



# 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.

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

29 - 30 AUGUST 2020



Please use your mobile phone to scan this QR code and fill in your details before Mass. Help stop the spread in our community!



### SIGN IN FOR MASS TODAY?

#### 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.

#### PARISH CENTRE

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#### Pastoral Coordinator:

Mr Barry Blake

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Mr Kurt Ison  
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### EXPLORING THE WORD

This gospel contains the first of three predictions of his passion and death that Jesus makes along his journey to Jerusalem. Matthew tells the story of that journey across the next four chapters of his gospel.

Peter is highly disturbed by the predictions of Jesus' suffering, but is soundly rebuked. The contrast between this text and the gospel of the previous week is stark! In the immediately prior episode, Peter is praised and rewarded for his sublime affirmation of faith, 'You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.' In this text, Peter's lack of understanding, both of what that means and of Jesus' mission, causes him to be ridiculed as an obstacle to the divine mission.

While we may have some sympathy for Peter in wanting to spare Jesus the pain and suffering he predicts, what is at issue is Peter's failure to see that the cross is part of the plan and that discipleship will also involve the cross. Taking up the cross, however, will result in great reward and ultimate vindication when the time of judgment comes.

### DID YOU KNOW?

- This text marks the beginning of the fourth major section of Matthew's Gospel, which follows Jesus' journey to Jerusalem and death.
- The word *Satan* originally meant 'adversary' or 'accuser'. Later it came to mean personified evil. Here Jesus uses it figuratively of Peter, who does not yet understand the meaning of Jesus' mission.
- The name Peter comes from the Latin word for 'rock'. In last week's gospel, Jesus named Peter as the rock on which the church would be built. In this week's gospel, that rock has become a stumbling block in Jesus' path!

### SHARING THE TRADITION

Over the long history of the church, there have been many people who have taken up the cross of Christ by giving their lives for their faith. They are the martyrs of the church and have a special place of honour. The first martyrdom recorded in the Scriptures is that of Stephen (Acts 6:8-8:3). Over recent weeks, we have explored the stories of some people who are modern-day martyrs of the church. While, luckily, not all those who take up the cross are called to give their lives, many still shoulder the burden of faith in the face of adversity. One such person was St Damien of Molokai, a Belgian priest of the Congregation of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary, who volunteered to work as a missionary chaplain among the lepers of Hawaii at the leper colony on Molokai. Here he laboured for many years until he contracted the disease and finally died of it in 1889. Other Christians, like Mother Teresa, have chosen to live out their faith in difficult situations.

<https://www.cam1.org.au/evangelisation/Summit>

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:**

Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.  
O Lord, you are good and forgiving,  
full of mercy to all who call to you.

**FIRST READING: JEREMIAH 20:7-9**

Jeremiah cried out to the Lord: "O Lord, you have enticed me, and I was enticed; you have overpowered me, and you have prevailed. I have become a laughingstock all day long; everyone mocks me. For whenever I speak, I must cry out, I must shout, 'Violence and destruction!' For the word of the Lord has become for me a reproach and derision all day long. If I say, 'I will not mention him, or speak any more in his name,' then within me there is something like a burning fire shut up in my bones; I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot."

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PSALM 63**

O God, you are my God, for you I long;  
for you my soul is thirsting.  
My body pines for you  
like a dry, weary land without water.

So I gaze on you in the sanctuary  
to see your strength and your glory.  
For your love is better than life,  
my lips will speak your praise.

So I will bless you all my life,  
in your name I will lift up my hands.  
My soul shall be filled as with a banquet,  
my mouth shall praise you with joy.

For you have been my help;  
in the shadow of your wings I rejoice.  
My soul clings to you;  
your right hand holds me fast.



**SECOND READING: ROMANS 12:1-2**

I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God - what is good and acceptable and perfect.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Alleluia, alleluia!  
May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, enlighten the eyes of our heart, that we might see how great is the hope, to which we are called. Alleluia

**GOSPEL: MATTHEW 16:21-27**

Jesus sternly warned his disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah. From that time on, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised.

And Peter took Jesus aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you." But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life? For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done."

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:**

How great is the goodness, Lord,  
that you keep for those who fear you.

**PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL - GENERAL INTERCESSIONS**

**Celebrant:** Jesus summons us to find life through the way of the cross. Answering his call, let us pray with selfless love for all in need.

We pray for the people of lands stricken with violence, poverty, disease, oppression or corruption, that they will not give up their hope. God of mercy **Hear our Prayer**

We pray for prophets such as Jeremiah who speak unwelcome truths, that they will never cease to call us to lives of justice and integrity. God of mercy **Hear our Prayer**

We pray for ourselves as the people of Australia, that the COVID pandemic will spur us to work together for a society in which all can flourish. God of mercy **Hear our Prayer**

We pray for all patients, residents, staff and volunteers in health-care facilities, and for their families and friends, that they will draw strength from the support of the whole community. God of mercy **Hear our Prayer**

We pray for all who are entrusted with the care of children, that they will do everything in their power to protect them and keep them safe. God of mercy **Hear our Prayer**

We pray for each other in our parish community, that our lives will reflect the new mind created in us by the grace of Christ. God of mercy **Hear our Prayer**

**We pray together...** *Holy God, we hunger and thirst for you, direct us in our week and nourish us always with the living Word who is your Son and our saving 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 31 Aug** 1 Corinthians 2:1-5  
Luke 4:16-30
- Tue 1 Sept** 1 Corinthians 2:10-16  
Luke 4:31-37
- Wed 2 Sept** 1 Corinthians 3:1-9  
Luke 4:18
- Thu 3 Sept** 1 Corinthians 3:18-23  
Luke 5:1-11
- Fri 4 Sept** 1 Corinthians 4:1-5  
Luke 5:33-39
- Sat Sept** 1 Corinthians 4:6-15  
Luke 6:1-5
- Sun 6 Sept** Ezekiel 33:7-9  
Ps 94:1-2, 6-9  
Romans 13:8-10  
Matthew 18:15-20

**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:** Kathleen Taylor (18/8), Stephen Ford (20/8), Mary Markovitch (28/8), Joan Lynch (25/8) & Frances Cauchi (29/8), Anna Sidoti, Concetta & Angelo De Luca
- Those recently deceased:** Phillip O'Sullivan,
- Those recently born:** Welcome our youngest addition to the community: Charles Joseph Anthony Ajaka
- Those recently baptised:** Rolando Carlos Zumaran McKenzie & Daisy Anne Rose Janeczko

**NEWS & NOTICES**

**BAPTISM AT MARY IMMACULATE**  
Looking to Baptise your child? Due to restrictions, we are taking bookings for two families per ceremony to keep everyone safe. The next available dates are: 20th & 27th September at 11:30am or 25th October at 11:30am. Baptism preparation essential. Book via email or call (02) 9369 9399 [office@waverleycatholic.org.au](mailto: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/](http://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.

**MOTHERS' PRAYER GROUP**  
The St. Charles' Mothers' Prayer Group gathers on the first Wednesdays of each month during school term at 7:30pm in the Church. You are warmly invited to spend some time in prayer and reflection with other parents from our school community. Interested in joining—contact Laura at [laura@habitatmedia.com.au](mailto:laura@habitatmedia.com.au)

**ePETITION SUPPORT BY 1 SEPT 2020**  
As you may have read in last weeks Catholic Weekly, the first New South Wales (NSW) parliamentary ePetitions was formed calling upon the Premier and the NSW Government to take immediate steps to proclaim the *Modern Slavery Act 2018*. As a Catholic community, eradicating modern slavery and ensuring all people can live safe and secure lives, free from harm, is a human rights issue that we encourage you to fight for and pray for. The ePetition is known as "Proclaim the NSW *Modern Slavery Act 2018* Now". Please note the closing date for this ePetition is 1<sup>st</sup> September 2020. The steps for completing the ePetition are simple: Following this link to <https://www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/la/Pages/ePetition-details.aspx?q=Ta3SifrKU/SgnMNzTLsUZw==>; Enter in your details; Tick relevant boxes where appropriate; and Click on "Sign".  
We encourage you to pass on the details of this ePetition to as many others as you can. With the securing of 20,000 or more e-signatures, a debate on the subject of the ePetition is activated in the Legislative Assembly. If you have any questions regarding this, please call the Parish Office during office hours. Thank you

**ONLINE RETREAT - MY PEACE I GIVE YOU - 19 & 20 SEPT 2020**  
Two talks each day Saturday and Sunday. Contact 02 9341 5848 or visit [www.verbumdeiaustralia.com](http://www.verbumdeiaustralia.com) for more info.

**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**  
 53-63 Carrington Road, Waverley 2024  
 P (02) 9387 3845  
 W <https://stcwaverley.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  
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29 - 30 AUG	SAT 5PM VIGIL	SUN 8.30AM	SUN 10.00AM	SUN 5.00PM
<b>ALTAR SERVING</b>	Barry Blake	Anthony Spratt	-	-
<b>PROCLAIMER OF WORD</b>	Margaret Blake	Gabrielle McAnespie	Des Durkin	Daniel Wairau
<b>EUCHARIST MINISTER</b>	Laura Neeson	Francine Darvill	Eddie Seeto Genevieve Roberts	Miriam Wairau
<b>HOSPITALITY</b>	Kathleen Fenlon Ruth Lucas	Phyllis Spratt	Jackie Durkin	Kathy Reilly

**KIDS CORNER**



What did Jesus say that the people would have to do to be His disciples?  
 Find your way through the maze and then use the letters from that path to fill in the blanks.

"But what about you? Who do you say I am?"  
 Matthew 16:15