



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. 7

14 - 15 February 2015

6th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: YEAR B

THE WORD

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: **Be my protector, O God, a mighty stronghold to save me. For you are my rock, my stronghold! Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: **I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation.**

- V. 1. Happy the man whose offence is forgiven, whose sin is remitted.
O happy the man to whom the Lord imputes no guilt, in whose spirit is no guile. **R.**
- V. 2. But now I have acknowledged my sins; my guilt I did not hide.
I said: 'I will confess my offence to the Lord.' And you, Lord, have forgiven the guilt of my sin. **R.**
- V. 3. Rejoice, rejoice in the Lord, exult, you just! O come, ring out your joy, all you upright of heart. **R.**

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

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL: Welcoming and healing God: **Hear our prayer**

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: **They ate and had their fill, and what they craved the Lord gave them; they were not disappointed in what they craved.**

PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY:

We remember Robbie Gordon, Maria Colavizza, Mike McGuire, Sarah O'Shaughnessy, Margaret O'Brien, Katharina Dimitscheff, Tran thi Kim Chi, Sung Bui, Amy Nguyen, John Coonan 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 Ligia Pertile-Wilson who died recently. We also remember Berardino Renzella and Vincent O'Toole whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace.

This Week's Readings: 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46 Psalm 31:1-2, 5, 11 1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1 Mark 1:40-45

Saint and Feast Days:

Mon 16 February: St Onesimus

Tues 17 February: The Servite Founders

Wed 18 February: Ash Wednesday

Thurs 19 February: St Boniface of Lausanne

Fri 20 February: Blessed Jacinta & Blessed Francisco Marto

Sat 21 February: St Peter Damian

Next Week's Readings: 1st Sunday of Lent - Year B

Genesis 9:8-15 Psalm 24:4-9 1 Peter 3:18-22 Mark 1:12-55



Ash Wednesday Masses: Wednesday 18th February 2015:

Mary Immaculate: 9.15am Mother of God: 7.30pm

St Bernadette's: 7.30pm Korean

Ashes will be available for parishioners at St Bernadette's, 6.30pm Mass on the following Saturday 21 February

Catholic Parish of Ivanhoe
Combined Schools Mass

Tuesday 10th February



On the 10th of February the three Catholic Parish of Ivanhoe schools got together for the Beginning of Year Mass, held at Mother of God church. Father Thang talked to us about the story of the Good Samaritan and we watched a scene put together by the students from MOG. We spoke about being a good neighbour, and crossing the road to help those in need, not continuing on our way and ignoring the troubles of those around us. We were taught that God loves us inside no matter how big or small we are, no matter what we look like and how we speak.
by Angelique and Mia from Mary Immaculate Primary School

Mother of God was the host school for our Catholic Parish of Ivanhoe Beginning of the School Year Mass. We combined with Mary Immaculate and St Bernadettes. We have picked up the theme of 'Crossing the road to help others'. The children are encouraged to think of ways we can do this in our school environment and our families. The older people in our community are encouraged to seek first to understand. Fr Thang used 'M and M'S' to show that we are all different but also the same on the inside and that God loves us all. At Mother of God ways we are already being like the Good Samaritan are helping our new preps settle in by stopping our games and seeing if they are ok. Another way is reminding each other how to be respectful by being safe, kind and fair.
By Hayley and Angelique from Mother of God P.S

It was exciting as it is a chance for the people at different schools to meet up and see each other. It was great to see the other school captains, meet them and wish them well for the year. I love how Father Thang uses things from our everyday life to help explain the gospel. It means that all the children are able to understand it better. We liked the demonstration of the M&M's and how everyone may be different on the outside but on the inside we are all the same.
By Annelise and Kate, School Captains at St Bernadette's

INCLUSIVENESS

HOSPITALITY

SERVICE

MISSION

HAPPENINGS ACROSS THE PARISH

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| Saturday 14 Feb | 10.00am | Reconciliation | Mother of God Church |
| Saturday 14 Feb | 6.30pm | Mass & Family Mass Grades 1 & 2 | St Bernadette's Church |
| Tuesday 17 Feb | 4.15pm | Christian Meditation | Mary Immaculate Hall |
| Tuesday 17 Feb | 7.30pm | St Bernadette's School Education Board | St Bernadette's School |
| Wednesday 18 Feb | | <u>Ash Wednesday Masses</u> | See front page newsletter |
| Friday 20 Feb | 9.15am | Mass & St Bernadette's P.S. Years 3 & 4C | St Bernadette's Church |
| Friday 20 Feb | 9.15am | Mass followed by Stations of the Cross | St Bernadette's Church |
| Friday 20 Feb | 6.00pm | St Bernadette's P.S. Family Mass Yrs 1&2 | St Bernadette's Church |
| Saturday 21 Feb | 10.00am | Reconciliation | Mary Immaculate Church |

St Bernadette's School Family Mass 1 / 2 – Saturday 14 February:

We welcome the children and their families from Grades 1 & 2 at St Bernadette's School who have come to the 6.30pm Mass at St Bernadette's. All are welcome to join us for refreshments after Mass.



Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of Fasting and Abstinence from meat

'All who have completed their 18th year and have not begun their 60th year are bound to fast.

All who have completed their 14th year are bound to abstain'. (Canon 1252)

'Fasting sharpens our vision and our readiness in mind and heart to love God and others, rather than personal selfishness. As a community we fast and abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. On other days, discipline in eating and drinking trains us for our journey with Christ who spent forty days in the desert.' – Archbishop Denis Hart, Lent 2014

Stations of the Cross during Lent at St Bernadette's Church:

As part of the Lenten journey, Stations of the Cross will take place after the 9.15am Mass at St Bernadette's on Friday **mornings** during Lent, but **not on** the First Friday of the month. All parishioners are invited.

This decision has been made as a result of consideration of and discussion with those who prepare for and attend these services, as well as those travelling to and from the church. – **Fr Thang**

Project Compassion is an important part of our Lenten journey! Caritas raises our awareness of the needs of others in many parts of our world. Take a box or a set of envelopes to give much needed financial support to others in need. Join in the prayer each week as we read stories of real people who have needs as well as hope.

- Project Compassion boxes & Lenten share packs will be available in each church to take home for your use.
- A large Project Compassion box will be in each church for contributions if you wish to use this option.
- Project Compassion contributions need to be returned no later than Easter Sunday 5 April 2015.

Christian Meditation:

Meditation for 2015 has begun on Tuesdays at 4.15 at Mary Immaculate Hall in Waverley Ave, Ivanhoe. New members are always welcome. Enquiries: Kathy Gillespie 9497 1706 or 0438 530 324.

Austin Hospital Mass: There are two monthly chapel services at Austin Hospital for volunteers and parishioners who may wish to attend. Volunteers need to meet at 8.30am at the Chapel for Mass at 9.30am.

- An Ecumenical Service on the first Sunday of the month
- Catholic Mass on the third Sunday of the month.

World Day of Prayer – Friday 6th March:

This annual opportunity to pray with people all over the world, which we share with the other Christian churches of Ivanhoe, will be held at Mary Immaculate Church at 10.00am on Friday, 6th March. The prayer this year has been prepared by the people of the Bahamas. - Merle 9497 1691 or merlegilbo@hotmail.net.au

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 Wednesday will be placed in the newsletter of the following week. Notices, items, anniversaries can be sent to the Parish Office by email or left in the locked letterbox near the front door of the Parish Office, 4 Waverley Ave, Ivanhoe.

Contact details: Phone 9499 1515, Fax 9499 9959; or Email: catholicparisfofivanhoe@bigpond.com

Prayers of the Sick: *Please note that names will remain on the sick list for a month.*

To extend the time, please make personal contact with the Parish Office 9499 1515.

Sacraments 2015:

The Sacramental Brochure for enrolment in Parish sacramental programs – Confirmation, Reconciliation or First Eucharist 2015 is available in each church and on the website. Enrolments are only accepted from families who live within the parish which includes Ivanhoe, Ivanhoe East, Ivanhoe West and Eaglemont.

Please note: Only children who do not attend Parish primary schools or who have transferred out of Catholic Primary schools need to enrol in the Parish Program. *Previous enrolment at one of the three Ivanhoe Parish schools whilst living outside the parish does not guarantee enrolment in the sacramental program. It is recommended that sacramental preparation takes place in the parish where the catechist & family lives.*

Enrolment forms are available from Parish Office 9499 1515 and website: www.ivanhoecatholics.com

N.B. Closing date is Friday 27 March 2015 - It is not always possible to accept late enrolments.

Volunteers Needed for Children's Reading Club in West Heidelberg: The St Vincent de Paul Society provides an after school Reading Club, based at St Pius X School, Heidelberg West from 3:30- 4:30pm each Tuesday of the school term. We are looking for volunteers to support the children with their reading.

Grades 1 - 6 children who attend will be encouraged to enjoy books and develop a love of reading, in the process of improving English and Social Skills. This is not intended as a remedial reading or tutoring program, but rather we are encouraging a child's natural love of stories. We are looking for men and women who enjoy reading and spending time with children who can give a couple of hours a week. If interested please contact the Reading Club Coordinator, Lina Troiano 0425 741 977 or lina.troiano@hotmail.com

Mass for Solo Catholics: Sunday 22 February, 10.30am, St Cecilia's Church, 37 Hillside Parade, Glen Iris Solo Catholics, a social group that has been going for 45 years, welcomes anyone in the age range of 45-70. Join us for Mass, which will be celebrated by Fr Gerard Dowling. The Solo Catholics Annual General Meeting will follow Mass at 11.30am. New members are welcome to attend. Following the AGM, lunch will be held at Caulfield Racecourse at 1 Station St, Caulfield at 1pm. **Contact:** Peter on 0418 502 297

Enrolments for Our Lady of Mercy College, Heidelberg: Application for enrolments for Year 7, 2016 close on Friday 27 February 2015. School Tours: Tuesday 9 February 9 – 10.30am, Friday 13 February 9 – 10.30am and Tuesday 24 February Twilight Tour 4.30 – 6.00pm. Enquiries: College Registrar Merri O'Halloran 9459 2511 or email: mohalloran@olmcheidelberg.catholic.edu.au

Short Course in Jesus' Passion, Death and Resurrection: Wednesdays 25 February, 4 March, 11 March & 18 March, 6.30-8pm, Christ Lecture Theatre, Australian Catholic University, 115 Victoria Parade, Fitzroy A Short Course offered by the Australian Catholic University for the public in 2015. It is an opportunity to explore the most important topics of Christian faith during the season of Lent with theologians from ACU, including Rev. Prof Anthony Kelly CSsR and Rev. Prof Francis Moloney SDB. The Course will follow the events of the Triduum (Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday), as they are stated in the Apostles' Creed. Refreshments provided from 6pm. Registration is essential and closes Friday 20 February. **Register:** <http://www.acu.edu.au/686192> **Contact:** Dr Joel Hodge joel.hodge@acu.edu.au

ROSTERS FOR WEEKEND: 21 – 22 February 2015

ST. BERNADETTE'S:

Saturday 6.30pm

Lector

J. Murphy

Special Ministers

B. Jowett, J. Gray

MARY IMMACULATE: Leader

Sunday 9.00am

M. Ballao

Reader

E. Voice

Mass Coordinators

E. Ballao

Counters

T. McKinley, E. Ballao

MOTHER OF GOD:

Sunday 10.30am

Sacristan

J. Curry

Lector

J. Curry

Special Ministers

M. Pollard, G. Reardon, D. Ervin

Altar Society: P. Caddy

Choir Coordinator: J. O'Brien

First Collection – Thanksgiving:

Envelopes: \$1,413.50 Loose cash: \$408.35

Total: \$1,821.35

Second Collection – Presbytery:

Total: \$ 826.60

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