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ALL SOULS' DAY

2 November 2025

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.

MARY IMMACULATE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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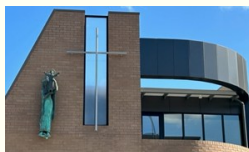
OUR PARISH

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

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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

The lectionary for today offers a choice of three gospel readings: Mt 11:25-30 – revelation of the Father through the Son; Mk 15:33-39, 16:1-6 – the crucifixion and resurrection; and Lk 7:11-17 the widow of Nain's son raised from the dead. None of the readings deal directly with the question of what happens when we die but each of them addresses the revelation of God as a God of faithfulness, compassion and love. This faithfulness and compassionate love of God is celebrated on the feast of All Souls because we remember that the invitation of God is extended to all people that they might enter into the kingdom of heaven.

The passage from the gospel of Luke about the widow of Nain is particularly revealing of the compassion of God. The event takes place at the town gates. Just as Jesus is entering, the funeral bier of a young man is passing out through the gates. There are a 'considerable number of the townspeople' with the grieving mother and we assume that they are there to mourn her son and give comfort to his mother. However, the woman is a widow and the young man was her only son. As a woman with no means of male support, the crowd may have been actually making sure that she left the town rather than mourning her loss. We are told Jesus 'felt sorry for her' – not sorry for her loss, but sorry for her. When he raised the young man, 'Jesus gave him to his mother.' By giving her son life, Jesus also gave the woman a new life. With a son, she would again be welcome in the town and not forced outside the walls to fend for herself. The message of God that all are welcome is enacted through Jesus as he makes sure that the woman is not excluded from the town because of her dependence on others.

Greg Sunter, Liturgy Help

PARISH WEEKLY CALENDAR

Saturday 1 November (ALL SAINTS' DAY)

- 9.00am Rosary Prayer in Mary Immaculate Church
 9.15am Mass at Mary Immaculate Church followed by Morning Tea
 5.30pm Vigil Mass for **ALL SOULS' DAY** at Mary Immaculate Church followed by Prayer Service in Memorial Garden

Sunday 2 November (ALL SOULS' DAY)

- 8.30am Mass at St. Bernadette's Church
 10.00am Mass at Mary Immaculate Church with Children's Liturgy followed by Prayer Service in Memorial Garden

Monday 3 November (Feria)

- 1.30pm U3A Class (Gathering Space)

Tuesday 4 November (Saint Charles Borromeo)

(Parish Office will be closed due to Public Holiday)

- 9.15am Mass at Mary Immaculate (MOG Chapel)

Wednesday 5 November (Feria)

- 9.15am Mass at Mary Immaculate (MOG Chapel)

Thursday 6 November (Feria)

- 9.15am Mass at Mary Immaculate (MOG Chapel)
 9.45am Gospel Discussion Group (Mtg Room)
 6.00pm Zumba Fitness Class (Gathering Space)

Friday 7 November (Feria)

- 9.15am Mass at St Bernadette's with Grade 3/4E followed by Exposition & Adoration
 11.00am Funeral Mass for Lola Lazzari at St Bernadette's Church
 1.30pm U3A Class (Gathering Space)
 7.00pm Men's Fellowship Group

Saturday 8 November (Feria)

- 9.00am Morning Prayer 'Lauds' (MOG Chapel)
 9.15am Mass at Mary Immaculate (MOG Chapel)
 5.30pm Vigil Mass at Mary Immaculate Church

Sunday 9 November (The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica)

- 8.30am Mass at St. Bernadette's Church
 10.00am Mass at Mary Immaculate Church

LOOKING FORWARD

Friday 28 November

- 6.30pm The Eucharist Part 2—the Memorial by Fr Frank O'Loughlin. Pizza & Wine \$10 pp



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

MASS ROSTERS	THIS WEEKEND 1 / 2 November	NEXT WEEKEND 8 / 9 November
5.30pm Mary Immaculate Sacristan Welcomer 1 Welcomer 2 Reader Lector Special Minister 1 Multimedia	E. Ballao T. Bui A. Rahme M. Harty S. Bui-Rahme T. Gleeson S. Moorhen	C. Bryce A. Rizzo M. Gratton C. Dixon S. Moorhen A. Rizzo F. Callinan
8.30am St. Bernadette's Welcomer Reader / Lector Special Minister	J. Gray M-R. Auguste T. Nibali	D. Landsberg P. Shannon D. Landsberg
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 3 B. Janus S. McInerney A. Rizzo R. Villani A. Coonan B. Connor S. Janus S. Kelly G. Shamieh N. Kajkic M. Pirrie Group One	Team 4 P. Kelly S. Kelly P. Nguyen T. Barker T. De Luise M. Ryan P. Boutsakis P. Kelly H. Nguyen M. Browning S. Meehan Group Two

PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY

SICK: Janet Jelleff, Kerry Freney, Jarryd Ferraro, Tess Ryan, Julia Foster, Paul Flanagan, Fr Frank Moloney SDB, David Brett, Christine Lane, Br Doug Walsh

Names on sick list remain for 9 weeks (a Novena) unless otherwise advised via email.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Fr Peter Nguyen, Sr Margarette Nguyen, Fr Peter O'Rourke, Fr Barry Moran, Lola Lazzari

RIP ANNIVERSARIES: Roger Bolden, Carmelo D'Amico, Jack Duffy, Bryan McEvey, Maria Basilone

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

THIS WEEKEND'S SPECIAL COLLECTION

after each Mass is to support the Good Samaritan Inn. You can donate via website:

www.givenow.com.au/gsi-donations or

via direct debit

BSB: 633 000 Account #152331062 or

via QR code.

(Receipt will be issued when your donation is processed).



LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTIONS

PARISH THANKSGIVING COLLECTION \$2,173

PRESBYTERY COLLECTION \$1,280

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



Booklets
available
in Church
Foyer for
\$7 each



MEN'S FELLOWSHIP GROUP

Open invite to the men of the parish to share drinks, food and fellowship.
BYO drinks + \$15.
7.00pm on Friday 7th November at the Parish Centre Gathering Space

Ivanhoe Grand (previously Bluecross) Visitation Ministry Volunteers Needed

We are looking for interested Parishioners to assist with the provision of Communion to the residence at Ivanhoe Grand Age Care on a weekly basis. Each Wednesday, anytime between 10.30 - 3pm. You will be joining a team focused on Mission and Service, assuring our elderly are not forgotten in our Parish Community.

If you feel it is something you can assist with, please contact Parish Office.



PEACE
WITH CREATION
SEASON OF CREATION 2025

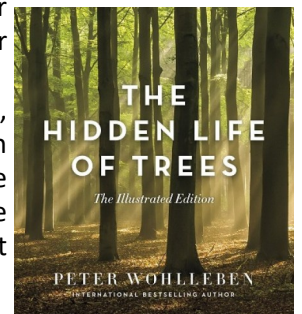
PARISH EARTHCARE GROUP

Here's a great Christmas present!

The book, "The Hidden Life of Trees" by Peter Wohlleben tells of "the fascinating science and ... mysteries of forests and the role they play in sustaining our world and making it the kind of place where we want to live."

A few of its facts: - Seeds and trees adapt to new weather conditions: in dry, hot weather different genes activate in seeds, so even those used to icy territory can germinate and grow. Mature trees that live through difficult climate conditions pass their survival ability onto future generations. Forest trees actually communicate, often through the filaments of fungi warning other trees of dangers such as drought and insect attack. Trees nurture their young, even ensuring they don't guzzle too much sugar which would make them grow tall before their bark could support them during harsh weather. Trees also support an abundance of wildlife: one old 170ft tree housed 2041 critters (think spiders and insects) from 257 species in its canopy! It's particularly the old growth forests that play crucial roles in storing carbon, producing oxygen, ensuring rain reaches further inland and providing habitat for our unique animals.

There's a beautifully illustrated, abridged edition that you can browse in the foyer outside the church office. How appropriate to put such a beautiful gift under your Christmas tree.



PARISH LIBRARY



The library holds 243 books and has a section on the **Retreat**.

In his book, Fr. Frank O'Loughlin argues that the decline in attendance and numbers of those Advent with St. Francis: Daily Reflections by Diane M. Houdek

We can never tell how patient or humble a person is when everything is going well with him. But when those who should cooperate with him do the exact opposite, then we can tell. A man has as much patience and humility as he has then, and no more. (p. 32-33)

Check out our books through the borrowing registry at the Parish Centre Meeting Room 2 (Tuesday and Thursday 9am to 3pm). Visit the collection via our website: www.melbcatholic.org/ivanhoe.

PARISH GROUPS

ANointing MASS & SHARED LUNCHEON Thursday 27 November at 12noon Mary Immaculate Church

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

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

LIVING WELL WITH LOSS - Bereavement Ministry Once a month at 5pm Friday, next on 5 December in GS

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

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP GROUP Once a month at 7.00pm Friday, next 7 November in Gathering Space.

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

TODAY'S READINGS

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

(When there is no Entrance Hymn)

Just as Jesus died and has risen again, so through Jesus God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep; and as in Adam all die, so also in Christ will all be brought to life.

1ST READING

Isaiah 25:6-9

A reading from the book of Isaiah

On this mountain, the Lord of hosts will prepare for all peoples a banquet of rich food.

On this mountain he will remove the mourning veil covering all peoples, and the shroud enwrapping all nations, he will destroy Death for ever.

The Lord will wipe away the tears from every cheek; he will take away his people's shame everywhere on earth, for the Lord has said so.

That day, it will be said: See, this is our God in whom we hoped for salvation; the Lord is the one in whom we hoped.

We exult and we rejoice that he has saved us.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R/ The Lord is my light and my salvation.

The Lord is my light and my help; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; before whom shall I shrink? **R/**

There is one thing I ask of the Lord, for this I long, to live in the house of the Lord, all the days of my life, to savour the sweetness of the Lord, to behold his temple. **R/**

O Lord, hear my voice when I call; have mercy and answer. It is your face, O Lord, that I seek; hide not your face. **R/**

I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness in the land of the living. Hope in him, hold firm and take heart. Hope in the Lord! **R/**

2ND READING

Romans 5:5-11

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

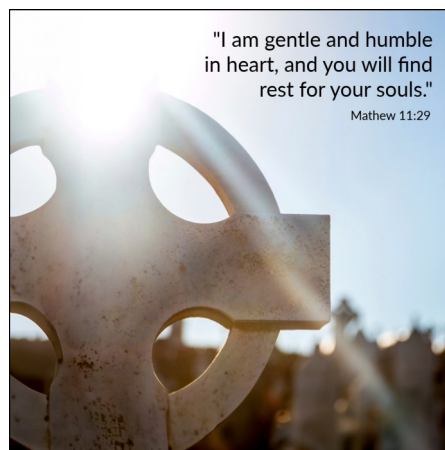
Hope is not deceptive, because the love of God has been poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit which has been given us. We were still helpless when at his appointed moment Christ died for sinful men. It is not easy to die even for a good man – though of course for someone really worthy, a man might be prepared to die – but what proves that God loves us is that Christ died for us while we were still sinners. Having died to make us righteous, is it likely that he would now fail to save us from God's anger? When we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, we were still enemies; now that we have been reconciled, surely we may count on being saved by the life of his Son? Not merely because we have been reconciled but because we are filled with joyful trust in God, through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have already gained our reconciliation.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! This is the will of my Father, says the Lord, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given to me, and that I should raise it up on the last day. **Alleluia!**



"I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls."
Matthew 11:29

THE GOSPEL

Luke 7:11-17

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

✠ Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus went to a town called Nain, accompanied by his disciples and a great number of people. When he was near the gate of the town it happened that a dead man was being carried out for burial, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow. And a considerable number of the townspeople were with her. When the Lord saw her he felt sorry for her. 'Do not cry,' he said. Then he went up and put his hand on the bier and the bearers stood still, and he said, 'Young man, I tell you to get up'. And the dead man sat up and began to talk, and Jesus gave him to his mother. Everyone was filled with awe and praised God saying, 'A great prophet has appeared among us; God has visited his people.' And this opinion of him spread throughout Judaea and all over the countryside.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

(When there is no Communion Hymn)

I am the Resurrection and the Life, says the Lord. Whoever believes in me, even though he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will not die for ever.

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: THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA

1st Reading: Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 3:9-11, 16-17

Gospel: John 2:13-22