



THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF IVANHOE

St Bernadette's Church, West Ivanhoe

Mary Immaculate Church, Ivanhoe

Mother of God Church, East Ivanhoe

No. 30

24 – 25 July 2010

17th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: YEAR C

Reflection:

First Communion / First Eucharist

We enter the season for First Holy Communion for many of our young parishioners. It's always a very special time for the young people and their families.



I was very fortunate to be present with our three Religious Education Coordinators – Jo Nolan, Karen Campbell and Brian Anderson, and our Pastoral Associate, Amanda Smith as they planned for this year's First Communion for children from our Parish schools, Government and private schools. I sincerely thank them for their commitment and hard work.

The group focussed on the actual celebrations, but also on the onward journeys of our young people – their hopes and their challenges – the world they will live in – their joys and sorrows – and above all – the God who loves them and walks with them. - **Fr John**

THE WORD

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: God is in his holy dwelling; he will give a home to the lonely, he gives power and strength to his people.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me.

V. 1. I thank you, Lord, with all my heart, you have heard the words of my mouth.

Before the angels I will bless you. I will adore before your holy temple. **R.**

V. 2. I thank you for your faithfulness and love which excel all we ever knew of you.

On the day I called, you answered; you increased the strength of my soul. **R.**

V. 3. The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly and the haughty he knows from afar.

Though I walk in the midst of affliction you give me life and frustrate my foes. **R.**

V. 4. You stretch out your hand and save me, your hand will do all things for me.

Your love, O Lord, is eternal, discard not the work of your hands. **R.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! You have received the Spirit which makes us God's children, and in that Spirit we call God our Father. Alleluia!

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL: Father God: Hear our prayer.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: O, bless the Lord, my soul, and remember all his kindness.

PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY:

We remember all in need of prayer at this time including Seliciana Torcasio, Lawrence Bolt, Raie & David Neal, Ted Gannan, Ken Owen and Barbara Remedios. We remember all who provide care and support for those in need.

We remember Laurence Doyle who died recently. We also remember Stephen Barcovich, Michael Curtain, Jean Manders, Frederick Meacham, Ettore Pertile and Grace Villani whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace.



Baptism in our Parish Community:

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

First Eucharist Celebrations:



We remember and pray for children of the Catholic Parish of Ivanhoe who are preparing to receive and celebrate their First Eucharist.

7 August 6.30pm Mass at St Bernadette's - St Bernadette's School children
22 August 10.00am & 5.00pm Masses at Mary Immaculate - Mary Immaculate School children
29 August 10.30am Mass at Mother of God - Catechist children from the parish
12 September 10.30am Mass at Mother of God - Mother of God School children

PLEASE NOTE: On Sunday 22 August there is no 9am Mass at Mary Immaculate

This Week's Readings: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time: Year C

Genesis 18:20-32

Psalm 137:1-3, 6-8

Colossians 2:12-14

Luke 11:1-13

Saint and Feast Days:

Mon 26th July: St Joachim & Anne

Wed 28th July: St Nazarius

Fri. 30th July: St Peter Chrysologus

Tues 27th July: St Theobald

Thurs 29th July: St Martha

Sat. 31st July: St Ignatius of Loyola

Next Week's Readings: 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time: Year C

Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23

Psalm 89:3-6, 12-14, 17

Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11

Luke 12:13-21

HAPPENINGS ACROSS THE PARISH

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| Monday 26 July | 9.15am | Mass & St Bernadette's Grades 5/6 | St Bernadette's Church |
| Monday 26 July | 7.30pm | St B. School Parents & Friends | St Bernadette's School |
| Tuesday 27 July | 8.00pm | Parish Finance Committee Meeting | |
| Wednesday 28 July | 7.00pm | Eucharist Catechist Class | Mary Immaculate Hall |
| Thursday 29 July | 11 – 12.30 | Travelling with Paul Book Club | Parish Office |
| Saturday 31 July | 10.00am | Reconciliation | Mary Immaculate Church |
| Monday 2 August | 9.15am | Mass & St Bernadette's Grade 3 | St Bernadette's Church |
| Monday 2 August | 7.30pm | Eucharist Information Evening | St Bernadette's School |
| Monday 2 August | 7.30pm | Baptism Preparation Meeting | |
| Monday 2 August | 8.00pm | Parish Leadership Team Meeting | Parish Office |
| Wednesday 4 August | 12.00pm | Outreach Social Afternoon | St B Community Centre |
| Wednesday 4 August | 7.00pm | Eucharist Catechist Class | Mary Immaculate Hall |
| Thursday 5 August | 11 – 12.30 | Travelling with Paul Book Club | Parish Office |
| Saturday 7 August | 10.00am | Reconciliation | Mary Immaculate Church |
| Saturday 7 August | 6.30pm | First Eucharist – St Bernadette's School | St Bernadette's Church |
| Sunday 8 August | 6 – 8.30pm | Young Peoples' Group – Juniors | Mary Immaculate Hall |

INFORMATION

Caritas Australia's "Be More" Weekend:

Check out Caritas Australia's **Be More** Weekend (6-8 August, 2010) – it's an opportunity for you, your family, school, parish and community to come together in solidarity to be just, be green and be more!
<http://www.bemore.org.au/weekend>.

Inspired by the profound words of Archbishop Oscar Romero, "Aspire not to have more, but to be more", this year the three days of grassroots activities focus on water. All the details are on the website - register your school, parish, family and friends and take action for social and environmental justice! – **Amanda Smith**

"Mary MacKillop walks for young adults":

MacKillop Young Adult Community invites young adults to come & visit significant sites in the life of Mary MacKillop here in Melbourne. Leave Flagstaff Gardens at 2pm on the 4th Saturday of the month - visit the birth site, Mary MacKillop Heritage Centre and site of the First Providence. Come and be inspired by the person of Mary MacKillop in this year of Canonisation. Bookings phone: 9926 9300 or macyac@sosj.org.au
MacYAC is a ministry of the Sisters of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart of the Victorian Province

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Fr. John hasn't been 'crying wolf.'!!

Recently, it has happened at each of our three churches that the priest expected to celebrate a weekend Mass, arrived late or not did not arrive at all! In all cases, the congregation rose to the occasion. This seems to be a good time to invite anyone interested to spend a little time 'behind the scenes' because familiarity will make us all confident to play a role should / when the need for a Communion Service arises again.

Venue: Mary Chapel at Mary Immaculate. Time: 7.45 - 9.00pm on Thursday 29th July or Wed 4th August
Or at any time that suits you. Merle 9497 1691 or email: merle.gilbo@blaze.net.au

From the Vicar General, Bishop Les Tomlinson:

The Archdiocese has been advised that there have been several incidents of theft during Mass, particularly at times when people go to Communion. It may be a timely warning to all of us not to leave valuables on the seat or under pews when going to receive Communion at Mass. In the past we have had a case where a handbag was removed near the end of Mass, and the usual associated complications after a theft of any kind.

Centacare Collection 2010: The Annual Appeal for Centacare Catholic Family Services will take place at all Masses next weekend 31 July – 1 August. Centacare has supported and cared for families of the Melbourne Archdiocese for over 70 years, and is grateful for the support of our Catholic communities.



"Travelling with Paul":

The Catholic Parish of Ivanhoe book club / study group is commencing on **Thursday July 29th 11 am – 12.30pm at the Parish Office.** It will be held at the same time each week to journey through *The Acts of the Apostles*. There's still time to join!!

Please let me know if you would be interested in a similar group in an evening timeslot. Contact Amanda on 9499 1515 or cpipastoralassoc@bigpond.com

From Amanda:

Beautiful camellias are bravely flowering all around Ivanhoe. There are some near the Parish Office and around the side of Mary Immaculate church. Scripture tells of "the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden" and also that God said: "Be still and know that I am God." It's good to take some time to be with God – wherever you are.- **Amanda Smith, Pastoral Associate**

"A Brief History of the Catholic Parish of Ivanhoe":

After much work the Parish has at last a brief record of its impressive history! Officially launched at the Parish Dinner Dance on Sat 24 July this illustrated, colour, bound publication can be ordered for \$30 (collected). Those who are registered members of the Parish email list will soon be able to download their own electronic copy for free if they wish (you can register on the Parish Website SUBSCRIBE page. This email list is free and will keep you updated on Parish developments and events). Anyone else interested who can't avail themselves of purchase or download may contact an Executive member of the Leadership Team for other arrangements.

Outreach Group:

The Outreach Group has organized a film afternoon for Thursday, August 12 at Mary Immaculate Hall. Our theme for the film is HUMOUR.

We plan to serve hot savouries with champagne or juice at 1pm followed by tea/coffee and cakes or slice later. The charge at the door will be \$8 and the afternoon will end by 3pm or thereabouts. Come along and laugh at the winter gloom. To assist with catering arrangements please contact Eileen 9499 7120, Helen 9499 7793 or Sue 9499 1485 if you plan to attend.

More information about 'Morning Melodies' (September 21st) next week.

Financial Statements / Receipts 2010:

Financial statements for contributions 1 July 2009 – 30 June 2010 to the Parish Thanksgiving program are available for collection in each church. Two financial statements are enclosed in each envelope with an accompanying letter concerning tax deductions.

Mary Immaculate – in Street order

Mother of God & St Bernadette's – in alphabetical order.

At the end of 2009 you were informed that the tax deduction for the financial year July 2009 – June 2010 would be reduced to 20%. The Parish Leadership Team wishes to remind you that for the financial year July 2010 – June 2011 will be 10%, and after that period of time no tax deduction will be available. (For some reason there is a single entry of 25% which appears to be a result of a computer glitch).

Thanksgiving Options:

There are three options for giving which will hopefully best suit your needs and circumstances – weekly envelopes, or Credit Card or Direct Debit facilities on a fortnightly, monthly, quarterly or yearly basis. It is possible to change your method of giving if you wish – please contact Parish during office hours.

If you no longer wish to be part of the Thanksgiving Program it is important that the Parish Office is contacted ***personally as soon as possible*** so that we can respond to your needs so that mail or envelopes are not sent if no longer needed. Contact details: **Phone:** 9499 1515; **fax:** 9499 9959; **mail:** 4 Waverley Ave, Ivanhoe; **email:** catholicparishofivanhoe@bigpond.com

Young Peoples' Group:

- Our next Junior YPG event on ***Sunday 8 August*** from 6 - 8:30pm is a ***BYO*** dinner to share, plus Video Night (a great video on our big screen and fantastic sound system at the Hall behind M.I. Church (which is well heated). As usual at most YPG events in our buildings we'll also have a ***brief*** Reflection towards the end of the evening. Since it's BYO dinner there's no cost for this event.
- The following event is at a great games centre, Don Bosco (in Brunswick), on ***Sunday 22 August***, from 2.00 - 4:00pm. Don Bosco is big enough to accommodate both Junior and Senior YPG members. We'll send you more details later. Look at our web-page for further details - and also for later events. Some of you have suggested Dark Zone - so we've now added it!

It would really help us if you ***let us know please*** if you plan to ***come or not***.

To attend YPG events your parents need first to fill in a "Health Form" (if you haven't already) and send it to the Parish Office (either directly or via this email). The forms may be downloaded from the Parish website (Documents and Forms page) and when completed are kept confidential. They help us to take proper care of any special health / dietary issues, and to have your family's contact details on hand at events.

- ***Annette, Tom, Alison, John & crew***

Communicating the Good News:

- A Conversation on Communicating the Good News – Bishop Gerry Kicanas on Thursday 12 August at 5pm at Newman College, 887 Swanston St, Melbourne

Parent Seminars from the Catholic Education Office:

Parent Seminars run from 7-9pm and Registration Fee \$10. Coordinator – Shirley O'Sullivan 9464 5225

- 4 August: 'Sugar & Spice, understanding Girls' – St Mary's, 2 Mansfield St, Thornbury
- 11 August: 'Raising Mighty Boys' with Michael Grose at St Thomas the Apostle, 251 Diamond Creek Rd, Greensborough
- 15 September: 'Secrets of Raising Well Behaved Kids – how to say 'no' to your child' with Michael Grose – Sacred Heart, 116 Cotham Rd. Kew

Please check notice boards. There are some fliers available in each church

ROSTERS FOR WEEKEND 31 July – 1 August 2010

ST. BERNADETTE'S:

Saturday 6.30pm

Lector

J. Murphy

Special Ministers

E. Crawley, Sister Carmel

MARY IMMACULATE:

Sunday 9.00am

Leader

Ballao Family

Reader

M. Blakeman

Mass Coordinators

Ballao family

Counters

P. Gelsi, P. Black

Sunday 5.00pm

R. Villani

M. Blakeman

R. Villani

MOTHER OF GOD:

Sunday 10.30am

Sacristan

J. Taylor

Lector

J. Fitzgerald

Special Ministers

E. Brownstein, MA Darcy, J. Ellis

Altar Society: I. Chiera

Choir Coordinator: I. Chiera

COLLECTIONS:

Thanksgiving - \$1,451.50

Presbytery – \$1,084.65

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