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MARY MOTHER OF THE CHURCH CATHOLIC PARISH

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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**
Wednesday	**9.15am**	**Mary Immaculate**
Thursday	**9.15am**	**Mary Immaculate**
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

We give thanks to God for the election of Pope Leo XIV as Bishop of Rome and our new Pope.

May his ministry encourage and inspire us to live out Christ's peace, mercy, love and compassion in a world in need of the good news of the gospel.

PARISH WEEKLY CALENDAR

FR TRAN WILL BE ON LEAVE FOR THE MONTH OF MAY

Saturday 10 May *(Easter Feria)*
9.00am Morning Prayer 'Lauds' (Lady Chapel)
9.15am Communion Service at MI (Lady Chapel)
5.30pm Mass at Mary Immaculate with Fr Caldwell

Sunday 11 May ***(Fourth Sunday of Easter)***
8.30am Mass at St. Bernadette's with Fr Barry Caldwell
10.00am Mass at Mary Immaculate with Fr Caldwell

Monday 12 May *(Easter Feria)*

Tuesday 13 May *(Easter Feria)*
9.15am Communion Service at MI (Lady Chapel)
4.15pm Meditation Group (Parish Meeting Room)
7.30pm Gospel Discussion Group (Meeting Room)

Wednesday 14 May *(St Matthias)*
9.15am Communion Service at MI (Lady Chapel)
7.30pm Parish Pastoral Council (Parish Meeting Room)

Thursday 15 May *(Easter Feria)*
9.15am Mass at MI with Fr Glasheen (Lady Chapel)
9.45am Gospel & Coffee Discussion Group (Mtg Room)
10.30am Funeral for Sr Helen Duffy at MI
followed by refreshments in Gathering Space
2.00pm Parish Earthcare Group Meeting (Mtg Room)
5.30pm Zumba Fitness Class (Gathering Space)

Friday 16 May *(Easter Feria)*
9.15am Mass at St Bernadette's Church with Fr McIntosh

Saturday 17 May *(Easter Feria)*
9.00am Morning Prayer 'Lauds' (Lady Chapel)
9.15am Communion Service at MI (Lady Chapel)
5.30pm Mass at Mary Immaculate with Fr Heredia

Sunday 18 May ***(Fifth Sunday of Easter)***
8.30am Mass at St. Bernadette's with Fr Arnold Heredia
10.00am Mass at Mary Immaculate with Fr A Heredia
11.30am Baptism at Mary Immaculate Church

PROJECT COMPASSION

Please return all Project Compassion contributions by **11 May**. If a receipt is required, please fill in details on box lid or on back of envelopes before their return.

THIS MONTH'S SPECIAL COLLECTION

Many thanks to all who supported last week's special collection for CatholicCare. Our total collection $1,125.00

MASS COUNT

During May the Catholic Church throughout Australia will conduct its annual Mass count. Do not be surprised by a member of the congregation wandering up and down the aisle counting heads at Mass during May.

MASS ROSTERS	THIS WEEKEND 10 / 11 May	NEXT WEEKEND 17 / 18 May
5.30pm Mary Immaculate		
Sacristan	E. Ballao	C. Bryce
Welcomer 1	T. Bui	M. Harty
Welcomer 2	M. Harty	L McCrohen
Reader	M. Gratton	K. Gillespie
Lector	Iona Bradley	L. Kempen
Special Minister 1	A. Rizzo	T. Bui
Multimedia	S. Moorhen	S. Moorhen
8.30am St. Bernadette's		
Welcomer	C. Dixon	M-R. Auguste
Reader / Lector	C. Dixon	P. Shannon
Special Minister	T. Nibali	J. Gray
10.00am Mary Immaculate		
Hospitality	Team 3	Team 4
Sacristan	E. Ballao	E. Mount
Welcomer 1	B. Janus	M. Lindner
Welcomer 2	A. Pegoraro	A. Rizzo
Reader	N. Merlin	P. Boutsakis
Lector	T. De Luise	A. McKern
Special Minister 1	J. Chiera	T. De Luise
Special Minister 2	G. Crawford	J. Chiera
Special Minister 3	T. Barker	A. Rizzo
Multimedia	G. Shamieh	N. Merlin
Children's Liturgy Leader	M. Browning	L. Parsons
Children's Liturgy Assistant	N. Kajkic	S. Meehan

PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY

SICK: 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, Gordon Ferguson, Catherine Williams, Bryan Oakey, Sophie, Charlie, Vittoria, Hudson

RECENT DEATHS: Sr Helen Duffy

RIP ANNIVERSARIES: Franco Greco, Vinka Simovic, Tricia Erbacher, Thelma Edebohls, Tony Rahme, Antonio Botia, Jose Lat Sr, Giuseppe Ginevra, Matthew Ryan, Franco Nastasi, James Gleeson, Herbert Ward, Jan Dalton, Elena Bacarisas, Florrence Quinane, Vilma Aguda, Anselmo Dri

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 $2,504** **PRESBYTERY COLLECTION $1,487**

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

In Praise of Mothers……

'Blessed art thou among women'

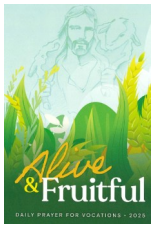
As we enter into the month of May - the 'Month of Mary' - and as we celebrate Mother's Day this Sunday, we might find ourselves reflecting and giving thanks for the ways our mothers, both spiritual and earthly, have guided and blessed us in our lives.

FR TRAN ON ANNUAL LEAVE

While Fr Tran is away we have organized for visiting Priests for weekend Masses.

Note there will be no set time for Reconciliation on weekends, but you can approach the Priest after Mass if you wish.

Some weekday Masses will be replaced by a Communion Service



Today is the **World Day of Prayer for Vocations.**

Pope Francis told us:

There can be no greater joy than to risk one's life for the Lord! I would like to say this especially to you, the young. Do not be deaf to the Lord's call. If he calls you to follow this path, do not pull your oars into the boat, but trust him.

Let us pray for the young people in our community, and in our families and circle of friends. May our prayers help them to be open to the Lord's call to consecrated life or priesthood.

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PARISH EARTHCARE GROUP

In the opening paragraphs of Laudato Si, Pope Francis said Earth, "our common home, is like …. a beautiful mother who opens her arms to embrace us".

He quotes St Francis of Assisi's canticle:

"Praise be to you my Lord, through our Sister, Mother Earth, who sustains and governs us, and who produces various fruit with coloured flowers and herbs".

Pope Francis went on to say we have harmed and plundered our mother Earth "by our abuse of the goods with which God has endowed her".

As we celebrate our mothers on Mothers Day, May 11, maybe we Catholics can celebrate our Mother Earth as well and commit ourselves to care for and respect her better than we do.

Happy Mothers Day

How can we Turn Debt into Hope? In partnership with Caritas Internationalis, we are calling on world leaders to:

- Stop the debt crisis now by cancelling unjust debts
- Prevent future debt crises by reforming the global financial system to prioritise people and the planet.
- Establish a binding debt framework within the United Nations.

PARISH GROUPS

ANOINTING MASS & SHARED LUNCHEON Wednesday 4 June 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

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

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP GROUP Once a month at 7.00pm Friday, next 6 June at Parish Centre Meeting Room

PARISH EARTHCARE GROUP Once a month at 2pm Thursday, next 15 May in the Parish Centre Meeting Room

Today's Readings

Entrance Antiphon

(When there is no Entrance Hymn)

The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth; by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia.

1st Reading

Acts 13:14, 43-52

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Paul and Barnabas carried on from Perga till they reached Antioch in Pisidia. Here they went to synagogue on the sabbath and took their seats.

When the meeting broke up, many Jews and devout converts joined Paul and Barnabas, and in their talks with them Paul and Barnabas urged them to remain faithful to the grace God had given them.

The next sabbath almost the whole town assembled to hear the word of God. When they saw the crowds, the Jews, prompted by jealousy, used blasphemies and contradicted everything Paul said. Then Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly, 'We had to proclaim the word of God to you first, but since you have rejected it, since you do not think yourselves worthy of eternal life, we must turn to the pagans. For this is what the Lord commanded us to do when he said:

> I have made you a light for the nations, so that my salvation may reach the ends of the earth.'

It made the pagans very happy to hear this and they thanked the Lord for his message; all who were destined for eternal life became believers. Thus the word of the Lord spread through the whole countryside.

But the Jews worked upon some of the devout women of the upper classes and the leading men of the city and persuaded them to turn against Paul and Barnabas and expel them from their territory. So they shook the dust from their feet in defiance and went off to Iconium; but the disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

R/ **We are his people,**
the sheep of his flock.

Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth. Serve the Lord with gladness. Come before him, singing for joy. ***R/***

Know that he, the Lord, is God. He made us, we belong to him, we are his people, the sheep of his flock. ***R/***

Indeed, how good is the Lord, eternal his merciful love. He is faithful from age to age. ***R/***

2nd Reading

Revelation 7:9,14-17

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse

I, John, saw a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language; they were standing in front of the throne and in front of the Lamb, dressed in white robes and holding palms in their hands. One of the elders said to me, 'These are the people who have been through the great persecution, and because they have washed their robes white again in the blood of the Lamb, they now stand in front of God's throne and serve him day and night in his sanctuary; and the One who sits on the throne will spread his tent over them. They will never hunger or thirst again; neither the sun nor scorching wind will ever plague them, because the Lamb who is at the throne will be their shepherd and will lead them to springs of living water; and God will wipe away all tears from their eyes.'

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep, and mine know me.
Alleluia!

The Gospel

John 10:27-30

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

✠ **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus said:

'The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice;
I know them and they follow me.
I give them eternal life;
they will never be lost
and no one will ever steal them from me.
The Father who gave them to me is greater than anyone,
and no one can steal from the Father.
The Father and I are one.'

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Communion Antiphon

(When there is no Communion Hymn)

The Good Shepherd has risen, who laid down his life for his sheep and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.

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:	**Fifth Sunday of Easter**
1st Reading:	Acts 14:21-27
2nd Reading:	Revelation 21:1-5
Gospel:	John 13:31-35