



# 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. 19**

**9 – 10 May 2015**

## SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER: YEAR B

**THE WORD**

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:** Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard; proclaim to the ends of the earth: The Lord has freed his people, alleluia.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:** The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

- V. 1. Sing a new song to the Lord for he has worked wonders.  
His right hand and his holy arm have brought salvation. **R.**
- V. 2. The Lord has made known his salvation; has shown his justice to the nations.  
He has remembered his truth and love for the house of Israel. **R.**
- V. 3. All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.  
Shout to the Lord all the earth, ring out your joy. **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:** God who loves unconditionally: Hear our prayer

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:** If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord, and I will ask the Father and he will send you another Paraclete, to abide with you for ever, alleluia.

**PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY:**

We remember Stuart King, Marty Brown, John Cullen, Ingrid Weinberg, Maria Colavizza, Mike McGuire, Sarah O'Shaughnessy, Margaret O'Brien, 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 support those in need.

We remember John Doyle and Fr Geoffrey King SJ who died recently. We remember Tricia Erbacher, Rose Daley, Anselmo and Maria Dri, Matthew Ryan and Jake Broderick whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace.



**Baptisms:** We welcome Thomas Jekabson 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.

**Archdiocesan Mass Census 2015:** Thank you to those taking Mass Counts at each Mass in our parish

**This Week's Readings: 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Easter Year B**

**Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48** **Psalm 97:1-4** **1 John 4:7-10** **John 15:9-17**

**Saint and Feast Days:**

*Mon 11 May: St Fabius* *Tues 12 May: Ss Nereus & Achilles*  
*Wed 13 May: Our Lady of Fatima* *Thurs 14 May: St Matthias*  
*Fri 15 May: St Carthage* *Sat 16 May: St Brendan*

**Next Week's Readings: The Ascension of the Lord - Year B**

**Acts 1:1-11** **Psalm 46:2-3, 6-9** **Ephesians 1:17-23** **Mark 16:15-20**

2<sup>nd</sup> Vietnamese Marian Congress – Keysborough

Last weekend, I attended the Vietnamese Marian Congress which took place at Saints Hoan and Thien Vietnamese Community Centre, Keysborough. Thousands of Vietnamese Catholics participated in this significant event which marked the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Fall of Saigon in 1975 and the beginning of Vietnamese migration to Australia in the following decade. There are 12 Vietnamese Mass Centres / communities around the Archdiocese. What I witnessed was the enormous effort of the volunteers of all ages especially those who worked tirelessly on the background such as traffic controllers and cleaners. There were approximately 4000 people and about 500 children present at the closing ceremony of the congress. In his homily Bishop Long spoke of the need to praise God for allowing the Vietnamese refugees to escape a life of oppression under the Communist regime, and to find peace and security in Australia. He compared Vietnamese refugees to the ancient Israelites fleeing their life of bondage in Egypt. He said the congress was a demonstration of gratitude to God and he encouraged those present to work together in cultivating their homeland Australia, and their beloved Vietnam, with 'the indomitable spirit of our forefathers.'

(Sources: <http://www.cam.org.au/>; <http://www.vietcatholic.net/News/default.htm>)

Confirmation Workshop and Rite of the Enrolment

Last week the Year Six Students of our three schools and 29 students from the catechist group gathered as a community at Mother of God for a family evening to reflect on the Sacrament of Confirmation. At this night they were challenged with the question 'Do you get it?' This question was about if they understood what it meant to be confirmed.

Denise spoke to us about how Jesus washed the feet of others. The idea behind this is that they are called to wash the feet of others in service. It is a call to action in the church. They came to understand that they all have different GIFTS. They had to choose a trinket to give to their parents which represented the gifts they share with them throughout their lives. This was a very special and touching moment.

They followed this up by attending parish Masses last weekend for the Rite of Enrolment. At each Mass the children asked us to support them in their journey towards Confirmation by praying for them. It was great to experience this with their friends and family. We can support and pray for the children in a concrete way by writing our names on their posters around the three churches.

Mother's Day – Love

"Anyone who fails to love can never have known God, because God is love." This is a lovely summary of today's liturgy. More than 10 times it mentioned (Gospel); 9 times (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading) Christian life unfolds in the circle of love, which begins in God, becomes visible in Jesus Christ, is extended to all people and goes back to God. Since God is love, in God we find the point of departure of all the movements of love. Jesus Christ, the revealer of God's love, calls his disciples, friends not master-slave relationship. God's love in Christ for us is not limited; rather it is open, because in God's love there are no distinctions between persons, and everyone can share his Spirit, the power and presence of love in others. Let's give thanks for our mothers or those in motherly roles. Happy Mother's Day!

A Humour

Many thanks for your best wishes and prayers. All the years when I was in Vietnam, we did not celebrate our individual birthday. Now I am convinced that one's birthday should be celebrated. This is a light-bulb thought of being 42! God bless you all! (Facebook Comment)

**HAPPENINGS ACROSS THE PARISH**

Saturday 9 May	10.00am	<b>Reconciliation</b>	Mother of God Church
Tuesday 12 May	9.15am	Mass & Mother of God School Grade 1/2	Mother of God Church
Tuesday 12 May	4.15pm	Christian Meditation	Mary Immaculate Hall
Wednesday 13 May	7.00pm	Confirmation Catechist Class 5	Mary Immaculate Hall
Wednesday 13 May	8.00pm	Ivanhoe Churches Together	Ivanhoe Baptist Church
Friday 15 May	9.15am	Mass & St Bernadette's P.S. Grades 5/6P2	St Bernadette's Church
Saturday 16 May	10.00am	<b>Reconciliation</b>	Mary Immaculate Church
Saturday 16 May	6.30pm	Mass & St Bernadette's PS Family Mass 5&6	St Bernadette's Church
Sunday 17 May	9.00am	Mass & Mary Immaculate Family Mass 1& 2	Mary Immaculate Church

**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.*



*Happy Mothers' Day to all mothers, grandmothers and those in motherly roles in the Catholic Parish of Ivanhoe*

**Archdiocesan Mass Census for the month of May 2015:**

For the weekends: 2-3, 9-10, 16-17 & 23-24 May all present (including children and babies) at Mass in each parish church will be counted as part of the Archdiocesan Mass Census 2015.

Census sheets are available in each church for use by counters for this purpose. Completed census sheets need to be returned to the Parish Office on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2015. **Thank you for your assistance.**



**Confirmation posters:**

Enrolment posters are displayed in each of our churches as our Confirmation candidates prepare for Confirmation. Parishioners are invited to write their names on bottom section of posters as those keeping the children in their prayers. After Confirmation on Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> May, posters will be returned to the children as a memento of their Rite of Enrolment.

**Our Confirmation Choir:**

As promised last week, here are the details for the practices!!

They will be at Mary Immaculate Church from 7.30 until 9.00pm on Tuesdays: May 12, 19, 26<sup>th</sup>.

Please come to as many of the practices as you can manage. Do mention this to others / remind anyone whom you think would like to join in. I keep 'seeing' the vast size of the Cathedral!! Merle (9497 1691)

**St Bernadette's School Family Mass – Grades 5 & 6:**

On Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> May, the children and families from Grades 5 & 6 at St Bernadette's School will be with us at the 6.30pm Mass at St Bernadette's Church.

**Mary Immaculate School Family Mass – Grades 1 & 2:**

On Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> May, the children and families from Grades 1 & 2 at Mary Immaculate School will be with us at the 9.00am Mass at Mary Immaculate Church.

**Chaplaincy Sunday Appeal 2015 – Sunday 17 May:** *"We are with people at their most vulnerable time"*

Next weekend is Chaplaincy Sunday in the Archdiocese of Melbourne. The Melbourne Archbishop's Charitable Fund supports the vital work of Catholic Chaplains. The presence of Catholic Chaplains provides hope. The presence of Catholic Chaplains is a crucial witness to our faith, a crucial dimension of our service of love, and a vital testimony to the value of life in all its stages. A Chaplaincy Sunday video clip is available online, and/or to donate online visit website: [www.cam.org.au/chaplaincy](http://www.cam.org.au/chaplaincy). Donations help support Chaplains who work with:

- Patients and their families in public hospitals
- Men and women in Prisons
- Those affected by mental illness
- Young people in youth justice facilities
- Seafarers

**The Exodus Community**

has again selected a film which sounds really interesting. It is 'Woman in Gold', the story of Maria Altman, an octogenarian Jewish Refugee, who takes on the Austrian government to recover artwork which she believes belongs to her family. Friday, 29<sup>th</sup> May, the Palace Theatre, Balwyn, 10.45 for an 11am start, to be followed by a light lunch. Cost: \$20 per ticket. Contact: Anne 9497 5153 or Jo 9850 7702

**Another eConference Broadcast live to our Parish & elsewhere - "Religion: Catalyst for violence or Peace?"**

Following several successful live eConferences in the past The Broken Bay Institute in NSW will broadcast another live interactive event to venues around Australia and other parts of the world, including our Hall behind Mary Immaculate Church on Tuesday 23 June, from 10:00am to 2:30 pm . Further details will be provided later. A light lunch will be offered (donation invited) so for catering purposes bookings are required. Contact John Costa, Merle Gilbo, members of the Liturgy and Outreach Groups, or the Parish Office.

**St Mary's House of Welcome Trivia Night:**

Friday 22 May, 5.30pm at St Brigid's Parish Hall, 378 Nicholson St, Fitzroy North. Bring own picnic or buy dinner from the BBQ food truck. **Cost:** \$30 **Tickets:** 9417 7985

**Looking Ahead: Winter Masses at St Bernadette's Church:**

Because the weather is getting darker and colder, there are concerns for and by those who walk to and from the 6.30pm Mass at St Bernadette's who may be finding difficulties at this time of the year. We are wondering if an earlier Mass at 6.00pm would be helpful, or is it preferable to leave it at 6.30pm and ask for your opinion. ***Please fill in the slip below and return to St Bernadette's Church by Saturday 9 May or to the Parish Office, 4 Waverley Ave, Ivanhoe by Monday 10 May.***

**2015 Winter Mass Time at St Bernadette's Church:**

<input type="checkbox"/> Change to 6.00pm	OR	<input type="checkbox"/> Leave at 6.30pm
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## Parish Strategy Review

We would like to thank all participants of the Strategic Review Workshops held at Mother of God, Mary Immaculate and St Bernadette's in March. These have been written up after Easter and the results presented to the PLT. To recap: we are moving towards designing our infrastructure to meet our new Mission, which is to: **“Engage and serve our whole community, including children youth and families, to share faith, love and care”**.

The review workshops analysed the positives and negatives of each of our parish assets or buildings, as well as looking at some of the diverse groups and other assets we have. A key outcome was to frame the objectives any redesign must meet. In summary, these are that our buildings should be:

- Welcoming and inviting to all, including all ages, people of diverse faiths and those needing pastoral care
  - Accessible to all both by position and by physical layout
  - A visible presence and connection to the wider community
  - Well designed (in a large range of dimensions, including architectural, comfort, functionality, energy efficiency, etc.)
  - Convey what we stand for – our spirituality, facilitate spreading the word, have an outward or service focus
- And one church should be open during the day

Thanks – Sue Moorhen for the Pastoral Leadership Team (PLT)

**Solo Catholics Event: Dinner at Zagames:** Thursday 21 May, 7pm at Zagames, 25 Derby Rd, Caulfield  
Solo Catholics has been going for 45 years and welcomes those interested in meeting others in age range 45-70. This dinner will be a welcome night for new members. **RSVP:** By Friday 15 May to Peter on 0418 502 297

**One Pentecost:** Sunday 24 May, 3–6.30pm at Collingwood Town Hall, 140 Hoddle St, Abbotsford  
Catholics young and old are invited to come together, united as one, to call on God's promise of power. There will be worship music with Fr Rob Galea and Fr Dan Strickland, and a commissioning by Bishop Mark Edwards. **Cost:** \$15 adults, \$10 students **Bookings:** [www.ticketebo.com.au/onepentecost](http://www.ticketebo.com.au/onepentecost)  
**Details:** [team@onespiritaustralia.org](mailto:team@onespiritaustralia.org)

**Dr Sr Mary Glowrey – Servant:** Parishioners are invited to a gathering on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> May from 7 – 9pm at St Gregory the Great Hall, 396 Manningham Rd, Doncaster. St Gregory the Great parish will host a speakers' evening on the life of Dr Sister Mary Glowrey whose cause for canonisation has been opened and she may become the second saint from Australia. There will be opportunities for questions after the presentations. To assist with catering please contact Parish Office by Friday 22 May - 9848 2395; email: [Doncaster@cam.org.au](mailto:Doncaster@cam.org.au).

**Life Hike 2015 – Great Ocean Walk Highlights:** Thursday 28 May through to Saturday 30 May  
Join Right to Life Australia in an invigorating and unique 3 days on the great Ocean Walk - a most challenging and scenic route in the vicinity of Victoria's Great Ocean Road. If interested in participating and/or assisting in fundraising to support Right to Life Australia are invited to contact Mary Collier, Right to Life Australia Office 9385 0100 or email: [marycollier@righttolife.com.au](mailto:marycollier@righttolife.com.au). Online Registration: [www.righttolife.com.au](http://www.righttolife.com.au)

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## **ROSTERS FOR WEEKEND: 16 – 17 May 2015**

### **ST. BERNADETTE'S:**

Saturday 6.30pm

#### **Lector**

J. Murphy

#### **Special Ministers**

B. Jowett, J. Gray

### **MARY IMMACULATE:**

Sunday 9.00am

**Leader**  
J. Pidutti

#### **Reader**

E. Donhardt

#### **Mass Coordinators**

S. & P. Kelly

#### **Counters**

T. McKinley, E. Ballao

### **MOTHER OF GOD:**

Sunday 10.30am

**Sacristan**  
J. Taylor  
**Altar Society:**

#### **Lector**

C. Bellio

P. Caddy

#### **Special Ministers**

C. Bellio, B. Dolzan, I. Chiera

**Choir Coordinator:** M. De Silva

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<b>First Collection</b> – Thanksgiving:	Envelopes: \$2,022.00	Loose cash: \$685.55	<b>Total: \$2,707.55</b>
<b>Second Collection</b> – Presbytery:			<b>Total: \$1,054.15</b>

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