



# THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF IVANHOE

*St Bernadette's Church, West Ivanhoe*

*Mary Immaculate Church, Ivanhoe*

*Mother of God Church, East Ivanhoe*

No. 11

13 – 14 March 2010

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT: YEAR C

### Reflection:



When I have the great privilege of celebrating a Baptism many thoughts go through my mind. In many cases I really don't know the people – especially not the children. I often consider where their journeys in life will lead them. I wonder, too, will the children ever have a sense of what Baptism is about – what the Church is about.

Sometimes I know that Church is seen as an inhibiting bloc of rules and regulations.

Today's reading tells us that Church / Baptism is about God who enhances the gift of life, who continually welcomes us into the church – in spite of our sins, failures, and brokenness. A God who not only welcomes us but searches for us even when we are at our worst!!

- Father John

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### THE WORD

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:** Rejoice Jerusalem! Be glad for her, you love her; rejoice with her, you who mourned for her, and you will find contentment at her consoling breasts.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:** Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

V. 1. I will bless the Lord at all times, his praise always on my lips.

In the Lord my soul shall make its boast. The humble shall hear and be glad. **R.**

V. 2. Glorify the Lord with me. Together let us praise his name.

I sought the Lord and he answered me; from all my terrors he set me free. **R.**

V. 3. Look towards him and be radiant; let your faces not be abashed.

This poor man called: the Lord heard him and rescued him from all his distress. **R.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ! I will rise and go to my father and tell him: Father I have sinned against heaven and earth and against you. Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

**PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL:** Merciful and loving God: Hear our prayer.

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:** My son, you should rejoice, because your brother was dead and has come back to life; he was lost and is found.

### **PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY:**

We remember loved ones, families, friends and members of the parish community who are in need of prayer at this time including Erin Toomey and Bernadette Stevens. We remember all who provide care and support for those in need.

We remember Mary McEvey, Lili La Spina in Corsello and Dan Donovan who have died recently. We also remember the anniversaries of Cesare La Penta, Len Ryan, Margaret McKinley, Eduardo de Crescenzo and Patrick Durnan that occur at this time. May they rest in peace.



### Baptism in our Parish Community:

We welcome Christian Smallacombe who is baptised into the faith community of the Catholic Parish of Ivanhoe this weekend. We welcome his family, relatives and friends who have come to share this special occasion with them, one of many steps taken in the lifelong journey of faith.

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## **Stations of the Cross at St Bernadette's during Lent:**

As part of the Lenten journey, there will be Stations of the Cross at St Bernadette's at 7.30pm Friday in each week of Lent. All parishioners are invited to attend.

**First Reconciliations:** During Lent children in each of the three Parish schools are preparing to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time. Please keep the children and their families in your prayers.

**Resumption of 5pm Mass at MI:** The 5pm Mass at Mary Immaculate has resumed for the foreseeable future; but considering the situation of our parish, circumstances may bring about a change.

### **This Week's Readings: 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent: Year C**

**Joshua 5:9-12                      Psalm 33:2-7                      2 Corinthians 5:17-21                      Luke 15:1-3, 11-32**

#### **Saint and Feast Days:**

*Mon 15<sup>th</sup> March: St Louise de Marillac*

*Tues 16<sup>th</sup> March: St Finnian*

*Wed 17<sup>th</sup> March: St Patrick*

*Thurs 18<sup>th</sup> March: St Cyril of Jerusalem*

*Fri. 19<sup>th</sup> March: St Joseph*

*Sat. 20<sup>th</sup> March: St Cuthbert*

### **Next Week's Readings: 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent: Year C**

**Isaiah 43:16-21                      Psalm 125                      Philippians 3:8-14                      John 8:1-11**

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## **HAPPENINGS ACROSS THE PARISH**

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Sunday 14 March	2.30-5.00pm	Young People's Group Seniors	See website
Monday 15 March	9.15am	Mass & St Bernadette's School – Grade 3	St Bernadette's Church
Monday 15 March	7.30pm	St Bernadette's School Parents & Friends	St Bernadette's School
Tuesday 16 March	7.30pm	<b><u>Reconciliation Sacrament Information Meeting</u></b>	St Bernadette's School
Tuesday 16 March	8.00pm	Richard McKinney Lenten Lecture	St George's Anglican Church
Wednesday 17 March	9.15am	Mass & Mary Immaculate School	Mary Immaculate Church
Wednesday 17 March	10.30am	Catholic Education Week St Patrick's Mass	St Patrick's Cathedral
Wednesday 17 March	7.30pm	<b><u>Lenten Penitential Service</u></b>	Mother of God Church
Friday 19 March	9.15am	Mass & Mother of God School – Prep	Mother of God Church
Friday 19 March	7.30pm	<b><i>Stations of the Cross</i></b>	St Bernadette's Church
Saturday 20 March	10.00am	<b><u>Lenten Penitential Service</u></b>	Mary Immaculate Church
Monday 22 March	9.15am	Mass & St Bernadette's School, Grades 5/6	St Bernadette's Church
Monday 22 March	7.30pm	<b>First Reconciliation</b> – St Bernadette's School students	
Tuesday 23 March	2.30pm	<b>First Reconciliation</b> – Mother of God School students	
Tuesday 23 March	8.00pm	Richard McKinney Lenten Lecture	Mother of God Church
Wednesday 24 March	9.15am	Mass & Mary Immaculate School	Mary Immaculate Church
Thursday 25 March	9 – 11am	<b>First Reconciliation</b> – Mary Immaculate School students – MI School	
Thursday 25 March	8.00pm	Parish Finance Committee Meeting	Mother of God House
Friday 26 March	7.30pm	<b><i>Stations of the Cross</i></b> End of Term 1 for schools	St Bernadette's Church
Saturday 27 March	10.00am	<b><u>Lenten Penitential Service</u></b>	St Bernadette's Church
Sunday 28 March		Palm Sunday	
Tuesday 30 March	11.00am	Chrism Mass	St Patrick's Cathedral
Thursday 1 April	8.00pm	Holy Thursday Mass	Mother of God Church
Friday 2 April	10.30am	Stations of the Cross	Mary Immaculate Church
Friday 2 April	3.00pm	The Passion of the Lord	Mary Immaculate Church
Saturday 3 April	8.00pm	Easter Vigil Mass	St Bernadette's Church

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## **INFORMATION**

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**Project Compassion:** Project Compassion is a vital part of our Lenten journey! Through it Caritas raises our awareness of needs in many parts of our world. Join in the prayer each week as we hear stories of real people who do have needs, but also have hope. Take a Project Compassion box or a Lenten Share pack of weekly envelopes to give the much needed financial support.

### Lenten Penitential Services:

❖ <b>Thursday 18 March</b>	7.30pm	Mother of God Church
❖ <b>Saturday 20 March</b>	10.00am	Mary Immaculate Church
❖ <b>Saturday 27 March</b>	10.00am	St Bernadette's Church

### Singing practices for Holy Week:

All are invited to attend singing practices in preparation for Holy Week liturgies.

- Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> March 7.30pm at Mother of God Church.
- Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> March 7.30pm at venue to be decided.

### Lenten Richard McKinney Ecumenical Lectures 2010:

All lectures begin at 8pm. Fellowship and supper after each presentation at 9.10pm. Donation: Gold coin.

- Tuesday 16 March: **Dialogue: A Way of Carrying out the Church's Mission in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century**  
St George's Anglican Church, 46 Warncliffe Rd, East Ivanhoe
- Tuesday 23 March: **Dialogue: A Spirituality, not a Strategy.** Mother of God Church, Ivanhoe East

### St Vincent de Paul – Ivanhoe Conferences:

- Please note that recently our two Conferences have amalgamated and now share the manpower to cover the area of the Catholic Parish of Ivanhoe.
- Meetings are held each Tuesday at 8pm in St Bernadette's Community Centre at West Ivanhoe. Interested persons are invited, needed and warmly welcomed.

**MI Rosters:** Rosters are available this weekend. Thanks for collecting yours for future reference

### Big Day Out – Bus Trip - Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> April:



A trip to the Yarra Valley, with an excellent lunch at the historic Yarra Valley Grand Hotel. Bus departs at **9.20am** from Mary Immaculate and returns through King Lake at **4.30pm** approx.

A great day is assured. **Tickets \$50** includes Morning Tea and Lunch. Any profits from the day will be donated to N.I.C.K. Foundation. Contact Kath Thomas 9499 7390 or Sue Kelly 9499 1485

### 'Effective Mentoring through Sport' Parenting Seminar – NICK Foundation:

The NICK Foundation presents a parenting seminar which will be held at 7.00pm on Tuesday 16 March at Eldon Hogan Centre, Senior Campus at Xavier College, Barkers Rd, Kew. The focus of the evening is 'Effective Mentoring through Sport'. Presenters include:

Mick Malthouse - Collingwood FC Coach

Harry O'Brien – Australian Rules footballer

Mike McKay – Olympic gold medallist and member of 'Oarsome Foursome'

Family, children and friends invited – Adults \$20, students - free. Contact Geoff Kneale 0408 588 033

### Name suggestions for Parish Retirement Homes:

Planning for the Parish retirement homes in Ford St is progressing well with plans to be shortly submitted to Council. We now need to give the Ford St development a name and we are seeking your suggestions on suitable names for the parish homes. Please forward suggestions via website: [www.ivanhoeatholics.com](http://www.ivanhoeatholics.com) or at Parish Office – a sealed letterbox is available on right hand side of the door of 4 Waverley Ave, Ivanhoe.

### That long shot paid off!:

Do you remember my asking: 'Does anyone in Ivanhoe have a contact with Cameroon?' Anne Hall phoned to say that her daughter's partner is from that country, and that they knew many people in the expatriate community. On our behalf, they asked a seminarian, Cas, who kindly joined us at the Uniting Church last Friday. Cas is in his fourth year of his studies with the Missionaries of God's Love and was so knowledgeable about his country, including its colonial and military history, and its coming to independence in 1961. He was proud to say that now all children have the opportunity for education, many going to University, and women and men are being treated as equals in a way that could never have been imagined. The fact that Cas was bombarded with questions over morning tea showed how much his presence had been appreciated. I know I will always remember that morning whenever 'Cameroon' is mentioned. - Merle

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**Walk with Mary 2010 – Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> March:** Commences 2.00pm at St Patrick's Cathedral with prayers and Mass at 3.00pm with Celebrant, Bishop Les Tomlinson. This will be followed by an Ecumenical Procession to St Paul's Cathedral for Evensong with Celebrant, Right Reverend Anglican Bishop, Dr Mark Burton. For further details please contact Joy Hunt 9509 2207. Fliers are available in each of the churches.

**Arden Crescent Concert Series:**

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> March at 2.00pm – 'Twenty Fingers – Two Pianos' - Pianists: Amir Farid and David McNicol. Programme includes Mozart, Rachmaninoff and Gershwin. Tickets available at door or phone 9431 0147 for preferential seating. Adults \$22; Conc. \$17. Students 16 & over \$10 or under 16: \$5. Afternoon Tea included.

**Parent Seminar Series 2010 – Catholic Education Office:**

- o *Emotional Intelligence / Resilience* – Michelle Miller on 17 March from 7- 9pm at Our Lady of Victories, Reserve Rd, Camberwell Melways Map 59 J!
- o *Raising Mighty Boys* – Michael Grose on 12 May from 7 – 9pm at St Margaret Mary's, 47-49 Mitchell St, Brunswick North. Melways Map 29 J5
- o *Adolescent Issues – Drugs, Alcohol, Partying & Peer Pressure* – Cath Behan on 19 May from 7 – 9pm at Whitefriars, 159 Park Rd, Donvale Melways Map 49 A2

Registration fee \$10 per person. Information available at parish schools or contact CEO, Parent Seminar Series Coordinator: Mrs Shirley O'Sullivan 9464 5225 or email: shirley@stclaresthomastown.catholic.edu.au

**Prayer and Public Lecture, ACU Melb - Commemorating the 15th Anniversary of Evangelium Vitae:**

You are invited to attend a time of prayer, lead by Bishop Costelloe SDB, and a public forum on Thursday 25th March, from 6.30-9.00pm to commemorate the encyclical - Evangelium Vitae (The Gospel of Life) at Christ Lecture Theatre, ACU - 115 Victoria Parade, Fitzroy. Information & RSVP: jo.grainger@acu.edu.au

**Dads and Lads Camp:** Friday 16<sup>th</sup> April to Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2010 – an opportunity for fathers and sons to spend quality time together with shared experiences, adventures, mateship and great food at Don Bosco camps. Everyone is welcome – sons, fathers, grandfathers, stepfathers, uncles, big brothers ... For more information phone 5987 2692 or go to [www.donboscocamp.org](http://www.donboscocamp.org)

**Marriage Encounter Weekend:** The weekend is based around Catholic values, but you don't need to be Catholic to attend. The next 3 weekends will be held on 16-18 April, 25-27 June and 20-22 August. Further information and bookings contact Peter & Erika Smith 9899 0824 or email: vicbookings@wwme.org.au. Checkout the website for more information on [www.wwme.org.au](http://www.wwme.org.au)

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**Week-end Liturgies:** St. Bernadette's: Saturday 6.30pm

Mary Immaculate: Sunday 9.00am. 5.00pm

Mother of God: Sunday 10.30am

**Week-day Liturgies:**

St. Bernadette's: Monday 9.15am Mary Immaculate: Wednesday 9.15am

Mother of God: Friday 9.15am

**Week-day Communion Services:** Mother of God: Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at 9.15am

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**ROSTERS FOR WEEKEND 20 – 21 March 2010**

**ST. BERNADETTE'S:**

Saturday 6.30pm

**Lector**

K. Gillespie

**Special Ministers**

E. Crawley, J. Gray

**MARY IMMACULATE:**

Sunday 9.00am

**Leader**  
J. Newell

**Reader**  
J. O'Brien

**Mass Coordinators**  
E. Kehoe

**Counters**  
T. Owens, S. & P. Kelly

Sunday 5.00pm

R. Villani

M. Chin

R. Villani

**MOTHER OF GOD:**

Sunday 10.30am

**Sacristan**  
M. Hoban

**Lector**  
R. Matovinovic

**Special Ministers**  
E. Brownstein, M A Darcy, J. Ellis

**Altar Society:** T. McCarthy

**Choir Coordinator:** J. Brophy

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**COLLECTIONS:**

**Thanksgiving - \$1,170.50**

**Presbytery – \$838.15**