



Mary Immaculate Church, Waverley

PARISH OF ST CHARLES BORROMEO - CHURCH OF MARY IMMACULATE BULLETIN

MISSION STATEMENT

Waverley Parish is a sign of God's love for all people. We welcome and care for all as a 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.

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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REFLECTION

We tend to expect that happiness belongs to those who are successful in life. The Beatitudes declare that this is not necessarily true. Happiness, or blessedness, comes from being totally dependent on God. Matthew tells us that when God is at the centre of our lives, then happiness can come to anyone—even to the marginalised, the poor, and the oppressed. In the Kingdom of God, the characteristics that are held up as blessed are meekness, mourning, righteousness, showing mercy, and suffering in pursuit of justice. In the Beatitudes, Jesus explains concretely what it means to be righteous and humble. As Christians today, we often look for security in economic and social status, seeking our security in a comfortable bank account and in having the “right” friends. The Beatitudes are countercultural, for it is from what is weak and despised that redemption comes forth.

@<https://www.liturgia.com.au/>

FURTHER REFLECTION

“A huge number, impossible to count” – that is the picture this Solemnity creates. In every age there have been men and women who have followed the Lord faithfully, and who now rejoice in the Liturgy of Heaven, as they stand before the throne of the Lamb. These are the “anonymous” saints, whose names we don’t remember, but even though their names are not on our lips, their memory, inspiration, example and prayers are set before us today, so that we too can be encouraged in our own “journey of perfection”. What does it take to be a saint? Surely the Gospel that is appointed for today (the Beati-tudes) shows us that it is in the small things that we triumph: gentleness, mercy, making peace, faithful mourning, purity of heart, poverty in spirit. These are not grand, public ways to sanctity but domestic and homely ways to be practised and perfected with those closest to us. We sometimes exalt the “named” saints to the degree that we can feel they are distant from us. Today’s feast, as well as celebrating the memory of the many whose name we do not know, also prompts us to see holiness as within our grasp.

@<https://www.salfordliturgy.org.uk/allsaints.htm>

SIGN IN FOR MASS TODAY?

Please check in before entering our premises!

We're helping keep our community safe with contactless check-in. It's easy to check in:

- 1 Download the Service NSW app
- 2 In the app, select 'COVID Safe Check-in'
- 3 Follow the prompts



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<https://www.health.gov.au/resources/apps-and-tools/covidsafe-app>



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Let us all rejoice in the Lord,
as we celebrate the feast day in honour of all the Saints,
at whose festival the Angels rejoice and praise the Son of God.

FIRST READING: REVELATION 7:2-4,9-14 22:20-26

I, John, saw an angel ascending from the rising of the sun, having the seal of the living God, and he called with a loud voice to the four angels who had been given power to damage earth and sea, saying, "Do not damage the earth or the sea or the trees, until we have marked the servants of our God with a seal on their foreheads." And I heard the number of those who were sealed, one hundred forty-four thousand, sealed out of every tribe of the people of Israel. After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels stood around the throne, around the elders and the four living creatures; they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." Then one of the elders addressed me, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb."

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 24:1-6

The Lord owns the earth and its fullness,
the world and all its peoples.
It is he who set it on the seas;
on the waters he made it firm.

Who shall climb the mountain of the Lord?
Who shall stand in his holy place?
The one with clean hands and pure heart,
who desires not worthless things.

They shall receive blessings from the Lord
and reward from the God who saves them.
Such are the people who seek him,
seek the face of the God of Jacob.

**SECOND READING: 1 JOHN, 3:1-3**

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in God purify themselves, just as he is pure.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Come to me all you that labour and are burdened,
and I will give you rest, says the Lord.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 5:1-12A

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account.

Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven."

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

Blessed are the clean of heart, for they shall see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God.

Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness,
for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL - GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

Celebrant: *God alone is our strength, let us not be afraid to approach with our needs and the needs of our world.*

For the Church - that we may seek steadfast commitment to the Gospel, prayerful discernment of God's will and hunger for the peace of Christ to dwell in our hearts. God of forgiveness **Hear our Prayer**

For our world, ravaged by pandemic, fires, civil unrest, racial inequality, ethical confusion and environmental stress - that we act as people of hope and love, cultivating healing in all things. God of healing **Hear our Prayer**

For all people of faith - that, as we are encouraged by Pope Francis - we actively pursue peace, understanding, healing and unity between people of different faith traditions. God of unity **Hear our Prayer**

For all who are seriously ill, or nearing death - that through the support and loving care of family, friends and professional staff, they recognise with gratitude the loving presence of God throughout their life and rest in the peace of Christ. God of comfort **Hear our Prayer**

For all gathered here - that we may know and understand our own family history, and the history of the land that we live on, and that this understanding will free us of prejudice and allow us to seek justice for all. God of justice **Hear our Prayer**

For family, relations and friends who have died - that they may rejoice in the communion of saints forever. God of life **Hear our Prayer**

We pray together... All-holy God, you call your people to holiness. As we keep the festival of your saints, give us their poverty of spirit, a thirst for righteousness and a purity of heart. May we share with them the richness of your kingdom and be clothed in the glory you bestow. Grant this through Christ our Lord, **Amen.**

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.

KINDNESS CUPBOARD

Clementine Hartson (former student of St Clare's) and local State Member of Parliament and parishioner Marjorie O'Neill, have launched the Kindness Cupboard, found in the Church foyer.

- Take what you need and leave what you can. The cupboard will be available when the church is open, excluding rainy days.
- If you need food, please come and take what you need. If you have extra non perishable items at home, please come and leave them for those in need.

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>
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31 OCT - 1 NOV	SAT 5PM VIGIL	SUN 8.30AM	SUN 10.00AM	SUN 5.00PM
ALTAR SERVING	Barry Blake	Anthony Spratt	-	-
PROCLAIMER OF WORD	Margaret Blake	Trisha Brookes	Eddie Seeto	Peter Foley
EUCARIST MINISTER	Laura Neeson	Kevin Brookes	Susana Hansen Gisella Musumeci	Janet Gerzina
HOSPITALITY	Teresa Vigroux	Margaret Duncan	Eddie Seeto	Kathy Reilly
7 - 8 NOV	SAT 5PM VIGIL	SUN 8.30AM	SUN 10.00AM	SUN 5.00PM
ALTAR SERVING	Barry Blake	Anthony Spratt	Christian Abruzzese	-
PROCLAIMER OF WORD	Margaret Blake	Mario Vinciguerra	Bianca Abruzzese Annabelle Abruzzese	Daniel Wairau
EUCARIST MINISTER	Cameron Ward	Margaret Kelly	Dominic Abruzzese Jackie Durkin	Miriam Wairau
HOSPITALITY	Ruth Lucas	Phyllis Spratt	Jackie Durkin	Kathy Reilly
14 - 15 NOV	SAT 5PM VIGIL	SUN 8.30AM	SUN 10.00AM	SUN 5.00PM
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PROCLAIMER OF WORD	Margaret Blake	Anne Fahy	Bianca Abruzzese Annabelle Abruzzese	Baricevic Family
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HOSPITALITY	Laura Neeson	Margaret Duncan	Eddie Seeto	Kathy Reilly

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. Please chat with Fr Bernie to find out what might be involved (02) 9369 9328 or parishpriest@waverleycatholic.org.au.