



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 - CHURCH CLOSED

Monday - Friday: 9:15am.

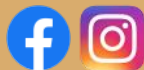
Saturday: 9:15am followed by Reconciliation & 5:00pm Vigil.

Sunday: 9:15am & 5:00pm.

Baptism: Last two Sundays of each month at 10:45am. Bookings essential.

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REFLECTION

This is the famous "Eucharistic Discourse" and begins with the miracle of the feeding of the five thousand. A line of the Psalm gives the meaning of today's readings: "The eyes of all creatures look to you (O God) and you give them their food in due time." Our God is the God who provides for his people; the prosperity and fruitfulness of our earth and the mysterious cycles of nature ensures that all have what they need - and have some left over. The actions of Elisha and Jesus are in a sense prophetic: many would say that there is not enough food in this world to go round, just as the two sets of disciples complain that there is not enough for the hundred or the five thousand. But the prophetic action states that this is not true: God provides what is needed. This might prompt us to think about the unfair and unequal distribution of the fruits of the earth: the miracle is a sign of the Kingdom of God - what God wants the world to be like. Perhaps we should take the message of the miracle to heart this Sunday and think about the multitude that still sits in hunger in our world today.

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For the next five weeks, we will follow the story of the multiplication miracle and the long discourse that follows it in John's Gospel. The 'bread of life' discourse provides important teaching on the Eucharist. It is significant that the setting is shortly before the Passover, which was the Jewish feast recalling the escape of the people from slavery in Egypt and their being fed by God with bread (manna) from heaven in the desert. One of the expected signs of the coming of the Messiah was another, even greater, feeding with manna. The people have been attracted to Jesus because of his cures of the sick and now they come looking for more.

Jesus provides more than enough; there is an abundance. The actions of Jesus in this text remind us of the Eucharist. He takes, gives thanks and gives out the bread. But the crowd misunderstands his gift. They seek a Messiah who will liberate them from Roman oppression or who will provide for their material needs. Jesus is not interested in being that kind of 'king'.

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DID YOU KNOW?

- The Philip of this episode is mentioned in all four apostolic lists (Matthew 10:3, Mark 3:18, Luke 6:14, Acts 1:13). He came from Bethsaida on the northern shores of the lake and is referred to most often in John's Gospel.
- Two hundred denarii is a large sum of money. A denarius was a Roman silver coin, and one denarius represented a worker's daily wage.
- 'This really is the prophet who is to come into the world.' One of the great symbols of the coming of the Messiah often used in the Hebrew Scriptures was the abundant feast. Here Jesus provides abundantly; thus he is presented as 'the prophet who is to come'.
- The twelve hampers full that were gathered up could well represent the twelve tribes of Israel. Jesus gathers all the people to himself.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

God is in his holy place,
God who unites those who dwell in his house;
he himself gives might and strength to his people.

FIRST READING: 2 KINGS 4:42-44

A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing food from the first fruits to the man of God: twenty loaves of barley and fresh ears of grain in his sack. Elisha said, "Give it to the people and let them eat." But his servant said, "How can I set this before a hundred people?" So he repeated, "Give it to the people and let them eat, for thus says the Lord, 'They shall eat and have some left.'" He set it before them, they ate, and had some left, according to the word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: 145

All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord,
and your friends shall repeat their blessing.
They shall speak of the glory of your reign
and declare your might, O Lord.

The eyes of all creatures look to you,
and you give them their food in due time;
you open wide your hand,
and grant the desires of all who live.

You are just in all his ways
and loving in all deeds,
you are close to all who call upon you,
who call on you from their hearts.

SECOND READING: EPHESIANS 4:1-6

I, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia! A great prophet has appeared among us;
God has visited his people. Alleluia

GOSPEL: JOHN 6:1-15

Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover festival was near.

When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to Jesus, "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?" Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world." When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.



REFLECTION

Today's Old Testament and Gospel readings tell of the feeding of hungry people. Elijah's miracle, for the poor widow, came towards the end of a long drought when famine raged in the land of Israel, and the kindly action of a well-wisher enabled the prophet to feed his hungry community. We are all too familiar from television with the obscenity of people dying of starvation in an affluent world for whom there has been no miraculous feeding. Sometimes, by contrast, we have known joyful moments of humane solidarity, when music and celebration aroused the hope that we could "Feed the World." On days like that, the little we gave seemed as important as the loaves and fishes. When people share food and resources with strangers, barriers are broken down. They recognize their dependence on one another. But just as soon as one crisis of starvation has been relieved, another seems to arise. People in the poorest countries still struggle, just to survive. It is easy to feel powerless in the face of the sheer impossibility of feeding the world, to allow the first symptoms of "compassion fatigue" as the aid agencies call it, to give way to numbed indifference. Like Elijah's servant or Andrew, we ask, "How can we feed so many, with so little?"

It would horrify the humane voters in democratic lands if our leaders and planners openly admitted how the economic logic which sustains our way of life dictates that the most powerless are destined to go hungry for ever. But our developed world makes tough trade agreements, creates food mountains and milk-lakes, and diverts financial and human resources into the arms trade rather than into development and education. Even if our leaders and planners are sensible, humane people, they are—like ourselves—caught in the web of unjust expectations which is part of what we mean by "the sin of the world."

Mahatma Ghandi said once, "To the poor man, God does not appear except in the form of bread and in the promise of work." The Eucharist renews the deepest springs of our humanity by a story of bread broken and eaten for the life of the world. Can we help those who celebrate the Eucharist with us this Sunday to see a link between it and the hunger of the world? Has the parish some project to support a missionary helping in the developing world, or can some local people to be enlisted in telling the story of such a project? "Gather up the fragments so that nothing gets wasted." Global solutions lie beyond the power of our local parish, which is why we need to remember the lesson of the fragments. If we can put a little new heart into our efforts, that will be something worthwhile. If we can become conscious of our wastefulness of world resources, it may be the beginning of repentance.

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.
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Questions?
9369 9399.

Thank you for your support!



MASS INTENTIONS

Those who are sick: Ann Thomas (Fr Bernie's Mum), Michelle Byrne, Scott Lyons, Allana Vedder, Michael Vesper, Robert See, Mike Newman & Lizzie Prior.

Those with anniversaries at this time: Jim Connelly (25/7)

NEWS & NOTICES

PARISH SECRETARY WORKING REMOTELY FROM HOME

Please note Carla is currently working from home. Emails will be checked in work hours. All urgent matters, please contact Fr Bernie on parishpriest@waverleycatholic.org.au

BAPTISMS AT MARY IMMACULATE

We are currently taking bookings for Baptisms for the last two Sundays of each month in September, October and November. We are only booking 3 families per Sunday so as to stick with current social distancing guidelines. Any questions please email us.



CATHOLIC MISSION: INDIA COVID-19 APPEAL

The aid agency, Catholic Mission, has launched an urgent appeal to provide immediate help for vulnerable communities devastated by COVID-19 in India. Well over 300,000 people have died from the illness in India and hospitals have been struggling to cope. Through donating to Catholic Mission, you will be playing a key role in supporting the valuable work of mission hospitals in the country. Donate online via the Catholic Mission website here:
<https://www.catholicmission.org.au/donate/your-donation?id=covid-19-india>.

SACRAMENT OF FIRST EUCHARIST

Due to the current COVID 19 situation, we have had to postpone the Parent Information Evening until further notice. Further details will be advised for First Eucharist and Confirmation once the current lockdown is resolved. We appreciate your understanding and support in this decision. Stay safe!



RECEIPTS & TAX DEDUCTION PERCENTAGE FOR 2021

Receipts for the following were mailed out from Monday 19 July 2021:

- Planned Giving (100% tax deduction)
- CWF (tax deduction 100% November)

Please note in respect of CWF the August appeal was cancelled due to COVID-19 and for the May appeal the Archdiocese undertook to issue the receipts.

GETTING MARRIED??

It is expected that any couple intending to marry will participate in one of the Pre-Marriage Courses offered in the Archdiocese of Sydney. CatholicCare Sydney invites you to spend some time building or strengthening the foundations for your married life. You can choose between 2 different courses, suited to your individual needs: Becoming One or Intimate II. Courses are run either in the group, online or face-to-face format, on weeknights and some weekends. More info about the Marriage and Relationship Education program can be found on their website www.catholiccare.org, call (02) 9509 1234 or email mre@catholiccare.org



VISITED MARY'S GROTTTO?

Have you visited the Grotto to collect a copy of this bulletin?

Please remember to check-in before when on our premises!

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



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REC: Mrs Leanne Quinn
Family Educator: Mrs Caroline Doherty

St Clare's College, Waverley
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 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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 P (02) 9387 5022
 W <https://waverley.nsw.edu.au/2>
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 Ms Gabrielle Bransby
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 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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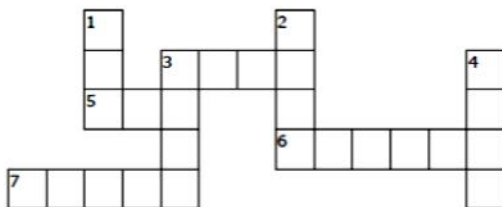
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THANKS	LEFT	FOLLOWED	PEOPLE	TOWNS
TWELVE	HEALED	FISH	BOAT	SICK



ACROSS

- 3. The number that comes after four and before six
- 5. The number equal to one plus one
- 6. Pieces of bread shaped and baked in a single piece and sliced for eating
- 7. A basic food made from flour, water, and yeast mixed together and baked

DOWN

- 1. To take food into your mouth, chew, and swallow it
- 2. To cure someone of illness or disease; to make someone well again
- 3. What we eat to give us energy and to help us grow strong bodies
- 4. An animal without legs that lives in water

FOOD	FIVE	HEAL	TWO
LOAVES	BREAD	EAT	FISH

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 V B B O A T T B K X A Y C D D
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