



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*

Parish Priest: Fr. Thang Vu 63 Wilfred Rd, Ivanhoe East 9499 5440 (after hours)
Priest in Residence: Fr. Lasbert Sinaga **Parish Secretary:** Mrs Ruth Villani
Parish Office: 4 Waverley Ave, Ivanhoe 3079 **Phone:** 9499 1515 **Fax:** 9499 9959
Parish Website: www.ivanhoecatholics.com **Email:** catholicparishofivanhoe@bigpond.com

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

No. 42

17 - 18 October 2015

29th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: YEAR B

THE WORD

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: To you I call; for you will surely heed me, O God; turn your ear to me; hear my words. Guard me as the apple of your eye; in the shadow of your wings protect me.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

- 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 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. 3 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! The Son of Man came to serve and to give his life as a ransom for all. Alleluia!

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL: Lord, let your mercy be on us: **Hear our prayer.**

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Behold, the eyes of the Lord are on those who fear him, who hope in his merciful love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine.

PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY: We remember Pat & Nestor Mendes, Alf Cattanach, Janice Horton, Trish Reeve, 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 those who have died recently. We also remember Carlo Bello, Amelia Grisotto, Martha Nguyen, Carlo Nguyen and Peter Thanh Nguyen Truong whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace.



Baptisms: We welcome Annabel and Grace Roffey, and Harvey Boyce who are baptised into the faith community of the Catholic Parish of Ivanhoe this weekend. We welcome their families, 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: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

Isaiah 16:6, 8 **Psalms 32:4-5, 18-20, 22** **Hebrews 4:14-16** **Mark 10:35-45**

Mon 19 Oct: St Paul of the Cross

Tue 20 Oct: St Irene

Wed 21 Oct: St Ursula

Thurs 22 Oct: St John Paul II

Fri 23 Oct: St John of Capistrano

Sat 24 Oct: St Anthony Claret

Next Week's Readings: 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

Jeremiah 31:7-9 **Psalms 125** **Hebrews 5:1-6** **Mark 10:46-52**

INCLUSIVENESS

HOSPITALITY

SERVICE

MISSION

From the desk of Fr Thang:

New Parish Priest for Catholic Parish of Ivanhoe

Last Thursday 8th October Monsignor Greg Bennett, the Vicar General, rang but I was unavailable to speak with him as I was celebrating Mass. He left a message on my Iphone to let me know that Fr Raju Jacob has accepted to be the role of Parish Priest of the Catholic Parish of Ivanhoe. I was deeply relieved! I think Fr Jacob is a great choice who will bring the charism of his society, and his previous pastoral experiences to Ivanhoe parish.

It is important to note that we have prayed for the process, the meeting of the Personnel Advisory Board (on Tuesday 6th October), and the priest concerned over the last few weeks. Let's continue to pray for Fr Jacob.

I would like to quote a news item published on Saturday night (10/10): "Fr Raju Jacob (Lalu), from Kerala India. Jacob was born on 3 November 1968 and ordained on 23 August 1997 as a Missionary priest of the Missionary Society of St Thomas the Apostle. His previous appointments in Melbourne were Assistant Priest at Hoppers Crossing (2005-2007), Administrator, Meredith - which includes Anakie, Bannockburn, Elaine, Inverleigh, Lethbridge and Winchelsea (2008-2010), Parish priest St Scholastica's, Bennetswood (2010-present), and he will be Parish Priest of the Catholic Parish of Ivanhoe as from midday 13 January 2016."

Language that speaks to all

Last week I was touched with the Word while preparing the homily for Mother of God School students at their First Eucharist. The official text from Jerusalem Bible read - You must not commit adultery while the lectionary for children read – be faithful in your marriage. I think you would agree with me that the latter text speaks positively about marriage. It acknowledges the fidelity of many married couples: our parents and our parishioners. St John XXIII taught us in the opening speech of the Vatican Council: "The **substance** of the ancient **doctrine** of the **deposit** of **faith** is **one thing**, and the **way** in which it is **presented** is **another**. And it is the **latter** that must be taken into **great consideration** with **patience** if necessary, everything being measured in the forms and proportions of a **magisterium** which is **predominantly pastoral** in **character**." Let's continue pray for the Synod Fathers and other participants that they listen, discern and speak the language of pastoral heart, of mercy. I have found the texts of Eucharistic Prayers for Use in Masses of Various Need (EPMVN) helpful:

He [Jesus] always showed **compassion** for **children** and for the **poor**, for the **sick** and for **sinners**, and he became a **neighbour** to the **oppressed** and the **afflicted**. By **word** and **deed** he **announced** to the **world** that you are **our Father** and that you **care** for **all** your **sons** and **daughters**. (EPMVN IV)

Grant that **all** the **faithful** of the Church, **looking** into the **signs** of the **times** by the **light** of **faith**, may constantly **devote** themselves to the **service** of the **Gospel**. Keep us **attentive** to the **needs** of **all**, that, **sharing** their **grief** and **pain**, their **joy** and **hope**, we may faithfully **bring** them the **good news** of salvation and go **forward with them along the way** of your kingdom. (EPMVN III)

Open our **eyes** to the **needs** of our brothers and sisters; **inspire** in us **words** and **actions** to **comfort** those who **labour** and are **burdened**. Make us **serve** them truly, after the **example** of **Christ** and at **his command**. And may your **Church** stand as a **living witness** to **truth** and **freedom**, to **peace** and **justice**, that **all people** may be **raised** to a **new hope**. (EPMVN IV)

Scriptural focus - Hebrew 4:14-16

Let us confidently approach the throne of grace

"Since in Jesus, the Son of God, we have the supreme high priest who has gone through to the highest heaven, we must never let go of the faith that we have professed. For it is not as if we had a high priest who was incapable of **feeling our weaknesses with us**; but we have one who has been **tempted in every way that we are**, though he is without sin. Let us be **confident**, then, in **approaching the throne of grace**, that **we shall have mercy from him and find grace when we are in need of help**."

Christ sympathises with my weakness. He was tested in every way. Have I ever remember this when I am being tested and in need of grace?

Sunday, 25th October

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

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

Mass at St. Bernadette's on Saturday evening at 6.00pm, 24th October as usual!

Celebrating 100 years!!

100 years 2.30 pm Mass Sunday 25th October Everyone welcome. Please pass the word.

Some practicalities towards making this a great celebration:

a. **One more singing practice:** Tuesday 20th October – 7.30pm at Mary Immaculate Church.

All welcome

b. **Refreshments** 'on the day'. In the marquee - A 'sausage sizzle' will be provided
BYO 'vino' or other drink if you wish

Afternoon Tea in Mary Immaculate Hall. **PLEASE** bring a small plate to share.

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	17 Oct	Annette Tran & Megan Shamieh	Harrison Leeder & Madeleine Johnson
	24 Oct	Amelia Jackson & Jamie Guillard	Luca Splitgerber & Daniel Alexander
9.00am MI	18 Oct	Cassidy Maffei & Jessie Molinaro	Mia Maffei & Luke Boyd
10.30am MOG	18 Oct	Alyssa Sollecito	Javier Colli De Polacek & family

Corpus Christi College Building Appeal 17 – 18 October

This weekend there will be a collection for Corpus Christi College, our regional seminary.

This appeal seeks to raise funds to add eight more rooms to the seminary in Carlton. These additional rooms are urgently needed to accommodate the increasing number of men answering God's call to serve and to provide accommodations for them in their studies. Please support the seminarians in whatever way possible, particularly through this appeal - they are our priests of the future. Be generous at this weekend's collections! Envelopes are available in the Church. **Details:** 9657 0222 or www.corpuschristicollege.org.au



Next Outreach Social Afternoon: Wednesday 28 October, 12.00pm at Mother of God Church foyer. Please remember that there is *no 'first Wednesday' afternoon in November.*
- Thank you, Eileen, Sue and Helen

HAPPENINGS ACROSS THE PARISH

Saturday 17 October	10.00am	Reconciliation	Mary Immaculate Church
Tuesday 20 October	9.15am	Mass & MOG School Grades 3 / 4C	Mother of God Church
Tuesday 20 October	7.30pm	St Bernadette's School Education Board	St Bernadette's School
Wednesday 21 Oct	7.30pm	St Bernadette's School Parents & Friends	St Bernadette's School
Wednesday 21 Oct	7.00pm	Eucharist Catechist Class 1	Mary Immaculate Hall
Thursday 22 October	8.00pm	Parish Finance Committee Meeting	
Friday 23 October	9.15am	Mass & St Bernadette's School Preps	St Bernadette's Church
Saturday 24 October	10.00am	Reconciliation	St Bernadette's Church



Memorial Mass – Sunday, 1st November at 10.30am at Mother of God Church:

Each year the parish celebrates a Memorial Mass to remember loved ones, family and friends whose funerals have taken place in our parish within the past year, as well as remembering relatives and friends who have died outside our parish. All are invited to attend the Memorial Mass which will take place on **Sunday, 1st November at 10.30am at Mother of God Church.** Names of others who have died this year can be included in the booklet, but need to be given to the Parish Office no later than Wednesday 28 October.

Available in each church:

- 'Be not Afraid – the Gift of Palliative Care' - Archdiocese of Melbourne resource booklet
- Poster for Marian Mission – Madonna delle Lacrime 17 – 18 October Sunday 18 October – Multicultural Mass at St Brendan's Church, 103 Wellington St, Flemington. 2.30pm Confession & 3.00pm Mass
- Leaflet: A Call to Prayer includes article on Canonisation of parents of St Therese of the Child Jesus

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.

Spiritual Renewal Ministry (SRM): It is with great pleasure that we invite you all to our prayer meetings on every Friday at 7.30pm at St Pius X Church to praise and worship the Lord together as one body of Christ!

Spiritual Companionship: Ms Pat Hearity listens to your experience as you relate it and by attentiveness assists you to notice how God's Spirit is moving in your life. Phone: 0409 958 365 or email: pathearity@gmail.com for a suitable appointment time.

Youth Meeting: Saturday 24th October from 7.30 – 9.30pm at St Monica's. Youth from Year 9 to young adult are welcome to join. More details and RSVP to: stjohneyouth@hotmail.com and on youth Facebook page.

The Hymns Of Isaac Watts with Susan Southall: Tuesday 20 October, 4.30 – 6.00pm

The Carmelite Centre Melbourne, 214 Richardson Street, Middle Park

October Spiritual Reading Group: Isaac Watts is known as the Father of English hymnody. Come and join the discussion with Susan Southall, who works in the Carmelite Library. Her interests include Anglican spirituality as well as literary, historical and philosophical investigations.

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 22nd & 29th October, and 5th November, 7:30 - 9:00pm. Entrance: Free.

ROSTERS FOR WEEKEND: 24-25 October 2015

ST. BERNADETTE'S:

Saturday **6.00pm**

Lector

S. Moorhen

Special Ministers

Sister Carmel, T. Nibali

MARY IMMACULATE: Leader

Sunday **2.30pm**

As arranged

Reader

As arranged

Mass Coordinators

As arranged

Counters

As arranged

MOTHER OF GOD:

Sunday 10.30am

Sacristan

Lector

Special Ministers

Altar Society:

Choir Coordinator:

First Collection – Thanksgiving:

Envelopes: \$1,423.00

Loose cash: \$871.95

Total: \$2,294.95

Second Collection – Presbytery:

Total: \$1,158.85

**LONERGAN
FUNERAL
SERVICE**

This newsletter is kindly sponsored by

**Caring professional Funeral services at reasonable rates.
Secure Pre-paid Funeral Plan available
9489 8711 & 9499 6698**