



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.

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TODAY'S REFLECTION

The movement in this text is interesting to note. The Baptist and his disciples are standing still while Jesus is passing. John gives witness to Jesus as the Lamb of God, a term not normally used of a person. The disciples exhibit an interest in this man based on John's witness about him. They move away from John and towards Jesus. It is a movement of faith, although at this point they do not really understand who Jesus is. Jesus asks them a momentous question: 'What do you want?' It was normal for a teacher to gather students around him, so these two want to know where he lives so that they might come to hear his teachings. Instead they are invited not just to listen to the teachings, but to share the life of Jesus. Having entered into this, they recognise that Jesus is more than a teacher and give witness to him themselves: 'We have found the Messiah.' They draw others to Jesus, including Simon Peter, who is to become especially important as the story unfolds.



FURTHER REFLECTION

What does it mean to be a follower of the Lord Jesus? Surely to listen and hear his voice, and to go where he leads us. Today, as we enter the ordinary season of the year, we begin our story of Jesus' life and ministry with the calling of the first disciples. John fulfils his ministry - pointing to the Lamb of God - and the disciples follow where he points. His word to them is simple and inviting: "Come and see." This echoes the calling of Samuel - a simple call, by name, which Samuel does not understand: discipleship is about trust, which Samuel shows simply by saying "Speak, Lord; your servant is listening." The Psalm also underlines this, as we (the disciples of the Lord) sing together: "Here I am, Lord! I come to do your will." We hear his call, and we freely go to him, to listen again to the words of the Master.

DID YOU KNOW?

- Part of the celebration of the Passover festival was the ritual sacrifice of many lambs so that the Jews could eat the Passover meal. In the story of Exodus, the blood of the lamb was shed so that it could be daubed on doorposts and thus enable the people to escape the angel of death. John recognises that Jesus will be the one to give his life for the sake of all.
- 'Messiah' is a Hebrew word that means 'anointed one'. 'Christ' is the Greek word meaning the same thing.
- A disciple is a person who follows a particular teacher and shares his or her views.

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:

All the earth shall bow down before you, O God,
and shall sing to you, shall sing to your name, O Most High!

FIRST READING: 1 SAMUEL 3:3-10, 19

Samuel was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was. Then the Lord called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" Samuel ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But Eli said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. The Lord called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. The Lord called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place. Now the Lord came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening." As Samuel grew up, the Lord was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 39:2, 4, 7-10

I waited, I waited for the Lord
and he stooped down to me; he heard my cry.
He put a new song into my mouth, praise of our God.

You do not ask for sacrifice and offerings,
but an open ear.
You do not ask for holocaust and victim.
Instead, here am I.

In the scroll of the book it stands written
that I should do your will.
My God, I delight in your law
in the depth of my heart.

Your justice I have proclaimed
in the great assembly.
My lips I have not sealed;
you know it, O Lord.



SECOND READING: 1 CORINTHIANS 6:13-15, 17-20

The body is meant not for fornication but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. And God raised the Lord and will also raise us by his power. Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? But anyone united to the Lord becomes one spirit with him.

Shun fornication! Every sin that a person commits is outside the body; but the fornicator sins against the body itself. Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not your own? For you were bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!
We have found the Messiah:
Jesus Christ, who brings us truth and grace. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: JOHN 1:35-42

John was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, "Look, here is the Lamb of God!" The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" (which translated means Teacher), "where are you staying?" He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon.

One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas" (which is translated Peter).

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

You have prepared a table before me,
and how precious is the chalice that quenches my thirst.

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

To the Lord we say, 'Here we are, with our needs and prayers'. The Lord in turn says to us, 'Here I am, to hear and answer you'. And so we pray:

For the Church – that we, the baptized listen deeply to the Word of God, allow it to transform us and lead us to share in Christ's mission...
God of transformation **Hear our Prayer**

For community and national leaders – that they will act with integrity, resist using their positions for their own benefit, and focus on establishing laws and principles that add dignity to people's lives...
God of Integrity **Hear our Prayer**

For teenagers and young adults – that they will have people of wisdom they can turn to in times of uncertainty, difficulty and doubt, and that they will receive wise and understanding counsel...
God of Wisdom **Hear our Prayer**

For older and senior members of society – that they will reflect on their own experience of life, be kind, compassionate and share their wisdom patiently with younger people...
God of compassion **Hear our Prayer**

For the earth, our common home – that we might wonder at the extreme beauty of nature, see in it God's eternal and incarnate presence and be committed to protecting and caring for it...
God of Creation **Hear our Prayer**

For all of us who are gathered here now – that our homes will be places of warm welcome, offering hospitality to guests and family alike...
God of welcome **Hear our Prayer**

We pray together: *God, your voice goes out to all the earth, and you call each of us by name, to listen to you. Strengthen us in faith, so that we might heed your call to "come and follow"...*
We ask this 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.*

MASS INTENTIONS

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

Those recently deceased: Jean Phyllis Morton, Maureen Britton & Francis Burke.

Those with anniversaries at this time: Mick Malouf, William Malouf, Raymond Malouf, Jean Malouf, Malouf & Dickson Families, and Leonard Peirce (16/1).

NEWS & NOTICES

AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED

A message from *Aid to the Church in Need Australia*: As we begin a new year please remember the suffering Church. Your donation helps keep the faith alive during these difficult times. www.aidtochurch.org

DONATIONS ONLINE

We are pleased to introduce the option for Parishioners or guests to donate online through our website. Whether it is for a Wedding, Baptism, Planned Giving, Sacramental Programme, Christmas or Easter offering, to Support our Parish or Support our Priests. Please see the top right corner of our website under "Support Us" button or visit directly www.bpoint.com.au/pay/waverleyparish. Any questions call us on 9369 9399.

MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS

Are you 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.

BAPTISMS AT MARY IMMACULATE

Due to restrictions, we are only booking 3 families per ceremony. The next available date is: 21st March at 11:30am. Baptism preparation essential. Forms on website. Please call the Parish Office on 9369 9399.

FOODBANK

The House of Welcome works with people seeking asylum and refugees to provide critical casework, housing, employment, food bank and emergency living assistance. During COVID-19 the demand for financial assistance has risen. House of Welcome (HoW) has increased the Emergency Living Package program by 216% to respond to the amplified levels of distress and hardship amongst their clients. There are a number of ways that you can help such as donating to the Emergency Relief Package or donate staple food items and leave them in Parish Church baskets for collection. For more information contact (02) 9727 9290 or office@houseofwelcome.com.au



CHURCH OPENING HOURS

Due to the latest regulations from the Archdiocese of Sydney and the Federal Government we have to keep the Church closed. **The actual times of opening in the church are as follows:**

Mon-Fri 8.15am to 10.15am - Mass 9.15am
Sat 8.15am to 10.15am - Mass 9.15am
4pm to 6pm - Mass 5pm
Sunday 7am to 11.15am - Mass 8.30/10am
4pm to 6pm - Mass at 5pm

You are welcome to use the Marian Grotto next to the church for private prayer.

MINISTRY ROSTER - JANUARY (WEEK 3 & 4)

16 – 17 JAN (WEEK 3)	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	Gabrielle McAnespie	Bianca Abruzzese	Daniel Wairau
EUCARIST MINISTER	Laura Neeson	Gai Zammit	Susana Hansen	Miriam Wairau
HOSPITALITY	Teresa Vigroux	Phyllis Spratt	Jackie Durkin	Kathy Reilly
23 – 24 JAN (WEEK 4)	SAT 5PM VIGIL	SUN 8.30AM	SUN 10.00AM	SUN 5.00PM
ALTAR SERVING	Barry Blake	Anthony Spratt	Celina Seeto	-
PROCLAIMER OF WORD	Margaret Blake	Mario Vinciguerra	Genevieve Roberts	Baricevic Family
EUCARIST MINISTER	Shirley Lyons	Francine Darvill	Gisella Musumeci	Joy Pertile
HOSPITALITY	Laura Neeson	Margaret Duncan	Eddie Seeto	Kathy Reilly

LOCAL SCHOOLS

St Charles' Primary School
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REC: Mrs Leanne Quinn
Family Educator: Mrs Caroline Doherty

St Clare's College, Waverley
 41-51 Carrington Road, Waverley 2024
 P (02) 8305 7100
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School Principal: Ms Antoinette McGahan
REC: Mr Mark McCoy

Waverley College, Senior Campus
 131 Birrell Street, Waverley 2024
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Principal: Mr Graham Leddie
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 Ms Suzanne Walsh

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KIDS CORNER

Each number represents a letter of the alphabet. Substitute the correct letter for the numbers to reveal the coded words.



1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Q	P	T	F	C	V	U	A	R	M	Z	Y	J	O	N	G	W	I	X	K	B	E	L	D	H	S

- 26-2-22-8-20 _____
- 5-8-23-23-22-24 _____
- 3-22-10-2-23-22 _____
- 26-8-10-7-22-23 _____
- 26-22-9-6-8-15-3 _____
- 23-18-26-3-22-15 _____
- 22-23-18 _____
- 10-18-15-18-26-3-22-9 _____

MINISTER LISTEN	SPEAK ELI	TEMPLE SAMUEL	SERVANT CALLED
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Color Me!



Samuel Does Right
 1 Samuel 2-4, 7