

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 BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST, YEAR A 06/07 JUNE 2026

COMING WEEK'S MASSES

Saturday: 6.00pm

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

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

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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

MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

Lord Jesus Christ,
in the Most Holy Eucharist you give yourself to us completely.
May we always approach you with hearts full of faith,
receive you with humility and love,
and carry your presence into the world
with compassion and joy.
Strengthen our unity as your Body,
and make us true witnesses of your love. Amen.



ST CATHERINE'S SCHOOL

Wishing St Catherine's Primary School a Happy 30th Birthday.
May God bless staff, parents and students past and present.
Thank you for the beautiful artwork that was donated to the church, which will be proudly displayed at St Michael's.

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 7.30pm 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 Ridgmont 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: Joan Noronho, Harry Duiker, Laurence Lane, Gienek Markowski, Pauline Rogers, Aloma Pollocks, Karl Jingoer and all those who died recently and for Joyce Kinson, Angelito Cabrera, Brian Crockett, Francine O'Shea, Malcolm Adaman, Luke Czupryn, James Wade, Monica Hosie, Cedric Wiltshire, Peter Castricum 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, Colin Goldsmith, Rex Clair, Anthony Morril, Robert Addison, Rita Rowland, Maureen Donnelly, Julia Torelli, Josie Richardson, Solange Duivenvoorden, Samantha Kirchner, Jeremy Fahie, Ivor Silvapulle, Kath Angrave, Betty Guerin, Gill Vissenga, 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.

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

7.30AM MORNING MASS: Will be offered on Wednesdays from June 10, until July 16.

MONTHLY PRAYER MINISTRY: This Sunday from 8.30am.

PLEASE PRAY: For our young parishioners who received the sacrament of Confirmation this week. May they feel a special part of our Parish, as they deepen their relationship with God.

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: June 7, The Youth will meet at St Patrick's Cathedral for a Corpus Christi Procession at 2.00pm. 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.

SVDP SOCIETY VINNIES WINTER APPEAL: Will be taken up next weekend, June 13/14. This year your commitment to helping those experiencing poverty, hardship and disadvantage is needed more than ever due to the difficult times existing, particularly cost of living pressures. Please give your support to the Vinnies Winter Appeal and help us to support those in need of a helping hand. Donations of \$2 or more are tax deductible.

THE 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.

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.



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.

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.

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.***

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

VOCATIONS INVITATION COME AND SEE: Are you discerning a call to ministry? You are invited to an afternoon of storytelling and fellowship, on Sun 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, hear firsthand accounts from priests about their lives and their calls to ministry. As the scripture reminds us, "the harvest is plentiful". Come and see where your path may lead.

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

REFLECTION: Dianne Bergant CSA

This feast harkens back to the celebration of Holy Thursday. By way of the metaphors of food and drink, its readings provide us with a look at the mystery of divine presence.

They first provide a picture of a God who feeds us. In the past God set a table in freedom and then provided food that enabled our ancestors to survive. God fed those who were needy, not those who were worthy. Jesus offered sustenance to the crowds that gathered around him. It was not manna from heaven that he offered but his own flesh and blood as food and drink. This food and drink are the pledge of eternal life.

Those who eat this bread and drink this cup are caught up in a profound unity with God, a unity not envisioned in the wilderness experience. There is a new overlay of significance. Jesus' claim to give his flesh and blood was a bold one, Paul's seems even bolder. He states that partaking of the bread and the cup not only joins us with Christ, but actually makes us participants in the body and blood of Christ. Humanity and divinity are joined as one.

The Eucharist is a sign of unity in another way. Joined to the body and blood of Christ, we are joined to each other. We are one body and that body is Christ.

The Eucharist is truly a celebration of thanksgiving: thanksgiving for our transformation and thanksgiving for our unity.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

He fed them with the finest wheat
and satisfied them with honey from the rock.

FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 8: 2-3, 14-16

Moses said to the people: 'Remember how the Lord your God led you for forty years in the wilderness, to humble you, to test you and know your inmost heart – whether you would keep his commandments or not. He humbled you, he made you feel hunger, he fed you with manna which neither you nor your fathers had known, to make you understand that man does not live on bread alone but that man lives on everything that comes from the mouth of the Lord. 'Do not then forget the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery: who guided you through this vast and dreadful wilderness, a land of fiery serpents, scorpions, thirst; who in this waterless place brought you water from the hardest rock; who in this wilderness fed you with manna that your fathers had not known.'

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.

1. O praise the Lord, Jerusalem!
Zion, praise your God!
He has strengthened the bars of your gates,
he has blessed the children within you. **R.**
2. He has established peace on your borders,
he feeds you with finest wheat.
He sends out his word to the earth
and swiftly runs his command. **R.**
3. He makes his word known to Jacob,
to Israel his laws and decrees.
He has not dealt thus with other nations;
he has not taught them his decrees. **R.**

R. Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.

SECOND READING: Corinthians 10: 16-17

The blessing-cup that we bless is a communion with the blood of Christ, and the bread that we break is a communion with the body of Christ. The fact that there is only one loaf means that, though there are many of us, we form a single body because we all have a share in this one loaf.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE: To be prayed together please see the PowerPoint.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord;
whoever eats this bread will live for ever. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: John 6: 51-58

Jesus said to the Jews: 'I am the living bread which has come down from heaven. Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world.' Then the Jews started arguing with one another: 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' they said. Jesus replied: 'I tell you most solemnly, if you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you will not have life in you. Anyone who does eat my flesh and drink my blood has eternal life, and I shall raise him up on the last day. For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me and I live in him. As I, who am sent by the living Father, myself draw life from the Father, so whoever eats me will draw life from me. This is the bread come down from heaven; not like the bread our ancestors ate: they are dead, but anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood
remains in me and I in him, says the Lord.



Next Week's Readings:

First Reading: Exodus 19: 2-6

Second Reading: Romans 5: 6-11

Gospel: Matthew 9: 36 - 10: 8