



THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF IVANHOE

St Bernadette's Church, 89 Bond St, Ivanhoe West

Mary Immaculate Church, 4 Waverley

Ave, Ivanhoe

Mother of God Church, 56 Wilfred Rd, Ivanhoe East

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Masses:

Weekend: Saturday: 6.30pm St Bernadette's **Sunday:** 9am Mary Immaculate; 10.30am Mother of God
Weekday: 9.15am **Tuesday:** Mother of God **Wednesday:** Mary Immaculate **Friday:** St Bernadette's

No. 13

30 – 31 March 2013

EASTER SUNDAY: YEAR C

THE WORD

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: **The Lord is truly risen, alleluia. To him be glory and power for all the ages of eternity, alleluia, alleluia.**

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 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 corner stone.

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 our Passover has been sacrificed, alleluia; therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread of purity and truth, alleluia, alleluia.**

PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY:

We remember all in need of prayer at this time including Bishop Joe O'Connell, Nora Brown, Danka Saric, Mike McGuire, Sheila Ryan, Mary Bezzina, Kerry McGuire, Phillip Reed and Bev Horne. We remember all who provide care and support for those in need.

We remember all those who have died recently. We also remember Michelle Lunn, Jean Aver and Marcello Rigoni whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace.

This Week's Readings: Easter Sunday: Year C

Acts 10:34, 37-43

Psalm 117:1-2, 16-17, 22-23

Colossians 3:1-4

John 20:1-9

Saint and Feast Days:

Mon 1 April: St Celsus

Wed 3 April: St Richard

Fri 5 April: St Vincent ferrer

Tues 2 April: St Francis of Paola

Thurs 4 April: St Isidore

Sat 6 April: St Celestine I

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

Acts 5:12-16

Psalm 117:2-4, 22-27

Apocalypse 1:9-13, 17-19

John 20:19-31



We wish all parishioners, families, friends and visitors a Happy and a Blessed Easter. - Father Thang,
Pastoral Leadership Team and all at the Parish Office

The Paschal Mystery 2:

God Raised Him from the Dead

The resurrection of Jesus is absolutely essential for our faith: "If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain" (1 Cor 15:14). For this reason, Jesus' tragic death was not the last word; it is only half of Jesus' story. So we cannot separate the resurrection of Jesus from the message of the cross because Jesus' life and ministry, crucifixion, exaltation, and glorification are integral parts of God's plan of salvation.

The Easter *Kerygma* or Proclamation

The Easter *kerygma* or proclamation is made up of short credal statements which derive originally from early Christian preaching or liturgy. One of the earliest Easter *kerygma* appears in 1 Cor 15:3-5, even before the Gospels are written: "For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve."

Note that the Pauline tradition is not a dramatic description of an event which does not include any details. It states the belief of the early communities that Jesus has been raised and that there are witnesses. Interestingly, Paul uses the Greek verb "he appeared" - *ophthe* (1 Cor 15:5-8) which is linked to the Hebrew notion of theophany with its two-fold meaning: an objective, real initiative on the part of God to be made known, and; a subjective response in faith on behalf of those undergoing this religious experience. Both dimensions are strongly emphasized in the post-resurrection encounter narratives. Some other examples of the Easter Proclamation are: Rom 1:3-4 and 10:9 (ancient catechetical formulas or confession of faith); Lk 24:34 (liturgy); Phil 2:6-11; Acts 10:36-43; 1 Tim 3:16 (hymns).

The Appearances of the Risen Lord

The appearances of the Risen Lord developed later in the tradition. They are quite different from the Easter *kerygma* in that they are dramatic-narratives with dialogue and vivid detail about persons, place, and circumstances. In Matthew, Jesus appears to the disciples in Galilee after his ascension; in Luke, the appearances occur on the same day in Jerusalem prior to the ascension; in John, the story is different again. Interestingly, the original Markan account has no appearance stories, but only the discovery of the empty tomb. Scriptural scholars generally agree that these and many other discrepancies in the appearance stories point to the fact that we are dealing with sophisticated literary or theological writings rather than attempts to record history. The gospels are less concerned with history (what happened) than with theology (how is God revealed to us in what happened). When it comes to accounting for the historicity of the appearances, we have the further difficulty of explaining a unique happening that is beyond the world of ordinary experience.

Reflections on Easter Faith

First and foremost, the resurrection is an act of God's power raising Jesus from the dead; and all that can be seen historically are the results of this act, the appearances, the empty tomb, and ongoing Christian faith itself. Second, it is terribly important to avoid two extremes. On the one hand, the resurrection should not be understood as an objective, empirical event which can be verified by the criteria of historical investigation. The resurrection is a trans-historical event which lies outside the conditions of space and time. That is why the disciples' reaction is one of hesitation, fear and even doubt. So, at the resurrection, Jesus exists in a different mode of existence (Acts 2:32, 36). On the other hand, it would be a mistake to reduce the resurrection to a purely subjective experience of the disciples, an interior feeling of the disciples who were the witnesses.

What does Easter faith mean for us in 2013?

Perhaps Easter faith enables us to see and experience the joys and hopes, the grief and anguish of our daily lives with the eyes of Jesus Christ. These experiences are real experiences of grace and salvation confirming God's unique presence in Jesus, a presence continuing beyond the grave and available to all who believe. So we must take the risk in our own lives of encountering the mystery of the Jesus-event by means of the Scriptures and the sacraments and the celebration of his death, and by living in the community of his believers.

"We know the risen Christ through what we see, hear, sing, do, touch and smell. Thus we en-act the resurrection not only each year at Easter, but also on every Sunday and each day in the liturgy, becoming ourselves part of the ongoing history of the resurrection." (*Fr Gerald O'Collins SJ, Believing in the Resurrection, 2012*)

Who do we receive at the Communion?

Answer: It is the risen Christ!

HAPPENINGS ACROSS THE PARISH

Monday 1 April	7.30pm	Baptism Preparation Session	Parish Office
Tuesday 2 April	4.15pm	Christian Meditation	Mary Immaculate Hall
Saturday 6 April	8am – 12noon	Working Bee - Parish Office & Mary Immaculate	
Saturday 6 April	10.00am	Reconciliation	Mary Immaculate Church
Tuesday 9 April	4.15pm	Christian Meditation	Mary Immaculate Hall
Saturday 13 April	10.00am	Reconciliation	Mother of God Church
Monday 15 April		School Term 2 commences	
Tuesday 16 April	4.15pm	Christian Meditation	Mary Immaculate Hall
Wednesday 17 April	7.00pm	Confirmation Class 1	Mary Immaculate Hall
Saturday 20 April	10.00am	Reconciliation	Mary Immaculate Church
Weekend 20 – 21 April		Confirmation Rite of Enrolment as part of the Mass at all three churches	

PLEASE NOTE: Friday 5th April - *No First Friday Devotions* at St Bernadette's Church

Christian Meditation:

Christian Meditation meetings continue Tuesday 4.15 pm at Mary Immaculate Hall, 4 Waverley Ave, Ivanhoe. All are welcome. Further information, please ring Kathy Gillespie: 0438 530 324

Project Compassion 2013: Project Compassion contributions need to be returned Easter weekend or no later than the end of April. If **receipt is required, please fill in details on box lids or back of envelopes.**

Receipts are issued when returns are processed and completed before sending to Caritas. – Ruth

Parish Working Bee Saturday 6 April - 8 Am to 12 Noon:

Working bees are wonderful communal events; the cuppa and chat afterwards alone make it worthwhile! Hoping you, parishioners and school families can spare an hour or two to help the Parish in this practical way. This time, it is mostly a garden clean up around the Parish Office, Mary Immaculate Hall and Church, and any other small jobs that are easy for us to do! BYO gloves and useful gardening/pruning/cleaning equipment... Morning tea will be provided

Outreach News:

Our next excursion will be 'Christmas in July' – more information later. Upcoming events:

- ◆ Mass of Anointing and Blessing 23 April 10.30am Mother of God Church
- ◆ Film & High Afternoon Tea 1 May 1.00pm... Mary Immaculate Hall
- ◆ Outreach Social Afternoon 15 May 12 – 3.00pm Mother of God Church foyer

Please note: No Social Afternoon in April. – Eileen, Sue and Helen

ANZAC Commemoration Services:



- Commemoration Ceremony and Wreath-laying Service. Sunday 21st April at 2.30pm. The march will begin from the Ivanhoe Library Car Park and conclude at the Soldiers' Memorial at Studley Rd, Ivanhoe for the Commemoration Ceremony and Wreath-Laying. After the ceremony, you are invited for refreshments and Afternoon Tea in the Ivanhoe RSL Club Rooms.

Transport available for Disabled & Elderly Veterans: RSL Ivanhoe Sub-Branch: 9499 2051

- ANZAC Commemoration Mass: 8.00am on Thursday 25th April at St Bernadette's Church

Request from Mary Immaculate Parish Primary School - Mothers' Day preparation:

Dear Parishioners, We are planning to get the MIPPS children involved in making something special for their mothers for Mothers' Day and would like to extend an invitation to each of you to join us in this craftwork activity and/or donate any items that could be used, such as the following:

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| Rose petals | Bay leaves | Beads |
| Lavender flowers and stalks | Scented Geranium leaves | Embroidery thread |
| Lemon scented Gum leaves | Buttons | Fabric remnants |

Please reach out to Ruth (9499 1515), Alida McKern (0417 375 707) or Alina Rizzo (0409 343 412) to express your interest in helping out. Items can be dropped off, in a sealed bag (with your name and contact details please) during school hours at the school office, or by contacting one of us during the school holidays.

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Green Thanksgiving Envelopes for St Gabriel's Church, Upper Holloway:

These envelopes above have been given to collections at St Bernadette's Mass over recent weeks. The Office would be very grateful if that family could please contact the Parish Office 9499 1515 in case parish Thanksgiving Envelopes are required. Many thanks - Ruth

Yarra Deanery – Position vacant: Yarra Deanery wants to employ a Resource Coordinator, to replace Charles Balnaves. It is a part-time position (8 hours per week) which involves working with the 8 Parish Priests of the Deanery, Pastoral Associates, Parish Leaders and parishioners, as well as Deanery Coordinator. Knowledge of the pastoral challenges of the eight parishes is important, as well as ideas and proposals that might become practical programs for the Deanery. A procedures manual is available, which provides information on office administration, funding, BAS and PAYG. **Closing date: Friday 19th April**
Further information: Contact Deanery Coordinator Fr.Bill Gill 9842 1480 or Charles Balnaves 0417 319 556

Workshop for Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist : Tuesdays 23 & 30 April, 7pm – 8:45pm
The Archbishop's Office for Evangelisation invites new and experienced ministers of the Eucharist throughout Melbourne to a liturgical formation workshop designed to nurture your ministry. Even if you've been a Eucharistic minister for many years this is a chance to refocus on the purpose of your ministry and learn from others' experiences. To be led by guest speaker Fr Jo Dirks SSS.
Please note: registrants must have permission from their Parish Priest prior to registering.

Volunteer Opportunity Assisting Refugee Students - Mercy Connect Project:
Mercy Works Ltd is currently recruiting volunteers to support refugee students in their educational transitions in Secondary and Primary Schools across Melbourne. The volunteer commitment is approximately half a day per week for four school terms. Experience working in an educational setting is required. Retired teachers are encouraged to apply. A training program will be conducted in June 2013. Please contact Sr. Mary Lewis for an application form and further information. Mercy Connect Project 9326 1895; email somml@bigpond.com

The Man of Assisi – musical: You are wanted to be a part of a new exciting musical, The Man of Assisi' which is entertaining and inspirational. It is about the life of St Francis & to be performed at 5 star performing arts theatre. It is Victorian grown with a young composer and starring talented Australians. Auditions for performers are on for 2 more weekends & meetings with anyone who would like to help backstage or other areas of the musical. It's a great way to use and develop your gifts, serve God and meet new people. Training will be provided from professionals in the field. Contact Geraldine 0413 398 528 or geraldine343@gmail.com; or Antonio 0407 048 236 or antoniorullez@hotmail.com

CatholicCare Fundraising High Tea - Sunday 21 April, 2:30pm
Come and enjoy an afternoon of elegance, fine food and inspiration shared with friends. All proceeds from the High Tea will be directed to CatholicCare's Alcohol & Other Drug Family Service run from the St Mary of the Cross Centre Fitzroy. Places are limited so please register soon to avoid disappointment.
Cost: \$45 **Where:** Box Hill Town Hall, 1022 Whitehorse Road Box Hill **RSVP:** Friday 12 April
More info: www.ccam.org.au/How-to-Help/Events/Future-Events.aspx
Contact: Kathy Matthews 8417 1200 or kathleen.matthews@ccam.org.au

ROSTERS FOR WEEKEND: 6 – 7 April 2013

<u>ST. BERNADETTE'S:</u> Saturday 6.30pm	Lector J. Murphy	Special Ministers A. Pellizzari, T. Nibali	
<u>MARY IMMACULATE:</u> Sunday 9.00am	Leader P. Callahan	Reader F. Tosolini	Mass Coordinators J. Costa
			Counters P. & H. Nguyen
<u>MOTHER OF GOD:</u> Sunday 10.30am	Sacristan A. Patterson	Lector I. Chiera	Special Ministers By arrangement
	Altar Society:		Choir Coordinator: School holidays

First Collection – Thanksgiving: Envelopes: \$1,548.35 Loose cash: \$620.40 **Total: \$2,168.75**
Second Collection – Presbytery: **\$ 842.95**

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