

THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF IVANHOE

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Masses:

Weekend: Saturday: 6.30pm St Bernadette's Sunday: 9am Mary Immaculate; 10.30am Mother of God Wednesday: Mary Immaculate Friday: St Bernadette's

No. 25 16 – 17 June 2012

11th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: YEAR B

THE WORD

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: O Lord, hear my voice, for I have called to you; be my help. Do not

abandon or forsake me, O God, my Saviour!

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Lord it is good to give thanks to you.

V. 1. It is good to give thanks to the Lord to make music to your name, O Most High, To proclaim your love in the morning and your truth in the watches of the night. **R.**

V. 2. The just will flourish like the palm-tree and grow like a Lebanon cedar. R.

V. 3. Planted in the house of the Lord they will flourish in the courts of our God, Still bearing fruit when they are old, still full of sap, still green,

To proclaim that the Lord is just. In him, my rock, there is no wrong. R.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower; all who come to him will live for ever. Alleluia!

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL: Loving God: We give thanks for your grace.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: There is one thing I ask of the Lord, only this do I seek: to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY:

We remember all in need of prayer at this time including Ma Lim, Anna Maria Bona, Jim Pickering, Keith Smith, Carmel Delaney, Joy Meacham, Sheila Ryan, Bev Horne, Sidney Delaney and Jill Brophy. We remember all who provide care and support for those in need.

We remember May Britton and Colleen Yeomans who have died recently. We also remember Maria Dri whose anniversary occurs at this time. May they rest in peace.

Please note: Collectors needed for Leaving Collections at each Mass:

As advised by the Archdiocese, there will be Leaving Collections after Mass in each church this weekend for the St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal.

Please see notice in newsletter.

This Week's Readings: 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time: Year B

Ezekiel 17:22-24 Psalm 91:2-3, 13-16 2 Corinthians 9:5, 6-10 Mark 4:26-34

Saint and Feast Days:

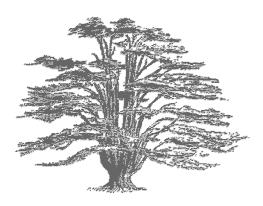
Mon 18 June: St Gregory Barbarigo
Wed 20 June: St Alban
Tues 19 June: St Juliana Falconieri
Thurs 21 June: St Aloysius Gonzaga

Fri. 22 June: Ss John Fisher & Thomas More Sat. 23 June: St Etheldra

Next Week's Readings: Nativity of St John the Baptist: Year B

Isaiah 49:1-3 Psalm 138:1-3, 13-15 Acts 13:22-26 Luke 1:57-66, 80

REFLECTION:



The readings today remind us that poetic imagery is an apt way of describing the mysterious presence of God in our midst. The cedar began as a seedling that takes years to grow into a magnificent tree. The same is true of the mustard tree. It too requires time to develop its trunk and branches. The development of moral integrity in a human being is just as gradual. Rooted in God, it flourishes in God's presence and it produces fruit even into old age. Although God is present in all things, sustaining them and allowing them to follow their natural courses, God really transcends all things. Metaphorical language may be the best means for speaking about God and the things of God. It enables us to live in the tension that both reveals something about God and conceals God's real nature.

The reign of God also begins in very ordinary circumstances, and it matures gradually until it has spread itself far and wide. Although the mystery of the reign of God unfolds within human history, we need eyes of faith to recognise it. Like the cedar and the mustard seed, it grows within the concreteness of human experience. Just as the life force that thrusts the branches of the trees further and further out cannot itself be seen, so the reign of God is mysterious, even incomprehensible. Still, it is there, inviting us, urging us to move forward, transforming our world.

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HAPPENINGS ACROSS THE PARISH			
Saturday 16 June 16 – 17 June	10.00am	Reconciliation St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal	Mary Immaculate Church See notice in newsletter
Wednesday 20 June Wednesday 20 June Saturday 23 June	9.15am 8.00pm 10.00am	Mass & Mary Immaculate School 3/4M, 3/ Pastoral Leadership Team Meeting Reconciliation	/4R Mary Immaculate Church Parish Office St Bernadette's Church
Friday 29 June Saturday 30 June	10.00am	End of School Term 2 Reconciliation	Mary Immaculate Church

Brief notes from the PLT Meeting of 23 May 2012: Items reported / discussed included:

- Outreach Group continues to host monthly 'lunch and cards' gatherings, held an enjoyable film afternoon and reports a 'full bus' for the trip to Williamstown.
- Co-operation from many people resulted in whole-hearted celebrations of the days of the Easter Triduum.
- Sixty young people will be confirmed on 3rd June including 20 from the Catechist group. Ruth Villani's skill and dedication was applauded.
- The Finance / Maintenance Group has approved some electrical and painting work across the parish.
- Fr. Joseph Youn has been incardinated into the Archdiocese of Melbourne. (There is a Mass of Incardination for Fr Youn at 11am, Sunday 10th June at St Bernadette's Church)
- Work on the Ford St. Development is going ahead in all the areas needed, e.g. arranging loans, council permissions, consideration of management of units.
- John Costa was thanked for his week by week management of our website and his help in all matters relating to Multimedia.

<u>Vinnies CEO Sleepout - Thursday 21 June, 6pm to 6am</u>: There are more than 100,000 Australians who sleep rough each night of the year. Just under half of these are women; a quarter of these are under the age of 18. CEOs and senior business and community leaders in capital cities across Australia are invited to rise to the challenge and experience what it is like to be homeless for one night in winter and help the St Vincent de Paul Society to raise awareness of the real facts of homelessness. All money raised through the sponsorship of participants goes directly towards the ongoing provision of Vinnies' homeless services across the country. Will you rise to the challenge and sleep out in Melbourne this year?

Where: Etihad Stadium Docklands, Melbourne Cost: Donation

Registration: www.ceosleepout.org.au/events/vic-sleepout/ **Contact:** Kellie Evans 9895 5842

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St Vincent De Paul Winter Appeal – Sunday 17th June 2012: Leaving Collection

This season is shaping up to be a very cold winter and some families in our parish and nearby vicinity are struggling to keep warm. The Society invites the parishioners to assist this appeal with donations of canned food, warm clothing, doonas and blankets which can be placed in the box at the door. Alternatively you may prefer to contribute to the Appeal Leaving Collection or take an envelope from the table in the foyer.

Your support for this appeal is greatly appreciated. - St Vincent de Paul Conference

<u>The Vinnies Centre Heidelberg</u>: Volunteers are being urgently sought to assist at the Vinnies Centre in The Mall, West Heidelberg. Enquiries to Marlene on: 9458 3428.

Thank you: Keith Smith is now recovering at home and wishes to sincerely thank all concerned for their prayers over past weeks, as well as encouragement and support given which has been much appreciated.

Notices next week: Notices, anniversaries and prayer requests are needed no later than 5pm Tuesday please because the parish newsletter will be printed Wednesday next week instead of Friday. Although Ruth will be absent from the Office on Thursday and Friday, the Parish Office will be attended as normal.

<u>Choosing the hymns for our celebrations - a weekly task:</u> We try to do that so that they really enhance the way we pray and so cannot be haphazard, 'hit and miss.' What criteria help us to decide?

- a. The hymns must fit the Mass itself and the season of the year.
- b. What do the parishioners know and like? The 'old' and 'familiar' or something new?
- c. How do we introduce new hymns? How often should this be? New hymns are chosen to be 'user friendly' and we believe the melodies can be picked up after a few times. Let's always 'have a go'.
- d. If you have ideas, suggestions, talk to any of the music people, particularly Isma Chiera, John Costa or Merle Gilbo who will see what is possible.

Outreach July Events:

Good weather and a very good day in Williamstown yesterday to celebrate the birthdays of Lena Deni and Nancy Gibb. We now look forward to July:

- o Lunch and games day on July 4 at Mother of God Church
- o 'Christmas in July' at the Cuckoo restaurant in the Dandenongs We aim to collect all money by July 4. We will Depart Waverley Ave. 10.30am, Arrive back approx. 4.30pm. Cost 55 per person.

We need 45 passengers. Over 20 have put their names down already so don't miss out as the bus can't be expanded. Menu includes soup, seafood, roasts, vegetarian dishes, salad bar, cold meat platters, a huge choice of desserts, as well as Bavarian dishes.

Contact Helen 9499 7793 or Eileen 9499 7120.

Respecting Patient Choices: 10am - Tuesday 3rd July - St Pius X, 419 Waterdale Rd Heidelberg West

Presenters from Austin Health will inform us about policies regarding "Respecting Patient Choices'. They will tell us about some common issues individuals and their families face when confronted with life threatening medical situations (either through unexpected circumstances or the natural course of becoming older). They will explain their Advanced care Plan, and how we can nominate another individual to make medical decisions if we are unable to ourselves, and to record our preferences for treatment. Everyone is welcome to this very important presentation about situations that may eventually affect us all or our own families. **RSVP** to Fr Wayne or Tracey by phone, email or in person: 9457 5794 or stpiusvic@bigpond.com

Thanksgiving Envelopes 1 July – 30 December 2012 are available for collection in each church.

Mary Immaculate – in Street order

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

Statements for Thanksgiving contributions via envelopes, Credit Cards or Direct Debit for the period January to June 2012 will be issued in July after June bank statements have been received.

Please feel free to deliver envelopes to those nearby or unable to collect them personally. If you wish to contribute to the Parish Thanksgiving program, contact details are: <u>Mail:</u> 4 Waverley Ave, Ivanhoe 3079 <u>Phone:</u> 9499 1515 <u>fax:</u> 9499 9959; or <u>email:</u> catholicparishofivanhoe@bigpond.com

If circumstances have changed and you are either unable or no longer wish to contribute as part of Thanksgiving contributions please contact the Parish Office <u>as soon as possible</u>. The Parish Office <u>needs</u> <u>personal contact made</u> using one of the above options so that we can respond to and respect your wishes; and thus not mail envelopes when they are no longer required. - Ruth

Woolworths Earn and Learn Program:

The Woolworths Earn and Learn Program involves collecting stickers (\$10 = 1 sticker) from Woolworths and with points earned, schools can purchase resources. Stickers can be placed on cards available at Woolworths. There is a box in <u>each school</u> for Woolworths' cards and stickers and you are welcome to take them to the school during school hours. There are boxes in Woolworths Ivanhoe. Promotion ends 22 July.

Breakfast Club - Saturday 23 June - new time 10am:

Morning Mass will be at 10am followed by Adoration. Breakfast is then provided in the hall next door. It is a great chance to connect with other young people. **Where:** All Saints Parish, 174 Brunswick St, Fitzroy **RSVP**: AOY on Facebook OR 9412 3300 or aoy@cam.org.au

Enabling Social Inclusion - Tuesday 26 June, 9am to 1pm:

To members and friends of Catholic Social Services Victoria, you are invited to join us for a half day seminar on the policy and practice framework required to enable social inclusion for those people living with mental illness. This seminar will be of interest to practitioners, volunteers, advocates, managers and those involved in service design and research.

Where: Cardinal Knox Centre, 383 Albert St, East Melbourne Cost: \$50 per workshop

RSVP: Mon 18 June www.trybooking.com/BMYR - Lucia Brick 9287 5566; email: lucia.brick@css.org.au

Social Justice in the City: Wednesday 27 June, 12pm to 1pm

The talk "From exclusion to inclusion: From welfare to wellbeing – mobilising government, community and church to enhance Australians' wellbeing" will be delivered by Robert Fitzgerald AM. Robert will draw on his long experience in public policy, social advocacy, community, and also on recent inquiries, to illustrate how society will need to respond to the emerging needs of the most vulnerable. This event is hosted by Francis Conference Melbourne which is a part of the St Vincent de Paul Society. All are welcome and complimentary tea/coffee and biscuits will be served. Where: St Francis Pastoral Centre – MacKillop Room, St Francis' Church annex, 326 Lonsdale Street, Melbourne. Contact: Paula 9895 5800

Pajama Game: Diamond Valley Singers and Eltham Orchestra will present 'Pajama Game' at Warrandyte High School Theatre, Alexander Rd, Warrandyte from 6th – 14th July. 2pm performances: 7, 8 & 14th July and 8pm performances – 6, 7, 11, 13 & 14th July. Tickets: Adults \$30, Concession \$25, Child \$15

WYD Brazil - "One Year to Go" Celebration - Friday 27 July, 6:30pm:

The Official Launch of the Victorian Pilgrimage to Rio 2013 - All are invited to the 2013 World Youth Day "One Year to Go" celebration. Fr Robert Galea will lead a special praise and worship session at St Mary Star of the Sea Church, 33 Howard St, West Melbourne which will be followed by Mass at 7:30pm with celebrant Archbishop Denis Hart. After Mass, at 8:30pm, the celebrations will continue with a huge Brazilian Carnivale, giving everyone the chance to experience the amazing culture of Brazil. This event is open to all those from around Victoria who want to start getting ready for World Youth Day in Rio de Janeiro, whether they will be able to attend World Youth Day or not. RSVP: Friday 20 July Call: 9412 3300 / aoy@cam.org.au

AOY Volunteers needed: The AOY is looking for volunteers to assist with the One Year to Go
Carnivale World Youth Day 2013 Launch on Friday 27 July. We'll be looking for people to assist with simple tasks on the night.

Contact: AOY office 9412 3300 or email: aoy@cam.org.au

ROSTERS FOR WEEKEND: 23 – 24 June 2012

ST. BERNADETTE'S: Lector **Special Ministers** A. Pellizzari, T. Nibali Saturday 6.30pm J. Murphy

MARY IMMACULATE: Leader Reader **Mass Coordinators Counters**

Sunday 9.00am K. Bator M. Auguste J. & D. Jones M. Rocco, L. McInerney

MOTHER OF GOD: Sacristan Lector **Special Ministers**

Sunday 10.30am D. Ervin, M. Chin, B. / S. Janus B. Brownstein E. Mount

Choir Coordinator: M. De Silva Altar Society: P. Mendes

Total: \$1,530.15 **First Collection – Thanksgiving:** Envelopes: \$1,187.00 Loose cash: \$343.15 **Second Collection – Presbytery:** \$ 581.20

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