



# 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.

## REFLECTION

Over the last few weeks, the gospel texts have dealt with issues of being prepared, staying ready, and using our gifts well. In some ways, all these themes culminate in today's text. This gospel presents us with the bottom line! Are we judged worthy of a place in the kingdom? The criteria for being judged worthy are very clear - it is how we have served those most in need. This is what will count. If we do not see Christ in our brothers and sisters in need, then our faith is blind and will not lead to the kingdom.

There is another aspect of this gospel that should not be overlooked. It is the apocalyptic vision of the Son of Man coming in glory and reigning over all the nations as King. To the King belongs the right of judgement and reward or punishment. While Matthew's community was in the 'in-between' time, the evangelist held before them the central truth that the Son of Man, the King, will come again in his glory as judge.

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### Parish Priest:

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### Parish Secretary:

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## DID YOU KNOW?

- The 'Son of Man' is a title that is often used of Jesus in the gospels. Scholars still debate the precise meaning of this title and whether Jesus used it of himself. The term, as used in the Book of Daniel, has messianic overtones; that is, it is used as a title for the Messiah.
- Service has always been at the heart of the church's work. Traditionally, the 'corporal works of mercy' are loosely based on Jesus' words in this gospel and include feeding the hungry, sheltering the homeless, clothing the naked, visiting the sick and imprisoned, and burying the dead.
- The church also identifies 'spiritual works of mercy' as 'instructing, advising, consoling, comforting, forgiving and bearing wrongs patiently.'

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## 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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**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:**

How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity,  
and wisdom and strength and honour.  
To him belong glory and power for ever and ever.

**FIRST READING: EZEKIEL 34:11-12, 15-17**

Thus says the Lord God: "I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness." "I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep and I will make them lie down," says the Lord God. "I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed my sheep with justice." "As for you, my flock," thus says the Lord God: "I shall judge between one sheep and another, between rams and goats."

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 23:1-3. 5-6**

The Lord is my shepherd;  
there is nothing I shall want.  
Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose.

Near restful waters he leads me,  
to revive my drooping spirit.  
He guides me along the right path;  
he is true to his name.

You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes.  
My head you have anointed with oil;  
my cup is overflowing.

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me  
all the days of my life.  
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever.

**SECOND READING: 1 CORINTHIANS 15:20-26, 28**

Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death. When all things are subjected to him, then the Son himself will also be subjected to the one who put all things in subjection under him, so that God may be all in all.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Alleluia, alleluia!  
Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord!  
Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David! Alleluia

**GOSPEL: MATTHEW 25:31-46**

Jesus said to his disciples: "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left."  
"Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did it to me.'  
Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fires prepared for the devil and his angels: for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:**

The Lord sits as King for ever.  
The Lord will bless his people with peace.



**PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL - GENERAL INTERCESSIONS**

**Fr Bernie:** Let us present our prayers to God, the shepherd who cares for all the flock:

- We pray for the Pope and leaders of our Church that by their great example they may help us to see Christ in every person that we meet.  
God of comfort and strength... **Hear our prayer**
- We pray for all the leaders of our country and states. That they may stand out as sheep among the goats and be righteous in all their decision making in protecting the vulnerable in the aftermath of COVID-19.  
God of comfort and strength... **Hear our prayer**
- We pray for all students, especially the Year 12 students in our community who have struggled due to the pandemic, that you may bless their career pathways and guide them through their journey of life.  
God of comfort and strength... **Hear our prayer**
- We pray for all the hungry, thirsty, lonely, sick, and those that are in prison. May you give us the heart to reach out to give food, drink, and company, especially to those that have no one else in their lives.  
God of comfort and strength... **Hear our prayer**
- We pray for all people who have never experienced the love of God that we may have the graces we need to be the ones to reach out and extend your hand of comfort.  
God of comfort and strength... **Hear our prayer**
- We pray for those who have passed beyond this world (especially those whose names are in book the of Remembrance), that they may dwell in the Lord's house for ever.  
God of comfort and strength... **Hear our prayer**

**We pray together:** Loving God, caring shepherd, you look after your people at every moment of our lives: hear the prayers we make, guide to be servant kings to one another and to always put our trust and faith in you, we make this prayer through Christ our Lord. **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 23 Nov** Revelation 14:1-5  
Luke 21:1-4
- Tue 24 Nov** Revelation 14:14-19  
Luke 21:5-11
- Wed 25 Nov** Revelation 15:1-4  
Luke 21:12-19
- Thu 26 Nov** Rev 18:1-2,21-23;19:1-3,9  
Luke 21:20-28
- Fri 27 Nov** Rev 20:1-4, 11-21:2  
Luke 21:29-33
- Sat 28 Nov** Revelation 22:1-7  
Luke 21:34-36
- Sun 29 Nov**  
Isaiah 63:16-17; 64:1,3-8  
Ps 79:2-3, 15-16, 18-19  
1 Corin 1:3-9  
Mark 13:33-37

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Those who are sick:** Abp Anthony Fisher, Ann Thomas (Fr Bernie's Mum), Maya Renouf (Carla's Mum), Michelle Byrne, Rosemary Cooley & Craig Lyons.

**Those with anniversaries at this time:** Allan Smith

**Those recently baptised:** Evie & Ruby Redmond, Hariette Meppem and Ruby & Grace Fearman

**NEWS & NOTICES**

**CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES  
REGISTRATION FOR MASS ESSENTIAL!**

With a maximum capacity of 160 people allowed in the church at one time, we require **that all attending Mass for the below dates, to please register online.**

**REGISTRATIONS ARE NOW OPEN!**

**THURS, 24 DECEMBER (CHRISTMAS EVE)**

**NB: No 9:15am morning Mass**  
**5:00pm & 7:00pm** - Family Vigil Mass  
*The children are invited to dress up as their favourite nativity character (please no glitter)*

**FRIDAY, 25 DECEMBER (CHRISTMAS DAY)**

**8:30am & 10:00am** - Mass only.  
**NB: No evening Mass on Christmas Day**

**SATURDAY, 26 DECEMBER (BOXING DAY)**

**NB: No 9:15am morning Mass**  
**5:00pm** - Family Vigil Mass

**FRIDAY 1 JANUARY 2021 (NEW YEARS DAY)**

**9:15am** - Morning Mass

**SATURDAY, 2 JANUARY 2021**

**9:15am** - Morning Mass & Reconciliation  
**5:00pm** - Family Vigil Mass

**SUNDAY, 3 JANUARY 2021**

**8:30am** - Morning Mass  
**10:00am** - Morning Mass  
**5:00pm** - Family Vigil Mass

**REACHING BEYOND 2020**



People of all trades and professions are being requested by communities abroad seeking to build the capacity of their organisations and the skills of their people. Restrictions this year have made communities' needs acute, but your assistance will help to develop self-reliance and sustainable solutions to poverty. Palms Australia will provide you with thorough preparation to ensure your readiness as travel resumes, and support on assignment. See [www.palms.org.au](http://www.palms.org.au) and talk to Roger on 0431 995 058, or email [palms@palms.org.au](mailto:palms@palms.org.au)

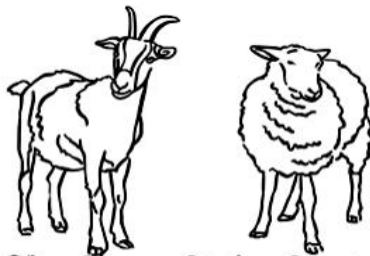
**BAPTISMS AT MARY IMMACULATE**

Baptisms for 2020 are now at capacity. Due to restrictions, we are taking bookings for 3 families per ceremony. The next available dates are: 21st or 28th February at 11:30am. Baptism preparation essential. Book: 9369 9399 or [office@waverleycatholic.org.au](mailto:office@waverleycatholic.org.au).

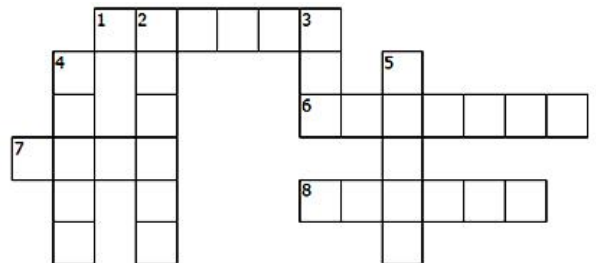
**CHANGE OF ADDRESS**

Due to the unreliability of the local postal service, we are owners of our own Post Box. Our new postal address is:  
**PO Box 577, Waverley NSW 2024.**

**KIDS CORNER**



*The Sheep & the Goats*



**ACROSS**

1. A special chair used by a king or queen
6. The need or desire to drink something, especially water
7. A man who rules a country
8. A place where people are kept as a punishment

**DOWN**

2. To feel a desire or need for food
3. To put food into the mouth, chew it, and swallow it
4. To take in and swallow liquid through the mouth
5. To go to spend time with someone

EAT	THIRSTY	HUNGRY	PRISON
VISIT	KING	THRONE	DRINK

**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.




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**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.



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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  
**Asst Dir of Identity & Student formation:** Mr Stephen Ghattas

**MINISTRY ROSTER**

Please arrange for a replacement if you cannot serve. Fr Bernie on 9369 9328 or [parishpriest@waverleycatholic.org.au](mailto:parishpriest@waverleycatholic.org.au)

21 – 22 NOV	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	Vincent Conroy	Gaye Zammit	Jackie Durkin Genevieve Roberts	Miriam Wairau
HOSPITALITY	Warren Kelly	Phyllis Spratt	Jackie Durkin	Kathy Reilly
28 – 29 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	Genevieve Roberts	Peter Foley
EUCHARIST MINISTER	Laura Neeson	Kevin Brookes	Eddie Seeto Susana Hansen	Janet Gerzina
HOSPITALITY	Teresa Vigroux	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.

Are you already rostered on to help in one of our liturgical ministries each month? Make sure you have completed all necessary forms, got your Working with Children Check and completed the Safeguard Induction Training. Please chat with Fr Bernie or the Parish Secretary to find out more on (02) 9369 9399 or [parishpriest@waverleycatholic.org.au](mailto:parishpriest@waverleycatholic.org.au).