

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. 23

8 – 9 June 2013

10th SUNDARY IN ORDINARY TIME: YEAR C

THE WORD

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; whom should I dread? When those who do evil draw near, they stumble and fall.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

V. 1. I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me and have not let my enemies rejoice over me. O Lord, you have raised my soul from the dead, restored me to life from those who sink into the grave. **R.**

V. 2. Sing psalms to the Lord, you who love him, give thanks to his holy name.

His anger lasts a moment; his favour through life. At night there are tears, but joy comes with dawn. **R.**

V. 3. The Lord listened and had pity. The Lord came to my help.

For you have changed my mourning into dancing; O Lord my God, I will thank you for ever. **R.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! A great prophet has appeared among us; God has visited his people. Alleluia!

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

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: The Lord is my rock, my fortress, and my deliverer; my God is my saving strength.

PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY:

We remember all in need of prayer at this time including Helen Bergman, 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 Fr Stjepan Gnjec who died recently. We also remember Joe Rush whose anniversary occurs at this time. May they rest in peace.

This Week's Readings: 10th Sunday in Ordinary Time: Year C

1 Kings 17:17-24

Psalms 29:2, 4-6, 11-13

Galatians 1:11-19

Luke 7:11-17

Saint and Feast Days:

Mon 10 June: St Ithamar

Tues 11 June: St Barnabas

Wed 12 June: St Onophrius

Thurs 13 June: St Anthony of Padua

Fri 14 June: St Davnet

Sat 15 June: St Vitus

Next Week's Readings: 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time: Year C

2 Samuel 12:1-10, 13

Psalms 31:1-2, 5, 7

Galatians 2:16, 19-21

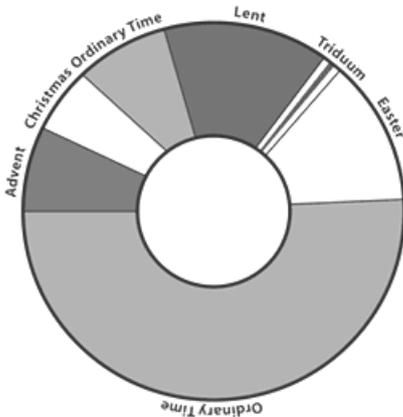
Luke 7:36-8:3

From the

desk of Fr Thang:

Ordinary Time

At the dismissal on Pentecost Sunday on May 19 – ‘Go and announce the Gospel of the Lord Alleluia’, the Season of Easter came to a close. As a result, we have resumed the Ordinary Time (*See Pie Chart*). The fact that the green colour was not used on the first two Sundays after Pentecost because two solemnities – Holy Trinity and the Holy Body and Blood of Christ or Corpus Christi were celebrated.

**What is the Ordinary Time?**

The word ‘Ordinary’ sounds a bit dull or boring. It means something that is not different, special, exceptional or interesting. However, Ordinary Time is not simply *time in between* nor ordinary in contrast to special or extraordinary. Ordinary is the same as ordinal, meaning – time counted in order and relationship. Ordinary Time or Sundays of the Year is the longest season in a liturgical calendar, taking 33 or 34 weeks in the Church Year. It is divided into two sections: one section of 4-8 weeks after Christmas Season, and another lasting about six months after Easter Season. Its liturgical colour of green points to our Christian growth and life, entering into the paschal mystery of Jesus Christ: grappling with its mystery and how to live it in our daily lives.

A Spirituality for Ordinary Time

Ordinary Time effectively occupies 63% of the liturgical year. Like most of us, for the main part of our life, most days involve pretty normal, mundane, routines: catching a train to work, being caught up in traffic, not knowing what to buy for weekday meals, doing weekend laundry and ironing; relating to others; doing our daily chores... Nothing special about these items. A woman photographer and writer reflects on Ordinary Time: “In my life, not all photos or writing need to be about celebrations of life, birthdays, graduations, weddings and holiday gatherings. Life is more than that, and when you write and take pictures, suddenly you realize what life is in its truest sense of the word. Life is ‘more.’ We just don’t realize that life is going on around us when it is happening most of the time.”

We are called not to let the Ordinary Time stay ordinary or sit around and wait for something ‘special’ to celebrate. Similarly, spiritual life is not merely about spiritual highs and lows. It is ultimately living in balance and harmony in the deep knowledge and conviction that we are beloved sons and daughters of God. The biggest spiritual challenge of our lives perhaps is to claim and live a life in the conviction that we are God’s children, and that is who we really are. This is because the world tells us who we are by: What we have, what I do, and what others are saying about me. All of these attributes have negative and positive effects on how we see who we are, but they are not the core of who we really are. The core claim and conviction is that we are the beloved daughters and sons of God.

Ordinary Time starts after the Baptism of the Lord. This feast gives us an essential message that Jesus is the beloved Son of the Father and the Spirit has sealed this moment. Based on this very awareness our Lord could undergo anything: his patience toward his disciples, teaching about the mercy and compassion of God, reaching out to the outcasts and marginalised, and ultimately the passion. Our Lord is a great teacher, he teaches us by saying and doing it himself first. Now he is calling us to do the same.

As we are in a winter season physically, we might reflect on the spiritual winter journey that the Church in Australia is living. At this, I have found a letter by Michael Leunig useful:

Dear God, let us prepare for winter. The sun has turned away from us and the nest of summer hangs down broken in a tree. Life slips through our fingers and, as darkness gathers, our hands grow cold. It is time to go inside. It is time for reflection and resonance. It is time for contemplation. Let us go inside.

Encountering the Lord within, might we live and grow in the deep knowledge and conviction that we have been loved, that we are beloved daughters and sons of God.

Sources: <http://americamagazine.org/content/all-things/spirituality-ordinary-time>

Leunig, Michael. *When I Talk to You: A Cartoonist Talks to God*. Andrews McMeel Publishing, 2006.

Nouwen, Henry. *The Life of the Beloved*. Talks at the Crystal Cathedral, Garden Grove, California. 1992.

HAPPENINGS ACROSS THE PARISH

Saturday 8 June	10.00am	Reconciliation	Mother of God Church
Wednesday 12 June	9.15am	Mass & MI School 5/6M & 5/6L	Mary Immaculate Church

Wednesday 12 June	7.30pm	Yarra Deanery Meeting	St John's, Heidelberg
Thursday 13 June	7.00pm	MI School Advisory Council & Art Show	Mary Immaculate School

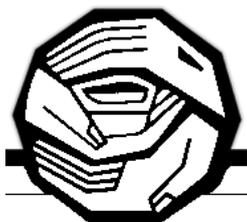
5.00pm Mass on Sunday evenings at St John's Heidelberg:

We have been informed that Mass at St John's Heidelberg will now be celebrated at **5.00pm each Sunday** as from Sunday 2 June 2013. **Please note: No Mass at 6.00pm at St John's, Heidelberg**

Friday 14 June	9.15am	Mass & St B School Prep S	St Bernadette's Church
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Supporting our Faith Journey – Parish e-Conference Wednesday 12th 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 – 3.30pm. Light lunch will be provided. Further details will be provided soon. A date for your diary! – John Costa & Merle Gilbo



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

Winter with Outreach: Since there is a Parish activity mid June, 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 Wednesday 10th July. This activity is \$55 per person if we can book 45 people. **Booking are now open** and bookings close Sunday 30th June. You are welcome to invite your friends. Please contact: Sue 9499 1485, Helen 9499 7793 or Eileen 9499 7120.

Christian Meditation: Christian Meditation meetings continue each Tuesday 4.15 pm at Mary Immaculate Hall, 4 Waverley Ave, Ivanhoe. New members welcome. Further information: Kathy Gillespie: 0438 530 324

Thanksgiving Envelopes 7 July – 29 December 2013 are available for collection in each church.

*Mary Immaculate, Mother of God & St Bernadette's are now all in **alphabetical order**.*

Since January 2013, new envelopes numbers have been allocated to each person who uses Thanksgiving envelopes - your *new number* has been highlighted on each envelope. So that your contributions can be recorded accurately please use these envelopes only.

It is recommended that older envelopes are not used. Please throw out envelopes from past years.

Statements for Thanksgiving contributions for January – June 2013 will be available at a later date. Please feel free to deliver envelopes to those nearby or those unable to collect them personally.

There are three options for Thanksgiving contributions: Envelopes, Credit Card or Direct Debit. Please contact the Parish Office: **Mail:** 4 Waverley Ave, Ivanhoe 3079 **Phone:** 9499 1515 **fax:** 9499 9959; or **email:** catholicparishofivanhoe@bigpond.com

If however you are either unable or no longer wish to contribute as part of Thanksgiving contributions please contact the Parish Office **as soon as possible**. **Personal contact is needed** using the above contact details so that envelopes are not sent when no longer required. - Ruth

PLT Nominations 2013: The Pastoral Leadership Team invites parishioners to consider nomination for the Leadership Team to join them in both leadership and service to the parish community.

PLT NOMINATION FORM 2013 - CATHOLIC PARISH OF IVANHOE

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

From the last PLT meeting:

- All three schools reported good enrolments for 2014 and children are enjoying a wide range of activities.
- Very important among these are the reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation and ongoing preparation for First Eucharist for our three parish schools early in Term 3 (Catechist students Term 4).
- Our parish was very well represented at the presentation by Sherry Anne Wendell which we hosted on behalf of the Archbishop's Office for Evangelisation.
- The Easter bulletin was well received and it is proposed to issue another one in November/December.
- ARAFEMI has formally begun its lease of the convent.
- Fr. Thang re-affirmed his gratitude for the way we had celebrated his special birthday.
- The Outreach Group continues to arrange well attended, suitable events. They even make small profits and recently were able to give a donation to the Mental Illness Fellowship. (MIF)
- Applications to join the Pastoral Leadership Team are in the weekly newsletter.
- Updating the key register: Ways are being considered to make availability of keys as efficient as possible.

News from Genazzano College:

Year 3 students at Genazzano College received the Sacrament of Penance for the first time at Genazzano Chapel on Thursday 6 June. Amongst these children were Isabella Orbach, Elena Russo and Madeleine Taylor who nominated Mother of God as their parish. We wish them well on this sacramental occasion.

Family Care Sisters:

The Family Care Sisters facility at Croydon offers wholistic care to all women (aged 20-70 years) who are in need of a peaceful environment, 'time out', support or nurturing. Our residential program operates each week, Monday – Friday. Daily group sessions include topics on *relaxation, well-being, self-awareness, boundaries* etc. Suggested cost is \$30 per day. Further information: 9723 5797; website: www.familycaresisters.com.au or email: resthome.familycare@bigpond.com

Pills and Prayers:

A workshop promoting reflection and awareness of spiritual practices in healthcare Thursday 20 June, 9:30am - 3:30pm. Religious and spiritual beliefs are identified as significant resources in assisting people to manage and find meaning in their illness. Awareness of these practices will contribute to the growing recognition of the role of spirituality in healthcare for counsellors, social workers, psychologists, pastoral carers and spiritual directors, medical doctors and nurses. This event is an initiative of the School of Prayer, a program of the Archbishop's Office for Evangelisation. Cost: \$25 (includes lunch) Where: Thomas Carr Centre, 278 Victoria Parade, E. Melbourne. Contact: 9926 5761 or evangelisation@cam.org.au

Helder Camara Lecture Series:

“Talking About Faith to a Sceptical Culture” with Bishop Blasé

Cupich & Rev. Gerald O'Collins SJ

Tuesday 2 July, 5:30pm – 7pm

Speakers: Bishop Blasé Cupich (Spokane, Washington) and renowned scholar Rev. Gerald O'Collins SJ who discuss the challenges of talking about our faith to a sceptical culture. Until recently Bishop Blasé Cupich was the Chair of the US Bishops' Committee on the Protection for Children and Young People, and also hosts a regular segment on Sacred Heart Radio (AM 970) called 'A Time with the Bishop'. Rev. Professor Gerald O'Collins SJ AC is a distinguished biblical scholar and systematic theologian. Cost: Free Where: Newman College, 887 Swanston St, Parkville. RSVP Monday 1 July: evangelisation@cam.org.au or call 9926 5761

ROSTERS FOR WEEKEND: 15 – 16 June 2013

ST. BERNADETTE'S:

Saturday 6.30pm

Lector

K. Gillespie

Special Ministers

E. Crawley, J. Gray

MARY IMMACULATE: **Leader**

Sunday 9.00am

K. Bator

Reader

C. Nguyen

Mass Coordinators

E. Ballao

Counters

M. Rocco, P. Shannon

MOTHER OF GOD:

Sunday 10.30am

Sacristan

J. Taylor

Lector

A. Moloney

Special Ministers

B. Janus, D. Ervin, M. Chin

Choir Coordinator: M. De Silva

First Collection – Thanksgiving:

Envelopes: \$1,779.00

Loose cash: \$363.65

Total: \$2,142.65

Second Collection – Presbytery:

\$ 628.55

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