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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, Wed, Fri: 9.00am-4.30pm, Tue: 1.00pm-4.30pm, Thurs: 9.00am-12.00pm

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

ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A 14/15 JUNE 2026

COMING WEEK'S MASSES

Saturday: 6.00pm

Sunday: 7.30am, 9.00am,
10.30am, 6.00pm
3.00pm Filo Mass

WEEKDAYS

Tues: 9.30am

Wed: **7.30am**
9.30am Communion Service

Thu-Sat: 9.30am

All preceded by the Rosary

RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 10.00am
5.00pm

PARISH PRIEST

Fr Confidence Masvosva
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PRESBYTERY

119 High Street, Berwick
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PARISH INFORMATION

BAPTISMS

Please contact the Parish Centre

MARRIAGES

At least six months' notice requested

FACEBOOK:

www.facebook.com/StMichaelsBerwick/

CHILD SAFE STANDARDS

<https://www.cdsale.org.au/safeguarding>

JUBILEE YEAR OF ST FRANCIS PRAYER

Saint Francis, our brother,
you who eight hundred years ago
went to meet Sister Death as a man at peace,
intercede for us before the Lord.

You recognized true peace in the Crucifix of San Damiano,
teach us to seek in Him the source of all reconciliation
that breaks down every wall.

You who, unarmed, crossed the lines of war and misunderstanding,
give us the courage to build bridges
where the world raises up boundaries.

In this time afflicted by conflict and division,
intercede for us so that we may become peacemakers:

unarmed and disarming witnesses
of the peace that comes from Christ. Amen



Working towards a more just
and compassionate society

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

The **Vinnies Winter Appeal** will be held at Masses
this weekend.

Funds raised will directly support the provision of
vital assistance to people in need this winter, such
as those experiencing financial hardship, poverty,
disadvantage or homelessness.

Your generous support to the Appeal is greatly appreciated by:

Cash donation to the collectors after Mass:

Credit Card by using the Tap & Go machine in the foyer

QR Code or www.vinnies.org.au or by calling 13 18 12.

Donations of \$2 or more are tax deductible, receipts may be
obtained from the Piety Stall.



THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)



Is for adults who would like to become full
members of the Catholic Church. This usually
occurs at the Easter Vigil, a ceremony which is a
highlight of the Church calendar. If you or
someone you know might be interested in
becoming a Catholic, come along to one of our
Inquiry Nights, Wednesday July 8 or July 22 at
7.30pm at the Parish Support Centre.
Inquiries: 9707 4072 or 9707 1355.

MEETINGS

MONTHLY CUPPA 2nd Sunday after 9.00am Mass-June 14

3rd Sunday after 10.30am Mass- June 21

RCIA

Wednesday 7.30pm

MONTHLY PRAYER MINISTRY: First Sunday of each month from 8.30am.

FILIPINO MASS

3rd Sunday at 3.00pm – June 21

INDONESIAN MASS

1st Saturday at 5.00pm PSC – July 4

LEGION OF MARY

Tuesday 10.15am – 11.45am PSC

Prayer Box in foyer for intentions

MENS GROUP

Tuesday 7.30pm PSC

PARISH ROSARY:

Monday 2.30pm

Zoom 829 9519 6798

SVDP CONFERENCE

2nd Tuesday of the month 4.30pm PSC

CBS BIBLE STUDY

Thursday 7.00pm PSC

MEDITATION SESSIONS

1st Tuesday of the month 7.30pm PSC

July 7

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.

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 Baptist Church

- 7.30pm / 8.00pm

MOBILE PANTRY VAN: 1st & 3rd Tue

Narre Warren IGA - 11.30am-11.45am

Hampton Park Baptist Church

- 12.00pm-12.30pm

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: 8.00am – 9.00pm,

Sat-Sun: 9.00am – 6.00pm

MULTI-CULTURAL CENTRE AGAINST

FAMILY VIOLENCE: 1800 755 988

WAYS Emergency Accommodation:

9703 0044 or after 5.00pm 1800 825 955

LIFELINE: 13 11 14

BEYOND BLUE: 1300 22 4636

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

PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF: Gillian Vissenga (Funeral Friday June 19, 11.00am), Suzanne Costelloe (Funeral Wed June 17 at 12.00pm), Sr Mary Jenkins CSB, Felix Montejo, Adin Castle, Joan Noronho, Harry Duiker, Laurence Lane and all those who died recently and for Paul Oke, Paulose Moolan, Santiago Espaldon, Martin Kish, Ash Ramamurthy, Lawrie Stinson, Peter Collins, Marie Murphy, Shirley Norris, Chanel Collins and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.

THOSE WHO SEEK OUR PRAYERS: Mary Hughes, Mary Clarke, Jackie Otoole, Anna Tekin, Marina Botic, Hilda Newstead, Sandra Jackson, Estelle Thompson, Rex Clair, Colin Goldsmith, Anthony Morril, Robert Addison, Rita Rowland, Maureen Donnelly, Julia Torelli, Josie Richardson, Solange Duivenvoorden, Samantha Kirchner, Jeremy Fahie, Ivor Silvapulle, Kath Angrave, Betty Guerin, Joan O'Shea, Ann Kroon.

[Names will be removed after one month, unless we are advised otherwise]

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

SR MARY JENKINS CSB: Condolences on the passing of Sr Mary who was a member of the Brigidine Sisters. She was a big part of the St Michael's Parish and St Francis Xavier community from 1989 until 2002. Our library, housed at the Parish Support Centre, is named in her honour. RIP.

APOLOGIES: Fr Tony, due to a miscommunication with the Parish Support Centre, was not available on Thursday June 11 to offer 9.30am Mass.

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES: Are ready for collection in the foyer. Thank you for your support.

7.30AM MORNING MASS: Will be offered on Wednesdays until July 8.

CUPPA AFTER MASS: After 9.00am mass in the St Michael's School Stadium. All are welcome.

SCHOOL GROUND PARKING: Please remove your vehicle from the School Grounds after 10.30am Mass quickly, **as the gates will be locked at 12.00pm.** The school lets us use their car park during Mass times, however for security and safety of the school grounds we need to lock the gates after Mass. Thank you.

ST MICHAEL'S YOUTH GROUP – 'Archangel Youth': 18-35-year-olds.

For the month of June: Third Sunday June 21, 6.00pm Mass followed by a movie night in the Parish Support Centre. Anyone over 18 who wishes to join is most welcome. Other age youth groups will follow at a later stage.

RECONCILIATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: For children who are Baptised Catholic and are in Grade 4 or above in 2026.

Enrolments: **Mon June 15, 2.00pm - 5.00pm, Tues June 16, 5.00pm - 7.00pm and Wed June 17, 9.00am - 12.00pm in St Michael's Parish Support Centre.**

It will take a few minutes and is a prerequisite for your child to receive this sacrament and you will receive a pack with dates and booking instructions.

LEGION OF MARY: Will be holding a Recruitment Drive on June 27 & 28 at all weekend Masses. It is a lay apostolic association within the Catholic Church, founded in Ireland and dedicated to prayer, spiritual growth, and service to others through the guidance of Our Lady. This will be an opportunity for parishioners to learn more about the mission and works of the Legion, and to consider becoming part of this meaningful ministry. Legion members will be available after each Mass to answer questions and speak with anyone interested in joining. We warmly invite you to learn more about the Legion's work within our parish community.

READERS & PIETY ROSTERS: Will be prepared shortly. If you would like to join either ministry or your availability has changed, contact Geraldine at the Parish Support Centre. Thank you.

COLLECTORS: Diocesan Safeguarding procedures require us to collate names and details for all our volunteers, including regular collectors during Mass. Please write your name and details on the form in the sacristy. Thank you.

ALTAR SERVERS TRAINING: Every second Saturday 3.30pm - 5.00pm and every third Monday 4.30pm - 6.00pm of the month. Upcoming dates, June 22, July 11 and 20. Thank you to all that help with this ministry.

DIOCESAN PASTORAL PLAN - CONSULTATION PROCESS 2026:

Thank you to all parishioners who have collected the forms, please return as soon as possible by placing them in the box in the foyer or returning them to the Parish Support Centre. Forms are available on the website or use the QR code.



ROSTERS: For all Ministries are on display in the foyer. Please check them regularly, and if you are unable to assist on your allocated date, ***it is your responsibility to swap with someone else.***

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR JUNE: That sports be an instrument of peace, encounter and dialogue among cultures and nations, and that they promote values such as respect, solidarity, and personal growth.

NEW PAPAL ENCYCLICAL: Pope Leo XIV has released his historic first encyclical, '*Magnifica humanitas: On Safeguarding the Human Person in the Time of Artificial Intelligence.*' Our bishops have warmly welcomed this crucial message. Everyone is highly encouraged to read their full response and explore the encyclical's teachings by visiting the Catholic Diocese of Sale website: www.cdsale.org.au/news/

CATHOLIC THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE: Online Information Session. Explore Philosophy, Ministry-related and Theology courses Monday June 15 at 7.00pm. Register at website: ctc.edu.au/information-session

WINTER WARMER: Sisters of Mercy invite you to Apollo Bay at the Star of the Sea accommodation. Special deal mid-May to late-August. Pay for 3 nights and receive the 4th free! Now \$225.00pp and a one-off linen charge of only \$15.00pp. Enjoy our beautiful coastal town with fewer crowds, rolling seas and a cosy place to stay. Information - <https://staroftheseaapollobay.org.au> email, apollobay@mcauleyministries.org.au or 0428 051 910

WORLD REFUGEE DAY: Each year on 20 June, the world celebrates World Refugee Day (WRD). Designated by the United Nations, WRD honours refugees who have been forced to flee their homes and promotes solidarity with them in pursuit of a "world where refugees are welcomed."

Pope Leo XIV invites us to unite in prayer and action to respond to the urgent challenges faced by displaced people amid war, climate crises, and economic inequality. He urges us to renew our commitment to peace, dignity and shared responsibility. For more information go to: <https://acmro.catholic.org.au/wrd>

Sacred Spirit, Living God:

Our legacy is born of your first embrace.

Each member of our human family is an
inseparable part of you, and your tender care
compels us to embrace our blessed connectedness.

Empower our actions on behalf of justice;
may they be informed by your compassion and grace.

Love Incarnate, like those who have gone before,
inspire us to nurture your kingdom.

May we boldly stand at the crossroads,
seeking those who have been outcast.

May we proudly carry your legacy of love so that all may flourish. Amen.

REFLECTION: Fr Michael Tate

When Jesus saw the crowds 'he felt sorry for them'. The Greek original actually says 'his guts were in a knot'. When Jesus saw a desperate need he found it stomach-churning stuff.

Our bodies often tell us what we should pray for. Another good signal is tears, not only of sadness but also of joy. Body-felt impulse and prayer go together, whether celebrating good things or confronting bad things. This is what our Lord wants and, where possible, leading to effective action... labourers in the harvest.

So, when our body gives us the signal – stomach in a knot, or tremendous joy flooding into our lives – follow the body's signals. Pray for the person or the situation concerned. You can be sure that your prayer will be authentic.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON Checked

O Lord, hear my voice, for I have called to you;
be my help. Do not abandon or forsake me,
O God, my Saviour!

FIRST READING: Exodus 19: 2-6

From Rephidim the Israelites set out again; and when they reached the wilderness of Sinai, there in the wilderness they pitched their camp; there facing the mountain Israel pitched camp. Moses then went up to God, and the Lord called to him from the mountain, saying, 'Say this to the House of Jacob, declare this to the sons of Israel, "You yourselves have seen what I did with the Egyptians, how I carried you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. From this you know that now, if you obey my voice and hold fast to my covenant, you of all the nations shall be my very own, for all the earth is mine. I will count you a kingdom of priests, a consecrated nation."'

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. We are his people: the sheep of his flock.

1. Cry with joy to the Lord, all the earth.
Serve the Lord with gladness.
Come before him, singing for joy. **R.**
2. Know that he, the Lord, is God.
He made us, we belong to him,
we are his people,
the sheep of his flock. **R.**
3. Indeed, how good is the Lord,
eternal his merciful love.
He is faithful from age to age. **R.**

R. We are his people: the sheep of his flock.

SECOND READING: Romans 5: 6-11

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.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

The kingdom of God is near; repent and believe
the Good News!

Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Matthew 9: 36-10: 8

When Jesus saw the crowds he felt sorry for them because they were harassed and dejected, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, 'The harvest is rich but the labourers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to his harvest.' He summoned his twelve disciples, and gave them authority over unclean spirits with power to cast them out and to cure all kinds of diseases and sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon who is called Peter, and his brother Andrew; James the son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas, and Matthew the tax collector; James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Zealot and Judas Iscariot, the one who was to betray him. These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them as follows: 'Do not turn your steps to pagan territory, and do not enter any Samaritan town; go rather to the lost sheep of the House of Israel. And as you go, proclaim that the kingdom of heaven is close at hand. Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out devils. You received without charge, give without charge.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

There is one thing I ask of the Lord, only this do I seek: to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

Next Week's Readings:

First Reading: Jeremiah 20: 10-13

Second Reading: Romans 5: 12-15

Gospel: Matthew 10: 26-33