

# 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. 22**

**30 – 31 May 2015**

## THE MOST HOLY TRINITY: YEAR B

### 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:** **Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.**

- V. 1. The word of the Lord is faithful and all his works to be trusted.  
The Lord loves justice and right and fills the earth with his love. **R.**
- V. 2. With his word the heavens were made, by the breath of his mouth all the stars.  
He spoke; and they came to be. He commanded; they sprang into being. **R.**
- V. 3. The Lord looks on those who revere him, on those who hope in his love,  
To rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine. **R.**
- V. 4. Our soul is waiting for the Lord. The Lord is our help and our shield.  
May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you. **R.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** **Alleluia, alleluia! Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: to God 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 Br. James Maher MSC, 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, Christine Smith and Gino Villani who are in need of prayer at this time. We remember those who support those in need.

We remember Ines Borsato and Angelina Giacometti who died recently. We also remember Giuseppe Mezzalira and Mariangela Stramandinoli whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace.

 **Baptisms:** We welcome Emily Pattison 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: The Most Holy Trinity - Year B

**Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40 Psalm 32:4-6, 9, 18-20, 22 Romans 8:14-17 Matthew 28:16-20**

#### Saint and Feast Days:

*Mon 1 June: St Justin*

*Wed 3 June: St Charles Lwanga*

*Fri 5 June: St Boniface of Mainz*

*Tues 2 June: Ss Marcellinus & Peter*

*Thurs 4 June: Corpus Christi in Scotland*

*Sat 6 June: St Norbert*

### Next Week's Readings: Corpus Christi - Year B

**Exodus 24:3-8 Psalm 115:12-13, 15-18 Hebrews 9:11-15 Mark 14:12-16, 22-26**

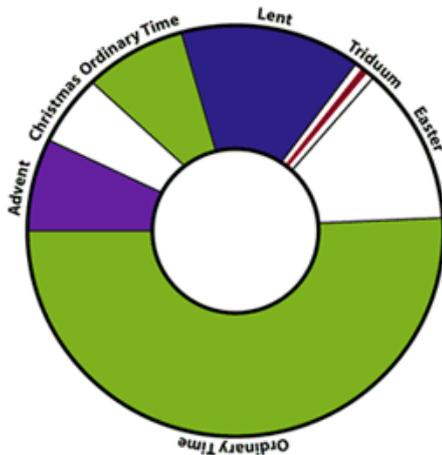
**INCLUSIVENESS**

**HOSPITALITY**

**SERVICE**

**MISSION**

In the singing the dismissal on Pentecost Sunday on May 24 – “Go in the peace of Christ Alleluia, Alleluia” the Season of Easter came to a close. As a result, we have resumed the Ordinary Time (*See Pie Chart*). The fact is that the green colour is not used on the first two Sundays after Pentecost because the two solemnities, Holy Trinity and the Holy Body and Blood of Christ or Corpus Christi are celebrated on those Sundays.



### What is the Ordinary Time?

The word ‘Ordinary’ sounds a bit dull or boring. It means something that is not different, special, unexceptional or uninteresting. However, Ordinary Time is not simply *time in between* nor ‘ordinary’ in contrast to special or extraordinary. Ordinary is the same as ordinal, meaning – time counted in order and relationship. Ordinary Time or Sundays of the Year is the longest season in a liturgical calendar, taking 33 or 34 weeks in the Church Year. It is divided into two sections: one section of 4-8 weeks after Christmas Season, and another which lasts about six months after Easter Season. Its liturgical colour of green points to our Christian growth and life, entering into the paschal mystery of Jesus Christ: grappling with its mystery and how to live it in our daily lives.

### A Spirituality for Ordinary Time

Ordinary Time effectively takes on 63% of the liturgical year. Like most of us, for the main part of our life, most days involve pretty normal, mundane, routines: catching the train to work, being caught up in traffic, not knowing what to buy for weekday meals, doing weekend laundry and ironing; relating to others; doing our daily chores... Nothing special about these items. A woman photographer and writer reflects on Ordinary Time: “In my life, not all photos or writing need to be about celebrations of life, birthdays, graduations, weddings, holiday gatherings. Life is more than that, and when you write and take pictures, suddenly you realize what life is in its truest sense of the word. Life is ‘more.’ We just don’t realise that life is going on around us when it is happening most of the time.”

We are called not to let Ordinary Time stay ordinary or sit around and wait for something ‘special’ to celebrate. Similarly, spiritual life is not merely about spiritual highs and lows. It is ultimately living in balance and harmony in the deep knowledge and conviction that we are beloved sons and daughters of God. The biggest spiritual challenge of our lives perhaps is to claim and live a life in the conviction that we are God’s children; and that is who we really are. This is because the world tells us who we are by: What I have, what I do, and what others are saying about me. All of these attributes have negative and positive effects on how we see ourselves as who we are, but they are not the core of who we really are. The core claim and conviction is that we are the beloved daughters and sons of God.

Today we celebrate the Most Blessed Trinity which reminds us of the highest belief of our faith: God is three-in-one. The second reading from Romans shows the working of the Father, Son and Spirit in the life of the Christian: “When we cry, ‘Abba! Father!’ it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ.” In the Gospel we hear Jesus’ instruction that the disciples go out to all the nations and baptise them “in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit” is an instruction that is still being carried on today. At the baptism of Emily Pattison this week, I will be using these precise words. These are also the words used in the Sign of the Cross whether it is a personal, private blessing of ourselves or together at Mass. When we make the Sign of the Cross we use the same words of Jesus.

As we are in a winter season physically, we might reflect on the spiritual winter journey that the Church in Australia is living through the Royal Commission into Institutional Response to Child Sexual Abuse by its clergy and religious. At this time, I have found a letter by Michael Leunig useful:

‘Dear God,

*Let us prepare for winter. The sun has turned away from us and the nest of summer hangs down broken in a tree. Life slips through our fingers and, as darkness gathers, our hands grow cold. It is time to go inside. It is time for reflection and resonance. It is time for contemplation. Let us go inside’.* - Michael Leunig

Encountering the Lord within, might we, live and grow in the deep knowledge and conviction that we have been loved, that we are beloved daughter and sons of God.

**Sources:** <http://americamagazine.org/content/all-things/spirituality-ordinary-time>

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**Congratulations:** We congratulate our Confirmation candidates confirmed at St Patrick's Cathedral on Sunday 31 May. We wish them well on this special occasion and for their ongoing journeys of faith and spirituality.

**Personal Security:** *Unfortunately there have been times when handbags have been stolen from the church. It is suggested that your handbag remains with you during Mass to protect its contents.*



**Outreach Social Afternoon – Wednesday 3 June:**

Our next Social Afternoon will be on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June at 12.00pm at 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 welcome. – Eileen, Helen and Sue

**St Bernadette's First Friday Devotions - Friday 5 June:** After Mass there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction. All are welcome to spend time in prayer with the Blessed Sacrament.

**A very significant date for the Catholic Parish of Ivanhoe:**

Have you noticed that there is another foundation stone opposite the one for the present Mary Immaculate Church? It was from the red brick church originally on this site and it was put in place on the 31<sup>st</sup> October 1915. So we have a centenary to celebrate in October this year. When we had the opportunity, we spoke to Bishop Mark Edwardes, our recently appointed Regional Bishop, about being with us and he pencilled in Sunday afternoon, 25<sup>th</sup> October. So we have a start.

Needed now is a group of people to work together to make it a really significant celebration. Maybe you have had family associations with the church and can help us remember. Maybe you are just interested in the history of the Catholic Church in the area. We would like to start with a meeting around the end of May to make a 'grand plan' working out what needs to be done and who can do it - invitations, catering, liturgy, historical records etc. We do look forward to hearing from YOU. - Merle, for the Pastoral Leadership Team.

**Fr Len's forthcoming "80-50" Celebrations:**

Fr Len Thomas is widely known in Melbourne parishes and the general community, and particularly in the Catholic Parish of Ivanhoe and preceding Ivanhoe Cluster where he was Priest In Residence from 1999 - 2010 whilst living at St Bernadette's. During that time, and before, he was also Chaplain of the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne Mental Health Ministry. Fr Len retired from active parish duties in 2010 but remained busy in many ways, including as a relief Priest from time to time for various parishes in Melbourne and elsewhere in Australia, working with Rotary, visiting Gallipoli, maintaining friendships with many, and keeping in contact.

Shortly Fr Len will separately celebrate his 80th birthday and around the same time the 50th Anniversary of his Ordination. Accordingly you are warmly invited to share with Len and friends in any or all of the celebratory Masses and associated occasions on ***Saturday 20 June and Saturday 1 August 2015***. Full details and more information on his forthcoming "80-50 Celebration" see Parish website: [www.ivanhoecatholics.com/news2015](http://www.ivanhoecatholics.com/news2015) Newspaper may be found on the website as well as free download of his 2005 "70-40" book 'Free to be Priest.' – Parish website, courtesy of John Costa, Website Editor and Manager

**St Vincent de Paul – Winter Appeal – Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> June:**

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 near the door of each church. 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.

**The Joy of the Gospel:**

Keith Smith enthusiastically led us on a couple of occasions when we examined, reflected on and discussed this wonderful document. But, we didn't get to the end so we will take it up again on Thursday, 4<sup>th</sup> June at 10.00am in the meeting room at the Parish Office. If you joined in before, please come again!! If you haven't made it, you would be very welcome this time.

**Meeting for youth at St John's Heidelberg:**

The Melbourne AOY NET Team will be hosting a two part event at our parish on 13 and 14 June. Year 9 to Young Adults are invited and welcome!

- On Saturday 13 June, please join us from 7.00 – 9.00pm for an evening of Fellowship, Food and FUN!
- On Sunday 14 June, please join us from 10.00am – 2.00pm for a sharing on **God's Love**. We will finish off the session with a Barbeque lunch!

On both days we will be meeting at St. Monica's located behind our Parish Hall, 55 Cape St, Heidelberg. We hope to see you there on one or both days! For more details, please contact the Parish Office 9457 1066.

## HAPPENINGS ACROSS THE PARISH

Saturday 30 May	10.00am	<b>Reconciliation</b>	Mary Immaculate Church
Monday 1 June	7.30pm	Baptism Preparation Session	Parish Office
Tuesday 2 June	9.15am	Mass & Mother of God P.S. Grade 1/2HM	Mother of God Church
Tuesday 2 June	4.15pm	Christian Meditation	Mary Immaculate Hall
Wednesday 3 June	9.15am	Mass & Mary Immaculate P.S. Prep, 1/2H, 1/2R	Mary Immaculate Church
Wednesday 3 June	12.00-3.00pm	Outreach Social Afternoon	Mother of God Church foyer
Friday 5 June	9.15am	Mass & St Bernadette's P.S. Grades 1/2A	St Bernadette's Church
Friday 5 June		Mass followed by First Friday devotions	St Bernadette's Church
Saturday 6 June	10.00am	<b>Reconciliation</b>	Mary Immaculate Church

### Outreach Stop Press - Christmas in July with Outreach:

We are considering a Bus Trip / Christmas on Wednesday, 8<sup>th</sup> July which includes Morning tea in Ballan, 3-course Christmas lunch at Midlands Golf Club in Ballarat, medley of songs of various styles, old and modern, surprises and games, and a visit to Ballarat War Memorial prior to departing Ballarat. Cost: \$65 per person. Departure: 9.00am from Mary Immaculate Church, Waverley Ave, Ivanhoe and return about 5.00pm at Mary Immaculate. Start planning, invite your friends and finalise your booking - payment is needed by 30 June. We'll have a 48 seater bus & hope to welcome more than minimum 35 people. **Bookings:** Sue 9499 1485, Helen 9499 7793 or Eileen 9499 7120

### 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.

**Christian Meditation at St Pius X:** Conducted weekly by Sr Loretta on Fridays, 10 – 11am in Our Lady's Chapel, St Pius X Parish, Heidelberg West. All Welcome! Any further information, contact Sr Loretta 9455-1030.

**Solo Catholics Welcomes New Members:** Solo Catholics is a social group which has been running for 45 years and welcomes anyone interested who is in the age range of 45 to 70. Join us for dinners or outings and get to know other Solo Catholics in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere. **Contact:** Barbara 5995 8410

**When Irish Eyes are Smiling:** Parishioners are invited on board the trip of a lifetime. Irish singer Maria Forde will be taking 20 guests around Ireland for two glorious weeks in September. If you have ever wanted to see Ireland's beautiful countryside, experience Irish humour firsthand and listen to beautiful Irish music then this is your tour. We will visit Northern Ireland and Southern Ireland, stay in wonderful accommodation and travel in a luxury coach. Tour dates 19<sup>th</sup> September - 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2015. Places are filling so please call Chris at Emerald Travel: 9670 9696 for an itinerary or visit [www.mariaforde.com](http://www.mariaforde.com) Welcome Aboard!

## ROSTERS FOR WEEKEND: 6 – 7 June 2015

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

Saturday 6.30pm

#### **Lector**

C. Dixon

#### **Special Ministers**

B. Jowett, T. Nibali

### **MARY IMMACULATE:** Leader

Sunday 9.00am

M. Napolitano

#### **Reader**

S. Elliott

#### **Mass Coordinators**

E. Ballao

C. Elliott

#### **Counters**

M. Rocco, P. Shannon

### **MOTHER OF GOD:**

Sunday 10.30am

#### **Sacristan**

A. Patterson

#### **Lector**

A. Patterson

#### **Special Ministers**

M A Darcy, J. Ellis, B. Dolzan

#### **Altar Society:**

I. Chiera

**Choir Coordinator:** I. Chiera

**First Collection – Thanksgiving:**

Envelopes: \$1,375.00 Loose cash: \$442.90

**Total: \$1,817.90**

**Second Collection – Presbytery:**

**Total: \$ 724.55**

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