



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.

Open: **8:00am - 2:30pm weekdays**
8:00am - 6:00pm weekends

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REFLECTION

After the joys and exuberance of Easter Sunday and Easter Week, we settle down into the longest Season in the Churches Year - Eastertide. This period of fifty days is a time of sustained gladness, which comes through reading and reflecting on the Scriptures which describe the risen life of Jesus - not just his appearances to the disciples after the Resurrection, but the teachings from his ministry which reveal the risen life he now possesses. We also spend time hearing about how the Resurrection made a difference: how the timid and frightened disciples were able to leave Jerusalem and proclaim a message of life over death to the whole world, as we read through the book of the Acts of the Apostles. We also linger over the first letter of Saint John, which ties together so many of the themes of Easter: life, faith, baptism, the Spirit - all brought together in the person of the Lord Jesus, risen from the dead. On this second Sunday, we continue to track through real time, by hearing what happened in Jerusalem on the Sunday after the Resurrection. with the Lord appearing to Thomas - strengthening his faith, and strengthening ours as we listen to the account.

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



FURTHER REFLECTION

This gospel is one of transformation. The fear of the disciples is transformed by the gift of peace, and the doubt of Thomas is transformed by his encounter with the risen Jesus. With this transformation, however, comes responsibility. The disciples are not to simply bask in the joy of Christ risen but are sent to continue the mission of Jesus in the world: 'As the Father sent me, so I am sending you.'

When Thomas is told by his companions that they have seen Jesus, he places his own conditions on faith. He will not believe unless he sees. Jesus must fulfil the expectation that Thomas has. The following week, he is forced to confront this and is brought to realise the pointlessness of imposing conditions on God. Only then can he see that God's ways are often surprising. Only after accepting this truth does Thomas come to understand what faith really is. @<https://www.cam1.org.au/evangelisation/>

DID YOU KNOW?

- The period from Easter to Pentecost is known as 'the Great Fifty Days' and is an integral part of the Lent – Easter – Pentecost cycle.
- There is an ancient tradition that St Thomas preached the Gospel as far east as India.
- In Aramaic, the language spoken by Jesus, the name of Thomas means 'twin'.

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



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Receive the joy of your glory, giving thanks to God, who has called you into the heavenly kingdom, alleluia.

FIRST READING: ACTS 4:32-35

The whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 118

Let the family of Israel say,
His love has no end.

Let the family of Aaron say,
His love has no end.

Let those who fear the Lord say,
His love has no end.

I was thrust down and falling,
but the Lord was my helper.

The Lord is my strength and my song
He was my saviour.

There are shouts of joy and victory
in the tents of the just.

The stone rejected by the builders
is now the cornerstone.

This is the work of the Lord
a marvel in our eyes.

This day was made by the Lord
we rejoice and are glad.

RESPONSE (10AM ONLY):

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever

SECOND READING: 1 JOHN 5:1-6

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: JOHN 20:29

Alleluia, alleluia!

You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me, says the Lord;
Blessed are those who have not seen me, but still believe! Alleluia

GOSPEL: JOHN 20:19-31

It was evening on the day Jesus rose from the dead, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jewish authorities. Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you."

When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

But Thomas, who was called the Twin, one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails, and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.



GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

Introduction: *The Risen Christ brought his peace to the apostles when he showed them his pierced hands and side. Let us pray confidently in his name, knowing that he brings true peace through his victory over death.*

For the Church – that we who are the Church will be instruments of peace, and agents of reconciliation to all people.

Christ has died, Christ is risen!

Alleluia. Alleluia.

For the leaders of nations – that global leaders will strive to establish peace among all peoples and all nations.

Christ has died, Christ is risen!

Alleluia. Alleluia.

For the newly baptized – that they will be supported, affirmed and encouraged by their parish or faith community, their faith nourished, and the promise of baptism brought to life in them.

Christ has died, Christ is risen!

Alleluia. Alleluia.

For land and property owners – that they will be generous with their possessions, sharing what they have and providing for the poor.

Christ has died, Christ is risen!

Alleluia. Alleluia.

For people without adequate housing – that we who are Christian will work to ensure everybody is accommodated in affordable homes that are warm and dry.

Christ has died, Christ is risen!

Alleluia. Alleluia.

For our local community of Waverley – that we witness to our local community the message of hope - the true message of Easter

Christ has died, Christ is risen!

Alleluia. Alleluia.

We pray together: *Father of Infinite Mercy, we offer our prayers knowing in faith that in your goodness you will answer us through the power of the Spirit. We rejoice because we believe that the Risen Christ lives and reigns 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.*

WISH TO DONATE ONLINE?

We are pleased to offer the option for Parishioners or guests to donate online through our website with CBA.
NB: There are different billing codes for each type of donation. Just scan this QR code to go straight to donation page.

Questions?
9369 9399.

Thank you for your support!



MASS INTENTIONS

Those who are sick: Ann Thomas (Fr Bernie's Mum), Maya Renouf (Carla's Mum), Michelle Byrne, Scott Lyons, Allana Vedder, Michael Vesper & Robert See.

Those with anniversaries at this time: Allan Smith, William & Annie Brennan, George & Mary Jones Family

NEWS & NOTICES

SCAFFOLDING ON CHURCH

A reminder that there is **no parking available in the church grounds.**
Scaffolding has gone up on the East side (Friary) and in mid-May scaffolding will move to the western side (Parish Centre).
No work will be carried out during Mass, no scaffolding inside the church, but there will be workers on site during the week. Any queries, please call Parish Office on 9369 9399 or office@waverleycatholic.org.au

ACT1V8 - AN ONLINE NIGHT FOR YOUNG ADULTS & YOUTH OF THE EASTERN DEANERY

The Eastern Deanery team together with the parishes in the East have organised another Act1v8 with Fr Rob Galea. It is a short inspirational message followed by Q&A, so come along and get to know the man behind the guitar. Fri 9th Aug 7pm ON ZOOM. Register to receive the link via easterndeanerysydney@gmail.com or call Janice on 0414188682 for more info.

BAPTISMS AT MARY IMMACULATE

We are booking 4 families per ceremony and recommend no more than 30 guest per family. The next available date is 27th June at 11:30am. Baptism preparation essential. Forms on website or in church foyer.

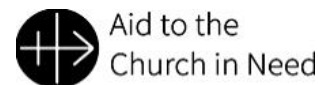


CHRISTIAN MEDITATION GROUP

Christian Meditation is once again being held in the Parish Centre at 5.30pm on Monday evening. Interested? Call Trisha on 0405 516 972 or Maureen on 0425 225 095.

MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS

Are you rostered on to help in one of our liturgical ministries each month? It is time to update our roster for 2021. Please could you advise us by the end of April if there are any changes to your allocation or if you no longer wish to volunteer in the Parish. Thank you for your support during these times.



A message from *Aid to the Church in Need Australia*: In many places religious sisters are the custodians of the faith, but often these communities struggle just to live. Across the course of a year ACN supports more than 18,000 religious sisters in Africa, Asia, Eastern Europe and Latin America. Could you help support a religious sister? Visit www.aidtochurch.org/sisters

MINISTRY ROSTER - APRIL

10 - 11 APRIL	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	Trisha Bookes	Annabelle Abruzzese	Peter Foley
EUCARIST MINISTER	Susana Hansen	Kevin Brookes	Tony Abruzzese	Miriam Wairau
HOSPITALITY	Warren Kelly	Phyllis Spratt	Jackie Durkin	Kathy Reilly
17 - 18 APRIL	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	Eddie Seeto	Joy Pertile
EUCARIST MINISTER	Shirley Lyons	Francine Darvill	Alison Abruzzese	Kathy Reilly
HOSPITALITY	Ruth Lucas	Margaret Duncan	Eddie Seeto	Kathy Reilly

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St Charles' Primary School
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School Principal: Mr Paul Croker
REC: 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: Mrs Kerrie McDiarmid
REC: Mr Mark McCoy

Waverley College, Senior Campus
 131 Birrell Street, Waverley 2024
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Principal: Mr Graham Leddie
Dir of Identity & Student Formation:
 Ms Suzanne Walsh

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 Ms Gabrielle Bransby
Asst Dir of Identity & Student formation:
 Mr Stephen Ghattas

SAFEGUARDING IN PARISH

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/ for more info.



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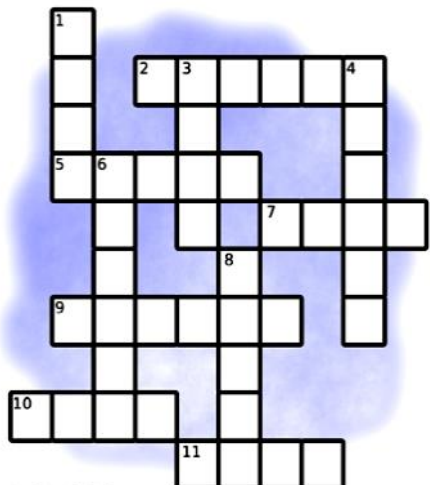
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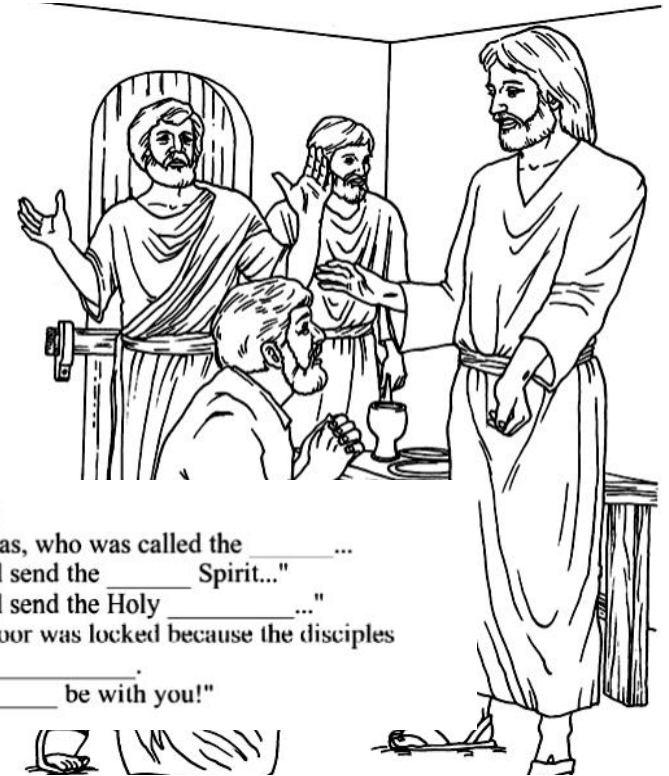
KIDS CORNER



How well do you know the story of doubting Thomas? Today's Gospel reading will help you find the answers!



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 @<https://sermons4kids.com>



ACROSS:

2. Which apostle wasn't there the first time Jesus came to them after the Resurrection?
5. Thomas wanted to see the marks on Jesus' hands from the _____.
7. "My _____ and my God!"
9. "As the _____ sent Me..."
10. Jesus showed him the wound in His _____.
11. "As the Father sent Me, so I _____ you."

DOWN:

1. Thomas, who was called the _____ ...
3. "I will send the _____ Spirit..."
4. "I will send the Holy _____..."
6. The door was locked because the disciples were _____.
8. "_____ be with you!"

