

THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF IVANHOE

St Bernadette's Church, West Ivanhoe

Mary Immaculate Church, Ivanhoe

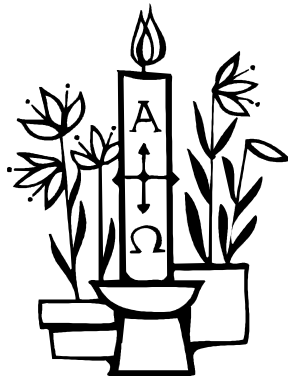
Mother of God Church, East Ivanhoe

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EASTER SUNDAY: YEAR A

Reflection:



... For many of our children the bunny and its eggs are the most important thing about Easter. Over the millennia, Christianity has had a gift for domesticating local traditions and festivals, bringing them on board and making them our own. The name Easter comes from the Anglo Saxon spring festival in honour of the goddess Eostre. Her symbol was the rabbit and the giving of eggs were signs of new life bursting forth as winter withdrew. These associations only make sense in the northern hemisphere, but we can see why the early Christians could be so adaptable and inculturated with this local festival.

In both hemispheres Christians today celebrate Jesus being raised from the dead. In the New Testament there are two traditions about how the disciples come to know about Jesus' resurrection: the empty tomb and the apparitions of Christ.

Today's Gospel belongs to the empty tomb tradition. On Magdalene's urging, Peter and John run to the tomb, find it empty and come to at least an initial belief about the resurrection of Jesus.

We do not believe that God simply revived Jesus' corpse in the tomb ... Easter Sunday does not celebrate the resuscitation of Jesus, but his Resurrection. We know his 'glorified body' was not the same as his human body because Jesus' presence could be encountered in several places simultaneously and he is reported to walk through walls and to vanish. The link between both resurrection traditions is the importance of Jesus' death. In the empty tomb accounts, as in today's gospel, the writers give us extraordinary details about the grave clothes. In the apparition narratives there are usually references to Jesus' wounds.

Whatever way they came to experience the Resurrection of Christ, the disciples knew that this was Jesus who actually died and was buried and that their personal encounter was with the one who was crucified. What God did through the death and resurrection of Jesus is what Christians have done with local customs and festivals ever since: he entered into it, understood it, took it on board, domesticated it and vanquished its power. As a result we believe that God empathises with the full limitations of our human mortality and promises to remain faithful to us in death as he remained utterly faithful to Jesus. ...

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THE WORD

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: **The Lord has indeed risen, alleluia. Glory and kingship be his for ever and ever.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: **This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.**

V. 1. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end.

Let the sons of Israel say: 'His love has no end.' **R.**

V. 2. The Lord's right hand has triumphed; his right hand has raised me up.

I shall not die; I shall live and recount his deeds. **R.**

V. 3. The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.

This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes. **R.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: **Alleluia, alleluia! Christ has become our paschal sacrifice; let us feast with joy in the Lord. Alleluia!**

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL: We pray: **Risen Christ, hear our prayer.**

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: **Christ has become our paschal sacrifice; let us feast with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.**

INCLUSIVENESS

HOSPITALITY

SERVICE

MISSION

PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY:

We remember all in need of prayer at this time including Fr John Maher OMI, Olga Trevan, Dorothea Chandler, Jill Brophy, Joe Rush, Bernadette Shepherdson and Leonard Topp. We also remember all those who provide care and support for those in need.

We remember Ray Cliff, Dominico Tran Minh Thien and all who have died recently. We also remember Karin West, Richard Erbacher, Pauline Masters, Wayne Jordan, Giuseppe Montorio, Alfonzo Montorio, Thambi Selvam and Tom Mullens whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace.

This Week's Readings: Easter Sunday: Year A

Acts 10:34, 37-43 Ps 117:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 Colossians 3:1-4 John 20:1-9

Saint and Feast Days:

Mon 25th April: St Fidelis of Sigmaringen

Tues 26th April: St Cletus

Wed 27th April: St Asicus

Thurs 28th April: St Peter Chanel

Fri. 29th April: St Catherine of Siena

Sat. 30th April: St Pius V

Next Week's Readings: 2nd Sunday of Easter: Year A

Acts 2:42-47 Ps 117:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 1 Peter 1:3-9 John 20:19-31

HAPPENINGS ACROSS THE PARISH

Monday 25 April	8.00am	ANZAC Day Mass	See item in newsletter
Wednesday 27 April		Schools resume: Term 2	
Wednesday 27 April	7.30pm	St Bernadette's School Education Board	St Bernadette's School
Thursday 28 April	8.00pm	Parish Finance Committee Meeting	
Saturday 30 April	10.00am	Reconciliation	Mary Immaculate Church
Tuesday 3 May	6.30pm	Confirmation Family Workshop	Mary Immaculate School
Tuesday 3 May	7.30pm	Baptism Preparation Session	
Wednesday 4 May	12.00-3pm	Outreach Social Afternoon	St B Community Centre
Friday 6 May		First Friday Devotions	
Saturday 7 May	10.00am	Reconciliation	Mary Immaculate Church
Saturday 7 – Thursday 12 May		Korean Community Holy Spirit Seminar	St Bernadette's Church

INFORMATION

Vinnies - Help Vinnies Centre – Help those in need:

Buy or donate Quality Pre-loved Fashion, Bric-a-Brac and furniture at centres of Charity (Vinnies Shops):

Heidelberg West - The Mall, Bell St 9432 6797 Preston, 596 Plenty Rd 9478 6845

Volunteer to work in a Centre – Enquiries: 1300 736 933 Furniture Pick Up Donation Line: 1800 621 349

- Volunteer at your local Vinnies and make a difference
- Bring your good stuff to your local Vinnies – or call us and we'll collect
- Come in and pick up a bargain – you'll love what you find at Vinnies (Fliers available in each church)

Helder Camara Lectures - Searching For God In A Time Of Doubt:

Tom aš Hal ík In Conversation with Frank Brennan SJ Wednesday 1 June 2011 @ 6PM

Msgr Tomáš Halík is one the leading philosophers and theologians in Eastern Europe. Secretly ordained whilst the Church was being persecuted and underground in the then Czechoslovakia. Fr Halík is also a psychotherapist and currently student Parish priest and Professor at the Charles University in Prague. A former secretary of the Czech Bishop's Conference – Halík was a close advisor to recent President Václav Havel. His recent book *Patience with God* on dialogue with non believers has received critical acclaim as one of the best responses to the 'new' atheism. The Oratory, Newman College, 877 Swanston Street, Parkville

Divine Mercy Sunday – 1st May:

Divine Mercy Sunday will be held at St Francis of Assisi Church, 290 Childs Rd, Mill Park from 1.00pm.
Programme: 1.00pm – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Confessions, Holy Rosary and Benediction

3.00pm – Mass & Blessing, concluding with Prayer Ministry and Blessing of religious articles

Main Celebrant: Fr Anthony Girolami (PP). Concelebrant: Fr Joseph Danh Truong



*We wish all parishioners, families, friends and visitors a
Happy & a Blessed Easter.*

- Father Thang and all at the Parish Office

Project Compassion Boxes and Envelopes:

Project Compassion boxes or envelopes need to be returned to one of the three churches or Parish Office Easter weekend or no later than the end of April. If a **receipt is required, relevant details need to be filled in on the box lids or back of envelopes please**. Receipts will be issued and mailed as soon as possible once returns are completed. Details of contributions are then sent to Caritas. – Ruth



ANZAC Commemoration Mass: 8.00am on Monday 25th April at St Bernadette's Church, Ivanhoe

Morning Tea at Mother of God: There will be a Morning Tea after the 10.30 Mass on Sunday, 1st May at Mother of God Church. Everyone is welcome - a donation of food would be much appreciated.

Outreach Activities: We have 2 dates to note in your diary –

1. Wednesday, May 4 is the day for our monthly lunch/games day in the Parish Community Centre, Bond Street, West Ivanhoe. Everyone welcome.
2. Wednesday, May 18: (Please note the change from the published date earlier this year), a film and high tea to celebrate Ladies' month. At 1.30pm we will screen 'Ladies in Lavender' on our big screen followed by High Tea. \$5.00 admittance. To assist with catering, please book by **Friday May 13** with either: Helen 9499 7793, Sue 9499 1485 or Eileen 9499 7120.
3. Finally, if you require transport assistance for the Anointing & Blessing Mass at Mother of God Church on Friday May 13 please contact one of the above. Thank you, Outreach Girls



Outreach Social Afternoon: The next afternoon for lunch and games will be on Wednesday 4 May from Noon – 3pm at St Bernadette's Community Centre. Everyone is welcome for lunch – no charge. Please bring a **small** plate of something to share for lunch. – Outreach Group

Mass of Anointing and Blessing - Friday 13 May at Mother of God:

We warmly welcome and invite all parishioners, families and friends to a Mass of Anointing and Blessing on Monday 13th May at 10.30am at Mother of God Church. Families from Mother of God School have kindly offered to provide Morning Tea after Mass. If you require assistance with transport please contact Eileen 9499 7120, Sue 9499 1485 or Helen 9499 7793.



Rotary Club of Bundoora:

An invitation to all interested in child safety issues - an informative evening with Bernie Geary OAM, Child Safety Commissioner, Victoria on Wednesday 4 May from 6.30pm at Bundoora Bowling Club, Yulong Reserve, Bundoora (entry via Cameron Parade). Dinner, dessert, tea and coffee: \$30 per person. Drinks extra. Please confirm your attendance with Jacq or David, 9455 2610 by Wednesday 27 April.

Shoah Holocaust Memorial Service for Christians and all people of good will.

For the sake of the present we do not forget the past! - Thursday 5 May at 7.30pm at St Paul's Cathedral, Swanston St, Melbourne. Memorial Service will be followed by refreshments & conversation. All welcome.

Feast Day Mass of St Joseph the Worker:

Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Denis Hart on the Feast Day of St Joseph the Worker. 12.30pm, Friday 29 April, St Mary Star of the Sea, corner Victoria and William Streets, West Melbourne. Lunch afterwards at Royal Standard Hotel, 333 William Street, West Melbourne. Cost: \$20 per person. Brian Lawrence, Australian Catholic Council for Employment Relations, will speak on 'who protects the working poor?' RSVP: Xavier Smith, 9354 9935 or xavier.smith@parliament.vic.gov.au. Please bring a tool of your trade to be blessed during the Offertory Procession.

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The Catholic Parish of Ivanhoe Annual Dinner Dance:

The Parish Annual Dinner Dance will be held on Saturday 23 July 2011 at The Centre, Ivanhoe. It is sure to be a great night so please consider organising your group table now to support your parish. Tickets on sale soon! Enquiries: Paul McEvey 0438 509 995 or paul.mcevey@gmail.com

Centacare Catholic Family Services changes name to CatholicCare:

As we prepare to celebrate Easter, Centacare Catholic Family Services marked a new beginning by officially changing their name to CatholicCare on 4 April. The main reason behind this change is to better publicly convey that the programs and services they offer the community are an expression of the mission of the Catholic Church to care for all those who are vulnerable, disadvantaged and in pain.

While their name will change, CatholicCare will remain true to their enduring vision. They will continue to offer inclusive high quality services to families and individuals who are in need – without discrimination as to people's nationality, religion, gender or sexuality. CatholicCare looks forward to the Catholic community's continued support. Further information, go to: www.ccam.org.au or phone 9287 5555.

CatholicCare Gala Ball will celebrate 75 years of service to the community on Thurs 19th May at The Plaza Ballroom, 191 Collins St, Melbourne. 6.30 for 7pm. \$200 per person. Formal dress: with a touch of the 30's.

Melbourne Single Catholics: Melbourne Single Catholics 35-55, is a free to join social group which offers: dinners, drinks nights, film nights, concerts, walks, lectures on matters of faith, morals and bioethics, gallery and winery visits and more. Our next event is **Friday Night Drinks At Amora Riverwalk Hotel** on Friday, May 20 at 7:00pm. For more information: www.meetup.com/melbourne-single-catholics

Life Hike: Right to Life Australia is holding a "Life Hike" on 20-22 May on the Great Ocean Road. We will hike 50km to fundraise for Pregnancy Counselling Australia which manages a 24 hour hotline to assist pregnant women in crisis. We are charging for the accommodation only at \$50 total however we are asking all participants to gain sponsorship. Come and enjoy this spectacular part of the Australian Coastline. Details are on our website www.righttolife.org.au or telephone (03) 9387 7098.

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Week-end Liturgies:

St. Bernadette's:	Saturday 6.30pm	Mary Immaculate:	Sunday 9.00am
Mother of God:	Sunday 10.30am	Mary Immaculate:	
St Bernadette's Korean Mass:		St Bernadette's:	Sunday 11.00am

Week-day Liturgies:

St. Bernadette's:	Tuesday 9.15am	Mary Immaculate:	Wednesday 9.15am
Mother of God:	Friday 9.15am		
Mother of God Communion Services:	9.15am	Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday	
St Bernadette's Korean Mass:		Wednesday 7.30pm	Thursday
St Bernadette's Korean Adoration & Prayers:		Thursday 8.00 - 10.00pm	

ROSTERS FOR WEEKEND 30 April – 1 May 2011

ST. BERNADETTE'S:

Saturday 6.30pm

Lector

J. Murphy

Special Ministers

E. Crawley, Sister Carmel

MARY IMMACULATE: Leader

Sunday 9.00am

Conroy family

Reader

Conroy family

Mass Coordinators

E. Kehoe

Counters

S. & P. Kelly, T. Owens

MOTHER OF GOD:

Sunday 10.30am

Sacristan

A. Patterson

Lector

A. Patterson

Special Ministers

E. Brownstein, M.A. Darcy, J. Ellis

Altar Society:

T. McCarthy

Choir Coordinators:

P. Verrocchi

First Collection – Thanksgiving:

Envelopes: \$2,232.85

Loose cash: \$560.00

Total: \$2,792.85

Second Collection – Presbytery:

\$ 962.75