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St Michael's Parish Good News



PARISH SUPPORT CENTRE: 121-123 High Street, Berwick 3806 Ph: 9707 1355

WEB: www.stmichaelsparish.org.au **FACEBOOK:** fb.me/StMichaelsBerwick

Hours: Mon/Tue/Wed **CLOSED**, Thurs 9.00am-12.00pm Fri 9.00am-4.30pm

St Michael's Catholic Parish acknowledges that we are on the traditional land of the Bunurong People. We pay respect to all elders, past, present, and future, and we are committed to achieving Reconciliation.



Welcome to St Michael's Parish, where we foster the wellbeing and safety of all children and adults at risk. Since we take the safety of our young and vulnerable parishioners seriously, we have a zero-tolerance policy when it comes to abuse. All our parishioners have the right to feel safe and welcome at St Michael's Parish. Any concerns, please contact the Safeguarding Officer on 9707 1355 or secretary@stmichaelsparish.org.au

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT, YEAR B 16/17 MARCH 2024

MASSES

SUNDAY

Saturday vigil: 6.00pm

Sunday: 7.30am, 9.00am,
10.30am, 6.00pm

Filo Mass 3.00pm

WEEKDAYS

Mon: 9.30am St Patrick's Day

Tue-Sat: 9.30am, preceded by
Divine Mercy & Rosary.

RECONCILIATION

Sat: 10.00am - 10.30am

5.15pm - 5.30pm

(Not Saturday March 30)

EXPOSITION (Blessed Sacrament)

Cenacle Prayer until 10.30am

(Subject to change)

PARISH PRIEST

Fr Jeff Kleynjans: jwk2511@gmail.com

FR JEFF'S DIARY

Mon-Wed: Staff Retreat

Thu: 11.00am Meeting
3.00pm Meeting

ASSISTANT PRIEST

Fr Paul Zaher

paul.zaher@cdsale.org.au

PRESBYTERY

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PARISH INFORMATION

BAPTISMS

Please contact the Parish Centre

MARRIAGES

At least six months' notice requested.

CHILD SAFE STANDARDS

www.sale.catholic.org.au/professional-standards



PARISH PRAYER

St Michael the Archangel,
patron of our parish, be with us as we strive
to be faithful to our Baptismal call,
to love God and our neighbours.
Spread your protective wings over us
and our entire parish.
Protect us from fear, lies and everything
that prevents us from experiencing
God's love for us in all its fullness.
Help us to always choose what is
good, right, and true and nurture within us
the courage, love, and respect
we need to face our fears
and to protect all of God's creation. Amen.



PROJECT COMPASSION

Sunday 16 & 17 March



The work of Caritas Australia is only possible with generous supporters and the dedication, passion and tenacity of our local partners who implement the programs. They are the heroes on the ground working tirelessly behind-the-scenes to create a better future for their communities. Please donate to Project Compassion, donation boxes and envelopes available in the foyer.



ST MICHAEL'S HOLY WEEK AND EASTER LITURGIES (ONLY Good Friday Passion in the St Michael's School Stadium)

HOLY THURSDAY: March 28

Mass of the Lord's Supper: 7.30pm

GOOD FRIDAY: March 29

Stations of the Cross: 10.00am St Michael's Church

Passion Service: 3.00pm Stadium

HOLY SATURDAY: March 30

Easter Vigil: 7.30pm

EASTER SUNDAY: March 31

Masses: 7.30am

9.00am

10.30am

6.00pm



MEETINGS

MONTHLY CUPPA 2nd Sunday after

9.00am Mass April 14

RCIA 7.30pm

FILIPINO MASS

3rd Sunday at 3.00pm March 17

INDONESIAN MASS

1st Saturday at 5.00pm PSC April 6

LEGION OF MARY

Tuesday 10.30am-1.00pm

Prayer Box in foyer for intentions

JUNIOR LEGION: Sat 4.30 PSC

PRAYER GROUP: Mondays 2.30pm

Zoom 828 3579 1262

SVDP CONFERENCE

2nd Tuesday of the month 7.30pm PSC

CBS BIBLE STUDY

Thurs 7.00pm PSC

GREAT ADVENTURE BIBLE STUDY

Fri 10.00am

RISEN LORD COMMUNITY

Friday 7.15pm

PARISH SCHOOLS

ST. MICHAEL'S PRIMARY

16 Scanlan Street, Berwick

Phone: 8794 2400

ST. CATHERINE'S PRIMARY

73 Ridgemont Drive, Berwick

Phone: 9702 1466

ST. BRIGID'S PRIMARY

25 Bayview Road, Officer

Phone: 5943 2447

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER COLLEGE

Phone: 9707 3111

SERVICES AVAILABLE

SHALOM WORLD: Catholic channel.

Access **SWTV** via

<https://www.stmichaelsparish.org.au>

CATHOLIC CARE: 1800 522 076

SVDP SOUP VAN THUR/SUN:

Narre Warren IGA-6.30pm / 6.45pm

Hampton Park Shops-7.30pm / 8.00pm

MOBILE PANTRY VAN: 1st & 3rd Tue

Narre Warren IGA- 11.30am-11.45am

Hampton Park Shops- 12.00pm-12.30pm

Cranb Lyall St Bus Stop-12.45pm- 1.00pm

Vinnies Welfare Assistance

Mon-Fri 1800 305 330

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HELP

ORANGE DOOR: 1800 319 354

Monday-Friday 9.00am-5.00pm

1800RESPECT - 1800 737 732

Safe Steps - 1800 015 188

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

WAYS Emergency Accommodation:

9703 0044 or after 5pm 1800 825 955

Lifeline 13 11 14

Beyond Blue 1300 22 4636

or chat online

<https://www.beyondblue.org.au/>

Kids Helpline 1800 55 1800 or

kidshelpline.com.au

(Concerned adults can call for advice)

PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF: Kirk Geraeds, Rodolfo Candido, Enza Galante, Sr Hermana (Trees) Reimert and all those who died recently and for Joe Andrade, David & Francis Thambyah, Anthony Carter, Antonio Costanzo, Joan Quigley, Denise Saliba, Jean-Pierre Canal, Thommen Joseph and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.

THOSE WHO SEEK OUR PRAYERS: Andrew Comport, Catherine Vanderwolf, Greg Bolger, Celia Dionisio, Jeremy Fahie, James McKee, Pierre Van Osselaer, Carmel Torre, Jack Visser, Colin Goldsmith, Kath Angrave, Frances Watterson, Paul Mullins, Mona Rogers, John Mullins, Dianne McGreal, Michelle Wright, Donald Burns, Ivor Silvapulle, Frank & Cathy Long, Bob Nolan, Larry Rydquist, Barbara Cullen, Ray Waters, Brian McGrath, Gill Vissenga, Glenn Rawlins, Pat Deeker, Tess Daly.

GOOD NEWS: Notices required by 10.00am, Thursday. Thank you.

FACEBOOK: St Michael's Parish page has updates and prayers, use the link on our website or www.facebook.com/StMichaelsBerwick/

BAPTISMS: Our parish welcomes Poppy, Harriet, and Charlie Behn, Cooper Male, Karma Anseline and Amelia Tuttleby Baptised this weekend. We pray for them and hope that they will continue to be a special part of our parish.

OFFICE CLOSURE: Staff Retreat Mon March 18 to Wed March 20 inclusive.

PALM SUNDAY/EASTER ROSTERS: If you would like to help with any of the ministries please add your name to the roster in the foyer.

PALM SUNDAY GREENERY: We require cut pieces of palms/olives/other suitable greenery for blessing on Palm Sunday. If you can help, please bring them in a box, already pre-cut, so as parishioners can collect them before Mass. We will need them by Friday March 22. Please let the Parish Support Centre know if you can help.

ALTAR OF REPOSE: We are seeking donations of white flowers. Please place in the buckets in the church on Wednesday March 27. If you are unable to purchase flowers, but would like to make a contribution towards them, please hand it to either priest, or drop into the Parish Support Centre.

GOOD FRIDAY: We are looking for young parishioners (Grade 4 and above) to Read, Commentate and Serve during the Passion. Please contact the Parish Support Centre. Practice times to be advised.

STADIUM SET UP: Straight after the Stations of the Cross at 10.00am, please stay to help as many hands make light work. Let the PSC know if you can help.

GOOD FRIDAY APPEAL COLLECTION: Will be taken up at Friday's Passion Service. This collection offers all Catholics an opportunity to express their solidarity with Christians in the Holy Land. A donation to this annual appeal is a direct way to make a difference in the lives of those caught up in war, violence and instability in this region.

SAVE THE DATE: May 3 & 4 Parish Retreat.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY AND HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

To everyone celebrating in March

THE ANNUAL CHRISM MASS: Will be celebrated on Tuesday March 26, at 11.00am at St Mary's Cathedral Sale. This ancient and symbolically rich liturgy manifests the unity of the priests of the Diocese with Bishop Greg as they renew their priestly promises. During the liturgy, Bishop Greg will bless the three Holy Oils (the Oil of Catechumens, the Oil of the Sick and the Oil of Chrism) which will be used in the celebration of the sacraments throughout the Diocese for the year. The Chrism Mass is a great way to come to a deeper appreciation of the sacramental life of the Church. All welcome at the Cathedral however we will be livestreaming the Chrism Mass here at St Michael's as the priests will be in Sale. Holy Communion will be distributed.

JUNIOR LEGION: Open for new members from our parish. Aimed at children from 6 years old to 12 years old and held on a Saturday at 4.30pm, in the Parish Support Centre. Prayer, Catechesis, and activities.

ST VINCENTS SOUP VAN: Are you keen to volunteer to make a significant impact in our local community? St Vinnies Soup Van services the communities of Berwick, Narre Warren, Hampton Park and Cranbourne by providing nutritious meals and compassion to those in need. We are currently recruiting volunteers to assist in either preparing and cooking meals and/or distributing meals and pantry items at our regular distribution stops. We operate out of the kitchen at St Francis Xavier College in Beaconsfield, distributing meals on Sunday and Thursday evenings and a pantry run fortnightly on Tuesdays.

There is no greater reward than seeing the immense difference you can make to the lives of others who are in dire need, as witnessed on each and every soup van run. If this is something you might be interested in, please collect a pamphlet from the church foyer with more information or email Jo: berwick.sv.pres@svdp-vic.org.au

NEW PASTORAL LIFE & MISSION TEAM: Bishop Greg Bennet has appointed Tara Bau, Anne Taylor, Siji Dominic, and Br Tony Clark as team members. The team will coordinate and support people in the Diocese who hold key pastoral leadership roles (priests and lay leaders) through consultation, providing formation opportunities, and building strong networks.

DIOCESAN MISSION COUNCIL FORMATION DAY REPORT: Meeting on February 24 the intention was for members to get to know each other, to be aware of what is happening in the Diocese, and to begin working towards developing a common vision of the role and key functions of the Council. Members expressed feeling privileged, excited, hopeful, and energised to participate in the mandate of the DMC. Some spoke of the honour and trust they felt in being representative of, and connected to, all the people of the Diocese. They acknowledged the importance of listening to the Holy Spirit and grasping the call to co-responsibility for mission. Appreciation was also expressed for the new initiatives developing in the Diocese.

PARENTS PRAYER GROUP: At Rivercrest on a Tuesday morning at 8.45am in the Reflections Café. Further info: andria.vanotterloo@rivercrest.vic.edu.au or Cheryl.lees@rivercrest.vic.edu.au All welcome.

ST FRANCES XAVIER CABRINI: Was an Italian-American Catholic religious sister and Saint. She founded the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, an institute that was to support Italian immigrants to the United States. Upon arrival in New York, she set about convincing the mayor to secure housing and health care for society's most vulnerable. Movie released March 7.

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA St Michael's Church Friday March 29 - Saturday April 7

GOOD FRIDAY 29	8.30am
HOLY SATURDAY 30	8.30am
EASTER SUNDAY 31	8.30am (Mass 9.00am)
EASTER MONDAY 1	8.30am
TUESDAY 2	8.30am (Rosary 9.00am, Mass 9.30am)
WEDNESDAY 3	8.30am (Rosary 9.00am, Mass 9.30am, Exposition 10.00am, Benediction 11.00am)
THURSDAY 4	8.30am (Rosary 9.00am, Mass 9.30am)
FRIDAY 5	8.30am (Rosary 9.00am, Mass 9.30am)
SATURDAY 6	8.30am (Rosary 9.00am, Mass 9.30am, Reconciliation until 10.30am)
SUNDAY 7	Novena observed in neighbouring parishes.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Give me justice, O God, and plead my cause against a nation that is faithless. From the deceitful and cunning rescue me, for you, O God, are my strength.

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 31: 31-34

See, the days are coming – it is the Lord who speaks – when I will make a new covenant with the House of Israel and the House of Judah, but not a covenant like the one I made with their ancestors on the day I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt. They broke that covenant of mine, so I had to show them who was master. It is the Lord who speaks. No, this is the covenant I will make with the House of Israel when those days arrive – it is the Lord who speaks. Deep within them I will plant my Law, writing it on their hearts. Then I will be their God and they shall be my people. There will be no further need for neighbour to try to teach neighbour, or brother to say to brother, ‘Learn to know the Lord!’ No, they will all know me, the least no less than the greatest – it is the Lord who speaks – since I will forgive their iniquity and never call their sin to mind.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. Create a clean heart in me, O God.

1. Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness.
In your compassion blot out my offence.
O wash me more and more from my guilt.
and cleanse me from my sin. **R.**
2. A pure heart create for me, O God,
put a steadfast spirit within me.
Do not cast me away from your presence,
nor deprive me of your holy spirit. **R.**
3. Give me again the joy of your help;
with a spirit of fervour sustain me,
that I may teach transgressors your ways
and sinners may return to you. **R.**

R. Create a clean heart in me, O God.

SECOND READING: Hebrews 5: 7-9

During his life on earth, Christ offered up prayer and entreaty, aloud and in silent tears, to the one who had the power to save him out of death, and he submitted so humbly that his prayer was

heard. Although he was Son, he learnt to obey through suffering; but having been made perfect, he became for all who obey him the source of eternal salvation.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!
If you serve me, follow me, says the Lord;
and where I am, my servant will also be.
Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

GOSPEL: John 12: 20-33

Among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. These approached Philip, who came from Bethsaida in Galilee, and put this request to him, ‘Sir, we should like to see Jesus.’ Philip went to tell Andrew, and Andrew and Philip together went to tell Jesus. Jesus replied to them: ‘Now the hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. I tell you most solemnly, unless a wheat grain falls on the ground and dies, it remains only a single grain; but if it dies, it yields a rich harvest. Anyone who loves his life loses it; anyone who hates his life in this world will keep it for the eternal life. If a man serves me, he must follow me, wherever I am, my servant will be there too. If anyone serves me, my Father will honour him. Now my soul is troubled. What shall I say: Father, save me from this hour? But it was for this very reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name!’ A voice came from heaven, ‘I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.’ People standing by, who heard this, said it was a clap of thunder; others said, ‘It was an angel speaking to him.’ Jesus answered, ‘It was not for my sake that this voice came, but for yours. ‘Now sentence is being passed on this world; now the prince of this world is to be overthrown. And when I am lifted up from the earth, I shall draw all men to myself.’ By these words he indicated the kind of death he would die.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Amen, Amen I say to you: Unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains a single grain. But if it dies, it bears much fruit.