

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

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY, YEAR A 30/31 MAY 2026

COMING WEEK'S MASSES

Saturday: 6.00pm

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

WEEKDAYS

Tues: 9.30am

Wed: 9.30am Communion Service

Thu-Fri: 9.30am

Sat: 9.30am

All preceded by Divine Mercy & Rosary

RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 10.00am
5.00pm

PARISH PRIEST

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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-resources>

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

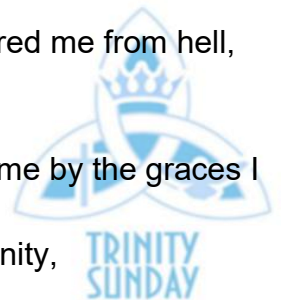
PRAYER TO THE HOLY TRINITY

Glory be to the Father, who by his almighty power and love created me,
making me in the image and likeness of God.

Glory be to the Son, who by His Precious Blood delivered me from hell,
and opened for me the gates of heaven.

Glory be to the Holy Spirit, who has sanctified me
in the sacrament of Baptism and continues to sanctify me by the graces I
receive daily from His bounty.

Glory be to the Three adorable Persons of the Holy Trinity,
now and forever. Amen.



Dear Parishioners,

After reflecting on the sacramental and pastoral needs of our parish, I have
decided to adjust the Mass schedule rather than remove any Masses.

Please be informed that Baptisms will now be celebrated during 9.30am
Mass on the second and fourth Saturdays of each month. As I am currently
the only priest serving the parish these adjustments will help in working
effectively. I kindly ask for your understanding, patience, and cooperation.
Please also note that there will be no confessions after the Baptism Mass.
Parishioners are encouraged to attend the regularly scheduled Saturday
evening confession time.

Also, whilst I am on a study break, **I will be offering a 7.30am Mass on
Wednesdays from June 10, until July 16.**

Thank you for your continued support, prayers, and understanding.
May God bless you and your families abundantly.

Yours in Christ, Fr Confidence

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 19

INDONESIAN MASS

1st Saturday at 5.00pm PSC – June 6

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 7.30pm PSC

CBS BIBLE STUDY

Thursday 7.00pm PSC

MEDITATION SESSIONS

1st Tuesday of the month 7.30pm PSC

June 2

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: Pauline Rogers (Funeral Tues June 2 at 11.00am), Gienek Markowski, Aloma Pollocks, Karl Jingoer and all those who died recently and for Naomie Hopeng, Maria De Cinque, Kingsley De Zilwa, Joseph Thomas, Joyce Kinson, Sonia Officer, Antonio Di Vito, Maria Ivanovic and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.

THOSE WHO SEEK OUR PRAYERS: Jackie Otoole, Anna Tekin, Marina Botic, Hilda Newstead, Sandra Jackson, Estelle Thompson, Colin Goldsmith, Rex Clair, Anthony Morril, Robert Addison, Joan O'Shea, Rita Rowland, Maureen Donnelly, Julia Torelli, Josie Richardson, Samantha Kirchner, Jeremy Fahie, Ivor Silvapulle, Solange Duivenvoorden, Kath Angrave, Betty Guerin, Gill Vissenga, Ann Kroon. [Names will be removed after one month, unless we are advised otherwise]

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

NATIONAL COUNT OF ATTENDANC: Thank you to all who helped to collect and collate the requested information.

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

PLEASE PRAY: For our Confirmation candidates as they receive their sacrament this week. May they feel a special part our Parish, called to share Christ's light with others through their words and actions. Please keep them in your prayers.

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.

ALTAR SERVERS TRAINING: Every second Saturday 3.30pm - 5.00pm and every third Monday 4.30pm - 6.00pm of the month. Upcoming dates, June 13 and 22, July 11 and 20. Thank you to all that help with this ministry.

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.

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.

ST MICHAEL'S YOUTH GROUP – 'Archangel Youth': 18-35-year-olds will meet on the first Sunday at 4.00pm and third Sunday of the month at 11.30am (after the 10.30am Mass) 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.

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. If you still wish to be heard please don't hesitate to submit your thoughts.



EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER & VACUUM ROSTERS: Were emailed out this week. Rosters are available in the foyer for those without an email address.

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.

HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS: The Diocese of Sale invites all parishioners to join in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament to ask the Lord for an increase in vocations, Sacred Heart Church, Morwell, June 7.

VOCATIONS INVITATION COME AND SEE: Are you discerning a call to ministry? You are invited to an afternoon of storytelling and fellowship, on Sunday June 7 between 3.30pm-5.00pm at Our Lady Help of Christians Parish. This is an opportunity to meet others on a similar journey and hear firsthand accounts from priests about their lives and their unique calls to ministry. As the scripture reminds us, "the harvest is plentiful". Come and see where your path may lead.

IGNITING MISSIONARY OUTREACH: Explores online practical ways to put faith into action in our daily lives as missionary disciples. Presented by Fr Christian Fini OMI (Oblate priest, former Australian Provincial, and founder of Oblate Youth Australia) on Wednesday June 3, 7.00pm-8.00pm. To register: cdsale.org.au/events
Email: newsonline@sale.catholic.org.au or 5614 5163 Presented by the Catholic Diocese of Sale

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

REFLECTION: Greg Sunter

The readings selected for Trinity Sunday provide an opportunity to reflect on the nature of God. Over recent weeks, we have celebrated the Ascension and Pentecost – both of which reveal something about the nature of God through Jesus and the Spirit. Trinity Sunday is an opportunity to celebrate the unity of God whom we acknowledge as Father, Son and Spirit. Today's gospel reminds us that there is a seamless continuity between the different experiences of God. Although we sometimes regard the God of the Old Testament as judging and vengeful, today reminds us that God is, was, and always will be a God of love. The gospel reminds us that 'God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son.' Love is the characteristic of God that is experienced as Father, Son and Spirit. God loved the world into being and loved the people so much that God made a covenant relationship with them and repeatedly drew them back into that relationship when they strayed. God loved the world and the people so much that God became physically present through Jesus as yet another attempt to draw all people into an awareness of the loving relationship God desired for them. When Jesus could no longer remain a physical presence in the world, God's Spirit became more evident to continue the work of drawing people into that loving relationship with God.

Historical Context – We believe...

The teaching on the Trinity was not formally constructed until the 4th Century and was documented in the creed that emerged from the Council of Nicaea. The Creed that is said today in the Sunday liturgy is a version of that original Nicene Creed. The Nicene Creed spells out Christian beliefs about the nature of God, Jesus and the Spirit and was worded very carefully to negate a variety of heretical views that were held at the time. It is as much a statement about what we do not believe as it is a statement about what we do believe!

Scriptural context – Trinity

At no point in the New Testament is the term 'Trinity' used. That understanding of the nature of God came much later. However, there are a number of scriptural references that led to this theological understanding. The Annunciation, the baptism of Jesus and the great commissioning of the disciples to baptise in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit are all examples of the three persons of God being recognised or active in the gospels. Today's second reading shows St Paul using the three experiences of God as a blessing of the people of Corinth.

Living the Gospel – Sign of the Cross

Every time we bless ourselves or begin prayer with the sign of the cross, we reaffirm our belief in the Trinity. That seemingly simple prayer, 'In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit,' is, in fact, a confirmation of our belief in a triune God – three in one. The earliest use of the sign of the cross only involved tracing a small cross with the thumb or finger on the forehead as it is still done in baptisms or blessings today. Later, describing the shape of the cross on forehead, abdomen and shoulders became the common practice.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Blest be God the Father, and the Only Begotten Son of God, and also the Holy Spirit, for he has shown us his merciful love.

FIRST READING: Exodus 34: 4-6, 8-9

With the two tablets of stone in his hands, Moses went up the mountain of Sinai in the early morning as the Lord had commanded him. And the Lord descended in the form of a cloud, and Moses stood with him there. He called on the name of the Lord. The Lord passed before him and proclaimed, 'Lord, Lord, a God of tenderness and compassion, slow to anger, rich in kindness and faithfulness.' And Moses bowed down to the ground at once and worshipped. 'If I have indeed won your favour, Lord,' he said, 'let my Lord come with us, I beg. True, they are a headstrong people, but forgive us our faults and our sins, and adopt us as your heritage.'

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

You are blest, Lord God of our fathers. **R.**

Glory and praise for ever!

Blest your glorious holy name. **R.**

Glory and praise for ever!

You are blest in the temple of your glory. **R.**

Glory and praise for ever!

You are blest on the throne of your kingdom. **R.**

Glory and praise for ever!

You are blest who gaze into the depths. **R.**

Glory and praise for ever!

You are blest in the firmament of heaven. **R.**

Glory and praise for ever!

SECOND READING: Corinthians 13: 11-13

Brothers, we wish you happiness; try to grow perfect; help one another. Be united; live in peace, and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with the holy kiss. All the saints send you greetings. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Glory to the Father, the Son,
and the Holy Spirit: to God who is,
who was, and who is to come.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL: John 3: 16-18

Jesus said to Nicodemus, 'God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost but may have eternal life. For God sent his Son into the world not to condemn the world, but so that through him the world might be saved. No one who believes in him will be condemned; but whoever refuses to believe is condemned already, because he has refused to believe in the name of God's only Son.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Since you are children of God. God has sent into your hearts the Spirit of his Son, the Spirit who cries out: Abba, Father.



Next Week's Readings:

First Reading: Deuteronomy 8: 2-3, 14-16

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 10: 16-17

Gospel: John 6: 51-58