

# 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: 6.00pm** 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

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## 27<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: YEAR B

### THE WORD

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:** **Within your will, O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist your will. For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven; you are the Lord of all.**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:** **May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives.**

V.1 O blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways!  
By the labour of your hands you shall eat. You will be happy and prosper. **R.**

V.2 Your wife will be like a fruitful vine in the heart of your house;  
Your children like shoots of the olive, around your table. **R.**

V.3 Indeed thus shall be blessed the man who fears the Lord.  
May the Lord bless you from Zion in a happy Jerusalem all the days of your life!  
May you see your children's children. On Israel, peace! **R.**


**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** **Alleluia, alleluia! If we love one another, God will live in us in perfect love. Alleluia!**

**PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL:** That we may find grace in time of need: **Lord hear our prayer.**

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:** **The Lord is good to those who hope in him, to the soul that seeks him.**

**PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY:** We remember Janice Horton, Amanda Rathjen, Christine Smith, Br. James Maher, Stuart King, Marty Brown, Ingrid Weinberg, Mike McGuire, Margaret O'Brien, Tran thi Kim Chi, Sung Bui, Amy Nguyen, John Coonan and Sheila Darcy who are in need of prayer at this time. We remember those who support and care for those in need.

We remember Caterina Biviano who died recently. We also remember those whose anniversaries occur at this time and the month anniversary of Rosa Rocco. May they rest in peace.

 **Baptisms:** We welcome Oliver Cincotta 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.

### This Week's Readings: 27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

**Genesis 2:18-24** **Psalm 127** **Hebrews 2:9-11** **Mark 10:2-16**

*Mon 5 Oct: St Maurus*

*Tue 6 Oct: St Bruno*

*Wed 7 Oct: Our Lady of the Rosary*

*Thurs 8 Oct: St Pelagia*

*Fri 9 Oct: Bl John Henry Newman*

*Sat 10 Oct: St Paulinus of York*

### Next Week's Readings: 28<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

**Wisdom 7:7-11** **Psalm 89:12-17** **Hebrews 4:12-13** **Mark 10:17-30**

**INCLUSIVENESS**

**HOSPITALITY**

**SERVICE**

**MISSION**

## REFLECTION:

### **A church which served us from 1915 until 1961!!    Some facts and some memories.**

It is true that, with increasing age, comes an increased a sense of history. Maybe that is why I noticed the foundation stone of the 'old' church only recently although I must have walked past it many times before. It's what happened when I went to Ireland for the first time and, thinking I might not have another chance while my mother lived, did visit her mother's home village and easily found family. I am still connected with them and now very enthusiastic about my Celtic roots!

Reading the details on the foundation stone has had a similar effect. Of course, 1915 was before my time but I did begin to reflect on what it might have been/must have been like. I think we can imagine all the debate/discussion which must have preceded that decision. Should we build a 'chapel of ease' for Catholics who live quite a long way from the parish church - St. John's? Quite a long walk over hilly terrain and cars very few. The need was obvious but the challenge was: Can we afford it? What can we afford?

**As we discern how best to manage the future of the parish, similar questions are being asked this year, 100 years later.**

Thanks to Kasia Bator who passed on to me a couple of relevant newspaper items:

In the Heidelberg News and Greensborough and Diamond Creek Chronicle of 10<sup>th</sup> April 1915.

"At a meeting of Roman Catholic adherents held last week, the tender of Mr. A. A. Meyer was accepted for the erection of a brick church at the corner of Upper Heidelberg Rd. and Waverley Ave. There were 18 tenderers - Mr. Meyer's price was 1642 pounds and the building was to be completed in 5 months."

From the Argus on 1<sup>st</sup> November 1915: "Yesterday afternoon, a new Roman Catholic church (with seating for 240 persons) was blessed and opened by Archbishop Carr. It cost 2408 pounds which included 352 for the land. Many of the furnishings were donated by the parishioners. Archbishop Carr said that, important and all as the church was, he hoped a school and a presbytery would soon be built."

When my parents married in November 1929, they settled in the home they had built at 325 Upper Heidelberg Rd. They loved the big block and appear not to have considered living closer to the church (and school). That meant long walks for us all –the first car was bought in 1937—but Mum didn't drive and Dad left early for work, no chance of rides to school. We became very familiar with all the shops, saw the building of the Town Hall and often stopped to watch the men at work at the 'fire station'.

The 'old church' was very typical of its time. The architecture tells lot about how we worshipped. It was quite narrow, with altar rails beyond which we girls / women didn't venture; two small sacristies - one for the priests, one for the altar servers (boys, of course.). Upstairs, the organ and the choir. I was reminded of that layout when I went into a couple of churches in Europe last year. It was so confronting to see that the priest would say Mass with his back to the people. How grateful I am that we are now so much more included.

Now we believe that the reception of Holy Communion is a central part of every Mass. In those early days there was a sense that we would never be good enough, whereas we do now, accept it joyfully as strength for our lives. The thinking of unworthiness was reinforced by the obligation to abstain from food and drink from midnight so that it was only at early Masses that the faithful did receive Communion. As thinking changed - encouraged by Pope Pius X, ways were set up to encourage at least monthly communion. Hence the Sacred Heart Sodality, the Holy Name Society and the children of Mary. Who remembers the identifying banners in the church, Sunday by Sunday?

**For all the changes since 1915, there are striking similarities between the communities then and now.**

**That is because the vitality of any parish depended and depends still on the voluntary input of many people.**

**Tasks HAVE changed but many are still so familiar!! Church cleaning, garden maintenance, doing the flowers, cleaning the brass, playing the organ! Counting the money, preparing the 'weekly' envelopes, Fund raising - fetes, house parties, raffles, Melbourne Cup sweeps!!**

**Visiting the sick, supporting the elderly and the bereaved ...and so on!**

**Let us continue to pray for the future of the Catholic Parish of Ivanhoe.**

**Merle**

**As from 4 July 2015 Mass at St Bernadette's will be at 6.00pm on a permanent basis**

**Sunday, 25<sup>th</sup> October**

**PLEASE NOTE: No morning Masses** at Mary Immaculate or Mother of God Churches.

The Sunday Mass that day will be at Mary Immaculate at 2.30pm.

Vigil Mass at St. Bernadette's on Saturday evening at 6.00pm, 24<sup>th</sup> October as usual!

**Celebrating 100 Years!**

**100 years 2.30 pm Mass Sunday, 25<sup>th</sup> October Everyone welcome - please pass the word.**

**Calling all who made up the Confirmation choir –and anyone who likes to sing!!**

At the end of the Confirmation celebration - when we were on a high - I suggested that there would be another opportunity to sing together this year. That opportunity will occur on the day we celebrate the centenary of the first church on the present MI site – Sunday, 25<sup>th</sup> October - 2.30 pm Mass.

To 'tune up' for this, there will be two practices: Tuesdays, 13<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> October, 7.30 pm at Mary Immaculate Church. Come if you can and please pass the word. More information: 9497 1691, merlegilbo@hotmail.net.au



**First Eucharist Celebration at Mother of God Church Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> October:**

We remember and pray for the children in our Parish Primary Schools as they prepare to receive and celebrate their First Eucharist in Term 4.

11 October 10.30am Mass at Mother of God Church Mother of God School children

**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 families present with them:

Masses	Date	Readers	Offertory Gifts
6.00pm St B	10 Oct	Serena Foley & Gabrielle Rogers	Gianna Gelsi & Luca Harris
9.00am MI	11 Oct	Freya Henriksen & Rose Naish	Avena Henriksen & Xavier Sciacca
10.30am MOG	11 Oct	First Eucharist Mass	First Eucharist Mass



**October with Outreach:**

Quick reminders for the next several weeks.

1. Wednesday, October 7 First Wednesday lunch and cards in MOG foyer. All welcome.
2. Don't forget that we have moved forward by one week the following lunch date to Wednesday 28 October. Therefore there will be no 'first Wednesday' in November.
3. We are currently negotiating our Christmas lunch for December 9. More information to follow.  
- Thank you, Eileen, Sue and Helen

**An Evening of Liturgical Music with Composer Marty Haugen:** Monday 5 October, 7pm, Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, 52 Deepdene Road, Deepdene. The parish of Our Lady of Good Counsel and All Hallows, Deepdene and Balwyn will host an evening of liturgical music with composer and liturgical musician Marty Haugen. A one-off opportunity to meet and work with Marty Haugen when he visits Melbourne. The evening will encompass music for the upcoming Year of Mercy, for Creation and for Young People. A must for all those involved in music ministry and a great opportunity for all. **Details:** 9816 9291 **RSVP:** parish@olgc.com.au

**Institute of Sisters of Mercy of Australia and Papua New Guinea – Part-time recruitment:**

The Institute of Sisters of Mercy of Australia and Papua New Guinea is looking for a permanent part-time receptionist / administration person to work on Mondays from 2.30 – 7.00pm at the Mercy Centre, Alphington. The successful person must have a pleasant manner, be proficient with Microsoft products and available to cover sick and annual leave for the other two receptionists. If you are interested in this position please email: humanresources@ismapng.org.au to request position description.

**St Pius X Parish Car Boot Sale: Saturday 10 October, 10am–3pm, 419 Waterdale Road, Heidelberg West** Market stalls, sausage sizzle, Devonshire teas, cake stall **Details:** 9497 5319 or [edwmargaret@yahoo.com.au](mailto:edwmargaret@yahoo.com.au)

**XIV Ordinary Synod of Bishops, Rome:**

'Vocation & Mission of Family in the Church & the Contemporary World'. The second of two synods on the family called by Pope Francis starts on 4<sup>th</sup> October. Let's pray for this important gathering.

**The Presence of God in the Universe and in our Lives:** a series of three talks by Sister Mary Dennett rsm BSc MA. Pope Francis invited us to reflect on the universe as our common home; Sr Mary, who is currently engaged in leading reflection days on Theology & Science, will speak about the universe that speaks to us of the existence of God. Three talks will be at St John's Primary School Library, 55 Cape Street Heidelberg, on Thursdays 22<sup>nd</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> October, and 5<sup>th</sup> November, 7:30 - 9:00pm. Entrance free.

**Mass for Young Adults:** Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> October, 7pm Saints Peter & Paul's, 377 Dorcas St, South Melbourne  
All young adults are invited to celebrate the first 'Mass for Young Adults, Melbourne'. We will join together with young people from all over Melbourne for the first of a monthly event. Mass begins at 7pm and there will also be a very special gathering/party after the Mass. For this first Mass we are very fortunate to have some of the priests who were recently ordained for the Archdiocese of Melbourne as concelebrants. This will also be a great chance to meet some of the newest priests in Australia!

**Solo Catholics – A City Walk:** Sunday 11 October at 11.00am. Meet under the Flinders Street clocks  
This walk will travel from Federation Square to the Docklands. Come walk with other Catholics. Solo Catholics, a social group which has been going for 45 years, welcomes those who are interested in meeting others in the age range of 45 to 70. **Details:** Peter on 0418 502 297

**JCMA Friendship Walk:** Sunday 11 October from 2.00 – 4.00pm.  
Come along and spend an afternoon walking together in friendship and good will between a church, a synagogue and a mosque.

- 2.00pm at St Peters Eastern Hill Anglican Church with welcome by Bishop Philip Huggins & Father Hugh Kempster. Please arrive at 1.45pm and meet in the car park beside the church at 15 Gisborne St, E. Melb
- 2.30pm at East Melbourne Hebrew Congregation Synagogue with Rabbi David Gutnick at 488 Albert St, East Melbourne
- 3.50pm at Carlton Mosque (Albanian Australian Islamic Society) with Imam Bekim Hasani at 765 Drummond St, Carlton North

**Encyclical of Pope Francis – *Laudato Si'*:** The Parish of St Gregory the Great, Doncaster will be hosting a speaker's evening reflecting on the encyclical of Pope Francis – *Laudato Si'* on Thursday 15 October evening in the Parish Hall. This will commence with a light supper of pizza and drinks at 7.00pm with an opportunity for discussion and questions after the presentation by Sr. Mary Dennett rsm BSc MA. To assist with catering, please contact the Parish Office by Monday 12 October – telephone 9848 2395 or email Doncaster@cam.org.au.

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### HAPPENINGS ACROSS THE PARISH

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Monday 5 Oct		School Term 4 begins	
Monday 5 Oct	7.30pm	Baptism Preparation Session	Parish Office
Tuesday 6 Oct	4.15pm	Christian Meditation	Mary Immaculate Hall
Wednesday 7 Oct	12.00-3.00pm	Outreach Social Afternoon	Mother of God Foyer
Saturday 10 Oct	10.00am	Reconciliation	Mother of God Church
Sunday 11 Oct	10.30am	First Eucharist Mass MOG School	Mother of God Church

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### ROSTERS FOR WEEKEND: 10-11 October 2015

<b><u>ST. BERNADETTE'S:</u></b>		<b>Lector</b>	<b>Special Ministers</b>	
Saturday <b>6.00pm</b>		Sr Frances	J. Gray, Sr Carmel	
<b><u>MARY IMMACULATE:</u></b>		<b>Reader</b>	<b>Mass Coordinators</b>	<b>Counters</b>
Sunday 9.00am	McEvey family	McEvey family	E. Ballao	P. Black, P. Fanning

<b><u>MOTHER OF GOD:</u></b>		<b>Lector</b>	<b>Special Ministers</b>	
Sunday 10.30am	J. Curry	First Eucharist	I. Chiera, MA Darcy, J. Ellis	
	<b>Altar Society:</b>	L. Ford	<b>Choir Coordinator:</b>	First Eucharist

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<b>First Collection – Thanksgiving:</b>	<b>Envelopes: \$1,477.00</b>	<b>Loose cash: \$336.30</b>	<b>Total: \$1,813.30</b>
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