



THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF IVANHOE

St Bernadette's Church, West Ivanhoe

Mary Immaculate Church, Ivanhoe

Mother of God Church, East Ivanhoe

No. 19

7 – 8 May 2011

3rd SUNDAY OF EASTER: YEAR A

Reflection:

With very good reason, the story of the road to Emmaus is thought to be the best parallel we have in the New Testament to our weekly celebration of the Eucharist. This idea could be a little surprising for some who might think the Last Supper would hold more similarities. Luke, however, reminds his community, who are like us, that even though they, like us, are prevented from seeing Jesus, they can still have a life-changing experience of his presence.

The disciples are on a journey of faith and Jesus meets them where they are, as they are. This is a critical detail in the story. Jesus listens to their expectations, hopes and disappointments and only after they have expressed the reality of their situation, does Christ open the scriptures to them. In doing so he takes their disillusionment and enables them to see the connections with the story of salvation. This leads them to hope. Even then, they do not recognise who Jesus is until he breaks the bread and in that action he is revealed as the one in whom they had been hoping. This experience drives them back to Jerusalem to witness to the power of Christ's resurrection.

Every Sunday as part of our journey of faith we embark on our road to Emmaus. There is never any point in us coming here pretending to be different from how we actually feel and who we are. God sees our hearts and minds and wants to meet us in the midst of our lives, whatever they may be like. The Emmaus story teaches us that Jesus firstly wants to listen to us before he wants us to listen to Him.

Emmaus, however, was not just about the disciples and their lives, in the same way that the Eucharist is not just about our lives either. Christ opens the scriptures to us each week so that we can make sense of our experience, see the ways in which God is present and absent and recognise our own foolishness. As with the Emmaus disciples, we are welcomed to the table of the Lord where we recognise Christ in the breaking of the bread and the pouring of the cup. This meal enables us to go out from here and proclaim to all we meet that Christ is risen.

One of the things the Church values most deeply is its connection to the experience of the earliest Church. And rightly so. It's a great privilege for us to recall that what we do here each Sunday is built upon the faith and weekly celebration of countless generations. And though, appropriately, many things can be different in various cultural settings for the Eucharist throughout the world, several elements always stay the same. It is the Risen Christ who accompanies us, listens to us, opens our minds to the scriptures, hosts us at his table, and sends us out to tell the world that He has been raised from the dead.

This is the best way to understand ourselves as 'traditional Catholics'. We share with thousands of generations the same fire of God's faithful love burning in our hearts as we are welcomed here each week, are listened to, taught, nourished and sent out to do our bit for the coming of Christ's Kingdom.

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THE WORD

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: Let all the earth cry out to God with joy; praise the glory of his name; proclaim his glorious praise, alleluia.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Lord, you will show us the path of life.

V. 1. Preserve me, God, I take refuge in you. I say to the Lord: 'You are my God.'

O Lord, it is you who are my portion and my cup; it is you yourself who are my prize. **R.**

V. 2. I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel, who even at night directs my heart.

I keep the Lord ever in my sight: since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm. **R.**

V. 3. And so, my heart rejoices, my soul is glad; even my body shall rest in safety.

For you will not leave my soul among the dead, nor let your beloved know decay. **R.**

V. 4. You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in your presence,

At your right hand happiness for ever. **R.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us, make our hearts burn with love when you speak. Alleluia!

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL: In faith we pray: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: The disciples recognised the Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread, alleluia.

PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY:

We remember all in need of prayer at this time including Teresa Patti, Olga Trevan, Dorothea Chandler, Jill Brophy and Joe Rush. We remember all those who provide care and support for those in need.

We remember Rosalie Giagnacovo and Leonard Topp who have died recently. We also remember James Lane, Lily Jordan, and Anselmo and Maria Dri whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace.

This Week's Readings: 3rd Sunday of Sunday: Year A

Acts 2:14, 22-33 Ps 15:1-2, 5, 7-11 1 Peter 1:17-21 Luke 24:13-35

Saint and Feast Days:

Mon 9th May: St Gregory

Wed 11th May: St Fabius

Fri. 13th May: Our Lady of Fatima

Tues 10th May: St Comgall

Thurs 12th May: Ss Nereus & Achilleus

Sat. 14th May: St Matthias

Next Week's Readings: 4th Sunday of Easter: Year A

Acts 2:14, 36-41 Ps 22:1-6 1 Peter 2:20-25 John 10:1-10

HAPPENINGS ACROSS THE PARISH

Saturday 7 May	10.00am	Reconciliation	Mary Immaculate Church
Saturday 7 – Thursday 12 May		Korean Community Holy Spirit Seminar	St Bernadette's Church
Monday 9 May		Mary Immaculate School Open Day	
Wednesday 11 May	7.00pm	Confirmation Catechist Class 1	Mary Immaculate Hall
Wednesday 11 May	8.00pm	Pastoral Leadership Team Meeting	Parish Office
Thursday 12 May	7.30pm	Mother of God School Parents Representative Council	MOG School
Friday 13 May	10.30pm	Mass of Anointing and Blessing	Mother of God Church
Saturday 14 May	10.00am	Reconciliation	Mother of God Church
Weekend Masses: 14 – 15 May		Confirmation: Rite of Enrolment	Mass at each church
Sunday 15 May	11am – 1pm	Mother of God School Open Day	Mother of God School
Tuesday 17 May	9.15am	Mass & St Bernadette's School Year 2	St Bernadette's Church
Wednesday 18 May	1.30pm	Outreach: Film and Afternoon Tea	Mary Immaculate Hall
Wednesday 18 May	7.00pm	Confirmation Catechist Class	Mary Immaculate Hall
Thursday 19 May	7.00pm	Mary Immaculate School Advisory Board	Mary Immaculate School
Thursday 19 May	8.00pm	Parish Finance Committee Meeting	
Friday 20 May	9.15am	Mass & Mother of God School SSJ	Mother of God Church
Saturday 21 May	8am-12 Noon	Working Bee – Mary Immaculate Church &	Parish Office
Saturday 21 May	10.00am	Reconciliation	Mary Immaculate Church

INFORMATION

Christian Leadership Course:

An introductory course on the principles and practice of leadership in a Christian context with Br. John McMahon FMS for 12 weeks from Tuesday 10 May to 9 August, 6-8pm at Thomas Carr Centre, 278 Victoria Parade, East Melbourne. Cost: \$170; conc. \$130. Enquiries: 9926 5761 or www.cam.org.au/evangelisation

Helder Camara Lectures - Searching For God In A Time Of Doubt: Wednesday 1 June 2011 @ 6pm
Tom aš Hal ík, a leading philosopher & theologian in Eastern Europe in Conversation with Frank Brennan SJ
The Oratory, Newman College, 877 Swanston Street, Parkville

INCLUSIVENESS

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SERVICE

MISSION

Archdiocesan Mass Census for the month of May 2011 – Counters required!:

This year, the Archdiocese and the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference - Pastoral Research Office have combined to conduct the Mass Count.

For the first four weekends in May, all present at each Mass (including children and babies) in each church will be counted as part of the Archdiocesan Mass Census. Census sheets are available in each church to be used by counters for this purpose. Census sheets need to be returned to the Parish Office Monday 23rd May.

Thank you to all concerned for your assistance.

Beatification of Pope John Paul II:

Pope Benedict XVI venerated the mortal remains of John Paul II in St Peter's Basilica on Sunday, 1st May, the day of Blessed John Paul II's beatification. All cardinals joined with him to celebrate the Beatification Mass.

Ford Street Development:



Banyule Council has issued a planning permit for the proposed independent living homes at Ford St. Ivanhoe. An application has been made to the Archdiocese and the CDF for approval and funds for the development. While no commitment has been given to proceeding with the project, the PLT is examining all construction and operational matters of the homes. Expressions of interest for the ongoing management of the completed homes are invited from experienced and interested parties. Copies of the request for expressions of interest are available from the Parish Office. Closing time and date: 4.00pm on 12th May 2011.

Project Compassion Boxes and Envelopes:

Project Compassion boxes or envelopes need to be returned to one of the three churches or Parish Office as soon as possible. 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 for this financial year once returns are completed. This may not be possible for late returns. Details of contributions are then sent to Caritas. – Ruth

Meetings:

- Pastoral Leadership Team Meeting Wednesday 11 May 8.00pm Parish Office
- Parish Finance Meeting Thursday 12 May 8.00pm



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

All parishioners, families and friends are invited to a Mass of Anointing and Blessing on Friday 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.

Please note: There will be no 9.15am Mass on Friday 13 May at Mother of God

Heidelberg Choral Society Concert:

Mozart's Mass in C Minor 15 May 2 & 7pm, Ivanhoe Grammar. Cost: \$30 & \$25 Conc. Tickets: 9458 1727

Outreach Activities:

On Wednesday, May 18 at 1.30pm in Mary Immaculate Hall we are having a film afternoon followed by High Tea. For catering purposes, please book by **Friday May 13** with: Helen 9499 7793, Sue 9499 1485 or Eileen 9499 7120. - Thank you, Outreach Girls



Parish Working Bee Saturday 21 May from 8am - 12 Noon: Anyone with even a mild interest in gardening is invited to come along and join the fun. BYO gloves, suitable clothing for the conditions, favourite tools... Morning tea will be provided. Our working bees are wonderful communal events; the cuppa and chat afterwards alone make it worthwhile. Hope to see you there.

Readers, leaders, Counters at MI: We'll be preparing new rosters soon. Thank you to all for taking part in the life of our parish in these practical and ongoing ways. If you need a change, do let me know. If you can see your way clear to taking part, you would be most welcome. Contact me on 9497 1691, merle.gilbo@blaze.net.au or speak to me when you see me 'around'. Thank you. - Merle



Parish Dinner Dance - Bookings now open!:

The Catholic Parish of Ivanhoe Annual Dinner Dance will be held on **Saturday 23 July 2011** at The Centre Ivanhoe (7.00pm until midnight). Cost is \$95 per head. Booking forms available at the back of each church. Please support our parish and make this event successful. - Paul McEvey 0438 509 995 or paul.mcevey@gmail.com

Mental Illness Fellowship Woodcock Lecture – 17 May: The Mental Illness Fellowship Victoria invites you to this year's Woodcock Lecture, *In it Together - Physical Health and Wellbeing for People with Mental Illness*, on Tuesday 17 May, 6 - 8 pm at the Arts Centre, ANZ Pavilion. Guest lecturer is Associate Professor Sharon Lawn of Flinders University, Adelaide, who is internationally recognised for her work in improving the self-care and health management of people with mental illness. She will present research findings and real-life examples of what has worked to improve physical health for people with mental illness. Make your booking for the Woodcock Lecture NOW on <http://www.trybooking.com/9378> or phone (03) 8486 4254. This is a free public lecture. Seating is strictly limited. We look forward to seeing you there!

Greek Tavern Night in support of Sumba Eye Program – 20 May: The Rotary Club of Glenferrie invites you to a Greek Tavern Night on Friday 20th May at 7.00 pm, at Yianni's Tavern, 840 High Street, East Kew. Enjoy a delicious and bountiful Greek banquet. Lots of good music and dancing. All for \$55 per person, and BYO (Bar service is also available if required). Bookings: Kim Andrews 9818 1265 email: lif1544@bigpond.net.au – Please refer to flier in each church. All money raised will go to the Sumba Eye Program which fills a void where there are no specialty services for some of the poorest people in our Asian region. Delivering sight by providing glasses or by removing a person's cataracts is a worthy cause to support.

Retreat Day at St John's, Heidleberg, 21st May: Theme: 'Recognising God's Presence in our Lives' - Retreat Director: Fr John Curtis from Holy Cross Centre, Templestowe. The Retreat starts at 10.30am and concludes at 3.00pm. Cost / donation: \$15 - \$20 includes tea / coffee and biscuits. BYO lunch. If attending, please contact Sister Loreto on 10th or 17th May; phone number 9457 1066 between 9am – 4.00pm. Fliers available in each church and on display boards.

Livingstone Community Centre Bus Trip – 17th June: Bus Trip to Westgarthtown, a former historic dairy farming settlement, originally known as 'Germantown' located in Thomastown. Tour of the historic buildings, cemetery and Lutheran church and Morning Tea; followed by a 2 course lunch at Epping RSL. Meet at Livingstone Community Centre 9.15am and return by approx. 2.30pm. Cost: \$35. Bookings are essential by 10th June. Contact LCC Office: 9497 2014 or Pat 9499 4597. Cancellations within 2 days of trip cannot be refunded. Payments: Cash, cheque or money order payable to 'Livingstone Community Centre'.

Noticeboards and fliers:

- Heidelberg Choral Society Concert – 15 May
- Southern Stars Social Club
- Retreat at St John's, Heidelberg – 21 May
- Man for all Seasons

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ROSTERS FOR WEEKEND 14 – 15 May 2011

ST. BERNADETTE'S:

Saturday 6.30pm

Lector

K. Gillespie

Special Ministers

A. Pellizzari, Sister Carmel

MARY IMMACULATE:

Sunday 9.00am

Leader

J. Newell

Reader

Mass Coordinators

J. & D. Jones

Counters

S. & P. Kelly

MOTHER OF GOD:

Sunday 10.30am

Sacristan

J. Taylor

Lector

C. Bellio

Special Ministers

M. Pollard, G. Reardon, M. / P. De Silva

Altar Society:

P. Caddy

Choir Coordinators:

A. Pollard

First Collection – Thanksgiving: Envelopes: \$1,854.10 Loose cash: \$571.35 **Total: \$2,425.45**
Second Collection – Presbytery: **\$1,352.10**

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