



# 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>Masses:</b>			
<b>Weekend: Saturday:</b>	6.30pm St Bernadette's	<b>Sunday:</b> 9am Mary Immaculate; 10.30am Mother of God	
<b>Weekday:</b> 9.15am	<b>Tuesday:</b> Mother of God	<b>Wednesday:</b> Mary Immaculate	<b>Friday:</b> St Bernadette's

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13 – 14 September 2014

## THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS: YEAR A

### THE WORD

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:** We should glory in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, in whom is our salvation, life and resurrection, through whom we are saved and delivered.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:** Do not forget the works of the Lord!

- V. 1. Give heed, my people, to my teaching; turn your ear to the words of my mouth.  
I will open my mouth in a parable and reveal hidden lessons of the past. **R.**
- V. 2. When he slew them then they would seek him, return and seek him in earnest.  
They would remember that God was their rock, God the Most High their redeemer. **R.**
- V. 3. But the words they spoke were mere flattery; they lied to him with their lips.  
For their hearts were not truly with him; they were not faithful to his covenant. **R.**
- V. 4. Yet he who is full of compassion forgave their sin and spared them.  
So often he held back his anger when he might have stirred up his rage. **R.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** Alleluia, alleluia! We adore you, O Christ, and we praise you, because by your cross you have redeemed the world. Alleluia!

**PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL:** Through your Cross and Resurrection: **Hear our prayer.**

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:** When I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw everyone to myself, says the Lord.

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

We remember Margaret O'Brien, Katharina Dimitscheff, Enrico De Fabion, Svetka Vukic, Sung Bui, Stella Marasco, Norman Cattanaach, Tran thi Kim Chi, Amy Nguyen, John Coonan, Fr Donald Lourensz, Sheila Ryan and Kathryn Lengyel who are in need of prayer at this time. We remember those who provide care and support for those in need.

We remember those who have died recently. We remember Rita Owen, Bonnie Wise and John Bains whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace.

### This Week's Readings: The Exaltation of the Holy Cross Year A

Numbers 21:4-9

Psalm 77:1-2, 34-38

Philippians 2:6-11

John 3:13-17

### Saint and Feast Days:

Mon 15 September: Our Lady of Sorrows

Wed 17 September: St Robert Bellarmine

Fri 19 September: St Theodore of Canterbury

Tues 16 September: Ss Cornelius & Cyprian

Thurs 18 September: St Joseph of Copertino

Sat 20 September: St Eustace

### Next Week's Readings: 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

Isaiah 55:6-9

Psalm 144:2-3, 8-9, 17-18

Philippians 1:20-24, 27

Matthew 20:1-16

INCLUSIVENESS

HOSPITALITY

SERVICE

MISSION

On September 13, 2014 morning, together with Melbournian Presbyterates and the People of God we participated in the Ordinations of Priesthood and Diaconate. Archbishop Hart ordained three priests and six deacons which brought him nine extra joys. For me it was time to celebrate and renew the promises of my ordained ministries as deacon: *“Receive the Gospel of Christ, whose herald you have become. Believe what you read. Teach what you believe. Practice what you teach”*; and as priest: *“Receive the oblation of the holy people, to be offered to God. Understand what you do, imitate what you celebrate, and conform your life to the mystery of the Lord’s Cross.”* As a ‘baby’ priest of just six years, I am still struggling with practice what I teach and finding the mystery of the Lord’s Cross a daily challenge. Please continue to pray for and with us.

This weekend, we welcome the families and friends of the children from Mother of God Catholic Primary School, part of the Catholic Parish of Ivanhoe, who for the first time will receive Jesus through the gifts of the bread and the wine. Today is a very special day for these children. Please keep them in your prayers as they continue learning more about their faith. Please also pray for their families, as they support them on this journey.

Today’s Feast originated in 4<sup>th</sup> Century, when St Helena, mother of the Roman Emperor Constantine, went to Jerusalem in search of the Holy places of Christ’s life. The date of today’s Feast commemorates the dedication of the Church of the Holy Sepulchre built by Constantine. During the excavation, workers found three crosses. According to a legend, the Cross on which Jesus died was identified when its touch healed a dying woman. The Cross immediately became an object of veneration. It remained in Jerusalem until the early 7<sup>th</sup> Century when the Persian king, Chosroes seized the city and took the Cross back to Persia. In 628 Emperor Heraclius overthrew the regime in Persia and carried the Cross, firstly to Constantinople, his capital city, and then in the spring of 629, to Jerusalem. Today’s feast, the Triumph or the Exaltation of the Cross, commemorates this triumphant return of the Holy Cross to Jerusalem. According to a story, the Emperor intended to carry the Cross back into Jerusalem himself, but was unable to move forward until he took off his imperial garb and became a barefoot pilgrim.

#### Let’s focus on the Word:

*First Reading* (Num 21:4-9): Suffering cruelty in their flesh because they had spoken against God, the Israelites can only be saved by looking at the bronze serpent raised on a standard.

*Second Reading* (Phil 2:6-11): We are invited to embrace the mind and heart of Christ: to the emptying himself even on the cross, which God’s Servant desired, and come the response – his ascent into glory.

*Gospel* (Jn 3:13-17): God so loved the world that he gave his only Son so that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life and so that, through him, the world might be saved. What more needs to be said!

#### **Something to ponder and act on:**

- ❖ When was the last time we blessed our meal with the Sign of the Cross?
- ❖ Ponder the many ways in which God has done everything for me. Be thankful.
- ❖ In what ways have I experienced the unselfish love of others? Be grateful.
- ❖ Learn by heart this scriptural text: God so loved the world that he gave his only Son so that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life.

**Sources:** The Summit Vol. 41 No 3 2014 and <http://liturgyhelp.com.au>

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#### HAPPENINGS ACROSS THE PARISH

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Saturday 13 Sept	10.00am	<b><u>No Reconciliation</u></b>	Mother of God Church
Sunday 14 Sept	10.30am	Mass & <b>First Eucharist – Mother of God</b>	Mother of God Church
Tuesday 16 Sept	9.15am	Mass & Mother of God Primary School	Mother of God Church
Tuesday 16 Sept	4.15pm	Christian Meditation	Mary Immaculate Hall
Tuesday 16 Sept	7.30pm	St Bernadette’s P.S. Education Board	St Bernadette’s School
Thursday 18 Sept	9.00am	Liturgy Group	Parish Office
Friday 19 Sept		End of School Term 3	
Tuesday 23 Sept	4.15pm	Christian Meditation	Mary Immaculate Hall
Wednesday 24 Sept	10.30am	Outreach Bus Trip – approx. return 5.30pm	See newsletter item
Thursday 25 Sept	9.00am	Liturgy Group	Parish Office

**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 9499 1515.



**First Eucharist:** The Catholic Parish of Ivanhoe congratulates the children who celebrate their First Eucharist at Mother of God Church this weekend. We welcome their families, relatives and friends who have come to share this special occasion as part of their ongoing faith journeys. We thank all who have prepared for and taken part in the liturgy, as well as those who have prepared the children both at Mother of God School and at home.

**No Reconciliation at Mother of God Church Saturday 13 September:**

Reconciliation will not be available at Mother of God Church on Saturday 13 September due to Fr Thang’s attendance at a Mass of Ordination to the Diaconate at St Patrick’s Cathedral at that time. Appointments for Reconciliation can be made via Mother of God House 9499 5440 or Office 9499 1515.

**News from our Parish Schools:**

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

Masses	Date	Readers	Offertory Gifts
6.30pm St B	13 Sept	Holly & Sophie Foster	Charlie Ziebell & Nalani Gough
	20 Sept		Cooper Ginn & Kamal Assaad
9.00am MI	14 Sept	Joshua Power & Raymond Myrteza	Edward Andrew & Ella Donhardt
10.30am MOG	14 Sept	First Eucharist Mass	First Eucharist Mass



**Outreach Reminders:**

- Please finalise your booking for the ‘Round the Bay’ bus trip on September 24.
- Departure **9.30am** from church car park in Waverley Ave, Ivanhoe; arrival back at Mary Immaculate Church car park, Waverley Ave at approximately **5.30 pm**.  
Contacts: Eileen, 9499 7120; Sue, 9499 1485; or Helen, 9499 7793

**CatholicCare Church Appeal in Parishes 20 – 21 September:**

As advised by the Archdiocese of Melbourne there will be Leaving Collections at each church next weekend for CatholicCare who has been serving and caring for families for 79 years in the Archdiocese of Melbourne. The Annual Church Appeal enables CatholicCare to support families in our community in different circumstances and at a variety of levels. CatholicCare is very grateful for your ongoing support and contributions, as well as assistance and support given over many years. Envelopes will be available in each church next weekend.

**Update - Sunday Chapel Services at Austin Health:**

We have received notification from Fr Mario that due to community feedback the decision to end Sunday services as of November 2014 has been re-considered. Sunday services will continue with two services per month at each campus until a review of services is completed in early 2015. Thanks was expressed for continued faithful support of Sunday Chapel services at Austin Hospital, running Communion Services and for the escort of patients to & from the Chapel. A Service of Thanksgiving will be held on Sunday afternoon 7<sup>th</sup> December. Further details will be sent later.

**An invitation or, we might say, a reminder!!:**

A group of parishioners continues to meet on Thursday mornings at 9 am to reflect on the Sunday readings and to ‘tune in’ to the signs of the times - here at the Catholic Parish of Ivanhoe, in our local community, the wider community and in all of our world and express our understandings in the Prayers of the Faithful. All who take part find it stimulating and uplifting but no way claim to be ‘liturgy experts’. The Religious Education Leaders from our three schools join us regularly which is very helpful and effective in planning for the things we will do together. We do meet weekly but please think of coming when you can. You would be most welcome and your contribution would be appreciated. - Merle 9497 1691 or merlegilbo@hotmail.net.au

**Buddhist and Catholic Discussion on Care in Hospitals and Prisons:**

Saturday 13 September, 9am–2pm Buddhist Society of Victoria, 71 Darling Street, Malvern East. A day for understanding the caring needs of different faiths and cultures, for those who are unwell and for those who have committed unwholesome deeds, with speakers from both the Catholic and Buddhist faith. **Contact:** 9926 5708 or eic@cam.org.au

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**St Joseph's Collegium - Saturday 4 October, 6.00pm Mass:**

A Chamber Choir of young singers will perform liturgical music from the 16<sup>th</sup> century to the present day directed by Anthony Halliday. Mass will be 'Eymard Mass' by Roger Heagney with Motets, 'Ave Maria' by Rachmaninov and 'Rejoice in the Lord Always' by Purcell. **Contact:** Enza on 9380 4789  
St Joseph's Church, corner Hope Street and Melville Road, West Brunswick

**Movie Screening Fundraiser: Jersey Boys Sunday 5 October, 2pm:**

Support the work of the John Pierce Centre, in their ministry to the deaf community, by attending this private screening of *Jersey Boys* (M). Water / soft drink and popcorn included. There will also be a lucky seat prize. All bookings and payments need to be made by Friday 26 September. Seats are limited so be quick!  
**Cost:** \$25 **Venue:** Village Cinema, The Jam Factory, 500 Chapel St, South Yarra  
**Contact:** 9525 1158 or admin@jpc.org.au **More info:** www.jpc.org.au

**Protecting Human Rights - A Conversation Evening with Fr. Shay Cullen-Nobel Peace Prize Triple**

**Nominee:** The Parish of St Gregory the Great, will host a conversation evening on the topic of Protecting Human Rights. The presenter will be Fr. Shay Cullen, who will speak of his work with PREDA (People's Recovery, Empowerment and Development Assistance).

The PREDA Foundation works to bring freedom and new life to children who are in jails or on the streets in the Philippines. It also assists in the fight against human trafficking, the preservation of dignity for battered women and indigenous people, protection of the environment and the alleviation of poverty.

**Thursday, 16<sup>th</sup> October, 2014** **7.00-9.00pm** **St Gregory the Great Hall**  
**396 Manningham Road, Doncaster**

The evening will commence with a light supper of pizza and drinks at 7pm. After the presentations there will be an opportunity for questions and dialogue. We invite all parishes in the Deanery to participate.

**The Role of Church Law in the Child Abuse Issue: Help or Hindrance? – Wednesday 29 October:**

This event will take the form of a presentation by Kieran Tapsell and response by Very Rev. Dr Ian Waters followed by open discussion between all wishing to join in conversation on the above topic, on Wed 29 Oct. Jointly sponsored by Catalyst for Renewal & Catholics for Renewal. Kieran Tapsell is a retired lawyer with degrees in theology and law. Ian Waters is an eminent canon lawyer, lecturer and priest of the Melbourne Archdiocese. Venue: Pumphouse Hotel, 128 Nicholson St, Fitzroy. All are welcome to gather for a meal from 6.00pm or join the group from 7.30 – 9.45pm for the presentation & conversation. Enquire Vin 03 9530 6004, Frank 03 9891 7547. Booking for meal - phone hotel: 9417 2817. Specify that booking is for the Presentation.

**Old Paradians' Association (OPA) Centenary Dinner - Friday 17 October, 7.00pm:**

The dinner will showcase the 100-year existence of the OPA, established in 1914 as a means of ensuring all Old Boys of Parade College maintained their connections. Event organisers are seeking to attract the greatest gathering of Old Paradians in history - from the OPA's member football and cricket clubs through to College teachers, staff both past and present, and its Old Boys from as far back as the pre-World War II days - to be part of the celebrations. Old Paradian Matthew Keenan, a member of SBS' commentary team for the Tour de France, is returning from Europe to act as Master of Ceremonies. **Cost:** \$120 (includes three-course dinner) at Level 17, RACV City Club, 501 Bourke Street, Melbourne **Bookings:** www.trybooking.com/84908  
**Contact:** Mirella Busso-Lee on 9468 3302 or mirella.busso-lee@parade.vic.edu.au

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**ROSTERS FOR WEEKEND: 20 – 21 September 2014**

**ST. BERNADETTE'S:**

Saturday 6.30pm

**Lector**

J. Murphy

**Special Ministers**

A. Pellizzari, T. Nibali

**MARY IMMACULATE:** **Leader**

Sunday 9.00am

K. Bator

**Reader**

G. McAllister

R. Myrteza

**Mass Coordinators**

M. Gilbo

**Counters**

M. Rocco, P. Shannon

**MOTHER OF GOD:**

Sunday 10.30am

**Sacristan**

J. Taylor

**Altar Society:**

**Lector**

J. Hodge

A. Moloney

**Special Ministers**

C. Bellio, I. Chiera

**Choir Coordinator:** School Holidays

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**First Collection – Thanksgiving:** Envelopes: \$1, 290.00 Loose cash: \$530.50 **Total: \$1,820.50**  
**Second Collection – Presbytery:** **\$ 737.30**