

MARY MOTHER OF THE CHURCH CATHOLIC PARISH



MARY IMMACULATE CHURCH

2-6 Waverley Ave, Ivanhoe

ST BERNADETTE'S CHURCH

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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.

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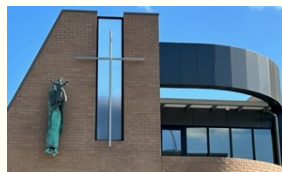
OUR PARISH

As a Parish Community we value Inclusion, Hospitality, Service and Mission.



We respect the Wurrundjeri 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 Chapel (after 9.15am Mass)

EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION

1st Friday each month

Following 9.15am Mass at St. Bernadette's



MASS & ANOINTING

of the Sick & Aged

Wednesday 12th March at 12noon

Mary Immaculate Church Cnr Waverley Ave & Upper Heidelberg Rd



followed by shared luncheon

Please bring a plate of lunch to share

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

An initiative of our Parish Outreach Group



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COMPASSION



Project Compassion 2025 shares three stories from around the world. We'll meet **Toefuata'iga** - from Samoa, **Lam** from Vietnam and **Irene** from the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

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PARISH WEEKLY CALENDAR

Saturday 8 March (*Lenten Feria*)

9.00am Morning Prayer 'Lauds' (Lady Chapel)
 9.15am Mass at Mary Immaculate (Lady Chapel)
 9.45am Reconciliation (Lady Chapel)
 5.30pm Mass at Mary Immaculate

Sunday 9 March (*First Sunday of Lent*)

8.30am Mass at St. Bernadette's
 10.00am Mass at Mary Immaculate (No Children's Liturgy)

Monday 10 March (*Lenten Feria*)

Tuesday 11 March (*Lenten Feria*)

9.15am Mass at Mary Immaculate (Lady Chapel)
 4.15pm Meditation Group (Parish Meeting Room)

Wednesday 12 March (*Lenten Feria*)

NO 9.15am Mass
 12noon Mass for Anointing Sick & Aged followed by shared luncheon
 7.30pm Parish Pastoral Council meeting (Mtg Room)

Thursday 13 March (*Lenten Feria*)

9.15am Mass at Mary Immaculate (Lady Chapel)
 9.45am Lenten Discussion Group (Mtg Room)
 7.30pm Lenten Discussion Group (Mtg Room)

Friday 14 March (*Lenten Feria*)

9.15am Mass at St. Bernadette's (with Grade 1/2G) followed by Stations of the Cross
 7.00pm Stations of the Cross at St George's Anglican Church

Saturday 15 March (*Lenten Feria*)

9.00am Morning Prayer 'Lauds' (Lady Chapel)
 9.15am Mass at Mary Immaculate (Lady Chapel)
 9.45am Reconciliation (Lady Chapel)
 5.30pm Mass at Mary Immaculate

Sunday 16 March (*Second Sunday of Lent*)

8.30am Mass at St. Bernadette's
 10.00am Mass at Mary Immaculate with Children's Liturgy
 12noon Baptism at Mary Immaculate Church



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

MASS ROSTERS	THIS WEEKEND 8 / 9 March	NEXT WEEKEND 15 / 16 March
5.30pm Mary Immaculate Sacristan Welcomer 1 Welcomer 2 Reader Lector Special Minister 1 Special Minister 2 Special Minister 3 Multimedia	C. Bryce C. Dixon D. Dixon M. Harty C. Bellio D. Dixon M. Gratton P. Mahon F. Callinan	C. Bryce K. Gillespie A. Rizzo M. Gratton Eoin/Sienna/Iona T. Barker A. Rizzo T. Bui P. Mahon
8.30am St. Bernadette's Welcomer Reader / Lector Special Minister	D. Landsberg D. Landsberg J. Gray	M-R. Auguste M-R. Auguste J. Gray
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	Team 5 E. Mount A. Barro R. Erbacher T. Barker E. Mount A. Bhaskara T. Gleeson A. Rizzo J. Chiera (No Children's Liturgy)	Team 1 P. Verrocchi M. Lindner B. Connor M. Sibillin L. Dal Pozzo P. Boutsakis B. Connor D. Todaro K. Ziino N. Kajkic R. Sylvester

PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY

SICK: Pope Francis, Fr. Reece Beltrame, Brad Antrim, Emily & Aladin Bautista, Sara Collodetti, David Brett, Anne-Maree Hone, Jaena Catingub, Paul Flanagan, Andrea Burns, Elise Giffin, Dean Facchinei, John Purcell, Lisa De Silva, Nella Cerra, Asja Jaksic, Fr Frank Moloney SDB, Norman Lindsay Richards, Julia Foster, Shaun Armstrong, Freda Higgins, Charlie, Hudson

RECENTLY DECEASED: Fr Peter Carrucan, Mary Ward

RIP ANNIVERSARIES: Maureen Bedson, Mary-Ann Smith, Kathleen Butler, Mary McEvey, William Barry Gilbo, John Paligaru, Alison Brister

NAMES OF THE SICK & THE DEAD for inclusion in newsletter must be sent to the parish office by Thursday 10am. Names on sick list remain for 9 weeks (a Novena) unless otherwise advised. For privacy reasons people must give their permission before their names can be included.

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LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTIONS

PARISH THANKSGIVING COLLECTION \$2,473

PRESBYTERY COLLECTION \$1,491

WAYS TO SUPPORT YOUR PARISH

i. WEEKLY OFFERING ENVELOPES (contact Parish Office)
 (Collect 2025 envelopes from Church Foyer)

ii. EFTPOS FACILITY

Just Tap and Go!

Terminal located at the entrance
 to the Church in the Narthex



iii. USE THIS QR CODE
 with your Credit/Debit Card

iv. WEBSITE: DONATE
 with your Credit/Debit Card



OUR LENTEN PROGRAM

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

- EACH FRIDAY IN LENT

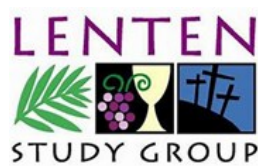
9.45am St. Bernadette's
after 9.15am Mass

7.00pm Alternates between
Mary Immaculate & St. George's Anglican Church

St. George's Anglican Church - March 14, 28, April 11
Mary Immaculate Church - March 21, April 4



LENTEN DISCUSSION GROUPS



Share together and discuss the
Sunday Lenten Readings. There
will be morning and evening
groups.

STUDY GROUP

Both groups will meet in the Meeting Room.
Thursdays after the 9.15am Mass
Thursdays at 7.30pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Each Saturday following the 9.15am Mass at
Mary Immaculate (Lady Chapel)

Reconciliation of 2nd Rite Thursday 10th April 7.30pm
at Mary Immaculate Church

Holy Thursday 17 April following the 7.30pm Mass
of the Lord's Supper at MI Church

MCKINNEY LECTURE

*"Ryder-Cheshire – for the relief of suffering – in
Australia and overseas"*

Guest Speaker: Michael Moignard

Tuesday 1st April @ 7.30pm
MMC Gathering Space
Waverley Avenue, Ivanhoe



PARISH EARTHCARE GROUP

Most parishioners know of 'Laudato Si: On Care of our Common Home', the 2015 encyclical written by dear Pope Francis to all people of good will. It tells us about the ecological and climate crises facing the earth and calls us to 'ecological conversion', a deep change of heart and lifestyle with more passionate concern for our earth-home, for all God's creation. The inspiring film, 'The Letter', was made about Laudato Si.

We are in our Lent season now. There's a 2025 'Laudato Si Lent Calendar: Conversion of Heart for the Earth'. <https://drive.google.com/file/d/14zljBW1-Y55LfbrlQdJkMBtuMTSq7x8J/view> and there's a simpler Australian-based 'Care for Creation 2025 Lenten Calendar' <https://jisa.org.au/care-for-creation-2025-lenten-calendar/> Both calendars have wonderful ideas for Lent, a season for **REFLECTION** and **ACTION** through **PRAYER, FASTING** and **ALMSGIVING**.

There's a range of suggestions for Lenten practices and making changes in your daily life. Here are some examples. You could be inspired.

- If you're a meat-eater, eat less. If a vegetarian, share a vegetarian recipe.
- Significantly reduce your use of plastics & styrofoam.
- Pray outside with Creation.
- Pray the personal contemplation, the Ignatian Ecological Examen,
- Watch 'The Letter' (maybe again).
- Find out if your bank is fuelling the climate crisis and if so, change to an ethical bank,
- Join a campaign on ending fossil fuel expansion.
- Read the international news to hear the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor.

(The calendar gives links where needed for all suggestions.)

Laudato Si, 217:

"Living our vocation to be protectors of God's handiwork is essential to a life of virtue; it is not an optional or a secondary aspect of our Christian experience"

Living Well with Bereavement, Grief & Loss



We had a good attendance of 19 people at our meeting last Friday. Some valuable comments and suggestions were made. Group had great enthusiasm to establish an ongoing parish based support.

Are you grieving or interested in helping others who are grieving

- please email Parish office at ivanhoe@cam.org.au

PARISH GROUPS

ANointing MASS & SHARED LUNCHEON Wednesday 12 March at 12noon Mary Immaculate Church

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

LENTEN DISCUSSION GROUP & COFFEE Every Thursday after the 9.15am Mass and 7.30pm
in the Parish Centre Meeting Room

MEDITATION GROUP Every Tuesday at 4.15pm in Parish Centre Meeting Room

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP GROUP Once a month at 7.00pm Friday, next 4 April at Parish Centre Meeting Room

PARISH EARTHCARE GROUP Once a month at 2pm Thursday, next 20 March in the Parish Centre Meeting Room

TODAY'S READINGS

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

(When there is no Entrance Hymn)

When he calls on me, I will answer him; I will deliver him and give him glory, I will grant him length of days.

1ST READING Deuteronomy 26:4-10

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy

Moses said to the people: 'The priest shall take the panner from your hand and lay it before the altar of the Lord your God. Then, in the sight of the Lord your God, you must make this pronouncement:

"My father was a wandering Aramaean. He went down into Egypt to find refuge there, few in numbers; but there he became a nation, great, mighty, and strong. The Egyptians ill-treated us, they gave us no peace and inflicted harsh slavery on us. But we called on the Lord, the God of our fathers. The Lord heard our voice and saw our misery, our toil and our oppression; and the Lord brought us out of Egypt with mighty hand and outstretched arm, with great terror, and with signs and wonders. He brought us here and gave us this land, a land where milk and honey flow. Here then I bring the first-fruits of the produce of the soil that you, Lord, have given me." You must then lay them before the Lord your God, and bow down in the sight of the Lord your God.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**R/ Be with me, Lord,
when I am in trouble**

He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High and abides in the shade of the Almighty says to the Lord: 'My refuge, my stronghold, my God in whom I trust!' **R/**

Upon you no evil shall fall, no plague approach where you dwell. For you has he commanded his angels, to keep you in all your ways. **R/**

They shall bear you upon their hands lest you strike your foot against a stone. On the lion and the viper you

will tread and trample the young lion and the dragon. **R/**

His love he set on me, so I will rescue him; protect him for he knows my name. When he calls I shall answer: 'I am with you.' I will save him in distress and give him glory. **R/**

2ND READING Romans 10:8-13

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

Scripture says: The word, that is the faith we proclaim, is very near to you, it is on your lips and in your heart. If your lips confess that Jesus is Lord and if you believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, then you will be saved. By believing from the heart you are made righteous; by confessing with your lips you are saved. When scripture says: those who believe in him will have no cause for shame, it makes no distinction between Jew and Greek: all belong to the same Lord who is rich enough, however many ask for his help, for everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

THE GOSPEL Luke 4:1-13

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

✠ Glory to you, O Lord.

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit through the wilderness, being tempted there by the devil for forty days. During that time he ate nothing and at the end he was hungry. Then the devil said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, tell this stone to turn into a loaf.' But Jesus replied, 'Scripture says: Man does not live on bread alone.'

Then leading him to a height, the devil showed him in a moment of time all the kingdoms of the world and said to him, 'I will give you all this

power and the glory of these kingdoms, for it has been committed to me and I give it to anyone I choose. Worship me, then, and it shall all be yours.' But Jesus answered him, 'Scripture says: You must worship the Lord your God, and serve him alone.'

Then he led him to Jerusalem and made him stand on the parapet of the Temple. 'If you are the Son of God', he said to him 'throw yourself down from here, for scripture says: He will put his angels in charge of you to guard you, and again:

They will hold you up on their hands in case you hurt your foot against a stone.'

But Jesus answered him, 'It has been said:

You must not put the Lord your God to the test.'

Having exhausted all these ways of tempting him, the devil left him, to return at the appointed time.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

(When there is no Communion Hymn)

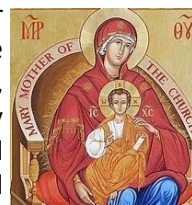
One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.

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: Second Sunday of Lent - C

1st Reading: Genesis 15:5-12. 17-18

2nd Reading: Philippians 3:17 - 4:1

Gospel: Luke 9:28-36