



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. 43

25 – 26 October 2014

30th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: YEAR A

THE WORD

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice; turn to the Lord and his strength; constantly seek his face.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: I love you, Lord, my strength.

- V. 1. I love you, Lord, my strength, my rock, my fortress, my saviour.
My God is the rock where I take refuge; my shield, my mighty help, my stronghold.
The Lord is worthy of all praise: when I call I am saved from my foes. **R.**
- V. 2. Long life to the Lord, my rock! Praised be the God who saves me.
He has given great victories to his king and shown his love for his anointed. **R.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them and we will come to them. Alleluia!

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL: That we will love our neighbours as ourselves: **Lord hear our prayer**

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: We will ring out our joy at your saving help and exult in the name of our God.

PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY:

We remember Peter Fleming, Fr Burns Huggan, Margaret O'Brien, Katharina Dimitscheff, Enrico De Fabion, Svetka Vukic, Sung Bui, Stella Marasco, Tran thi Kim Chi, Amy Nguyen, John Coonan, Kathryn Lengyel and Gino Villani 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 also remember Mariette Bains, Pasko Lovric, Ugo Dolzan and Anne Tosolini whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace.



Baptisms: We welcome Charlotte Earley who is baptised into the faith community of the Catholic Parish of Ivanhoe this weekend. We welcome her 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: 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

Isaiah 45:1, 4-6	Psalm 95:1, 3-5, 7-10	Thessalonians 1:1-5	Matthew 22:15-21
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Saint and Feast Days:

Mon 27 October: St Otteran

Wed 29 October: St Colman

Fri 31 October: St Lucille

Tues 28 October: Ss Simon & Jude

Thurs 30 October: St Marcellus

Sat 1 November: All Saints

Next Week's Readings: All Souls' Day Year A

Isaiah 25:6-9	Psalm 26:1, 4, 7-9, 13-14	Romans 5:5-11	Matthew 11:25-30
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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.

A Funeral of a Great Friend

For the last two weeks I was busy with the Funeral Preparation of a great friend of mine – Fr Donald Lourensz. You might remember that our parish had his name on the Prayers of the Faithful for over a year.

Fr Lourensz was born in Sri Lanka on Sep 25, 1920. His mother was a member of the Dutch Reformed Church, while his father was Anglican. He was only a child when a drowning accident claimed the lives of his parents. Donald and his two brothers were raised by relatives. After high school, he attended Ceylon University and graduated in medicine in 1946. At the age of 21, he became a Catholic. He was married in 1946 and they had two children; a daughter, Donaldine and a son, Fr Duncan. His wife died in 1952, leaving Donald with 2 young children. In 1953, Donald and the children migrated to England where he became an ear, nose and throat specialist at St Andrew's Hospital in London. After his retirement in 1981, he became rather bored and took up a part-time appointment in Bermuda. After practicing there he experienced the desire to serve God as a priest. He attended The Pontifical Bede College in Rome. This college trains older English speaking men for the priesthood. On June 28, 1987, he was ordained in Bermuda, where he served for two years. He then came to Australia where he served at Sacred Heart Parish, Wodonga in the Sandhurst diocese. On his retirement from active ministry Fr Donald moved to Hoppers Crossing, where he had relatives. There I met Donald and became friends until he died at St Catherine's, Balwyn on October 8, 2014.

By his own admission Fr Donald was a rare bird priest, a seven-sacrament person, which made him one of those oddities who had survived to record the reception of all the sacraments. Rest in Peace, Fr Donald.

Hospitality

For the next two weeks (26/10 – 8/11), I will be taking two weeks off. Please make Frs Ted Teal, Peter Carrucan and Thinkh Nguyen welcome. The First Reading calls us to reflect on one of our Parish Values – Hospitality. The stranger ceases feeling estranged when he is offered hospitality. In the Middle East tradition the simple questions which we used to ask a stranger (Who are you? Where do you come from? Why are you here...) are reserved for the time after hospitality has been offered and accepted.

October 22: NAIDOC Award and OLMC 2014 Graduation

On Wednesday 22 October at 11:30 am I attended a special Mary Immaculate School Assembly for Ava Chiminello in Prep who has been awarded a 'Medal of Excellence' for her art work as entered into the NAIDOC Week Competition. Only 25 medals are awarded across the State and Ava's art work was on display in Canberra Parliament House during NAIDOC Week. We congratulate Ava and the school on this achievement.

In the late, warm afternoon I celebrated the Year 12 Graduation Mass for and with the students, the staff and their families. The chosen theme this year was 'We should be shining lamps, giving light to all around us.' During the homily I invited these graduands to be a lifelong learner – learning not just from books and technical knowledge, but also from living, experienced books – people who have inspired them, from experiences of ups and downs of life. I ask you to keep these students and their families in your prayers as they soon will have their exams.

Where Love is found

You might find this song to be helpful to you as you reflect on the greatest commandments – Love God and our Neighbour. We have used this hymn at wedding and different meetings including a meeting with the Vicar General and the Executive Director of the Archdiocese:

Refrain: Where charity and love are found, there will the face of God be seen.

The love of Christ will bind our hearts; as one body we will be.

Love is patient, love is kind, never boastful, never proud.

Love is hopeful in its waiting, ever trusting in God's light.

Love is steadfast to the end, ever ready to endure.

Love is gracious in its kindness, ever ready to forgive.

There are three things that will last: there is faith, hope, and love.

But the greatest of all blessings is the faithfulness of love.

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HAPPENINGS ACROSS THE PARISH

Saturday 25 October	10.00am	Reconciliation	St Bernadette's Church
Sunday 26 October	9.00am	Mass & Mary Immaculate Family Mass	Mary Immaculate Church
Tuesday 28 October	9.15am	Mass & Mother of God P.S. – Prep & Juniors	Mother of God Church
Wednesday 29 Oct	9.15am	Mass & Mary Immac. PS Grs 5M & 6SO	Mary Immaculate Church
Wednesday 29 Oct	7.00pm	Catechist Eucharist Class 3	Mary Immaculate Hall
Friday 31 October	9.15am	Mass & St Bernadette's PS Prep & T/P	St Bernadette's Church

Prayer for the Synod on the Family

An Extraordinary Synod on the Family, Rome 5th – 19th October 2014

Dear Heavenly Father, Our Beloved Holy Father, Pope Francis has asked that we pray for the upcoming Synod on the Family. Please send Your Holy Spirit and fill all who take part with wisdom, courage and love. Sustain our Holy Father, Pope Francis, that he may guide us by his example of fatherly love.

In our families, help us always to follow in Jesus' footsteps by showing mercy to others, especially families who suffer separation from one another and those who feel unloved. Open our eyes, hearts and hands, so that we may recognise and serve You by helping our sisters and brothers.

These things we ask in the name of Your Son, Jesus. Amen. St Mary and St Joseph, pray for us.

News from Fr Thang: I will be on two weeks Annual Leave from 25 October – 8 November. I sincerely thank Fr Think Nguyen who will celebrate weekend Masses, and Fr Ted Teal and Fr Peter Carrucan who will celebrate weekday Masses whilst I am absent. Fr Ted will celebrate Masses at Mother of God and St Bernadette's Churches, and Fr Peter will celebrate Masses at Mary Immaculate Church. – **Fr Thang**

Welcome and Thanks from Fr Thang: We welcome and thank Fr Think Nguyen, Fr Ted Teal and Fr Peter Carrucan who will celebrate Masses in our parish whilst I am on leave. The parish is grateful for priests supporting our parish in a variety of ways, as well as giving generously in both their time and spirit. Sincere thanks to those who ensure that all is in readiness for Mass celebrations in each of our churches. – **Fr Thang**

No First Friday Devotions at St Bernadette's - Friday 7 November:

Mass only will be celebrated at 9.15am on Friday 7 November. **No First Friday devotions** after Mass.

Reconciliation not available on Saturdays at 10.00am:

1 November at Mary Immaculate Church
8 November at Mother of God Church



<u>All Saints' Day</u>	Saturday 1 November 6.30pm	St Bernadette's Church
<u>All Souls' Day</u>	Sunday 2 November 9.00am	Mary Immaculate Church
	Sunday 2 November 10.30am	Mother of God Church
<u>Memorial Mass</u>	Sunday 16 November 10.30am	Mother of God Church

Mary Immaculate School Family Mass Sunday 26th October: We welcome the children and families from Grades 3 and 4 at Mary Immaculate School who have come to be with us at the 9.00am Mass.

Welcome to the children from our parish schools who have come as readers and bringing the Offertory Gifts.

Masses	Date	Readers	Offertory Gifts
6.30pm St B	8 Nov		Massimo Spina & Anna Stone
10.30am MOG	9 Nov	Lucy Doran	

Welcome: We welcome Marino family members who have come to the 9am Mass at Mary Immaculate for a special family occasion.

News from Mary Immaculate School:

The parish congratulates Ava Chiminello in Prep who was awarded a 'Medal of Excellence' for her art work entered into the NAIDOC Week competition. Twenty-five medals were awarded across the State and Ava's art work was on display in Parliament House during NAIDOC Week. Congratulations to Ave and her family.

Parishioner request for assistance: John is a member of the parish St Vincent de Paul Conference who is looking to rent a small unit or bungalow to rent in the Ivanhoe area as from 1st December. Please contact John 9499 7869 as soon as possible if you are able to assist in this matter. Thank you – John.

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The joy of the Gospel:

Pope Francis told us so much about himself when he used this title for his first encyclical. It has already reached many hearts and minds. If you would like to meet with some 'kindred spirits' and share what it means to you, come to the Parish Office on Thursday 30th October at 10.30 - 11.30, and stay for a cup of coffee. The parish has bought some copies for us to share. Let me know if you would like one to read. - Merle 9497 1691

Why Go to Mass on Sunday??: Talks by Rev Dr Elio Capra @ St John's Primary School Library at 7.30pm.

- Thursday 30 October – God speaks to us: Signs, Symbols and Space in the Mass
- Thursday 6 November – How we participate in the Mass Entrance: Free

Ryder Cheshire Morning Coffee: 10am, **Friday 31st**, 14 Donaldson St. There's always something to entertain us. This time it will be a musical presentation. Do come and enjoy some relaxation and to support Ryder Cheshire and its role of being a 'home away from home'.



Outreach Social Afternoon – Wednesday 5th November:

Our next Social Afternoon will be on Wednesday 5th November at 12.00pm, Mother of God Church foyer, 56 Wilfred Rd, Ivanhoe East. Come for lunch, cards, scrabble, knitting or a chat with others. Everyone is invited and all welcome. - Sue, Helen and Eileen

Parish Working Bee Saturday 22 November – 8am - 12 Noon:

Our working bees are not onerous; the cuppa and chat afterwards make it well worthwhile! If you can spare an hour or two or more, as many parishioners and school families as possible are welcome to come and help the Parish in this most practical way. Morning tea will be provided.

- Mostly a garden clean up around the Parish Office, Mary Immaculate Hall and church, and any other small jobs that are easily done! If you don't want to be outside in the sun, there is window cleaning to be done, so bring a scraper blade, some old newspapers and a bottle of methylated spirits.
- BYO gloves, secateurs and a large garbage bag for the garden clean up. Any other gardening / pruning / cleaning equipment you can bring, is very welcome too!

What is Marriage??: Copies of the brochure of 'What is Marriage?' prepared and distributed by the Australian Catholics Bishops Conference are available in each church.

Reflection Day for Women Saturday 15th November at Holy Cross Centre, Templestowe:

Theme: Wonder and Amazement Facilitators: Maria McCormack, Bernadette Owen & Sister Brigid CP
Time: 9.30am – 3.30pm Address: 207 Serpells Rd, Templestowe Tea Coffee and biscuits
available and bring own lunch. RSVP Tuesday 11 November Contact: Maree Butler 9846 6014

Bus Trip – Livingstone Community Centre's 15th birthday: Tuesday 25 Nov 9.30am – 3.30pm.

Morning Melodies with Steve Lawson at Lower Plenty Hotel – Devonshire Morning Tea and one Course
Lunch will be followed by visit to Beasley's Teahouse and Nursery in East Doncaster. Bookings are essential
Cost: \$15 RSVP: Tuesday 18th November – Pat Hollis 9499 4597 or Susan McLaughlin 9497 2014

ROSTERS FOR WEEKEND: 1 – 2 November 2014

ST. BERNADETTE'S:

Saturday 6.30pm

Lector

S. Moorhen

Special Ministers

B. Jowett, T. Nibali

MARY IMMACULATE: Leader

Sunday 9.00am

J. Pidutti

Reader

J. McCormack

Mass Coordinators

J. Costa

Counters

M. Rocco, P. Shannon

MOTHER OF GOD:

Sunday 10.30am

Sacristan

E. Mount

Lector

E. Mount

Special Ministers

A. Moloney, G. Crawford, F. Tosolini

Altar Society: P. Caddy

Choir Coordinator: I. Chiera

First Collection – Thanksgiving:	Envelopes: \$1,143.00	Loose cash: \$524.40	Total:	\$1,667.40
Second Collection – Presbytery:				\$ 779.10

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