



# 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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*Fourth Sunday of Lent - Year C*

*30 - 31 March 2019*

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her.  
Be joyful, all who were in mourning;  
exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.

### FIRST READING: JOSHUA 5:9-12

After the Israelites had crossed over the Jordan river, and entered the promised land, the Lord said to Joshua, "Today I have rolled away from you the disgrace of Egypt." While the Israelites were camped in Gilgal they kept the Passover in the evening on the fourteenth day of the month in the plains of Jericho. On the day after the Passover; on that very day, they ate the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and parched grain. The manna ceased on the day they ate the produce of the land, and the Israelites no longer had manna; they ate the crops of the land of Canaan that year. The Word of the Lord

*Thanks be to God*

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM: 33

I will bless the Lord at all times,  
his praise always on my lips;  
In the Lord my soul shall make its boast.  
The humble shall hear and be glad.

Glorify the Lord with me.  
Together let us praise his name.  
I sought the Lord and he answered me;  
from all my terrors he set me free.

Look towards him and be radiant;  
let your faces not be abashed.  
When the poor cry out, the Lord hears them  
and rescues them from all his distress.

### RESPONSE AT MORNING MASS ONLY:

*O taste and see the goodness of the Lord*

### SECOND READING: 2 CORINTHIANS 5:17-21

If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ, God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake God made Christ to be sin who knew no sin, so that in Christ we might become the righteousness of God. The word of the Lord.

*Thanks be to God*



### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!  
I will rise and go to my Father and tell him:  
Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you.  
Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

### GOSPEL: LUKE 15:1-3,11-32

All the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them." So he told them a parable: "There was a man who had two sons. The younger of them said to his father; 'Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.' So the father divided his property between them. A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and travelled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. "When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. The young man would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. "But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! I will get up and go to my father; and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands.'" "So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. "Then the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' But the father said to his slaves, 'Quickly, bring out a robe-the best one-and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!' And they began to celebrate. "Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. The slave replied, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.' "Then the elder son became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. But he answered his father, 'Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!' "Then the father said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found.'" The Gospel of the Lord.

### COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

You must rejoice, my son,  
for your brother was dead and has come to life;  
he was lost and is found.

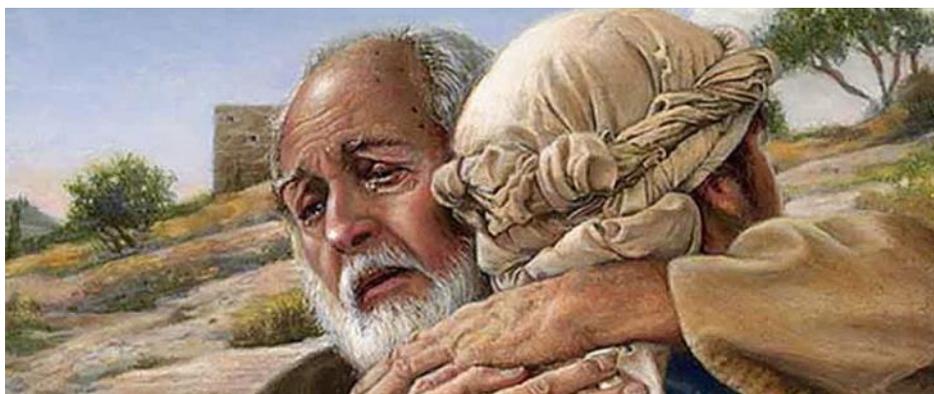
### EXPLORING THE WORD

The religious leaders at the time of Jesus felt that there was no place for sinners in God’s kingdom. This parable shows that there is always hope and a promise of forgiveness for those who repent and turn again to God, and that God never tires of seeking the lost. The father allows his youngest son the freedom to choose his way and make his own mistakes, but he keeps the door of welcome open. Through his journey, this son comes to realise that his fulfilment lies with his father and returns. At this point, the elder son changes places with the younger and becomes the one who is alienated and outside the feast. The reaction of the father is consistent: he goes outside to meet his elder son, now the lost one, to tell him, ‘All I have is yours.’ The reward is for both the righteous and the repentant sinner.

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

### DID YOU KNOW?

- The son going to ‘a distant country’ shows that he has turned his back not only on his father but also on his faith. He has left his true heritage behind. His repentance and return becomes all the more poignant.
- Accepting work with pigs shows just how low the son had sunk because pigs are unclean animals to the Jews and touching them rendered the son unclean as well.
- By asking for his inheritance, the son was as good as saying to his father, ‘I wish you were dead.’ This makes the father’s forgiveness all the more astounding.



### 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.**

### DAYLIGHT SAVINGS ENDS 7 APRIL

A reminder that next weekend, daylight savings ends, so don’t forget to put your clocks forward 1 hour on Saturday night before bed.

All evening Masses (Saturday & Sunday) will continue at 5:00pm.



### NEXT SUNDAY’S READINGS

**First Reading:** Ezekiel 37:12-14  
**Second Reading:** Romans 8:8-11

**Psalm:** Ps 130  
**Gospel:** John 11:1-45

### WEEKDAY READINGS

<b>Mon 1 Apr</b>	First Reading: Isaiah 65:17-21	Gospel: John 4:43-54
<b>Tue 2 Apr</b>	First Reading: Ezekiel 47:1-9, 12	Gospel: John 5:1-3, 5-16
<b>Wed 3 Apr</b>	First Reading: Isaiah 49:8-15	Gospel: John 5:17-30
<b>Thu 4 Apr</b>	First Reading: Exodus 32:7-14	Gospel: John 5:31-47
<b>Fri 5 Apr</b>	First Reading: Wisdom 2:1, 12-22	Gospel: John 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
<b>Sat 6 Apr</b>	First Reading: Jeremiah 11:18-20	Gospel: John 7:40-52



### HOUSE OF WELCOME - FOOD BANK

A reminder that on the 4<sup>th</sup> of Sunday of each month to please bring along something to add to the basket/s that will be placed at the back of the church. The following list of suggested items has been prepared to assist in what you can give.



#### Non-Food Items:

- \* Nappies (larger sizes—walker / junior)
- \* Toothpaste/ Toothbrushes
- \* Laundry detergent
- \* Dishwashing Liquid
- \* Shampoo/ conditioner/soaps
- \* Cleaning Products & Cloths
- \* Deodorant (men’s and women’s)
- \* Sanitary Pads (not tampons)
- \* Razors & Shaving Cream
- \* Toilet Paper
- \* Aldi/Woolworths/Coles vouchers

#### Great food items to donate include:

- \* Cooking Oil, Sugar, Flour
  - \* Canned Fish (Tuna)
  - \* Canned Tomatoes
  - \* Canned Chick Peas
  - \* Basmati Rice, Instant Noodles
  - \* Canned corn (not creamed)
  - \* Canned peas and carrot
  - \* Biscuits (sweet and savoury)
  - \* Canned fruit
  - \* Tea & Coffee, Healthy Juices
  - \* Honey, Jam
  - \* Salt, Pepper & Cooking Spices
- (Please no soup, baked beans or tinned spaghetti!)*

**“If you are what you eat, I’d rather be thin like a French fry than round like a head of lettuce!”**

## Mass Times

**Monday - Friday:** 9:15am

**Saturday:** 9:15am, 9:45 - 10:15am  
Reconciliation & 5:00pm Vigil

**Sunday:** 8:30am, 10:00am & 5:00pm

## Parish Centre

45A Victoria Street  
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[www.waverleycatholic.org.au](http://www.waverleycatholic.org.au)

**Phone:** (02) 9369 9399

[office@waverleycatholic.org.au](mailto:office@waverleycatholic.org.au)

**Office Hours:** 9:30am - 2:30pm on  
Tuesday to Friday

### Parish Priest

Fr Bernie Thomas OFM  
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### Pastoral Coordinator

Mr Barry Blake

### Music Director

Kurt Ison  
[music@waverleycatholic.org.au](mailto:music@waverleycatholic.org.au)

### Parish Secretary

Carla Korkor  
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## Local Schools

### St Charles' Parish Primary School

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W <https://stcwaverley.catholic.edu.au>  
**School Principal**  
Mr Paul Croker

### St Clare's College, Waverley

41-51 Carrington Road, Waverley  
P (02) 8305 7100  
W <https://stclares.nsw.edu.au/>  
**School Principal**  
Ms Antoinette McGahan

### Waverley College, Senior Campus

131 Birrell Street, Waverley  
P (02) 9369 0600  
W <https://waverley.nsw.edu.au/>  
**Head of College**  
Mr Graham Leddie

### Waverley Junior School

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W <https://waverley.nsw.edu.au/2>  
**Director of Junior School**  
Ms Gabrielle Smith

## LET US PRAY FOR...

**Those who are sick:** Nicola Jarman, Margaret Jones, Terry Dodds, Damian Johnson, Lorraine Ladd-Hudson, Maria Alves, Joanne Macrae, Audrey Moran, Catherine Davis, William Beaudoin, Denis Lindsay, Albert Miu, Jett Jarvis, Grazia Mafodda, Ana Letec, Helene Beazley, Wayne Townson, Jessica Amelia, Behan Kahler, Bob Lloyd, Archbishop Anthony Fisher, Stan Vesper, Rosa Santos, Maria Kiely, Ann Thomas (Fr Bernie's Mum), Gary Shipton, Br Stan Cusack, Hernan Caceres, Veronica Chavez, Maria Montel, Veronica Rodriguez, Luz Bringas, Carolina Perez, Rodolfo Arruabarrena, Joan Dunsmore, James Elliott, Mary Thompson, Cathy Murray, Patrick Lucas, Maria Murabito, Ellen Mallia, Neeco Orsini, Jane Borg, Lisa Roper,

**Those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** Jessie Duncan (24/3), Elizabeth Andrade (31/3), Anna Sidoti, Concetta & Angelo De Luca,

**Those recently deceased:** Brian O'Neill, Bernard McAndrews,

## NEWS AND NOTICES



**Michaela** is a 21-year-old trainee at Purple House, a dialysis center in the Central Desert for people suffering from kidney disease. With the support of Caritas partners, Michaela is helping to build a social enterprise, a connection to culture and a new outlook for the chronically ill. **Please donate to help provide essential health care, employment and training for First Australians like Michaela.**

You can donate through Parish boxes, envelopes, visit [www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion](http://www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion) or phone 1800 024 413.

### MOTHER'S PRAYER GROUP

The St. Charles' Prayer Group's gathers on the first Wednesdays of each month during school term at 7:30pm in the church.

You are warmly invited to come along and spend some time in prayer and reflection with other Mums from our school community. If you are interested in joining please contact Laura by email [laura@habitatmedia.com.au](mailto:laura@habitatmedia.com.au)



### CHILDCARE NEEDED

Young mother who is unwell NEEDS HELP caring for her children (2 ½ year old girl and 1 year old boy) during the day at her Clovelly home. \$20 per hour. Hours & days are flexible. Contact Laura: 0431 645 467.

### CONGRATULATIONS TO MARJORIE O'NEILL

Congratulations to Marjorie O'Neill on her new role as our new local state MP, a fifth generation Eastern Suburbs local, parishioner to Mary Immaculate Church, Waverley and past student of St Charles Primary.



### CHRISTIAN MEDITATION GROUP

The Monday Meditation Group will be meeting in the Parish Centre at 5.30pm. All enquiries phone Trisha - 0405 516 972 or Maureen - 0425 225 095

### FR BERNIE AWAY

Fr Bernie will be away from Thursday, 4 April and returning Tuesday, 16 April. If you require assistance, please contact the Parish Secretary on (02) 9369 9399 or [office@waverleycatholic.org.au](mailto:office@waverleycatholic.org.au). If the matter is urgent, email Fr Bernie at [parishpriest@waverleycatholic.org.au](mailto:parishpriest@waverleycatholic.org.au).

### SACRAMENT OF FIRST RECONCILIATION

Please pray for the children receiving the Sacrament of First Reconciliation for the first time next Wednesday, 3 April at 6:30pm in the Church. For more information, visit our website or contact the Parish Office on (02) 9369 9399.

### SAFEGUARDING REMINDER

Following the Safeguarding Protocols set by the Archdiocese, there is to be no photographs (particularly of people) during Masses or Church Services without the permission of the Parish Priest.

# MINISTRY ROSTER - MARCH/APRIL

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

30 – 31 MARCH (Week 5)				
Ministry	5pm Vigil	8.30am	10am	5pm
Altar Serving	Barry Blake	Anthony Spratt	Celina Seeto	-
Proclaimer of Word	Margaret Blake	Gabrielle McAnespie	Genevieve Roberts	Joy Pertile
Eucharist Minister	Cameron Ward	Margaret Kelly Fran	Laura Neeson Gisella Musumeci	Mandy Petherbridge
Hospitality	Warren	Margaret Duncan	Laura Neeson Eddie Seeto	Teresa Vigroux
6 - 7 APRIL (Week 1)				
Ministry	5pm Vigil	8.30am	10.00am	5.00pm
Altar Serving	Barry Blake	Anthony Spratt	Marta Ramirez	-
Proclaimer of Word	Lily Rowbotham	Mario Vinciguerra	Des Durkin	Milly Reed
Eucharist Minister	Susana Hansen	Gaye Zammit Michelle Byrne	Laura Neeson Eddie Seeto	Mary Westall
Hospitality	Kathleen Fenlon Ruth Lucas	Phyllis Spratt	Laura Neeson Jackie Durkin	Mary Westall Rory Reed
13 - 14 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	Rory Reed	Gabrielle McAnespie	Bianca Abruzzese	Peter Foley
Eucharist Minister	Vincent Conroy	Michelle Byrne Fran	Tony Abruzzese Alison Abruzzese	Joy Pertile
Hospitality	Warren Kelly	Michelle Byrne	Eddie Seeto Jackie Durkin	Kathy Reilly

### Osteopath

**Jennifer Keir D.O.**  
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