



# 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.

**Christmas:** Booking online essential.

### PARISH CENTRE

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#### Pastoral Coordinator:

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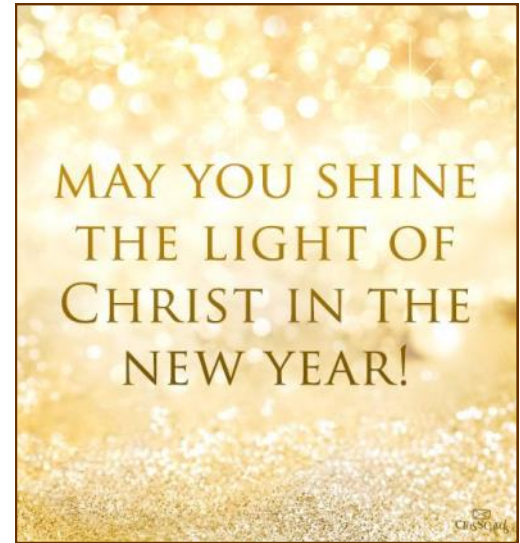
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### THANK YOU

As the New Year approaches, Waverley Parish would like to thank all volunteers who have generously donated their time and efforts so selflessly to our Parish in 2020. Maintaining a church takes considerable time & effort, and we appreciate each and every one of you, so thank you for a wonderful year.

### PARISH SECRETARY ON LEAVE

Please note that Carla will be on leave from Mon 21st to 28th December & from 31st December to Tuesday, 12th January. Emails will be checked periodically.



### MINISTRY ROSTER

26 - 27 DEC	SAT 5PM VIGIL	SUN 8.30AM	SUN 10.00AM	SUN 5.00PM
<b>ALTAR SERVING</b>	Barry Blake	Anthony Spratt	Celina Seeto	-
<b>PROCLAIMER OF WORD</b>	Margaret Blake	Trisha Brookes	Genevieve Roberts	Karl Baricevic
<b>EUCHARIST MINISTER</b>	Vincent Conroy	Francine Darvill	Eddie Seeto	Janet Gerzina
<b>HOSPITALITY</b>	Laura Neeson	Margaret Duncan	Eddie Seeto	Kathy Reilly
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<b>ALTAR SERVING</b>	Barry Blake	Anthony Spratt	Celina Seeto	-
<b>PROCLAIMER OF WORD</b>	Margaret Blake	Anne Fahy	Des Durkin	Peter Foley
<b>EUCHARIST MINISTER</b>	Cameron Ward	Margaret Kelly	Jackie Durkin	Kathy Reilly
<b>HOSPITALITY</b>	Ruth Lucas	Phyllis Spratt	Jackie Durkin	Kathy Reilly

### 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 on mobile
- 2 In the app, select 'COVID Safe Check-in'
- 3 Follow the prompts



Let's BE COVIDSAFE together Download the App.  
<https://www.health.gov.au/resources/apps-and-tools/covidsafe-app>



**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:**

The shepherds went in haste,  
and found Mary and Joseph and the Infant lying in a manger.

**FIRST READING: SIRACH 3:2-6, 12-14**

The Lord honours a father above his children, and he confirms a mother's right over her children. Those who honour their father atone for sins, and those who respect their mother are like those who lay up treasure. Those who honour their father will have joy in their own children, and when they pray they will be heard. Those who respect their father will have long life, and those who honour their mother obey the Lord. My child, help your parents in their old age, and do not grieve them as long as they live; even if their minds fail, be patient with them; because you have all your faculties do not despise them. For kindness to your mother and father will not be forgotten, and will be credited to you against your sins.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 104:1-6, 8-9**

Give thanks to the Lord, tell his name,  
make known his deeds among the peoples.  
O sing to him, sing his praise;  
tell all his wonderful works!

Be proud of his holy name,  
let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice.  
Consider the Lord and his strength;  
constantly seek his face.

Remember the wonders he has done,  
his miracles, the judgements he spoke.  
O children of Abraham, his servant,  
O sons of the Jacob he chose.

He remembers his covenant for ever,  
his promise for a thousand generations  
the covenant he made with Abraham,  
the oath he swore to Isaac.

**SECOND READING: COLOSSIANS 3:12-21**

As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him. Wives, be subject to your husbands, as is fitting in the Lord. Husbands, love your wives and never treat them harshly. Children, obey your parents in everything, for this is your acceptable duty in the Lord. Fathers, do not provoke your children, or they may lose heart.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the peace of Christ rule in your hearts  
and the fullness of the message live within you. Alleluia!

**GOSPEL: LUKE 2:22-40**

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, Mary and Joseph brought the child Jesus up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (as it is written in the law of the Lord, "Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord"), and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated, in the law of the Lord, "a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons."

Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man  
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was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying, "Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word; for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel."

And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, "This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed - and a sword will pierce your own soul too."

There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple, but worshipped there with fasting and prayer night and day. At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem. When Mary and Joseph had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favour of God was upon him.

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:**

Our God has appeared on the earth,  
and lived among us.



**PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL - GENERAL INTERCESSIONS**

*As members of God's family, we bring our prayers to the Lord, whose love surpasses all others:*

**For the Church** – that it will be just in all its dealings, treat men and women with equal dignity, families with respect, and ensure that its liturgical language creates a vision of justice.  
Lord born anew hear our prayer **Christ our Lord hear our prayer.**

**For families in refugee camps** – that world leaders will work together to settle refugees in permanent homes and that refugees will be made welcome in their new countries.  
Lord born anew hear our prayer **Christ our Lord hear our prayer.**

**For families** – that families everywhere will spend rich time together in recreation, in prayer, in listening to each other and being attentive to each other's needs and the needs of their local community.  
Lord born anew hear our prayer **Christ our Lord hear our prayer.**

**For parents** – that they nourish their children with a sense of joy and delight in life, an optimism for the future, a willingness to serve others, and a thirst to grow in love of God.  
Lord born anew hear our prayer **Christ our Lord hear our prayer.**

**For children who live in poverty** – that we all creatively address the causes of poverty, and find new and effective solutions to lift children from poverty, so that they can engage fully and positively with life.  
Lord born anew hear our prayer **Christ our Lord hear our prayer.**

**For those who died recently**, for the people from our parish family who died during 2020, and for all who still grieve for them, that they all may now see the face of God.  
Lord born anew hear our prayer **Christ our Lord hear our prayer.**

**We pray together:** *O God, you cradle us at the beginning of life and embrace us at journey's end. In trusting your Son to the care of Mary and Joseph you honoured the life of every family. May we live as Jesus, Mary and Joseph, in the love of the Trinity. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord.*  
**Amen**