

MARY MOTHER OF THE CHURCH CATHOLIC PARISH

MARY IMMACULATE CHURCH

2-6 Waverley Ave, Ivanhoe



ST BERNADETTE'S CHURCH

89 Bond St, Ivanhoe

PARISH OFFICE & MOTHER OF GOD CHAPEL

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Entry is on Upper Heidelberg Rd

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BOOKINGS Visit, phone or email the Parish Office for use of our parish facilities, sacramental enrolments or appointments for Marriage etc.

MARY IMMACULATE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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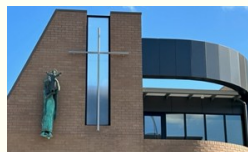
PARISH VISION STATEMENT

Inspired by Mary, Our Mother, we strive to be a Christ-centered community, welcoming, growing in faith, and engaging with purpose.

We respect the Wurundjeri people, traditional custodians of the land upon which our parish resides, and commit ourselves to reconciliation and justice for all in our community and nation.



We are committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults. If you wish to report any safeguarding issue contact the Chair of our Safeguarding Committee, Lucy Dal Pozzo, via the Parish Office.



SUNDAY MASS TIMES

Saturday 5.30pm Mary Immaculate

Sunday 8.30am St. Bernadette's

10.00am Mary Immaculate

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

At Mary Immaculate weekday Masses are in the Chapel (except when there is a school Mass and on some feast days). Please enter the chapel via the Parish Office on Upper Heidelberg Rd.

Tuesday 9.15am Mary Immaculate

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Friday 9.15am St. Bernadette's

Saturday 9.15am Mary Immaculate

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Every Saturday at Mary Immaculate

9.45am in the MOG Chapel (after 9.15am Mass)

EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION

1st Friday each month Following 9.15am Mass at St. Bernadette's



Gospel Reflection

Like last week's gospel, this week's story takes place in a region that was outside predominantly Jewish territory. Caesarea Philippi (north of Galilee and in the region of modern day Syria) had long been a centre of pagan worship. It was used originally by the Canaanites as a site of worship; the Greeks built a temple to one of their gods there; in 20 BCE Herod the Great built a temple to Caesar Augustus; and after his death, Herod's son, Phillip, renamed the city Caesarea Philippi after Tiberius Caesar and himself. It is intriguing that Matthew's gospel chooses such a site as the location for such a significant revelation of faith.

Jesus asks the disciples who people say he is. They report that people associate Jesus with one of the great prophets of Jewish tradition. By people identifying Jesus with other great prophets they were projecting Jesus into the same mould as that prophet. What they were saying was that Jesus will be a great leader in the style of John the Baptist, or Elijah or even Jeremiah. The expectation of a messiah was running very high at the time of Jesus and everyone had their own idea about what that messiah would be like – usually aligned with some previous leader. They didn't seem to understand that Jesus was breaking the mould and was not going to fit in with any of those expectations. To see him as one of the great prophets come again is always going to be an inadequate understanding of Jesus as messiah.

When Jesus pushes the disciples for their own ideas, it is Simon Peter who speaks up and identifies Jesus as being the Son of the living God. Making a play on Peter's name (in Greek, petros = Peter and petra = rock), Jesus states that hereafter, Simon Peter will be known as Peter and upon the rock of his profession of faith the church will be built.

Greg Sunter, Liturgy Help

PARISH WEEKLY CALENDAR

Saturday 22 August *(The Queenship of the BVM)*

9am to 5pm Catholic Care Marriage Workshop (GS)
 9.00am Laud's Prayer at MI (MOG Chapel)
 9.15am Mass at Mary Immaculate (MOG Chapel)
 followed by morning tea
 5.30pm Vigil Mass at Mary Immaculate Church

Sunday 23 August *(21st Sunday in Ordinary Time)*

8.30am Mass at St Bernadette's Church
 10.00am Mass at Mary Immaculate Church with
 Children's Liturgy

Monday 24 August *(St Bartholomew)*

10.00am U3A Self Defense Class (GS)
 1.00pm U3A Card Class (GS)

Tuesday 25 August *(Feria)*

(No morning Mass)

10.00am Mahjong Game Group (MR2)
 12noon Anointing Mass & Shared Luncheon
 7.30pm Bible Gospel Discussion Group (MR1)

Wednesday 26 August *(Feria)*

9.15am Mass at Mary Immaculate (MOG Chapel)

Thursday 27 August *(St Monica)*

9.15am Mass at Mary Immaculate (MOG Chapel)
 9.45am Gospel Discussion Group & Coffee (MR1)
 12noon MMC Irish Card Group Gathering (GS)
 7 - 9pm ALPHA Program (GS)

Friday 28 August *(St Augustine)*

9.15am Mass at St Bernadette's Church with Year 3/4Z
 11.00am U3A Art Class (GS)
 1.30pm U3A Reading Aloud Class (GS)
 5.00pm Beverages for Bereavement (MR1)
 6.00pm Sacrament of Confirmation for St John's Primary
 School

Saturday 29 August *(The Passion of St John the Baptist)*

9.00am Laud's Prayer at MI (MOG Chapel)
 9.15am Mass at Mary Immaculate (MOG Chapel)
 followed by morning tea
 11.00am Baptism at Mary Immaculate Church
 5.30pm Vigil Mass at Mary Immaculate Church

Sunday 30 August *(22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time)*

8.30am Mass at St Bernadette's Church
 10.00am Mass at Mary Immaculate Church with
 Children's Liturgy

LOOKING FORWARD

Saturday 5 September

5.30pm During Mass the Sacrament of Confirmation
 for our Parish Schools



Join us for Tea & Coffee
after the 10am Sunday Mass
& the 9.15am Masses on
Tuesdays & Saturdays

MASS ROSTERS	THIS WEEKEND 22 / 23 August	NEXT WEEKEND 29 / 30 August
5.30pm Mary Immaculate Sacristan Welcomer 1 Welcomer 2 Reader Lector Special Minister 1 Multimedia	E. Vandenhoven M. Harty A. Rahme C. Dixon P. Mahon D. Dixon S. Moorhen	E. Vandenhoven C. Dixon D. Dixon M. Harty L. Kempen P. Mahon F. Callinan
8.30am St. Bernadette's Welcomer Reader / Lector Special Minister	J. Gray M-R. Auguste T. Nibali	D. Landsberg J. Gray T. Nibali
10.00am Mary Immaculate Hospitality Sacristan Welcomer 1 Welcomer 2 Reader Lector Special Minister 1 Special Minister 2 Special Minister 3 Multimedia Children's Liturgy Leader Children's Liturgy Assistant Counters	Team 5 B. Janus L. Michael M. Lindner D. Todaro D. Todarol I. Richards T. Gleeson A. Palazzolo N. Merlin M. Pirrie Jacob L. Group Two	Team 1 P. Kelly C. Beltrame L. Dal Pozzo K. Ziino G. William D. Jones I. Richards G. Crawford P. Boutsakis M. Browning Teresa V Group Three

LITURGY & MINISTRY ROSTERS FOR 24/7 TO 21/9/26

Available on website or hardcopy at the back of church.
 If you cannot attend when rostered, please arrange your own swap.

PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY

SICK: Pat Lane, Janet Jelleff, Christine Exton, Fr Reece Beltrame, Julia Foster, Bernard Beriman, Pauline Cullen, Fr Paul Gurry, Robert Erbacher, Jacques, Gui Michaud, Renee Van Beelen, Domenic Masserotti, Tony De Cruz, Albert Leung

Names on list remain for 9 weeks (a Novena)

RECENT DEATHS:

RIP ANNIVERSARIES: Nestor Albert Mendes, Peter Ryan, Meizel Delector, Billy Stephen, Carmel Garonzi, Jack O'Dwyer, Neta Meagher, Rosa Audino, James Last, Bernard Ryan, Mary Gilbo, Gina Bui, Francis Raymond McNamara, Fr Michael King

NAMES OF THE SICK & THE DEAD for inclusion in newsletter must be sent to the parish office by Thursday 10am.

For privacy reasons people must give their permission before their names can be included.

LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTIONS

PARISH THANKSGIVING COLLECTION \$3,036

PRESBYTERY COLLECTION \$1,693

WAYS TO SUPPORT YOUR PARISH

i. **WEEKLY OFFERING ENVELOPES** (contact Parish Office)

ii. **EFTPOS FACILITY** with your Credit/Debit Card **Just Tap and Go!**

Terminal located at the entrance to the Church in the Narthex

iii. **WEBSITE: DONATE** with your Credit/Debit Card

iv. **USE THIS QR CODE**





MASS & ANOINTING of the Sick & Aged

Tuesday 25 August at 12noon
Mary Immaculate Church
followed by shared luncheon

Corner Waverley Ave & Upper Heidelberg Rd
Please bring a plate to share

**Invite those you know to be sick or housebound
who might like to attend
and offer them a ride to Mass and Lunch**

An initiative of our Parish Outreach Group

Prayer for the Synod

(Adsumus, Sancte Spiritus)

We stand before You, Holy Spirit,
as we gather together in Your name.
With You alone to guide us,
make Yourself at home in our hearts;

Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it.
We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder.
Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path
nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity
so that we may journey together to eternal life
and not stray from the way of truth and what is right.

All this we ask of You,
who are at work in every place and time,
in the communion of the Father and the Son,
forever and ever. Amen.

PARISH EARTHCARE GROUP



Cry of the Earth, Cry of the Poor

Lord, when we listen with your ears we hear:

The bush grown more silent,
The birdsong less vibrant,
The stream's sluggish ripple,
Have mercy and open our ears.

Lord, when we look with your eyes we see:

The soil depleted,
The sky smudged,
The oceans rubbished and the great currents slowed
Have mercy and help us to see.

Lord, when we look with your eyes we see:

The workers who struggle to get by,
The women subjected to violence,
The people who are excluded.
Have mercy and help us to see

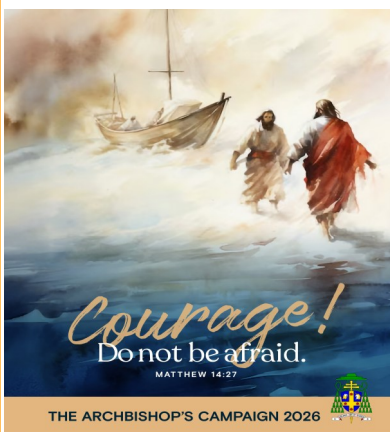
Lord, when we listen with your ears we hear:

The sound of hungry children,
The distress of the mentally ill,
The silent pain of homeless women and men.
Have mercy and open our ears.

Send your Spirit upon us Lord to renew our sight,
To restore our hearing,
And to reclaim your reign of justice for all people
And peace for Creation.

AMEN

2026 Archbishop's Campaign



Is underway, and we ask everyone to consider a pledge to support the vital ministries of our Archdiocese. Tax-deductible donations go to the Archbishop's Charitable Fund which supports the Priests Retirement Foundation, the Corpus Christi College Building Fund, CatholicCare Victoria Chaplaincy Program, Melbourne Overseas Mission, John Pierce Centre, University of Divinity for the Catholic Theological College as well as Catholic community agencies and service organisations through annual grants. Non-tax-deductible donations go to the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne Religious Projects Fund and support seminarian formation. Please review the campaign material and prayerfully consider pledging a recurring monthly gift. Tear-off pledge cards are attached to the campaign envelopes in the church. You can also make a gift online at melbournecatholic.org/archbishopscampaign or via the QR codes on the campaign materials. Details are also on Ivanhoe website.

PARISH GROUPS

ANOINTING MASS & SHARED LUNCHEON Tuesday 25th August 12noon Mary Immaculate Church

CHILDREN'S LITURGY Every Sunday (except during school holidays) in conjunction with 10am Mass

GOSPEL DISCUSSION GROUP & COFFEE Every Tuesday 7.30pm & Thursday after 9.15am Mass in the MR1

LIVING WELL WITH LOSS - Bereavement Ministry Once a month at 5pm Friday, next 28th August in MR1

MEDITATION GROUP Every Tuesday at 4.15pm in Parish Centre MR1

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP GROUP Once a month at 7.00pm Friday, next 4th September in Gathering Space.

PARISH EARTHCARE GROUP Once a month at 2pm, next 17th September in Parish Centre MR1

TODAY'S READINGS

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

(When there is no Entrance Hymn)

Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me; save the servant who trusts in you, my God. Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.

1ST READING

Isaiah 22:19-23

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

Thus says the Lord of hosts to Shebna, the master of the palace: I dismiss you from your office, I remove you from your post, and the same day I call on my servant Eliakim son of Hilkiah. I invest him with your robe, gird him with your sash, entrust him with your authority; and he shall be a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem and to the House of Judah. I place the key of the House of David on his shoulder; should he open, no one shall close, should he close, no one shall open. I drive him like a peg into a firm place; he will become a throne of glory for his father's house.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R/ Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.

I thank you, Lord, with all my heart, you have heard the words of my mouth. Before the angels I will bless you. I will adore before your holy temple. **R/**

I thank you for your faithfulness and love which excel all we ever knew of you. On the day I called, you answered; you increased the strength of my soul. **R/**

The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly and the haughty he knows from afar. Your love, O Lord, is eternal, discard not the work of your hands.

R/

2ND READING

Romans 11:33-36

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

How rich are the depths of God – how deep his wisdom and knowledge – and how impossible to penetrate his motives or understand his methods! Who could ever know the mind of the Lord? Who could ever be his counsellor? Who could ever give him anything or lend him anything? All that exists comes from him; all is by him and for him. To him be glory for ever! Amen.

The Word of the Lord.

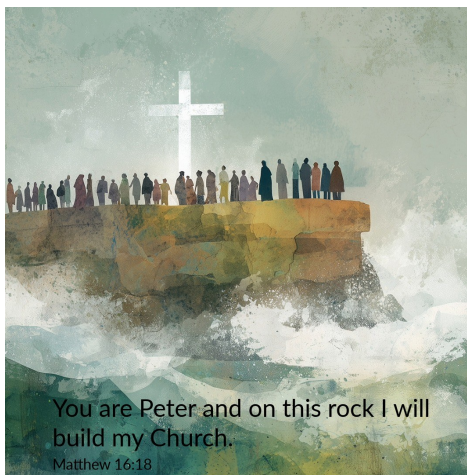
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

You are Peter, the rock on which I will build my Church; the gates of hell will not hold out against it.

Alleluia!



THE GOSPEL

Matthew 16:13-20

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

✠ Glory to you, O Lord.

When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say he is John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he said 'who do you say I am?' Then

Simon Peter spoke up, 'You are the Christ,' he said, 'the Son of the living God.' Jesus replied, 'Simon son of Jonah, you are a happy man! Because it was not flesh and blood that revealed this to you but my Father in heaven. So I now say to you: You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church. And the gates of the underworld can never hold out against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven: whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.' Then he gave the disciples strict orders not to tell anyone that he was the Christ.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

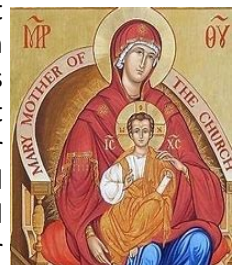
COMMUNION ANTIPHON

(When there is no Communion Hymn)

The earth is replete with the fruits of your work, O Lord; you bring forth bread from the earth and wine to cheer the heart.

PRAYER FOR OUR PARISH

Father, pour out your Spirit upon the people of this parish, so that inspired by your word, nourished at your altar, and graced by your empowering love, our lives may be devoted to the service of our brothers and sisters, and the building up of your Kingdom. May our parish community, under the Patronage of Mary, Mother of the Church, truly be for this place and time the body of Christ your Son, through whom we make this prayer. Amen.



*Mary, Mother of the Church:
Pray for us*

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Next Week: 22nd Sunday in OT

1st Reading: Jeremiah 20:7-9

2nd Reading: Romans 12:1-2

Gospel: Matthew 16:21-27