

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. 24

14 – 15 June 2014

BLESSED TRINITY: YEAR A

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: **Glory and praise for ever!**

V. 1. You are blest, Lord God of our fathers. **R.** Blest your glorious holy name. **R.**

V. 2. You are blest in the temple of your glory. **R.** You are blest on the throne of your kingdom. **R.**

V. 3. You are blest who gaze into the depths. **R.** You are blest in the firmament of heaven. **R.**

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


PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL: We pray: **In the name of the Father, the Son and 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 Norman Cattanch, Tran thi Kim Chi, Amy Nguyen, John Coonan, Fr Donald Lourensz and Sheila Ryan who are in need of prayer at this time. We remember those who provide care and support for those in need.

We remember Carmelo Nanfro who died recently. We also remember Fr Len Egan, Gerry Hevey and Maria Dri whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace.

 **Baptism:** We welcome Louis Patena who is baptised into the faith community of the Catholic Parish of Ivanhoe this weekend. We welcome his family, relatives and friends who have come to share this special occasion, one of many steps in the lifelong journey of faith.

This Week's Readings: Trinity Sunday Year A

Exodus 34:4-6, 8-9

Daniel 3:52-56

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

John 3:16-18

Saint and Feast Days:

Mon 16 June: St Richard of Chichester

Wed 18 June: St Gregory Barbarigo

Fri 20 June: St Juliana Falconieri

Tues 17 June: St Teresa of Portugal

Thurs 19 June: St Onophrius

Sat 21 June: St Alban

Next Week's Readings: Corpus Christi: Year A

Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14-16 **Psalm 147:12-15, 19-20**

1 Corinthians 10:16-17

John 6:51-58

Prayers of the Sick: *Please note that as from February 2014 our practice is to leave names on the sick list for a month. To extend the time, please make personal contact with the Parish Office.*

INCLUSIVENESS

HOSPITALITY

SERVICE

MISSION

The mystery of the Blessed Trinity is the highest level of teaching and the most fundamental truth of our faith tradition. It is the central mystery of our faith which reveals to us the inner life of God. It is the source of all the other mysteries of faith that enlightens them. The whole history of salvation is identical with the history of the way and the means by which the one true God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, reveals himself to us (CCC no 234). However, the teaching of the Blessed Trinity is more than just a matter of right teaching, or correct formula as the late English famous theologian, Colin Gunton reflected: “the worship of the Church is first of all praise of the God who has created, [loved] and redeemed us; but it is also the way we learn a kind of skill, the art of living.”

In today’s first reading, Moses bowed down to the ground to worship God. The theme of worship is developed in the responsorial psalm. This is an extract from the Book of Daniel. Saved from the fiery furnace, the three young men call on all creation to join them in praising God: [to you] glory and praise forever!

Liberation from that great trial anticipated the great saving works of Jesus. The story of the three in the fiery furnace suggests nothing less than the burning fire of God’s inner life, where the Three Persons are distinct but eternal Godhead, adored in what is proper to each Person, their unity in substance, their equality in majesty, yet united in love.

Very often we find in the Hebrew Scriptures (Old Testament) the God of wrath and judgement, ready to punish. But the texts chosen for the Blessed Trinity Sunday provide a rare gem of insight into who God is really like: a God of tenderness and compassion, slow to anger rich in kindness and faithfulness. Texts such as this show the absolute continuity between the God revealed in the Old Testament and the God revealed by Jesus Christ, our Lord. As Jesus said to Nicodemus: “God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost but may have eternal life.”

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. This is one of the greetings that the presider greets the congregation at Mass. Fr Byrne SJ deeply reflects:

To pray that the ‘grace of the Lord Jesus Christ’ be with the community is, then, to ask that each and every believer be captured by this sense of Christ. Secondly, and in continuity with this, there is the hope that each would come to know God (the Father) primarily as a God of love. The Greek word *koinônia* used, in the final phrase of the grace with respect to the Holy Spirit, is not easily rendered in English. ‘Fellowship’ sounds too ‘churchy’, ‘communion’ too ‘theological’ – though it is probably to be preferred. *Koinônia* refers to the bond created between a group of people by their common participation in some third thing. Here the third ‘thing’ is the experience of the Spirit. It is this experience, common to all believers, that is the foundation of unity.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Action of the week

Reflect on my own relationships with people around me. In what ways do my own relationships with others show me something of the relationship between Father, Son and Spirit?

Sources:

Colin E. Gunton, *Father, Son and Holy Spirit: Essays toward a fully Trinitarian Theology* (London: T & T Clark, 2003)
 Silvester O’Flynn OFM Cap, *The Responsorial Psalms of Sunday*, (Columbia Press, 2006)
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HAPPENINGS ACROSS THE PARISH

Saturday 14 June	10.00am	Reconciliation	Mother of God Church
Tuesday 17 June	9.15am	Mass & Mother of God P.S. Middle School	Mother of God Church
Tuesday 17 June	4.15pm	Christian Meditation	Mary Immaculate Hall
Wednesday 18 June	9.15am	Mass & Mary Immac. P.S. Prep, 1/2H & R	Mary Immaculate Church
Thursday 12 June	9.00am	Liturgy Group Meeting	Parish Office
Thursday 19 June	8.00pm	Finance Committee Meeting	
Friday 20 June	9.15am	Mass & St Bernadette’s School P.S. Prep &	T/P St Bernadette’s Church
Saturday 14 June	10.00am	Reconciliation	Mother of God Church

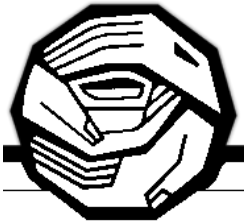
Mother of God School Family Mass Sunday 15th June:

We welcome the children and their families from Prep, Grades 1 & 2 (Juniors) at Mother of God School who have come to be with us at the 10.30am Mass at Mother of God Church.

From Fr Thang: I will be on leave from 17 - 20 June 2014 and sincerely thank Fr Think Nguyen who will celebrate weekday Masses for each of our church communities whilst I am absent. – **Fr Thang**

St Vincent de Paul – Invitation Wednesday 25 June.

Parishioners are cordially invited to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the West Ivanhoe Conference together with conference members from the surrounding region on Wednesday 25th June. Mass will be celebrated in Mary Immaculate Church at 7.00pm and will be followed by a light supper in Mary Immaculate Hall. For catering purposes kindly leave a message on phone 0419 798 120



St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal – Sunday 29th June 2014:

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. **Boxes will be collected Monday 30 June** Alternatively you may prefer to contribute to the Appeal Collection or take an envelope from the table in the foyer. Your support for this appeal is greatly appreciated.

Collection for Catholic Missions: Sincere thanks to all concerned for contributions which totalled \$564.50



We have a Centenarian!! Yes, one of our veteran parishioners, Marie Butler reached this milestone during the week. Marie is memorable for the way she was always available to help around the parish, especially over the years at St Bernadette's, serving tea and coffee in the Community Centre after Anzac Day Mass etc. Some years ago Marie made her home Mercy Place, Parkville where, no doubt, she will celebrate this great day. We say: Congratulations, Marie. Thank you for what you did for us all. We wish you many blessings.

Request from Parishioner: House available for rental from mid July 2014 for six months: Four bedroom family home in Alphington with open plan living spaces, large and child friendly backyard. House is next to Pitcher Park and close to shops, train station and schools. Please call Kate on 0407 302 178

2014 Annual Jewish Catholic Friendship Dinner Sunday 22 June, 7.00pm:

The Ecumenical Interfaith Commission invites parishioners to this year's dinner will feature personal accounts from participants in the interfaith initiative *Joint Journey to Jerusalem*.

Guest speakers include Fr John Dupuche, Rabbi Adam Stein & Ms Rufiath Yousuff **Cost:** \$50 - 2 course buffet Kosher Meal which includes drinks. **Tickets:** www.trybooking.com/EZLM or JCCV Office 9272 5641

Where: Catholic Leadership Centre, Corner Victoria Parade and Hoddle St, East Melbourne

Contact: Ecumenical and Interfaith Commission Office eic@cam.org.au or 9926 5708

Thanksgiving Envelopes 6 July – 28 December 2014 are available for collection in each church. **Envelopes for Mary Immaculate, Mother of God & St Bernadette's are in alphabetical order.**

Please feel free to deliver envelopes to those nearby or those unable to collect them personally which assists parishioners concerned and saves postage costs. Thanks to all who assist the parish in this manner. Statements for Thanksgiving contributions for January – June 2014 will be available at a later date. Statements are given for Thanksgiving contributions through Envelopes, Credit Card or Direct Debit.

If 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** so that envelopes are not sent when no longer required. Contact details: **Mail:** 4 Waverley Ave, Ivanhoe 3079 **Phone:** 9499 1515 **fax:** 9499 9959; or **email:** catholicparishofivanhoe@bigpond.com - Ruth

ZEST Archbishop's Pentecost Letter to Youth: Copies of Archbishop Hart's Pentecost Letter to Youth are available in each of our churches. The Pentecost Letter to Youth has been improved in 2014 and is based on Pope Francis' tweet: "What zest life acquires when we allow ourselves to be filled by the love of God!" View & download video and resource kits at www.cam.org.au/YouthLetter

From Pastoral Leadership Team (PLT) Meeting 28th May 2014:

- The cold night did not prevent a good and representative group from attending the parish general meeting on Tuesday 29 April and the clear thinking and open mindedness was encouraging. The next step will be the circulation of a comprehensive survey.
- Finances are 'on track' helped very substantially by the input of many volunteers.
- The ceremonies of Holy Week were given real life by a great collaborative effort. The coincidence of school holidays meant many families were away.
- Catechist group enrolments: 25 for Reconciliation which will be celebrated Saturday 6 September at Mary Immaculate and 27 for First Eucharist which will be celebrated on Sunday 23 November at Mother of God.
- The Communication Group is able to again offer an E conference.



Newsletter notices, items, prayers and anniversaries need to be given to the Parish Office **no later than 5.00pm, Wednesday each week.** Notices received later than this time will be placed in the newsletter of the following week. Items can be left in the locked letterbox near front door of the Parish Office, 4 Waverley Ave, Ivanhoe. Contact details: Phone 9499 1515, Fax 9499 9959; or Email: catholicparisfofivanhoe@bigpond.com

Mary Meets Mohammad - Screening 21st June, St Kevin's Catholic Church Lower Templestowe:

St Kevin's Social Justice Group invites you to a free screening Saturday 21st June at 7pm (after 6pm Mass) in Glendalough Centre, 26-44 Herlihy Rd, Lower Templestowe. This film follows the arrival of Tasmania's first detention centre through the eyes of local Christian woman and knitting club member and a Muslim asylum seeker who is detained inside the centre, as they connect through the gift of a knitted beanie. St Vincent de Paul Van will be in attendance with hearty hot/warm soup to thank you for your attendance & generosity. For catering and seating, please RSVP Leo 0418 223 166; Paola on 9852 2293

Yarra Theological Union – a College of the University of Divinity - Theology that makes a difference:

Enrolments for 2nd Semester 2014: 9 June - 26th June. Fee help is available. Further information: 9890 3771, website: <http://ytu.edu.au>; email: admin@ytu.edu.au; address: 98 Albion Rd Box Hill 3128

ACU Winter Public Lecture Series: Lectures are on Wednesdays 6 – 7.30pm

- **25 June: Professor Stephen Evans** *Is There a Natural Knowledge of God?*
- **9 July: Professor Kevin Hart** *Is there a Faith beyond Religion? Bonhoeffer's Religious Clothes.*
- **16 July: Professor Eleonore Stump** *Is Justice Enough? Aquinas on Justice and Care*

Mercy Lecture Theatre, ACU Melbourne Campus, 17-29 Young St, Fitzroy **RSVP:** ftpevents@acu.edu.au

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, or 60th-70th wedding anniversary this year?

The Life, Marriage & Family Office invite you and your families to join us at the Annual Anniversary Mass which will be celebrated at St Patrick's Cathedral on Sunday 27th July at 11.00am by Archbishop Denis Hart. To register visit: www.cam.org.au/lifemarriagefamily or contact the Life, Marriage & Family Office on: 9287 5579 / lmf@cam.org.au. **Registrations close on Friday 11th July.**

ROSTERS FOR WEEKEND: 21 – 22 June 2014

ST. BERNADETTE'S:

Saturday 6.30pm

Lector

J. Murphy

Special Ministers

A. Pellizzari, T. Nibali

MARY IMMACULATE:

Sunday 9.00am

Leader

K. Donhardt

Reader

E. Donhardt

Mass Coordinators

J. Costa
M. Napolitano

Counters

T. McKinley, E. Ballao

MOTHER OF GOD:

Sunday 10.30am

Sacristan

M. Hoban

Lector

I. Chiera

Special Ministers

M. Pollard, G. Reardon, M. / P. De Silva

Altar Society:

P. Caddy

Choir Coordinator: A. Pollard

First Collection – Thanksgiving:	Envelopes: \$1,344.00	Loose cash: \$532.30	Total:	\$1,876.30
Second Collection – Presbytery:				\$ 736.65

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