



Mary Immaculate Church, Waverley

PARISH OF ST CHARLES BORROMEO BULLETIN

TAKE BULLETIN HOME

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.

SIGN IN FOR MASS TODAY?



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MASS TIMES

Monday - Friday: 9:15am.

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

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

Baptism: Last two Sundays of each month at 11:30am. Bookings essential.

Wedding: 11:30am or 2:00pm timeslots. Bookings essential.

Sacramental Programme 2020

Confirmation, First Eucharist & First Reconciliation have been postponed until 2021.

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A 22 - 23 AUGUST 2020

Above the sanctuary of Saint Peter's basilica in Rome, written in huge lettering of gold mosaic, is this promise of Jesus to his chief apostle: "Thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church. I will give to you the keys of the kingdom of heaven." These words are held by Catholics as the basis for the papacy, applying to the bishop of Rome as the successor to Peter, to be the chief spokesman for the church's living faith, and wielder of the spiritual power of the keys. We must not be too simplistic in how we apply those words to the original Peter and even more so to his successors. Non-Catholic Christians, our brethren in the Protestant churches, do not accept that there could be any succession, in the full sense, to the position held by Saint Peter. They find any claims to juridical and absolute authority for the papacy, under titles like "apostolic jurisdiction" or "the power of the keys" to be out of harmony with the Gospel message. They interpret differently what today's Gospel means for leadership in the Church. We need not insist that the Roman way is the only way of taking Christ's words. Still, this Gospel deserves close attention for what it says about faith, enlightenment and leadership, and guidance for our own lives.

Each must make a personal answer to Our Lord's question: "Who do you say that I am?" although Peter's credo is a solid basis from which to begin. Notice the beautiful phrase: "Son of the Living God," expressing more richly what "Christ" means. Peter's worshipful faith comes to him as gift from above, not from any mere logic or ingenuity. Why was the blessing given to him in particular? Perhaps because his humble and contrite spirit made him best prepared to receive it? Or because God chooses whom He wills, irrespective of their merits? It is to this Peter that Jesus entrusts whatever is meant by the keys of the Kingdom of Heaven. Upon his solid, dedicated faith the Church will always rely, for unity and encouragement. Keys are mainly for opening; many doors lock by themselves. We could reflect further on Peter's task, as seen in other Gospel passages (Mat. 14:28; 17:24; Lk. 22:32; Jn. 21:15-17), and in the Acts (1:15, 2:14; 3:1,2).

While he is appointed to "feed the lambs and sheep" of Christ, to "confirm his brethren," and welcome the first pagan convert into the Church, Peter is no plaster saint. Weakness of faith (when he began to sink), rash self-confidence and eventual denial are also portrayed by him. But these serve only to underline the grandeur of his conversion, when with a new clarity of self-knowledge he turns and says to Jesus: "You know that I love you." The task is not one of stern domination, or merely of the efficient organisation of Christ's Church. Pastor and penitent at once, convert and the support for other converted sinners, he leads the faithful by witness and example. This pastoral understanding of authority finds a lovely echo in the first epistle of Peter. Elders or leaders are asked to "tend the flock of God, not as domineering over those in your charge, but being examples to the flock" (5:13.) Just so, Peter tended the early church by sharing his deep faith in Christ the Risen Lord. So, he kept them united in a community of mutual love, and in faithful obedience to the Gospel. Such an ideal situation of harmony in the Church is briefly sketched for us in the Acts. What of today's Church, spread in all continents, united under the leadership of Pope Francis? How can this work of teaching, encouraging and uniting so many millions of baptised believers be carried on? Jesus remains at the centre, as the Christ, Son of the Living God, and he continues to be the Church's true Rock. We today, just as much as in the time of St Peter, need the ministry of faithful apostles, entrusted by Christ to build up his people, witness to the faith, and provide leadership in Christian love. Pope, bishops, priests and other ministries exist in order to serve. But in some sense, we get the service that we deserve. It is for us to make known to our pastors both our appreciation and our loyal criticisms; especially to pray for them, for their courage and perseverance. Today we particularly remember the present successor of Peter, our Pope; that God may establish him in faith and wisdom; that being strong in himself, he may confirm the brethren; and that as Chief Shepherd he may help us on our way to the Kingdom. @www.associationofcatholicpriests.ie/

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But WHO do you say that I AM?

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me;
save the servant who trusts in you, my God.
Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.

FIRST READING: ISAIAH 22:19-23

Thus says the Lord God of hosts: "Go to the steward, to Shebna, who is master of the household, and say to him:

"I will thrust you from your office, and you will be pulled down from your post. On that day I will call my servant Eliakim son of Hilkiyah, and will clothe him with your robe and bind your sash on him. I will commit your authority to his hand, and he shall be a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem and to the house of Judah.

"I will place on his shoulder the key of the house of David; he shall open, and no one shall shut; he shall shut, and no one shall open. I will fasten him like a peg in a secure place, and he will become a throne of honour to his ancestral house".

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: 137:1-3, 6, 8.

I thank you, Lord, with all my heart,
you have heard the words of my mouth.
Before the angels I will bless you,
I will adore before your holy temple.

I thank you for your faithfulness and love
which excel all we ever knew of you.
On the day I called, you answered;
you increased the strength of my soul.

The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly
and the haughty he knows from afar.
Your love, O Lord, is eternal,
discard not the work of your hands.

SECOND READING: ROMANS 11:33-36

O the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways! "For who has known the mind of the Lord? Or who has been his counsellor? Or who has given a gift to him, to receive a gift in return?" For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be the glory forever. Amen.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!
You are Peter, the rock on which I will build my Church,
the gates of hell will not hold out against it. Alleluia

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 16:13-20

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah. and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." Then Jesus sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

The earth is replete with the fruits of your work, O Lord;
you bring forth bread from the earth and wine to cheer the heart.



PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL - GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

Celebrant: We are in a house of prayer for all people. Our faith in the Lord makes us confident that it will be done for us as we pray.

For the Church – that Church leaders work industriously to set free those oppressed by abuse, discrimination or neglect.
God of strength and courage *Hear our Prayer*

For the leaders of our church communities – that they be wise, courageous and creative in their leadership, following in the spirit of St Peter.
God of strength and courage *Hear our Prayer*

For all who worship as Christian communities today – that they be bold in proclaiming that Jesus is Lord and God, the Good Shepherd and Saviour.
God of strength and courage *Hear our Prayer*

For all of us here today in this house of prayer – that we discover anew the wonder of God in our midst & open ourselves to the Holy Spirit who enlivens within us the mission of Jesus.
God of strength and courage *Hear our Prayer*

For the people of countries where there is political unrest – that they will find a sense of hope in the support from each other and other world communities.
God of strength and courage *Hear our Prayer*

For our world, as we continue to struggle with covid-19 – that nations will support one another in the search for a vaccine and bring hope to the lives of those in need.
God of strength and courage *Hear our Prayer*

We pray together...

God of strength and courage, you never discard the work of your hands: strengthen us gathered here in prayer today, so that we may continue to witness to our faith in you and your Son, Jesus Christ who is Lord for ever and ever. Amen

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;
and 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.*

WEEKDAY READINGS

- Mon 24 Aug** Revelation 21:9-14
John 1:45-51
- Tue 25 Aug** 2 Thess 2:1-3,14-17
Matthew 23:23-26
- Wed 26 Aug** 2 Thess 3:6-10,16-18
Matthew 23:27-32
- Thu 27 Aug** 1 Corinthians 1:1-9
Matthew 24:42-51
- Fri 28 Aug** 1 Corinthians 1:17-25
Matthew 25:1-13
- Sat 29 Aug** Jeremiah 1:17-19
Mark 6:17-29
- Sun 30 Aug** Jeremiah 20:7-9
Ps 62:2-6, 8-9
Romans 12:1-2
Matthew 16:21-27

LET US PRAY FOR...

- Those who are sick:** Abp Anthony Fisher, Ann Thomas (Fr Bernie's Mum) & Maya Renouf (Carla's Mum)
- Those with anniversaries at this time:** Fr Fabian Thom ofm (16/8), Mary Markovitch (28/8), Allan Smith, Kevin Malcolm, Lewis Malouf (16/8), William Dickson (17/8) & Joan Lynch (25/8)
- Those recently deceased:** Salvatore Tomasiello, David Davoren, David (Rob) King & Phillip O'Sullivan
- Those recently baptised:** Lachlan Patrick Geoffrey Wilson

NEWS & NOTICES

BAPTISM AT MARY IMMACULATE
Due to restrictions, we are taking bookings at either 11:30am or 12:30pm and booking two families per ceremony. The next available dates are: 20th & 27th September at 11:30am or 25th October at 11:30am. To book, email: office@waverleycatholic.org.au.

SAFEGUARDING
We understand how difficult it can be for people who have experienced abuse to make a complaint. We want to support you in this process and we can provide access to counselling and support services if needed. Visit: www.sydneycatholic.org/safeguarding-and-child-protection/ for more information. Following the Safeguarding Protocols set by the Archdiocese, there are to be no photographs (of people) during Masses without the permission of the Parish Priest.




WRAP WITH LOVE
Wrap with Love is a not for profit organisation who provide love and warmth in Australia and around the world. If there are any enthusiastic knitters in your family they are seeking donations of squares 25cm by 25cm and these can be brought to the Parish Centre. All donations will be brought to the drop off point and organised knitting groups will then sew beautiful warm wraps and distribute to those in need. For more details - <https://www.wrapwithlove.org/>

HOUSE OF WELCOME
A reminder to support House of Welcome on the fourth Sunday, to bring something to add to the baskets:
Non-Food Items: (NO CLOTHES PLEASE)

- * 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 (no tampons) & toilet paper
- * Razors & Shaving Cream
- * Aldi/Woolworths/ Coles vouchers

Great food items to donate include:

- * Cook oil, sugar/flour, salt/pepper/spices
- * Canned tuna, tomatoes, chick peas, peas, carrot, fruit & corn (not creamed)
- * Basmati rice & instant noodles
- * Biscuits, tea/coffee, honey/jam & juices
(Please no soup, baked beans or tinned spaghetti!)



FRANCISCAN LAUDATO SI' INTERNATIONAL COURSE
The Franciscan Friars are running a 10wk online course on Laudato Si' starting from Sept 7. The lectures will be by leading Franciscan academics and environmental animators from around the world. Commitment is around 2hrs/wk for 10wks. Further information & enrolment see: www.laudatosirevolution.org/online-courses/. Contact: Friar Joe McKay ofm, Ph: 0412 076 913 or jmckay@franciscans.org.au

PRAYER FOR HEALING FROM COVID-19

Almighty and all-merciful God,
lover of the human race, healer of all our wounds,
in whom there is no shadow of death,
save us in this time of crisis;
grant wisdom and courage to our leaders;
watch over all medical people
as they tend the sick and work for a cure;
stir in us a sense of solidarity beyond all isolation;
if our doors are closed, let our hearts be open.
By the power of your love destroy the virus of fear,
that hope may never die
and the light of Easter, the triumph of life,
may shine upon us and the whole world.
Through Jesus Christ, the Lord risen from the dead,
who lives and reigns for ever and ever **Amen.**



(By Mark Coleridge, Archbishop of Brisbane)

ADVERTISE WITH US

Our Parish would like to encourage and support local Catholic businesses. Do you or somebody you know have a small Catholic business that would benefit from advertising in our weekly Church bulletin? Our weekly bulletin is viewed by the number of people outside the Parish via the internet and from the 200 copies printed each week! For a small monthly donation of \$50 your business card sized ad would appear 4/5 times a month in our Church bulletin. This donation supports the printing costs of our bulletin. Please contact Carla in the office (02) 9369 9399 for more details.

PARISH MINISTRIES

Would you like to volunteer in our Parish? We are still in need of more volunteers to help in our Parish Ministries. If you still have forms at home or wish to get a new form please see Fr Bernie or the Parish Secretary.

Our Sunday 8:30am & 10:00am Mass times require the most need at the moment. There will be training for each of our ministries, so if you are concerned that you may not be capable, please chat with Fr Bernie to find out what might be involved.

LOCAL SCHOOLS

St Charles' Primary School
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W <https://stcwavnerley.catholic.edu.au>
School Principal: Mr Paul Croker
Religious Education Coordinator: Mrs Leanne Quinn
Family Educator: Mrs Caroline Doherty

St Clare's College, Waverley
41-51 Carrington Road, Waverley 2024
P (02) 8305 7100
W <https://stclares.nsw.edu.au/>
School Principal: Ms Antoinette McGahan
REC: Mr Mark McCoy

Waverley College, Senior Campus
131 Birrell Street, Waverley 2024
P (02) 9369 0600
W <https://waverley.nsw.edu.au/>
Principal: Mr Graham Leddie
Dir of Identity & Student Formation: Ms Suzanne Walsh

Waverley College, Junior Campus
44 Henrietta Street, Waverley 2024
P (02) 9387 5022
W <https://waverley.nsw.edu.au/2>
Director of Junior School (Acting): Ms Gabrielle Bransby
Asst Dir of Identity & Student formation: Mr Stephen Ghattas

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22 - 23 AUG	SAT 5PM VIGIL	SUN 8.30AM	SUN 10.00AM	SUN 5.00PM
ALTAR SERVING	Barry Blake	Anthony Spratt	-	-
PROCLAIMER OF WORD	Margaret Blake	Anne Fahy	Eddie Seeto	Joy Pertile
EUCHARIST MINISTER	Vincent Conroy	Francine Darvill	Gisella Musumeci Susana Hansen	Kathy Reilly
HOSPITALITY	Warren Kelly	Margaret Duncan	Eddie Seeto	Kathy Reilly
29 - 30 AUG	SAT 5PM VIGIL	SUN 8.30AM	SUN 10.00AM	SUN 5.00PM
ALTAR SERVING	Barry Blake	Anthony Spratt	-	-
PROCLAIMER OF WORD	Margaret Blake	Gabrielle McAnespie	Des Durkin	Daniel Wairau
EUCHARIST MINISTER	Laura Neeson	Gaye Zammit	Eddie Seeto Genevieve Roberts	Miriam Wairau
HOSPITALITY	Kathleen Fenlon Ruth Lucas	Phyllis Spratt	Jackie Durkin	Kathy Reilly

KIDS CORNER

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I can tell my friends about Jesus.