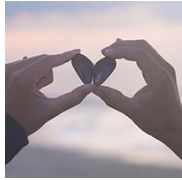


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St Michael's Parish Good News



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

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

Hours: Mon/Tue **CLOSED** Wed/Fri 9.00am-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

THIRTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR B 02/03 NOVEMBER 2024

MASSES

SUNDAY

Saturday vigil: 6.00pm

Sunday: 7.30am, 9.00am,

10.30am, 6.00pm

WEEKDAYS

Tue-Sat: 9.30am

All preceded by Divine Mercy and Rosary.

RECONCILIATION

Sat: 10.00am -10.30am

5.15pm - 5.30pm

EXPOSITION (Blessed Sacrament)

Wednesday: 10.00am - 11.00am

Cenacle Prayer (**Subject to change**)

PARISH ADMINISTRATOR

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paul.zaher@cdsale.org.au

PRESBYTERY

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Phone: 9769 7430

SECRETARY

Dorota Shields (Safeguarding Officer)

Geraldine Martin

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PASTORAL ASSOCIATE

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associate@stmichaelsparish.org.au

SACRAMENT CO-ORDINATOR

Tara Bau

sacraments@stmichaelsparish.org.au

PARISH INFORMATION

BAPTISMS

Please contact the Parish Centre

MARRIAGES

At least six months' notice requested.

FACEBOOK: St Michael's page, website or www.facebook.com/StMichaelsBerwick

CHILD SAFE STANDARDS

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

KIDS HELPLINE: 1800 55 1800 or

kidshelpline.com.au

(Concerned adults can call for advice)



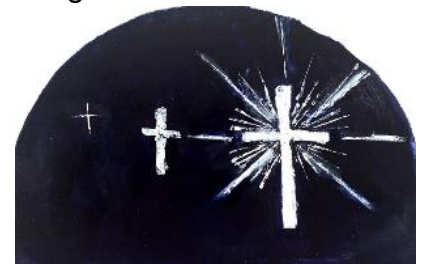
PARISH PRAYER

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.

SHINE A LIGHT: In today's Gospel, Jesus reminds us that the greatest commandment is to love God and our neighbour as ourselves. Domestic violence violates this commandment by harming those we are called to love and protect.

For the next 2 weeks, parishes across the Diocese of Sale will unite in Shining a Light on Domestic Violence, praying for its end. Let us stand together to create a safer, more compassionate community.

Special Liturgy will be held on November 15 at 7.30pm. All welcome. Leaflets are available in the foyer.



EXPLORING THE GOSPEL OF LUKE

An online session led by Fr Francis Otopo. This session is designed to prepare us for the upcoming Year C - 2025.

DATE: November 7, 3.45pm to 4.45 pm.

BOOKINGS:

<https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1312452>



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO FR PAUL

Celebrating a 'special' milestone Birthday on November 8. There will be a cuppa after the 10.30am Mass next Sunday.

MEETINGS

MONTHLY CUPPA

2nd Sunday after 9.00am Mass in
St Michael's School Stadium

RCIA Thursday 7.30pm

FILIPINO MASS

3rd Sunday at 3.00pm – Nov 17

INDONESIAN MASS

1st Saturday at 5.00pm PSC – Dec 7

LEGION OF MARY

Tuesday 10.30am - 1.00pm PSC
Prayer Box in foyer for intentions

MENS LEGION

Wednesday 7.00pm PSC

JUNIOR LEGION: No meetings
currently

PRAYER GROUP: Monday 2.30pm

Zoom 829 9519 6798

ROSARY FOR PEACE

Monday 1.45pm Church

SVDP CONFERENCE

2nd Tuesday of the month 7.30pm PSC

CBS BIBLE STUDY

Thursday 7.00pm PSC

TIMELINE BIBLE STUDY

Friday 10.00am (after Mass) PSC

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 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 - 1pm

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

PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF: Darryl Shinnars, Anna Laforgia, Olga Damouni, Teresita Talens Arrastia, Roy Goodie and all those who died recently and for Joan Murphy, Magilene Perera, Maria Montagnese, Thomas Burns, Ivy Poulton, Marie-Josée Domah, Lynda Turbiak, Bernard Linden, Angela Schjimizzi, John Favero, Patricia Mast and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.

THOSE WHO SEEK OUR PRAYERS: Angela Constanzo, Rosa Constanzo, Brad Gale, E'John Biscocho, Cedric Wilson, Endy Kavanagh, Colin Goldsmith, John Daly, Nathaniel Byers, Kerrie Stock, Betty Guerin, Tanya Clarke-Murphy, Pete Spance, Virginia & Robert Potts, Paul Mullins, Carmel Stephens-Mullins, Marilu Collins, Joan O'Shea, Frances Watterson, Elvira Racelis, Kath Angrave, Joe Brunsdan, Chris Olejarz, Donald Burns, Silvana Bernaudo, Andrew Comport, Ivor Silvapulle, Nick Bowden, Jeremy Fahie, Michelle Wright, Gill Vissenga. [Names will be removed after one month, unless we are advised otherwise]

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

PARISH SUPPORT CENTRE: Will be closed on November 4 & 5.

MASS PARTS: Will be sung, except at 7.30am mass, so please wait. Thank you.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY: Thank you \$1,135.20 was donated.

PIETY: God's Word, Columban Calendar, 'The Light' Advent Daily Reflection. All books are available at the Parish Support Centre or Piety Stall.

PARISH CHRISTMAS CAROLS: On Dec 14 in the stadium after 6.00pm Mass. Any individuals or groups that would like to join contact Peggy on 9707 4072.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL THANKSGIVING MASS: At St Michael's on Tuesday November 12 at 7.00pm, for deceased past members and volunteers in the Berwick Region. Family and friends most welcome. A light supper will be served after Mass.

Please note this will be the Parish Mass for the day, no 9.30am Mass.

'CUPPA' AFTER 9.00AM MASS: On Sunday November 10 will celebrate the 170th Anniversary of the St Vincent De Paul Society. All welcome.

'CUPPA' AFTER 10.30AM MASS: On Sunday November 10 to celebrate Fr Paul's milestone birthday. All welcome.

MILITARY ORDINARIATE COLLECTION: Will be taken up next weekend.

JUNIOR CHOIR MEMBERS: If there are any Primary or early Secondary age children who would like to join a small group to sing 2 Christmas songs at the Narre Warren North Carols by Candlelight, Sat Dec 14, please contact Angela on 0418 357 224. There will be a rehearsal Nov 10 after the 10.30am mass.

MANGO FUNDRAISER: St Michael's School is offering us the opportunity to join in with their order. Order forms available in the foyer. Closes November 6.

HOUSEKEEPING:

Noise Level: Please remember that we are in a Sacred Space and respect other parishioners and keep your chatter to a minimum during and after mass.

Parking: We have had more complaints from our neighbours, please obey the street signs and DO NOT park over driveways. You will be booked.

Leaving before end of mass: It is very disruptive as well as disrespectful to leave mass before the final blessing. Please refrain from coming late and leaving early.

Equipment: Please **DO NOT** touch the heaters or sound system, as often after they have been tampered with we need to call technicians to fix them, at a cost to the church, as we are unable to correct them. They are set at appropriate levels for our church.

Doors: Please leave the doors closed as the wind causes leaves in the foyer and the heater/cooling system does not function at its full capacity.

DIOCESAN SAFEGUARDING OFFICER: Permanent part-time role at 2.5 days per week based in Sion House, Warragul. As the Diocesan Safeguarding Officer, you will contribute to the development and improvement of the safeguarding procedures and policies in relation to the Diocese and its parishes.

Further information and a copy of the position description can be obtained by contacting Mary Winters on maryw@sale.catholic.org.au or 5622 6600. Applications close on November 8 at 4.00pm.

POPES PRAYER INTENTION FOR NOVEMBER: For Parents Who Have Lost a Child.

“Let us pray that all parents mourning the death of a child find support in the community and receive heart’s peace from the consoling Spirit.”

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER: Is for married couples, it focuses on deeper communication skills and growing intimacy in our spousal relationships. November 16-17 in Trafalgar.

MAGI PILGRIMAGES: Is offering a 16-day Pilgrimage of Hope, next year April 22 to May 7. This pilgrimage features Fatima, Valladolid, Lourdes, Nice, Turin, Padua, Assisi, Rotondo, and Rome for an all-inclusive early bird price of \$8990 plus tips. The fare includes Return Economy Airfares, Local Transfers, Premium Hotels, all breakfast and dinners, Catholic priest and English-speaking professional guides. For enquiries & bookings, call 03 8839 6615 or 1300 721 561 or email pilgrimage@magiholidays.com.au

APPLICATIONS INVITED FOR GOOD SAMARITAN STUDY, ACCOMPANIMENT AND MENTORING PROGRAM FOR CATHOLIC WOMEN: Which is an initiative of the Sisters of the Good Samaritan. Core components include financial assistance for women undertaking tertiary studies, spiritual direction and mentoring. The SAM Program offers financial assistance to a maximum of \$8000 per year for women undertaking tertiary studies at a recognised theological institution. The grant can be spent on tuition or other expenses associated with the completion of the qualification. For more information and application please visit <https://tinyurl.com/yckdfs5t>

YARRA THEOLOGICAL UNION INFORMATION SESSION: Online information session to study in 2025. November 13, 5.30pm-6.30pm. Register at <https://www.trybooking.com/CUZGK> Information: 9890 3771

DIocese of Sale – Living Liturgy:

Evangelisation: A biblical theological reflection for all Catholics - a statement of the Bishops Commission for Evangelisation. <https://www.catholic.au/s/article/Evangelisation-Encounter-Discipleship-Mission>

Evangelise: a growing online video library of Australian evangelisation resources. www.evangeliseplus.com.au

Becoming Catholic: For those wanting to learn more about the Catholic faith. www.becoming.catholic.au/s/

Discovering God and what it means to be Catholic: A resource for enquirers of the Catholic faith.

A 30-day prayer journey of encountering God. N.B. those who are not Catholic and are enquiring about our faith can order free copies of both Discovering God and Discovering Prayer via www.becoming.catholic.au

Discovering Prayer book can be purchased from the Parish Support Centre for \$5.00.

REFLECTION by Lisa-Marie Calderone-Stewart

Jesus tells us that loving God completely, loving our neighbours, and loving ourselves are our highest commandments.

How are all the other commandments based on these?

Is it ever all right (not sinful) to do something wrong, if no one will ever know about it and no one will ever be hurt by it? How does committing a sin—even a secret sin that is never caught—hurt you?

Every time you make a selfish decision, you teach yourself to be selfish. Every time you lie, you teach yourself to be dishonest. Every time you make a considerate decision, you teach yourself to be caring. Every time you make a moral choice, you teach yourself to have integrity. Every time you do the right thing, you feel more confident, you like yourself more, and you respect yourself more.

If everyone understood these concepts, how would it change the world?

Is it possible to know and understand these concepts, but to ignore them? What kind of decision would it be to ignore them? Why would someone do that?

Do you respect yourself?

Jesus and this scribe seem to like each other. They affirm each other’s words. It’s hard to tell who’s the teacher and who’s the learner.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Forsake me not, O Lord, my God; be not far from me! Make haste and come to my help, O Lord, my strong salvation!

FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 6: 2-6

Moses said to the people: 'If you fear the Lord your God all the days of your life and if you keep all his laws and commandments which I lay on you, you will have a long life, you and your son and your grandson. Listen then, Israel, keep and observe what will make you prosper and give you great increase, as the Lord God of your fathers has promised you, giving you a land where milk and honey flow. 'Listen, Israel: The Lord our God is the one Lord. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength. Let these words I urge on you today be written on your heart.'

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. I love you Lord, my strength.

1. I love you, Lord, my strength,
my rock, my fortress, my saviour.
My God is the rock where I take refuge;
my shield, my mighty help, my stronghold.
The Lord is worthy of all praise:
when I call I am saved from my foes. **R.**
2. Long life to the Lord, my rock!
Praised be to the God that saves me.
He has given great victories to his king
and shown love for his anointed. **R.**

R. I love you Lord, my strength.

SECOND READING: Hebrews 7: 23-28

There used to be a great number of priests under the former covenant, because death put an end to each one of them; but this one, Christ, because he remains for ever, can never lose his priesthood. It follows, then, that his power to save is utterly certain, since he is living for ever to intercede for all who come to God through him. To suit us, the ideal high priest would have to be holy, innocent and uncontaminated, beyond the influence of sinners, and raised up above the heavens; one who would not need to offer sacrifices every day, as the other high priests do for their own sins and

then for those of the people, because he has done this once and for all by offering himself. The Law appoints high priests who are men subject to weakness; but the promise on oath, which came after the Law, appointed the Son who is made perfect for ever.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words,
and my Father will love them and we will come to them.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Mark 12: 28-34

One of the scribes came up to Jesus and put a question to him, 'Which is the first of all the commandments?' Jesus replied, 'This is the first: Listen, Israel, the Lord our God is the one Lord, and you must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: You must love your neighbour as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these.' The scribe said to him, 'Well spoken, Master; what you have said is true: that he is one and there is no other. To love him with all your heart, with all your understanding and strength, and to love your neighbour as yourself, this is far more important than any holocaust or sacrifice.' Jesus, seeing how wisely he had spoken, said, 'You are not far from the kingdom of God.' And after that no one dared to question him anymore.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

You will show me the path of life,
the fullness of joy in your presence, O Lord.

