

# St Michael's Church

125 High Street, Berwick 3806

## Parish Support Centre

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Hours: Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri – 9.00am to 3.00pm, Wed – 9.00am-2.00pm

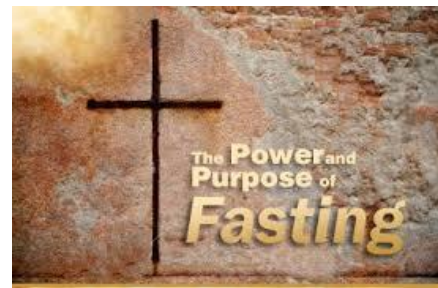


## THE GOOD NEWS

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B 10<sup>TH</sup>/11<sup>TH</sup> February, 2018

### FASTING AND REPARATION

The Australian Catholic bishops have proclaimed the days from Ash Wednesday until the following Saturday (February 14-17) Days of Fasting and Reparation in sorrow for child sexual abuse and the healing of victims. In addition to the work that has been undertaken in the area of the protection of children and vulnerable adults, the Days of Fasting and Reparation are an authentically Catholic response to supplement those efforts. Resources can be accessed at [www.catholic.org.au/fastinandreparation](http://www.catholic.org.au/fastinandreparation)

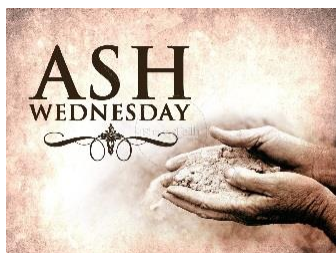


### PRAYER FOR ABUSE VICTIMS

Loving Father, since your mercy has been revealed in the tenderness of your Son Jesus Christ, who said to his disciples: "Let the little children come to me", we pray that your Church may be a secure home where all children and vulnerable adults may be brought closer to your beloved Son. May all those who have been abused in any way by your ministers, be respected and accompanied by tangible gestures of justice and reparation so that they may feel healed with the balm of your compassion.

Today, we entrust to you the lives of the many children and vulnerable adults, who have been abused, and whose trust and innocence have been destroyed. Help us to hear their cries of pain and help us to heal their broken lives. We pray that within their families and our communities they will find understanding and support so that with the help of your grace they may again know peace.

Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who shared our weakness in all things but sin, and who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever, Amen.



### ASH WEDNESDAY

In the Catholic Church, Ash Wednesday is the first day of Lent, the season of preparation for the resurrection of Jesus Christ on Easter Sunday. Ash Wednesday always falls 46 days before Easter. This year Ash Wednesday falls on February 14. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence. See Mass times below.

### SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday: 6.00pm  
Sunday: 9.00am  
Sunday: 10.30am  
Sunday: 6.00pm

### WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday: No mass  
Tuesday: 7.00pm  
Wednesday: 9.30am Ash Wednesday  
7.00pm Ash Wednesday  
Thursday: 9.30am  
Friday: 9.30am  
Saturday: 9.30am

**PARISH PRIEST:**

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**BAPTISM:**

Every 2nd, 3rd and 5th Sunday at  
 11.45am in the church.  
 Bookings arranged only after  
 attending the baptism preparation  
 program. Contact the Parish Support  
 Centre for more information.

**MARRIAGES:**

At least six months' notice requested.

**ST. MICHAEL'S SCHOOL**

16 Scanlan Street, Berwick  
 Phone: 8794 2400

**ST. CATHERINE'S SCHOOL**

73 Ridgmont Drive, Berwick  
 Phone: 9702 1466

**ST. BRIGID'S SCHOOL**

25 Bayview Road, Officer  
 Phone: 5943 2447

**ST. FRANCIS XAVIER COLLEGE**

Beaconsfield Phone: 9707 3111  
 Berwick Phone: 9702 6588  
 Officer Phone: 5943 3600

**OLD CHURCH HALL HIRE**

Phone: 0439 206 229

**CATHOLIC CARE:** 1800 522 076**DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HELP:**

**Safe Steps**-1800 015 188  
 safesteps.org.au

**'No To Violence'**

**Men's Referral Service**-1300 766

491 Mon-Fri: 8am-9pm Sat-Sun:  
 9am-6pm

**Multi-Cultural Centre Against  
 Family Violence**-1800 755 988

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:** Olga Fialho, Peter D'Souza, Baby Jacob Cheong, Joan Reynolds, Robert Biscoe, Felix Robiso and all who died recently, and for Marie Tuohy, Dominica Ranatunga, Joan O'Callaghan, Sam Kingston, Maria & Joquin Florindo, Mileni Varudo, Simon Borg, Guillermo & Leonisa Gozo, Maria & Apolonio Robiso, Herminio Ordonez and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

**WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO SUFFER AT PRESENT IN BODY, MIND OR SPIRIT:** Andrea Newman, Peter Quinn Snr, Marea Green, Barbara Kohli, Angela Patricio, Gill, Jill Coote, Trevor Wishart, Sione Hehea, Maria Colina, Sonia Kelly, Patrick Taylor, Cedric Wilson, Gordon Clark, Kevin Clarke, Victoria Bonicelli, June Gameau, Teresa Kelly, Ryan Devane, Grace, Neville White, Therese Quinn, Eliza Jayalath, George Falzon, Angelica Tan, Brittany Long, Ciara Nelson, Annabelle Wallace, Aldo Petrini, William Mcann, Emelda Moore, Sonia Rowstron.

**BAPTISMS:** Our parish welcomes Ryder Knight, Shanessa Ellis, Amelia Caudell, Hunter Balasa, Zuri Clothier and Jack Griffith who will be baptised this weekend. We pray for them and hope that they and their families will continue to be a special part of our parish.

**PARISH RECONCILIATION**

Saturday: 10.00am – 10.30am  
 5.30pm – 5.45pm

**EXPOSITION**

Monday: 7.00pm – 8.00pm  
 Wednesday: 10.00am – 11.00am

**PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES:** Available for collection in the foyer.

**LENTEN PROGRAM:** Begins Thursday Feb 15 or Friday 16 in the Parish Centre following the morning Mass. The booklet "Surrender" is available from the Piety stall \$7.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** During Lent there will be Stations of the Cross in the Church on Thursdays at 10am and Fridays at 7pm.

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER:** Will be held at St Michael's on Fri, March 2 at 10.30am and 7.30pm. There will be a meeting on Monday Feb 12 at 11.00am in the Parish Support Centre. See flyer in the church.

**THE RITE OF ELECTION FOR CATECHUMENS AND THE FORMAL RECOGNITION OF CANDIDATES:** will be celebrated by Bishop Patrick O'Regan at St Mary's Cathedral at 3.00pm on Sunday Feb 18 (1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent). Parishioners are invited to come and support our 11 RCIA participants as we welcome them more formally into our Catholic community.

**SAVE THE DATE:** As planning for the 2020 Plenary Council of the Church in Australia, gets underway, and as a way of introducing parishioners to the concept of Plenary 2020, Bp. Patrick O'Regan would like to host a meeting with the parishioners of St. Michael's, Berwick on **Wednesday March 7, 7.30-9.00pm**. Please keep this date free.

**PROJECT COMPASSION:** Diocese of Sale's Launch will take place at St Francis Xavier, Officer on Tues Feb 13 11.00-2.00pm. See flyer.

**WESTERN REGION YOUTH CONFERENCE 2018:** All young people (12-25) are invited to a day filled with music, workshops, group discussions, BBQ and prayer at St Agatha's Parish, Sladen Street, Cranbourne, on Sat February 17. Registrations begin at 8.30am for a 9.30 start. The day will conclude at 4.00pm. Contact our Parish Centre for registration forms.

**AWARENESS AGAINST HUMAN TRAFFICKING:** February 8, was the day of International Day of Prayer and Awareness against Human Trafficking. In 2014, traffickers made estimated profits of \$150 billion from selling people, who are enslaved all over the world including in Australia.

In *Evangelli Gaudium*, Pope Francis expressed his hope for us all to make ourselves aware of the enslavement of others. *"How I wish that all of us would hear God's cry: 'Where is your brother?' Where is your brother or sister who is enslaved? Where is the brother and sister whom you are killing each day in clandestine warehouses, in rings of prostitution, in children used for begging, in exploiting undocumented labour? Let us not look the other way."*

We can stop looking the other way by questioning why some items are cheaper than others and by researching the supply chains of goods, which can be done with smart phones at the point of purchase. Also, people working in ethical stores are aware of the supply chains and are happy to provide information. UTZ and Fairtrade logos are good but not perfect indicators that the product is ethically produced.

FEB 10/11	READERS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS
Sat 6.00pm	Larry Larkins James McKee	Liz Hansen, Jenny Benbow, Jamie Hansen, Cesar Guarjardo, Terry McKertish, Bernie Ludekens, Lorraine Ludekens
Sun 9.00am	Jacqui Morgan Peggy Harvey	Kevin Fewster, Peter Cahill, Kathleen Cahill, Maria D'Elia, Jennifer Bowden, Marita Crilly
Sun 10:30am	Cathy Pater Marita Sigg	Jenny Prince, Michael Tomkins, Marita Sigg, Andrew Bacon, Tara Bau, Dianne Wilkinson, Audrey Delaney
Sun 6.00pm	Peter Houlahan Louise Van Greunen	Macreadie Family Nanda Jaymanne Natasha Fox
<b>PIETY STALL</b>		<b>CHURCH CLEANING</b>
Sat 6pm : Liz Ryan Sun 9am: Jennifer Bowden 10.30am: Fran Quinn Sun 6pm: John Isailofski		Miryam Prasetyo, Mary Oke, Jenny McKillop, Romaine Callus, Corry Van Diemen

FEB 17/18	READERS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS
Sat 6.00pm	Pam & Ron Bertoncello	James McKee, Angelo Michael, Maree Raftery, Corry Van Diemen, Jeremy Wright, Larry Larkins, Bev Kuster
Sun 9.00am	Clare Tuohy Mary McGrath	Mary McGrath, John & Karen Hughes, Josie Mastroanni, Matt & Anne Johnson
Sun 10:30am	Ben Shields Beth Martin	Sarah Johnson, Bill Murphy, Michael & Joan O'Shea, Miryam Prasetyo, Audrey & Justin Delaney
Sun 6.00pm	Macreadie Family	Louise Van Greunen, Blake Stanwick, Elizabeth Morgan, Diana Tan
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#### LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS:

1<sup>st</sup> - Presbytery/Priest Support: \$2,113.20  
2<sup>nd</sup> - Planned Giving (Church/Parish Exp): \$2,811.00

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY:** 9.00am Gabby Stipkovic  
10.30am Rose Chong

#### MEETINGS AND EVENTS

#### **COMMUNITY OF THE SONS & DAUGHTERS OF GOD:**

Meet Mondays, 12.30-3.00pm in the Parish Centre. Divine Office, prayers, discussion & cuppa.

**LEGION OF MARY:** Meet Tuesdays, 10.00am to noon in the Parish Centre. Everyone welcome.

**RCIA:** Tuesday at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre.

**ROSARY:** Recited before weekday masses.

**GOSPEL REFLECTION GROUP:** Friday morning (after mass) in the Parish Centre, all welcome.

#### **COMMUNITY OF THE RISEN LORD:**

Meet every Friday, from 7pm, in the church.

**FILIPINO MASS:** Is celebrated here on the 3rd Sunday of the month. Next mass is February 18, 3pm.

**FRIENDSHIP GROUP:** Welcome back. First gathering at the Parish Centre on Tues Feb 13 at 2pm. Feel free to bring a friend. Michael: 8786 9983 John: 9702 1928

**MORNING OF RECOLLECTION FOR WOMEN:** Opus Dei run a **monthly** "mini-retreat", offering guidance in answering the call to holiness in everyday life. Women of all ages are most welcome - babysitting for kids also available. Monday March 5, 10.15am-12pm.

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL:** Meet this Tuesday Feb 13 at 7:30pm in the Parish Centre.

**CARE OF THE SICK:** If you know of anyone who is unable to get to Mass and would like the Eucharist brought to them please advise us on 9707 1355.

**WELCOME TO OUR NEW PARISHIONERS:** If you have recently joined our parish, we ask that you record your name and details in the white folder in the foyer, so that we can contact you and make you welcome.

**MASS FOR YOU AT HOME:** Channel 10 at 6.00am Sun and every day at 10.00am on the Foxtel Aurora channel 173 or can be viewed on the website.

[http:// www.mfyah.com](http://www.mfyah.com) or daily at 9.30am on

<http://www.dbb.org.au/index.cfm>

**BIBLE STUDY GROUP:** In an effort to evangelise, as well as be more inclusive of other Christian denominations, St Michael's, with the assistance of CBSI Australia, will be holding interdenominational bible study classes (Genesis). This is a fantastic opportunity to study the bible. Classes are held Thursdays 7.00pm-8.30pm, (30 weeks) and are held in the Parish Centre. See brochure for more info on CBSI [www.communitybiblestudy.org](http://www.communitybiblestudy.org)

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY HELPERS:** We are currently looking for more helpers for children's liturgy. If you are interested and hold a current WWCC, or would be willing to get one, please contact the Parish Support Centre.

#### **SUBMISSIONS FOR RELIGIOUS FREEDOM IN**

**AUSTRALIA:** Parishioners are encouraged to make a submission to the Federal Government, in light of the recent changes to the Marriage Act. A couple of short points that highlight the protections that should be given to freedom of religion and conscience. This could be the last chance to have freedom of religion and conscience protected in the law. We have until Feb 14. Submissions may be made online: <https://pmc.gov.au/domestic-policy/religious-freedom-review/submission> or [religiousfreedom@pmc.gov.au](mailto:religiousfreedom@pmc.gov.au)

## **Entrance Antiphon**

Be my protector, O God, a mighty stronghold to save me. For you are my rock, my stronghold! Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name.

## **First Reading** Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron, 'If a swelling or scab or shiny spot appears on a man's skin, a case of leprosy of the skin is to be suspected. The man must be taken to Aaron, the priest, or to one of the priests who are his sons. 'The man is leprous: he is unclean. The priest must declare him unclean; he is suffering from leprosy of the head. A man infected with leprosy must wear his clothing torn and his hair disordered; he must shield his upper lip and cry, "Unclean, unclean". As long as the disease lasts he must be unclean; and therefore he must live apart; he must live outside the camp.'

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## **Responsorial Psalm**

**I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble,  
and you fill me with the joy of salvation.**

Happy the man whose offence is forgiven,  
whose sin is remitted.

O happy the man to whom the Lord  
imputes no guilt,  
in whose spirit is no guile.

But now I have acknowledged my sins;  
my guilt I did not hide.

I said: 'I will confess  
my offence to the Lord.'  
And you, Lord, have forgiven  
the guilt of my sin.

Rejoice, rejoice in the Lord,  
exult, you just!

O come, ring out your joy,  
all you upright of heart.

**I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble,  
and you fill me with the joy of salvation.**

## **Second Reading** 1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1

Whatever you eat, whatever you drink, whatever you do at all, do it for the glory of God. Never do anything offensive to anyone – to Jews or Greeks or to the Church of God; just as I try to be helpful to everyone at all times, not anxious for my own advantage but for the advantage of everybody else, so that they may be saved. Take me for your model, as I take Christ.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia!

A great prophet has appeared among us;  
God has visited his people.

Alleluia!

## **Gospel** Mark 1:40-45

A leper came to Jesus and pleaded on his knees: 'If you want to' he said 'you can cure me.' Feeling sorry for him, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him. 'Of course I want to!' he said. 'Be cured!' And the leprosy left him at once and he was cured. Jesus immediately sent him away and sternly ordered him, 'Mind you say nothing to anyone, but go and show yourself to the priest, and make the offering for your healing prescribed by Moses as evidence of your recovery.' The man went away, but then started talking about it freely and telling the story everywhere, so that Jesus could no longer go openly into any town, but had to stay outside in places where nobody lived. Even so, people from all around would come to him.

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

## **Communion Antiphon**

God so loved the world that he gave his Only Begotten Son, so that all who believe in him may not perish, but may have eternal life.

## **Readings for next week:**

**First Reading:** Genesis 9:8-15

**Second Reading:** 1 Peter 3:18-22

**Gospel:** Mark 1:12-1