we will offer a \$20 discount from the \$65 charge to both pensioners and students.

Please organise your group or yourself and notify your intention to attend to an Outreach member or Ruth in CPI Office by email or phone (9499 1515) before Easter.

The Cuckoo Restaurant continues to be very popular, and provides a buffet lunch following a first course of soup. Food is plentiful. Bar prices apply for drinks. There is a warm atmosphere and lots of entertainment in German style as well as the Christmas theme. Whatever the weather, the scenery in the Dandenongs is beautiful.

For this plan to be viable we need to know your commitment to join us as 50 participants are needed. The bus would depart from the Parish Office area by 10.30am and return by 4.30pm. Paid places need to be taken up by July 13. The date Wednesday, 25 July has been reserved for this trip.

LENTEN MCKINNEY LECTURES

'The Church in a Post-Christian Society' - Barney Zwartz

- Lectures 8.00pm with Supper about 9.15pm.

Donation: Gold coin.

Tuesday 13 March: Secular Media and the Church

St George's Anglican Church, 46 Warncliffe Rd, Ivanhoe

Tuesday 20 March: The Forgotten Contribution

of Christianity - Mother of God Church, Ivanhoe East

IVANHOE CHURCHES TOGETHER: HOLY WEEK EVENTS

It is so uplifting to know that, as a microcosm of the whole Christian world, our Christian communities here in Ivanhoe will be together as part of this special time. The opportunities for this are:

Wednesday of Holy Week - 28th March: 6.00pm at the Uniting Church Community Centre, our Annual shared meal. Tickets \$25 available from Merle Gilbo 9497 1691.

Good Friday, 30th March - Walk of Witness: This took place for many years in the 'east' side of Ivanhoe, under the auspices of the East Ivanhoe Ecumenical group. However, when the former East Ivanhoe Uniting Church (the usual starting place) was no longer available, they asked us if it could come across nearer to central Ivanhoe. We will gather at 11.30am at St. James' Anglican Church, opposite the Town Hall, walk down the hill to the Ivanhoe Uniting Church and then on to Mary Immaculate Catholic Church (corner Upper Heidelberg Rd & Waverley Ave. At each place there will be time for reflection and then, refreshments and traditional hot cross buns at Mary Immaculate.

Do come whenever you can and please pass the word!

EASTER EGGS Pope Francis said that *"every person ought to have the awareness that purchasing is always a moral – and not simply an economic – act."*

Can't find slavery-free Easter eggs in your supermarket? Ten years ago there was almost no slavery-free chocolate in our supermarkets in Australia. Now, because of public pressure, most supermarkets will sell some. ALDI has a huge range of slavery-free chocolate.

ACTION: At your local supermarket, look for chocolate that has one of these three symbols. If you can't find any, ask the manager if they stock any - **AND IF NOT -**

WHY NOT!



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1st Reading *2 Chronicles 36:14-16,19-23*

A reading from the second book of Chronicles

All the heads of the priesthood, and the people too, added infidelity to infidelity, copying all the shameful practices of the nations and defiling the Temple that the Lord had consecrated for himself in Jerusalem. The Lord, the God of their ancestors, tirelessly sent them messenger after messenger, since he wished to spare his people and his house. But they ridiculed the messengers of God, they despised his words, they laughed at his prophets, until at last the wrath of the Lord rose so high against his people that there was no further remedy.

Their enemies burned down the Temple of God, demolished the walls of Jerusalem, set fire to all its palaces, and destroyed everything of value in it. The survivors were deported by Nebuchadnezzar to Babylon; they were to serve him and his sons until the kingdom of Persia came to power. This is how the word of the Lord was fulfilled that he spoke through Jeremiah, 'Until this land has enjoyed its sabbath rest, until seventy years have gone by, it will keep sabbath throughout the days of its desolation.'

And in the first year of Cyrus king of Persia, to fulfil the word of the Lord that was spoken through Jeremiah, the Lord roused the spirit of Cyrus king of Persia to issue a proclamation and to have it publicly displayed throughout his kingdom: 'Thus speaks Cyrus king of Persia, "The Lord, the God of heaven, has given me all the kingdoms of the earth; he has ordered me to build him a Temple in Jerusalem, in Judah. Whoever there is among you of all his people, may his God be with him! Let him go up."

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm 136

(R) Let my tongue be silenced, if ever I forget you!

By the rivers of Babylon there we sat and wept, remembering Zion; on the poplars that grew there we hung our harps.

(R) Let my tongue be silenced, if ever I forget you!

For it was there that they asked us, our captors, for songs, our oppressors, for joy. 'Sing to us,' they said, 'one of Zion's songs.'

(R) Let my tongue be silenced, if ever I forget you!

O how could we sing the song of the Lord on alien soil? If I forget you, Jerusalem, let my right hand wither!

(R) Let my tongue be silenced, if ever I forget you!

O let my tongue cleave to my mouth if I remember you not, if I prize not Jerusalem above all my joys!

(R) Let my tongue be silenced, if ever I forget you!

2nd Reading *Ephesians 2:4-10*

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians

God loved us with so much love that he was generous with his mercy: when we were dead through our sins, he brought us to life with Christ – it is through grace that you have been saved – and raised us up with him and gave us a place with him in heaven, in Christ Jesus.

This was to show for all ages to come, through his goodness towards us in Christ Jesus, how infinitely rich he is in grace. Because it is by grace that you have been saved, through faith; not by anything of your own, but by a gift from God; not by anything that you have done, so that nobody can claim the credit. We are God's work of art, created in Christ Jesus to live the good life as from the beginning he had meant us to live it.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ! (R)

God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son; that all who believe in him might have eternal life.

(R) Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ !

Gospel *John 3:14-21*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jesus said to Nicodemus:

'The Son of Man must be lifted up as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him.

Yes, God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost but may have eternal life.

For God sent his Son into the world not to condemn the world, but so that through him the world might be saved.

No one who believes in him will be condemned; but whoever refuses to believe is condemned already, because he has refused to believe in the name of God's only Son.

On these grounds is sentence pronounced: that though the light has come into the world men have shown they prefer darkness to the light because their deeds were evil. And indeed, everybody who does wrong hates the light and avoids it, for fear his actions should be exposed; but the man who lives by the truth comes out into the light, so that it may be plainly seen that what he does is done in God.'

The Gospel of the Lord:

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Prayers of the Faithful

God of mercy and compassion hear us: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Next Week:
5th Sunday of Lent

1st Reading: Jeremiah 31:31-34

Resp. Psalm: 50:3-4, 12-15

2nd Reading: Hebrews 5:7-9

Gospel: John 12:20-30