

## **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.



Photo: rear view of original red brick Immaculate Conception church, Edward Mcardle



Original photo of Mary Immaculate Church