

# 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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| <b>Parish Priest:</b>       | Fr. Thang Vu                 | 63 Wilfred Rd, Ivanhoe East                       | 9499 5440             |
| <b>Priest in Residence:</b> | Fr. Thanh Tran               | <b>Parish Secretary:</b> Mrs. Ruth Villani        |                       |
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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. 21**

**25 – 26 May 2013**

## TRINITY SUNDAY: YEAR C

### THE WORD

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:** **Blest be God the Father, and the Only Begotten Son of God, and also the Holy Spirit, for he has shown us his merciful love.**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:** **O Lord, our God, how wonderful your name in all the earth! .**

V. 1. When I see the heavens, the work of your hands, the moon and the stars which you arranged,  
What is man that you should keep him in mind, mortal man that you care for him? **R.**

V. 2. Yet you have made him little less than a god; with glory and honour you crowned him,  
Gave him power over the works of your hand, put all things under his feet. **R.**

V. 3. All of them, sheep and cattle, yes, even the savage beasts, birds of the air,  
And fish that make their way through the waters. **R.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** **Alleluia, alleluia! Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: to God who is, who was, and who is to come. Alleluia!**

**PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL:** Let us pray: **In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit**

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:** **Since you are children of God, God has sent into your hearts the Spirit of his Son, the Spirit who cries out: Abba, Father.**

### **PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY:**

We remember all in need of prayer at this time including Peter Tongue, Nora Brown, Danka Saric, Mike McGuire, Sheila Ryan, Mary Bezzina and Bev Horne. We remember all who provide care and support for those in need.

We remember Carla Righetto and Peter Dunbar who died recently. We also remember Benoir John Malcolm, Francesco and Anna Marta Calvisi, Gianbattista and Maria Di Marco, Vincenzo Di Marco and Elmo Pertile whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace.



**Baptisms:** We welcome Ava Cameron and Emma Rose who are baptised into the faith community of the Catholic Parish of Ivanhoe this weekend. We welcome their families, relatives and friends who have come to share this special occasion, one of many steps taken in the lifelong journey of faith.

### **This Week's Readings: Trinity Sunday: Year C**

**Proverbs 8:22-31**

**Psalms 8:4-9**

**Romans 5:1-5**

**John 16:12-15**

#### *Saint and Feast Days:*

*Mon 27 May: St Augustine of Canterbury*

*Wed 29 May: St Maximus*

*Fri 31 May: The Visitation*

*Tues 28 May: St Germanus*

*Thurs 30 May: St Joan of Arc*

*Sat 1 June: St Justin*

### **Next Week's Readings: Corpus Christi: Year C**

**Genesis 14:18-20**

**Psalms 109:1-4**

**1 Corinthians 11:23-26**

**Luke 9:11-17**

## Reflection of the week from Fr Thang:

### ***In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.***

With this short common prayer, we, Christians profess our belief in the greatness of all mysteries - the mystery of the Blessed Trinity. It is not a mystery in the sense of being a puzzle, which some genius will some day solve. *Mystery* in the religious sense is deepest the reality, that which is always beyond anything we can fully experience and comprehend. As I recall the story of my escaped experience from Vietnam in a small boat on a big sea – how insignificant I and my fellow escapees were.



We, as a community of faith believe that God has revealed himself to us as a Trinity or community of Persons: the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. This is the most fundamental and essential statement in the “hierarchy of the truths” of our faith. All other teachings of the Church are derived from and intimately related to it. God’s true nature is a deep mystery, beyond our human knowledge. However, Jesus Christ has privileged us with the profound truth that the Father is God, the Son is God, and the Holy Spirit is God, and yet there are not three gods but one God.

Every Sunday and on the solemnities, we all profess our faith in the Triune God or the Holy Trinity. However, the doctrine of Trinity is more than just a matter of right teaching, or correct formula, but the worship of the Church is first of all praise of the God who has created and redeems us; but it is also the way we learn a kind of skill, the art of living.

While the categories of Father, Son and Spirit are scriptural, a formulation of trinitarian understanding did not take hold in the Christian faith until the third century. Debates arose when theologians began to articulate and debate the divinity of Jesus and the internal relationship of God, manifest in the Trinity. In 381 AD, the trinitarian faith of the Church was distilled and proclaimed in what came to be called the Nicene Creed, which remained the most significant confession of faith in the Triune God.

Like all other areas of theology, trinitarian theology does not remain static. It involves constant reflections which can be developed and challenged in a particular context of a believing community. Among the contemporary trinitarian theology, I am fascinated with Fr Anthony Kelly CSsR, *The Trinity of Love* which he suggests that the inter-religious significance of trinitarian doctrine is that

from the standpoint of Christian faith, the Trinity ... opens one’s Christian faith out to experiences of God other than those realized in historical Christianity, allowing the Christian both to hear his or her own belief in new terms and to express the meaning of Christ Jesus more clearly and redemptively in others. (p 232)

This has direct implications for mission, for the proclamation of the Gospel to those whose faith is not in Christ. In other words, the Trinity expresses a hope for all creation. Despite darkness, emptiness, fear and sin, the Word continues to be spoken, the Spirit continues to be given, Love continues to be Love for all. Therefore trinitarian faith must allow for God’s activity beyond Christian history. As Kelly notes:

Christian belief in the self-communication of God demands...openness to the presence and activity of God in all ages and cultures....The Incarnation of the Word and the en-heartening of the Spirit demand that we be attentive to the experience and the expression of all those who, through the conditions of Christian history, have been excluded from communion or conversation with us. (p234)

So in the name of Love, Kelly invites and challenges us to engage in dialogue with others whose faith is not in Christ.

### ***Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit as it was in the beginning, is now, and forever. Amen.***

Source: Kelly, Anthony. *The Trinity of Love: A Theology of the Christian God*. Wilmington, Del.: M. Glazier, 1989)

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## HAPPENINGS ACROSS THE PARISH

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| Saturday 25 May  | 10.00am | <b>Reconciliation</b>             | St Bernadette’s Church                                 |
| Saturday 25 May  | 6.30pm  | <b>Family Mass</b>                | St Bernadette’s School 3 & 4<br>St Bernadette’s Church |
| Sunday 26 May    | 2.30pm  | <b>Confirmation:</b>              | Parish schools & Catechists<br>St Patrick’s Cathedral  |
| Tuesday 28 May   | 9.15am  | Mass & MOG School Prep, JG & JW   | Mother of God Church                                   |
| Wednesday 29 May | 9.15am  | Mass & MI School Family Week Mass | Mary Immaculate Church                                 |
| Thursday 30 May  | 8.00pm  | Parish Finance Meeting            | Mother of God House                                    |
| Friday 31 May    | 9.15am  | Mass & St B School Grade 1/2M     | St Bernadette’s Church                                 |

**Archdiocesan Mass Census for the month of May 2013:**

This weekend, 25-26 May will be the last Mass Count of all present (including children and babies) at Mass in each parish church as part of the Archdiocesan Mass Census 2013.

Completed census sheets need to be returned to the Parish Office on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May.

**Thank you for your assistance.**

**St Bernadette's School Family Mass 3 / 4:**

We welcome the children and their families from Grades

3 / 4 who have come to be with us at the 6.30pm Mass at St Bernadette's this weekend. – Sue Moorhen

**Confirmation of our Parish candidates:**

We congratulate the children in our Parish and Parish schools who are receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation this Sunday 26 May, 2.30pm at St Patrick's Cathedral. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers. We thank all who have prepared the children to receive Confirmation over past weeks, as well those responsible for the Liturgy at the Cathedral. We thank all who have facilitated, prepared and participated in the choir as representatives of our parish on this significant occasion.

**Thank you from the Exodus Community:**

The Olympic Village Exodus Community in West Heidelberg wishes to sincerely thank the parish for its donation of \$1000 which was sent earlier this year. This donation will contribute to the ministry of Exodus to families, children and youth in the area. In the letter recently received, acknowledgment was given to several parishioners from Ivanhoe who contribute as volunteers on a regular basis at a variety of levels at Exodus.

**Ryder Cheshire News:**

The next Morning Coffee will be held at 10 Donaldson St at 10am on Friday, 31<sup>st</sup> May. The speaker on this occasion will be **Joe Hughes** and his topic, a most interesting one, will be **Ambulance Victoria**.

**Catholic Mission – Propagation of the Faith Appeal 1- 2 June 2013:** *'Do not be afraid I will rescue you'*

As advised by the Archdiocese there will be a leaving collection in each church for the Annual Catholic Mission Church Appeal next weekend, 1 - 2 June.

This year Catholic Missions have been invited to act in partnership with missionaries in India and throughout the world. Missionaries reach out to others in need offering practical, emotional and spiritual care as they rescue children from horrific situations such as child trafficking, child labour and extreme poverty. The Archdiocese recommends this

appeal and asks for our support. Envelopes will be available at the end of each row for your use and reference.

**Winter with Outreach:**

- Mark **June 5<sup>th</sup>** for our next lunch/games/social day in the MOG foyer. We use the small counter's room and it's a very cosy atmosphere. Because there is a Parish activity mid June we have no other activity organised till July.
- Following the first Wednesday lunch on July 3 we have a bus trip to the Cuckoo Restaurant for 'Christmas in July' on July 10<sup>th</sup>. This fun activity is \$55 per person if we can book 45 people. Bookings open now, they will close at the end of June. Please mark your calendar. You are welcome to invite your friends. Sue 9499 1485, Helen 9499 7793, Eileen 9499 7120.

**PLT Nominations 2013:**

The Pastoral Leadership Team invites parishioners to consider nomination for the Leadership Team and join them in both leadership and service to the parish community.

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**PLT NOMINATION FORM 2013 - CATHOLIC PARISH OF IVANHOE**


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I wish to nominate for a General Parishioner Position on the Parish Leadership Team:

Full name: .....

Address: .....

Phone: ..... Mobile no: .....

Email address: .....

Please forward this nomination form to the Parish Office 9am – 5pm before **Monday 17 June 2013**  
Any questions or queries please ring Chris Dixon: 9499 6191 or Pat Kelly 9499 1485

**INCLUSIVENESS****HOSPITALITY****SERVICE****MISSION****Needing to return to their owners:**

Sincere thanks to all who kindly contributed to the supper provided for the recent celebration of Fr Thang's 40<sup>th</sup> birthday. We have an assortment of unnamed items which were left and can now be collected from the Parish Office during Office hours: floral oval enamel platter, oval platter featuring a turkey, metal circular tray, white/cream plate, red square Sistema lid/container and metal utensil with black tipped wooden handle.

**How Luke makes sense from a Jewish perspective – 31 May YTU:**

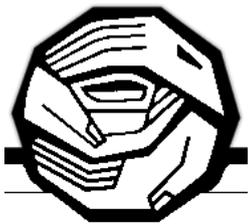
Dr Amy Jill Levine, Jewish New Testament scholar will present this topic on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May 7.30pm at Yarra Theological Union, 98 Albion St, Box Hill, and is sponsored by YTU and Sisters of Our Lady of Zion.

**Supporting our Faith Journey – Parish e-Conference Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June:**

Continual learning is a key part of our faith journeys. The Gospels of St Mark and St John are the subjects of another outstanding Broken Bay Institute 'e-Conference' on Wednesday 12 June with excellent speakers. The e-Conference will be broadcast to the parish at Mary Immaculate Hall from 11.30am – 2.30pm. Light lunch will be provided. Further details will be provided soon. A date for your diary! – John Costa & Merle Gilbo

**Movie Luncheon ‘The Great Gatsby’ – 13<sup>th</sup> June:**

There will be an Olympic Village Exodus Community Movie Luncheon on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June at the Palace Balwyn Cinema, 231 Whitehorse Rd, Balwyn. 10.45am for 11am start. \$20 per ticket includes light lunch with freshly cut sandwich, cake, coffee / tea. Ticket sales must be confirmed by Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June. Please contact: Anne Hall 9497 5153 or Jo Magnanini 9850 7702

**St Vincent De Paul Winter Appeal – 15 - 16 June 2013:**

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 labelled box in each church. You may prefer to contribute to the Appeal Collection or take an envelope which will be available in the church foyer. Your support for this appeal is greatly appreciated. - St Vincent de Paul Conference

**A Night of Inspiration on Thursday 13 June at 7.00pm: (Advertised by Archdiocese Parish Update)**

St Fidelis Parish, Moreland and the N.I.C.K. Foundation are hosting inspirational speakers Moira Kelly AO and Harry O'Brien (Collingwood footballer and Youth Ambassador) for A Night of Inspiration. Light supper provided. All profits from entry and silent auction items will be donated to the charities of the speakers. Seating will be limited. Dr David Buttifant, Sports Science Director of the Collingwood Football Club and founder of the N.I.C.K. Foundation will be Master of Ceremonies for the evening. The N.I.C.K. Foundation was formed by Ivanhoe parishioners Maria and David Buttifant in memory of their son Nick who died in his early 20's in 2009. Through the foundation the Buttifant family assist many young people and their families.

**Cost:** Students: Free    Adults: \$20  
Light supper provided

**Where:** St Fidelis Hall 49 Clarendon Street, Coburg

**Contact:** David Vandenberg 0408 552 954 or 9386 8802

**ROSTERS FOR WEEKEND: 1 – 2 June 2013****ST. BERNADETTE'S:**

Saturday 6.30pm

**Lector**

Sister Frances

**Special Ministers**

A. Pellizzari, Sister Carmel

**MARY IMMACULATE:**

Sunday 9.00am

**Leader**

Ballao family

**Reader**

Ballao family

**Mass Coordinators**

Ballao family

**Counters**

S. & P. Kelly

**MOTHER OF GOD:**

Sunday 10.30am

**Sacristan**

P. Verrocchi

**Lector**

J. Curry

**Special Ministers**

T. Barker, A. Gaffey, R. Beltrame

**Altar Society:**

I. Chiera

**Choir Coordinator:** I. Chiera

**First Collection – Thanksgiving:** Envelopes: \$1,362.40    Loose cash: \$420.75    **Total: \$1,783.15**  
**Second Collection – Presbytery:** **\$ 802.10**

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