

**MINISTRY ROSTER - APRIL**

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Please see rosters for the month of April. If you cannot attend your rostered day, please see Fr Bernie or call 9369 9328.

**7 - 8 APRIL (Week 1)**

Ministry	5pm Vigil	8.30am	10.00am	5.00pm
Altar Serving	Barry Blake	Anthony Spratt	Celina Seeto	-
Proclaimer of Word	Margaret Blake	Mario Vinciguerra	Genevieve Roberts	Mary McCafferty
Eucharist Minister	Barry Anderson	Gaye Zammit Michelle Byrne	Laura Neeson Jackie Durkin	Elizabeth Rosa
Hospitality	Clare Cinhvu	Michelle Byrne Grainne Tierney-Reed	Laura Neeson Eddie Seeto	Kathy Reilly

**14 - 15 APRIL (Week 2)**

Ministry	5pm Vigil	8.30am	10.00am	5.00pm
Altar Serving	Barry Blake	Anthony Spratt	Celina Seeto Christian Abruzzese	-
Proclaimer of Word	Margaret Blake	Sally Crane	Annabella Abruzzese	Elizabeth Rosa
Eucharist Minister	Susana Hansen	Kevin Brookes Margaret Kelly	Dominic Abruzzese Eddie Seeto	Miriam Wairau
Hospitality	Warren	Phyllis Spratt Laura Neeson	Eddie Seeto Jackie Durkin	Kathy Reilly

**21 - 22 APRIL (Week 3)**

Ministry	5pm Vigil	8.30am	10.00am	5.00pm
Altar Serving	Barry Blake	Anthony Spratt	Celina Seeto Christian Abruzzese	-
Proclaimer of Word	Margaret Blake	Bernadette O'Connor	Bianca Abruzzese	Joy Pertile
Eucharist Minister	Cameron Ward	Fran Gaye Zammit	Tony Abruzzese Alison Abruzzese	Marta Ramriez
Hospitality	Clare Cinhvu	Margaret Duncan Michelle Byrne	Jackie Durkin Laura Neeson	Kathy Reilly

**28 - 29 APRIL (Week 4)**

Ministry	5pm Vigil	8.30am	10.00am	5.00pm
Altar Serving	Barry Blake	Anthony Spratt	Celina Seeto	-
Proclaimer of Word	Margaret Blake	Trisha Brookes	Des Durkin	Elizabeth Rosa
Eucharist Minister	Vincent Conroy	Laura Neeson Kevin Brookes	Gisella Musumeci Genevieve Roberts	Mandy Petherbridge
Hospitality	Warren	Phyllis Spratt Grainne Tierney-Reed	Jackie Durkin Eddie Seeto	Kathy Reilly



**Mary Immaculate Church, Waverley**

PARISH OF ST CHARLES BORROMEO

Waverley Parish will be a sign of God's love for all people by being a welcoming and caring community which embraces the Gospel of Jesus in the spirit of St. Francis and St. Clare of Assisi.

We acknowledge the traditional owners and custodians of the land on which we stand. We walk on a land once occupied by the Gadigal people of the Eora nation. May we continue to love and respect the land as they have.

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Second Sunday of Easter - Year B

7 - 8 April 2018

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:**

Like newborn infants, you must long for the pure, spiritual milk, that in him you may grow to salvation, alleluia.

**FIRST READING: ACTS 4:32-35**

The whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need. There was a Levite, a native of Cyprus, Joseph, to whom the apostles gave the name Barnabas (which means "son of encouragement"). He sold a field that belonged to him, then brought the money, and laid it at the feet of the apostles.

The Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

**SECOND READING: 1 JOHN 5:1-6**

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

There are three that testify: the Spirit and the water and the blood, and these three agree. If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM: 118**

Let the family of Israel say, His love has no end. Let the family of Aaron say, His love has no end.	He was my saviour. There are shouts of joy and victory in the tents of the just. The stone rejected by the builders, is now the cornerstone. This is the work of the Lord a marvel in our eyes. This day was made by the Lord we rejoice and are glad.
Let those who fear the Lord say, His love has no end. I was thrust down and falling, but the Lord was my helper. The Lord is my strength & my song	

**RESPONSE AT MORNING MASS ONLY:**

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Alleluia, alleluia!  
You believe in me, Thomas,  
because you have seen me, says the Lord;  
Blessed are those who have not seen me, but still believe!  
Alleluia

**GOSPEL: JOHN 20:19-31**

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:**

Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails, and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.



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**REFLECTION**

When the excited disciples told Thomas “We have seen the Lord!” his initial response was to reject the possibility that they had seen Jesus. But the fact that all the other disciples were involved, and all saying the same thing, must have left him bewildered. If what they were saying was true, why had Jesus chosen not to include him?

The following eight days would have been tough for Thomas. He had not shared in the encounter with Jesus and he must have felt envious of the others when he saw how it had affected them. Amid all his interior confusion he could have chosen to walk away, overwhelmed with a sense that somehow he did not matter to Jesus. He may even have had a strong sense of rejection.

Thomas stayed with the disciples despite his doubts and difficulties. He was there when Jesus came looking for him, and his encounter with Jesus was very personal. Perhaps Thomas vaguely remembered Jesus talking about ninety-nine sheep and the shepherd looking for the one which wasn't with the others. Thomas experienced the mercy of Jesus in the encounter, and it would have also had an effect on the other disciples.

If we miss out on something it is easy to let feelings of rejection or inferiority become overwhelming. Often there is a misunderstanding or combination of circumstances beyond anyone's control behind what happened, rather than a deliberate act of rejection. Finding out why things happened as they did should be a first step, as a relationship may depend upon it.

Sometimes we may find ourselves in the eight days of Thomas, as we struggle with a sense that somehow we do not matter to Jesus (or to perhaps to others). Jesus will return as he did for Thomas.

Mary understood the nature of God when she proclaimed in the Magnificat “His mercy is from age to age...”.

<https://www.catholic.org.nz/resources/>

**FURTHER REFLECTION**

This gospel is one of transformation. The fear of the disciples is transformed by the gift of peace and the doubt of Thomas is transformed by his encounter with the risen Jesus. With this transformation, however, comes responsibility. The disciples are not to simply bask in the joy of Christ risen but are sent to continue the mission of Jesus in the world: ‘As the Father sent me, so I am sending you.’

You could discuss the concluding rite of the liturgy and how we are sent out to continue Christ's mission in our own world.

When Thomas is told by his companions that they have seen Jesus, he places his own conditions on faith. He will not believe unless he sees. Jesus must fulfil the expectation that Thomas has. The following week, he is forced to confront this and is brought to realise the pointlessness of imposing conditions on God. Only then can he see that God's ways are often surprising. Only after accepting

<http://www.cam.org.au/evangelisation/Summit>

**WEEKDAY READINGS**

Mon 9 April	Isaiah 7:10-14. 8:10	Luke 1:26-38
Tues 10 April	Acts 4:32-37	John 3:7-15
Wed 11 April	Acts 5:17-26	John 3:16-21
Thu 12 April	Acts 5:27-33	John 3:31-36
Fri 13 April	Acts 5:34-42	John 6:1-15
Sat 14 April	Acts 6:1-7	John 6:16-21

**NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS**

First Reading: Acts 3:13-15. 17-19	Psalms: Ps 4:2. 4. 7. 9
Second Reading: 1 John 2:1-5	Gospel: Luke 24:35-48

**DID YOU KNOW?**

- The period from Easter Sunday to Pentecost is known as the Great Fifty Days and is an integral part of the Lent-Easter- Pentecost cycle.
- There is an ancient tradition that Thomas preached the gospel as far east as India.
- In Aramaic, the language spoken by Jesus, the name of Thomas means ‘twin’.

**GLORIA**

Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace to people of good will.  
We praise you, we bless you,  
we adore you, we glorify you,  
we give you thanks for your great glory,  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
O God, almighty Father.  
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us;  
you take away the sins of the world,  
receive our prayer;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,  
have mercy on us.  
For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father.  
**Amen.**

**APOSTLES' CREED**

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended into hell.  
On the third day he rose again from the dead,  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand  
of God the Father almighty,  
From there he will come to judge  
the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting.  
**Amen.**



**Mass Times**

**Monday - Friday:** 9:15am  
**Saturday:** 9:15am, 9:45 - 10:15am  
Reconciliation & 5:00pm Vigil  
**Sunday:** 8:30am, 10:00am & 5:00pm

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**LET US PRAY FOR...**

**Those who are sick:** Nicola Jarman, Margaret Jones, Teresa Wong, Terry Dodds, Damian Johnson, Lorraine Ladd-Hudson, Maria Alves, Joanne Macrae, Audrey Moran, Catherine Davis, Sr Francis Murphy osc, William Beaudoin, Denis Lindsay, Albert Miu, Jett Jarvis, Grazia Mafodda, Ana Letec, Helene Beazley, Wayne Townson, Dick See, Jessica Amelia, Behan Kahler, Kathleen Schlink, Bob Lloyd, Archbishop Anthony Fisher, Stan Vesper, Rosa Maria Santos, Maria Kiely, Ann Thomas (Fr Bernie's Mum), Gary Shipton, Kim Roper, Br Stan Cusack, Joan Roberts, Hernan Enrique Caceres, Veronica Chavez, Maria Sol Montel, Veronica Rodriguez, Luz Alejandra Bringas, Carolina Silvia Brizuela Perez, Rodolfo Martin Arruabarrena, Joan Dunsmore, Patricia Byrne, James Elliott, Alice Chapman, Marie Lee

**Those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** Zachary Sheridan, Aneta Scanaj, George & Mary Jones, William & Annie Brennan, Charles Thornton, Allan Smith,

**Those recently deceased:** Deirdre Shaw;



**NEWS AND NOTICES**

**CONFIRMATION 2018**

The Sacrament of Confirmation is now open for enrolment. Please visit our website [waverleycatholic.org.au](http://waverleycatholic.org.au) or collect one or the enrolment forms at the back of the church and hand them in by Wednesday, 2 May. The Confirmation Ceremony this year will be held at St Mary's Cathedral on Sunday 17 June at 12:30pm. For more information, please speak to the Parish Secretary on 9369 9399.



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**MASS TIMES CHANGE SOON**

A reminder from this weekend our Saturday & Sunday evening mass times will be brought forward to 5pm, not 6pm due to daylight savings ending. Our evening mass times will remain at 5pm on Saturday & Sunday until 1 October 2018. All other weekday and weekend morning mass times will remain the same.

**JOIN POPE FRANCIS IN PANAMA FOR THE 34TH WORLD YOUTH DAY IN JANUARY 2019**

Sydney Catholic Youth are inviting you on the pilgrimage of a lifetime to Panama where you will celebrate Mass with Pope Francis and millions of young Catholics from around the world.

Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP will lead the Sydney pilgrimage departing on 15 January 2019 which will travel from Sydney to Washington DC, then to WYD Panama with the optional extension to travel to Mexico City. Register your interest and find out more by visiting the website [www.sydneycatholicyouth.org/](http://www.sydneycatholicyouth.org/)

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**THE JOURNEY CATHOLIC RADIO PROGRAMME – AIRS 15 APRIL 2018**

This week on the Journey Catholic Radio, our Gospel reflection is narrated by Fr Mike Delaney and reflects on the Gospel of Luke. Pete Gilmore asks us “How Do You Want To Start Tomorrow?” In his Living the Gospel God spot, and Marilyn Rodrigues, The peaceful Parent reminds us of the importance of “Having A Team Around You.” Music is joy and it our music that helps us to create a show about faith, hope, love and life.

