



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.



REFLECTION

For several weeks we have been following the story of Jesus' revelation of himself as the one sent from God, and of how his followers may draw life from him by eating his flesh and drinking his blood. In this text, we find that it is not only 'the Jews' who find it difficult to accept his revelation and his teaching. Even his followers struggle with this truth. Jesus knows of their struggle but will not be drawn into offering supernatural proof of his revelation: the Son of Man ascending to heaven! Some do not understand his words and cease to follow him. Jesus then turns to his closest companions and offers them a choice: they may go or they may stay. Peter responds on behalf of them all. It is a wonderful affirmation of faith. 'Lord to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life and we believe. We know that you are the Holy One of God.'

This choice is not based on clear understanding but on faith and on love for Jesus. The mystery of God often defies understanding, but faith is the key to a share in it.

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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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DID YOU KNOW?

- ◆ This is another example of how Peter, in the gospels, often takes a leadership role among the twelve.
- ◆ Peter's role of leadership among the chosen is why, to this day, his successor, the Pope, has a special position among the leaders of the Church.
- ◆ In John's Gospel, the author often uses the device of 'dualism' to contrast life in the Spirit with the life of this earthly existence.
- ◆ There is no institution of the Eucharist at the Last Supper in John's Gospel. That occurs earlier in this passage. At the supper, Jesus washes the feet of his disciples.

VISITED MARY'S GROTTTO?

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me;
save the servant who trusts in you, my God.
Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.

FIRST READING: JOSHUA 24:1-2, 15-18

Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God. And Joshua said to all the people, "If you are unwilling to serve the Lord, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living. As for me and my household, we will serve the Lord."
Then the people answered, "Far be it from us that we should forsake the Lord to serve other gods; for it is the Lord our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed. Therefore we also will serve the Lord, for he is our God."

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: 34

I will bless the Lord at all times;
his praise always on my lips.
In the Lord my soul shall make its boast;
the humble shall hear and be glad.

The Lord turns his face against the wicked
to destroy their remembrance from the earth.
The Lord turns his eyes to the just,
and his ears for their appeal.

They call and the Lord hears them,
and rescues them in all their distress.
The Lord is close to the broken-hearted;
those whose spirit is crushed he will save.

Many are the trials of the upright,
but the Lord will come to rescue them,
he will keep guard over all their bones;
not one of their bones shall be broken.



SECOND READING: EPHESIANS 5:21-32

Beloved, be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God. Be subject to one another out of reverence for Christ. Wives, be subject to your husbands as you are to the Lord. For the husband is the head of the wife just as Christ is the head of the church, the body of which he is the Saviour. Just as the church is subject to Christ, so also wives ought to be, in everything, to their husbands. Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, in order to make her holy by cleansing her with the washing of water by the word, so as to present the church to himself in splendour; without a spot or wrinkle or anything of the kind - yes, so that she may be holy and without blemish. In the same way, husbands should love their wives as they do their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. For no one ever hates his own body, but he nourishes and tenderly cares for it, just as Christ does for the church, because we are members of his body. For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two will become one flesh. This is a great mystery, and I am applying it to Christ and the church.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia! Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life;
you have the words of everlasting life. Alleluia.

GOSPEL: JOHN 6:60-69

Jesus said to his disciples: "Unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you." When many of his disciples heard this, they said: "This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?" But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, "Does this offend you? Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. But among you there are some who do not believe." For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. And he said, "For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father." Because of this many of his disciples turned back, and no longer went about with him. So Jesus asked the twelve, "Do you also wish to go away?" Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God."

PRAYERS OF FAITHFUL

Prayer Leader: The psalmist tells us that the Lord rescues all in distress and so in faith, we place our needs before God.

We pray for Pope Francis and all the leaders of our Church. May they always choose to serve the God who has brought them salvation.

We pray to the Lord. **Lord hear our Prayer**

We pray for the leaders of the Church in Australia and the members of the Plenary Council. May they be open to the Spirit as they work for the future of the church in our country.

We pray to the Lord. **Lord hear our Prayer**

We pray for the leaders of our governments and social institutions. May the Spirit that gives life open their hearts of stone and give them the strength to lead with virtue and generosity, particularly in this time of pandemic.

We pray to the Lord. **Lord hear our Prayer**

We pray for all the families in our community that they may help each other to live happily by daily bringing peace, joy and unity into their homes.

We pray to the Lord. **Lord hear our Prayer**

We pray for those who are still looking for a way to love and honour God that they will meet others on the journey who will strengthen them in their quest of peace of mind and spirit.

We pray to the Lord. **Lord hear our Prayer**

We pray for married couples in our parish, that they will work together to live lives of love and faith and always be united in their love for each other and the church.

We pray to the Lord. **Lord hear our Prayer**

We pray for all those who are suffering bereavement from COVID-19 and separation from loved ones. May they find strength, comfort and peace through those around them.

We pray to the Lord. **Lord hear our Prayer**

Conclusion – prayed together: Loving God, we know that the Spirit gives life and we know that through the Spirit these needs will be answered, and so with faith and trust in your love for us we offer our prayers in the name of Jesus, 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.*

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Parishioners or guests to donate online
through our website with CBA.
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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), Michelle Byrne, Scott Lyons, Allana Vedder, Mike Newman, Lizzie Prior & Gaye Zammit.

Those with anniversaries at this time: Zofia Rzeznik & Maria Trela & Joan Lynch (25/8)

Those recently deceased: John Varnier (5/08)

NEWS & NOTICES



**SATURDAY VIGIL 5:00PM - LIVE
STREAM ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE**

Please visit Facebook, create an account if
you don't already have one, then go to:
www.facebook.com/waverleycatholic and
like our page. Just before 5pm on Saturday,
click on the live link that becomes available
on our page and you can join Mass.
Any questions, please contact us via email
at office@waverleycatholic.org.au.

CHARITABLE WORKS FUND APPEAL

Please support this initiative of the Sydney
Archdiocese: The Charitable Works Fund
(CWF) Pastoral Appeal. Let us show our
Christian solidarity for one another by
sharing what we can with our neighbours.
The next CWF Appeals will be held 26 Sept &
21 Nov (depending on COVID-19 lockdown).

BAPTISMS AT MARY IMMACULATE

We are currently taking bookings for
Baptisms for the last two
Sundays of each month up
until Christmas. We are only
booking 3 families per Sunday
so as to stick with current
social distancing guidelines.
Any questions please email us.



**PARISH SECRETARY WORKING
REMOTELY FROM HOME**

Please note Carla is currently working from
home due to the lockdown, so the office
phone is going to voicemail. Emails will be
checked during work hours. To contact
Carla, email office@waverleycatholic.org.au.
All urgent matters, please contact Fr Bernie
on parishpriest@waverleycatholic.org.au or
via SMS to 0415 077 353.

MEET OUR PARISHIONERS

As our lockdown continues, we (Carla &
Bernie) are very conscious of how we might
lose contact with one another. In order to
stay in touch, over the next weeks we want
to feature a bunch of the incredible people
who make up Waverley Parish on our social
media pages and newsletter.

You are invited therefore to

1. Take a photo of yourself (just you in the
image)

2. Answer the following questions?

- How are you experiencing God through
this challenging time
- How are you finding joy?
- What are you doing to feed your soul (any
tips or resources)?
- What is your favourite scripture?

You may wish to also share your favourite
recipe or a book you can recommend.

Please forward on to Carla at
office@waverleycatholic.org.au. Please note
that this will be on our social media pages
and will, depending on numbers, be added
to our weekly bulletin.



**NEW CHECK-IN CARD IF YOU CAN'T
CHECK-IN WITH YOUR MOBILE**

The new COVID-19 check-in card is a printed
card with a QR code unique to you that has
your contact details. It means you can easily
check-in when you visit a business, simply
present your card to a staff member who
will scan it for you. It will populate your
details into the NSW Gov webform for a
speedy check-in. The check-in card isn't
mandatory. It's another way to check-in to
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REC: Mrs Leanne Quinn
Family Educator: Mrs Caroline Doherty

St Clare's College, Waverley
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School Principal: Mrs Kerrie McDiarmid
REC: Mr Mark McCoy

Waverley College, Senior Campus
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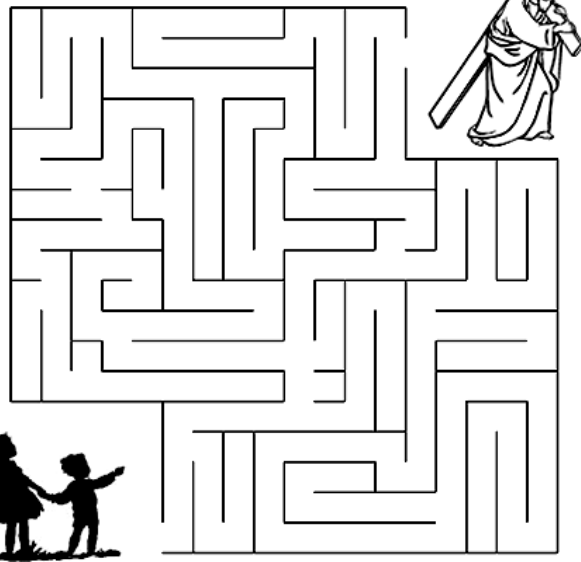
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Business will be back to normal after the current restrictions have been lifted. Until then we hope that our Members & Parishioners, keep safe & well! Best Wishes, Management & Staff

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