



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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| Parish Priest: | Fr. Thang Vu | 63 Wilfred Rd, Ivanhoe East | 9499 5440 |
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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. 34

24 – 25 August 2013

21st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: YEAR C

THE WORD

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me; save the servant who trusts in you, my God. Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Go out to all the world and tell the Good News.

V. 1. O praise the Lord, all you nations, acclaim him all you peoples! **R.**

V. 2. Strong is his love for us; he is faithful for ever. **R.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord; no one comes to the Father, except through me. Alleluia!

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL: God who loves and challenges us: **Hear our prayer.**

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: The earth is replete with the fruits of your work, O Lord; you bring forth bread from the earth and wine to cheer the heart.

PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY:

We remember all in need of prayer at this time including Angelo Aver, Vin Ryan, Felicia Biviano, Merlyn Schrader, Helen Bergman, Nora Brown, Danka Saric, Mike McGuire, Sheila Ryan and Mary Bezzina. We remember all who provide care and support for those in need.

We remember Joe Muscat and Sister Rae Anne Williams MSC who died recently. We also remember Maria-Teresa Nguyen, Maria Thanh Thi Vu, Elsie West, Giovanni Sansone, Marie Ryan and Rita Wain whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace.

This Week's Readings: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time: Year C

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| Isaiah 66:18-21 | Psalm 116 | Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13 | Luke 13:22-30 |
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Saint and Feast Days:

Mon 26 Aug: St Ninian

Tues 27 Aug: St Monica

Wed 28 Aug: St Augustine

Thurs 29 Aug: Passion of St John the Baptist

Fri 30 Aug: St Margaret Clitherow

Sat 31 Aug: St Aidan of Lindisfarne

Next Week's Readings: 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time: Year C

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| Eccles 3:17-20, 28-29 | Psalm 67:4-7, 10-11 | Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24 | Luke 14:1, 7-14 |
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First Eucharist Celebrations: We remember and pray for the children in our Parish Primary Schools who are preparing to receive and celebrate their First Eucharist in Term 3.

8 September 10.00am Mass at Mary Immaculate Church Mary Immaculate School children

15 September 10.30am Mass at Mother of God Church Mother of God School children

PLEASE NOTE: On Sunday 8 September there is no 9.00am Mass at Mary Immaculate Church

INCLUSIVENESS

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Thang: Part II Story telling/Liturgy of the Word (Merle Gilbo and Thang Vu)

When we come to a friend's house for a meal, we begin with conversation, telling our stories. At Mass, after the introductory rites, we sit down and listen as the readings from the Word of God are proclaimed. In the Liturgy of the Word, God speaks to us, opening up to us the mystery of our redemption and salvation, and offering us spiritual nourishment; and Christ himself is present in our midst through his word.

Three readings and a Psalm: On Sundays and the solemnities there are three readings from the Scriptures. The first reading comes from the Old Testament, Acts of Apostles (Eastertide) or the Book of Revelation. Generally it relates to the Gospel selection in the lectionary and gives background and an insight into the meaning of what our Lord does in the Gospel. Then we sing or recite a Psalm or a canticle. The second reading is taken from one of the Letters of Paul or another apostolic writings. The third reading comes from one of the four Gospels.

The proclamation of the Gospel is the high point of the Liturgy of the Word. There is a great reverence to be shown: whether on the part of the minister; or on the worshipping community, we stand and listen to it being proclaimed and through our acclamations acknowledge and confess Christ present and speaking to us.

The priest again greets us with "The Lord be with you." He then introduces the Gospel reading while marking a small cross on his forehead, lips and heart with his thumb while praying silently that God cleans his mind and his heart so that his lips may worthily proclaim the Gospel. The congregation performs this ritual action along with the priest. The Gospel proclamation concludes with the ritual formula "The Gospel of the Lord" and we respond, "Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ," again proclaiming our faith in the presence of Christ in the Gospel. Then we sit for the homily.

The Homily: The homily is a part of the liturgy which is strongly recommended. It is an act of worship rooted, prayed and reflected from the texts of the Mass and especially in the readings from Scripture which have just been proclaimed. The homily takes that word and brings it to our life situation today. Just as a large piece of bread is broken to feed individual persons, the Word of God must be broken open so it can be received and digested by the congregation.

You have noticed that I have been including children into my reflection in the sanctuary. Whatever the Church through its ministers have abused, misused their power over children, this is an attempt to rebuild the trust and create a healthy faith environment for them. What else is better place and time than the sanctuary and during the homily! Also inclusiveness is one of our parish core Gospel values.

The Creed: The homily is often followed by a few moments of silence during which we each thank God for the word we have heard and apply the message of today's readings to our daily living. We then stand and together recite the Creed. The Creed is more than a list of things which we believe. It is a statement of our faith in the word we have heard proclaimed in the Scripture and the homily, and a Profession of Faith that leads us to give our lives for one another as Christ gave his life for us. Originally the Creed was the Profession of Faith of those about to be baptised at this point in the Mass.

Prayer of the Faithful (Merle Gilbo): Groups of parishioners have taken on the task of preparing this part for many years. For a long time six women met on a Monday morning, and more recently it is a diverse Liturgy group of women and men on Thursday mornings. Looking back, I found a complete set from 1999 with a few before that. They reflect many different aspects of life - parish, community, Church, World over the years, but always with common threads.

We start our meetings by reflecting on the three readings for our Sunday celebration and so are connected to the people of God over the centuries. Our Baptism unites us our different gifts, attitudes and life experience and the way we spark off each other, brings a real richness. We keep before us the question: What is this part of scripture saying to us now? What are the special needs of our community, of our world now? We pray for the families who bring their children for Baptism - that important first step on their faith journey. Then, as the children prepare for next steps - the sacraments of Reconciliation, Eucharist and Confirmation. Other times of special celebration too, for example, 50 years of the MOG School. We join with the Church of Melbourne when the special activities are brought to us for our prayerful and financial support, Catholic Missions, Catholic Deaf, the work of St. Vincent de Paul. We pray for the needs of the Universal Church, especially at the time of the election of Pope Francis, continuing to pray for him and to pray for significant world events such as World Youth Day.

We are on the alert for input from our media, reminding us of Homelessness Week, Alzheimer Awareness Week, National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Week etc. Topics constantly come to our minds. Some are of immediate relevance, for example, "How should we look at the upcoming election? Others are with us ongoing; the need to care for refugees and asylum seekers, many aspects of the Royal Commission into Sexual Abuse. We record them to make sure we continue to pray for these crucial ongoing needs.

We know that being people commissioned by our Baptism to be bearers of God's love means being opening our hearts and our minds to the needs of the world –wide human family. Topics suggested by Project Compassion make very suitable prayers for the Sundays of Lent. We are aware of the enormous task the United Nations and its agencies have in their peace-making/peace keeping roles, and we include prayers for elections in Zimbabwe or Cambodia, famines in Somalia and elsewhere, civil war in many places, natural disasters - tidal waves, earthquakes in many places.

Participation in our group is wholehearted and very consistent. We often say it is not a chore but we are greatly enriched by our activities of mind and heart and faith and gladly offer what we bring together to our parish. We bring to our meetings ideas, information of needs in ever widening circles around us.

Sources:

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HAPPENINGS ACROSS THE PARISH

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| Saturday 24 August | 10.00am | Reconciliation | St Bernadette's Church |
| Sunday 25 August | 10.30am | Mass & School Gathering for 50 th Anniversary | Mother of God Church |
| Tuesday 27 August | 9.15am | Mass & Mother of God P.S. MMJ & MB | Mother of God Church |
| Wednesday 28 Aug | 9.15am | Mass & Mary Immaculate P.S. 5/6M & 5/6L | Mary Immaculate Church |
| Wednesday 28 Aug | 7.00pm | Reconciliation Session – Catechist children | Mary Immaculate Hall |
| Wednesday 28 Aug | 7.30pm | St Bernadette's P.S. Parents & Friends | St Bernadette's School |
| Wednesday 28 Aug | 8.00pm | Pastoral Leadership Team Meeting | Parish Office |
| Thursday 29 August | 7.00pm | Mary Immaculate P.S. Advisory Council | Mary Immaculate School |
| Friday 30 August | 7.30pm | St Bernadette's School Trivia Night | Contact St B School |
| Saturday 31 August | 10.00am | First Reconciliation – Parish catechists | Mary Immaculate Church |

Congratulations to Mother of God School:

The Catholic Parish of Ivanhoe wishes to extend their sincere congratulations to Mother of God School on the significant occasion of the School's 50th Anniversary. Congratulations and best wishes to the Mother of God School community both past and present – staff, students, parents, friends, and parishioners.

Welcome: We welcome the children from our parish schools, and their families, who have been invited to participate as readers and to bring the Offertory Gifts as part of our Parish Masses:

| Masses | Date | Readers | Offertory Gifts |
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| 6.30pm St B | 24 Aug | Anna Panozzo & Julia Moorhen | Leutchford & Liptak families |
| 6.30pm St B | 31 Aug | Chiara Iuele & Seamus Guy | Alexander & Park families |
| 9.00am MI | 25 Aug | Olivia Meloni & Lauren Meloni | Taia Bambino & Paddy Noonan |
| 9.00am MI | 1 Sept | Tom Bone & Isaac Bone | Daniel Bone |
| 10.30am MOG | 25 Aug | Lauren Vella | Scarlett Mallia & Ashleigh Pellegrino |
| | 1 Sept | Matthew Salvatore | Daniel McGarvey & Luca Bagnara |

Weekend Collections in our parish:

- **First Collection** (After Prayer of the Faithful)
Supports the Parish on its maintenance of churches and administrative, rates and insurance costs...
- **Second Collection** (After Communion)
70% supports priests who serve the parish, Fr Thang and Fr Thanh for their living allowances; 25% for priests in parishes whose parish cannot support them financially - Priests Remuneration Fund, and 5% Cathedral Levy. Thanks for your ongoing contributions and generosity – **Fr Thang**

Thank you Fr Thanh: Sincere thanks to Fr Thanh who will celebrate 9.15am Mass at Mother of God Church on Tuesday 27 August whilst I am in attendance as Chaplain at Port Phillip Prison. – **Fr Thang**

Mass at Mother of God Sunday 1st September:

The Furlan Choir has been invited to sing at Mother of God Church on Sunday 1st September (Fathers' Day) at 10.30am Mass. The Mass will be sung in Latin and Italian. All are welcome to be part of the congregation to hear the only male Italian choir remaining in Melbourne. Church address: 56 Wilfred Rd, Ivanhoe East.

Ryder Cheshire Morning Coffee: Friday, 30th August, 10 am at 10 Donaldson St, Ivanhoe.

We're glad to offer a talk on a most important subject - Alzheimer's disease.

Special Collection 2013 - Fathers' Day Priests Retirement Foundation:

Next weekend, 31 August - 1 September, there will be Leaving Collections at the end of each Mass for the Priests Retirement Foundation who is very grateful for your ongoing support. Envelopes will be available.



Mass of Anointing and Blessing - Friday 6th September at St Bernadette's:

Parishioners, families and friends are invited to a Mass of Anointing and Blessing on Friday 6th Sept at 10.30am at St Bernadette's Church. Families from St Bernadette's School have kindly offered to provide Morning Tea after Mass. If you require assistance with transport please contact: Eileen 9499 7120, Sue 9499 1485 or Helen 9499 7793.

Please note: There will be no 9.15am Mass on Friday 6th September at St Bernadette's

Memorial Compilation for Fr John Cunningham: (Item on Fr John in current edition of Kairos)

For parishioners, school families and others the Pastoral Leadership Team have compiled a Memorial Document comprising the many wonderful words written and spoken about our former Parish Priest, Fr John Cunningham during and near the time of his Vigil and Funeral Mass. A condensed printed copy is available.

- A full compiled copy may be viewed, ordered and purchased in each of our churches - at cost (\$5)
 - The full compiled copy may be downloaded from parish website: www.ivanhoecatholics.com
 - Orders of the full compilation can be placed via comms@ivanhoecatholics.com or Parish Office 9499 1515
- In remembrance of Fr John, those who would also like to contribute a little more as a donation to his favourite charity, the Sacred Heart Mission, may do so. Suggested contribution for full copy plus donation is \$20

Outreach is Celebrating Seniors' Month: Please mark **Wednesday 2 October** on your calendar. With the support of Banyule Council we are able to offer a bus trip to Phillip Island where we will visit the Nobbies renowned for the geology of the area, a colony of fur seals and for seabirds, as well as a visit to the Maru Koala Park. En route there are views of Westernport Bay, even Bass Strait - All for \$55 per person. Lunch at the Cowes RSL is included. We need to depart 4 Waverley Ave at 9.00am and will return by 5.30pm. Bookings are now open with Sue 9499 1485, Helen 9499 7793 or Eileen 9499 7120. Don't miss out.

Jewish Christian Muslim Association – JCMA:

Key ideals: Hope, Justice, Compassion, Harmony, Respect, Understanding, Fair Go

Topic for the day: 'Sorry is the hardest word to say: Forgiveness and Repentance'

I was so fortunate to be at this event held last Sunday at the community centre of the Catholic Church at Dallas. The title was very well chosen and the presentations in the first part did not shrink from admitting the realities of the past. In the second part, speakers spoke of liturgies by which members ask for pardon and reconciliation. There were differences across the faiths but a common understanding of the human need to forgive and be forgiven. Shared meals, (and name tags), provided time and opportunity meet many people. At one stage I heard singing in the adjacent church. No wonder I couldn't understand the language. It was Arabic - a monthly Mass for the people and followed by a delicious Afternoon Tea - celebrating the Feast of the Assumption. – Merle Gilbo

Invitation from Yarra Deanery – Grief Journey: Widowed, separated or divorced parishioners are invited to attend a group which will meet fortnightly on Wednesdays commencing 4th September at Ss Peter and Paul Parish, 23 Leeds St, Doncaster East. Enquiries: Please contact Peter on Padess53@gmail.com or by phoning 0413 015 061. Alternatively, please phone Father Bill Gill on 9842 1480 / 9842 5764

ROSTERS FOR WEEKEND: 31 August – 1 September 2013

ST. BERNADETTE'S:

Saturday 6.30pm

Lector

Sister Frances

Special Ministers

A. Pellizzari, Sister Carmel

MARY IMMACULATE: Leader

Sunday 9.00am

M. Sibillin

Reader

T. Bone

I. Bone

Mass Coordinators

S. & P. Kelly

Counters

T. McKinley, E. Ballao

MOTHER OF GOD:

Sunday 10.30am

Sacristan

P. Verrocchi

Altar Society:

Lector

C. Bellio

P. Caddy

Special Ministers

M A Darcy, J. Ellis

Choir Coordinator: P. Verrocchi

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| First Collection – Thanksgiving: | Envelopes: \$1,166.00 | Loose cash: \$777.90 | Total: | \$1,943.90 |
| Second Collection – Presbytery: | | | | \$1,007.80 |