



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.

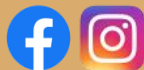
Saturday: 9:15am followed by Reconciliation & 5:00pm Vigil (Live Facebook)

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

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

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PARISH CENTRE - CLOSED

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Mr Barry Blake

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Mr Kurt Ison
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GOSPEL REFLECTION

What has God hidden from the wise and revealed to little ones? Here Jesus wasn't just speaking about young boys and girls, but all the poor, the under-privileged, the marginalised and the destitute. And what has God done for them? Quite simply, some Jewish religious leaders claimed that to enter God's Kingdom people needed a very detailed knowledge not only of the 613 Laws given to Moses, but also the multitude of additional minute precisions made to them. What is more, they were expected to observe every one of them. Only religious legal experts could possibly do that. The majority of people would be dismissed as ignorant sinners and excluded.

But Jesus tells us that the so-called experts have got it wrong. He has come to remove the crushing, impossible, burden of so many petty rules and regulations. To each of us he says, '*Come to me all you who labour and over-burdened, and I will give you rest.*' Jesus offers those, who would be dismissed as ignorant and unimportant, freedom from trying to carry such an impossible burden; now they-we-can rest in the Lord, in a happiness which had seemed impossible. But Jesus goes on to say, '*My yoke is easy, my burden light.*' That removes any complacency we may feel. We can't yet sit back and relax. Following Christ is demanding and at times difficult. But the demands are not meticulous observance of petty man-made regulations, but something far more serious. That is the command to love God above all else, and our neighbour as ourselves. The command to love covers everything that really matters. It touches every corner of our lives. Laws are only good in so far as they protect and foster real love.

And what about the yoke Christ mentions in this Gospel? Well, as you probably know, a yoke is a piece of wood, shaped to rest comfortably on the shoulders. Loads are attached to each end and are easy to carry because their weight is spread. The point is that we must carry our crosses and follow Christ on the difficult journey of love, if we are to find the eternal rest which He promises. But Jesus here tells us that with His help we can carry the weight of our crosses. He can transform carrying our burdens into labours of love. We couldn't begin to do that without Him. But, with His assistance we can do what would be humanly impossible. (catholicbb.org)

REFLECTION: ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI

Francis of Assisi was poor only that he might be Christ-like. He recognized creation as another manifestation of the beauty of God. In 1979, he was named patron of ecology. He did great penance — apologizing to "Brother Body" later in life — that he might be totally disciplined for the will of God. Francis' poverty had a sister, Humility, by which he meant total dependence on the good God. But all this was, as it were, preliminary to the heart of his spirituality: living the gospel life, summed up in the charity of Jesus and perfectly expressed in the Eucharist. ([Saint Francis of Assisi](#) | [Franciscan Media](#))



VISITED MARY'S GROTTTO?

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

Please remember to check-in when visiting our premises!

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- 1 Download the Service NSW app on mobile
- 2 In the app, select 'COVID Safe Check-in'
- 3 Follow the prompts



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Within your will, O Lord, all things are established,
and there is none that can resist your will.
For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth,
and all that is held within the circle of heaven;
you are the Lord of all.

FIRST READING:

From the Second Life of St Francis of Assisi by Thomas of Celano

As Francis was wasted by that grave illness which ended all his sufferings, he had himself placed naked on the naked ground... Placed on the ground and stripped of his sackcloth garment, he lifted up his face to heaven as usual...and said to his brothers, "I have done what is mine; may Christ teach you what is yours." He spent his time praising God, teaching his beloved companions how to praise Christ with him. As best he could, he broke out in the psalm "With my voice I cried to the Lord; with my voice I called upon the Lord."

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: 142

With a loud voice I cry to the Lord!
With a loud voice I called upon the Lord,
My complaint I pour out before him.
Before him I lay my distress.

When my spirit is faint within me
You, O Lord know my path.
In the way I shall walk they have hidden snares
I have no means of escape

There is no one who cares for my life.
I cry to You, O Lord, and say
"you are my refuge,
My portion in the land of the living."
Attend to my cry, for I am indeed brought low.

Rescue me from those who pursue me,
For they are stronger than I.
Lead me forth from this prison
That I may give thanks to Your name.
The just shall gather around me
Because of your goodness to me.

SECOND READING: GALATIANS 6:14-18

As for me, the only thing I can boast about is the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom the world is crucified to me, and I to the world. It does not matter if a person is circumcised or not; what matters is for him to become an altogether new creature. Peace and mercy to all who follow this rule, who form the Israel of God. I want no more trouble from anybody after this; the marks on my body are those of Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, my brothers. Amen.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!
The word of the Lord stands for ever;
it is the word given to you, the Good News. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 11:25-30

Jesus exclaimed, 'I bless you, Father, Lord of heaven and of earth, for hiding these things from the learned and the clever and revealing them to mere children. Yes, Father, for that is what it pleased you to do. Everything has been entrusted to me by my father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, just as no one knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. Come to me, all you who labour and are overburdened, and I will give you rest. Shoulder my yoke and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. Yes, my yoke is easy and my burden is light.'



PRAYERS OF FAITHFUL

Fr Bernie: On this feast of St. Francis let us pray to our loving God that we might be inspired by the example of this poor man of Assisi.

In Francis we see the faithful follower of Jesus: may we imitate Francis in following Jesus as we faithfully observe the Gospel way of life.
God of Creation hear our prayer.

In Francis we see an instrument of peace: guide our lives in the way of peace and reconciliation.
God of Creation hear our prayer.

In Francis we see a man of prayer: may all Franciscans be people of prayer leading others to draw inspiration and strength from St. Francis
God of Creation hear our prayer.

In Francis we see a lover of all creation: may we respond by our respect for the environment, and see all creation as the loving gift to us from God.
God of Creation hear our prayer.

In Francis we see a model of reconciliation: may we extend to those who have hurt or harmed us a hand of peace, mercy and forgiveness.
God of Creation hear our prayer.

In Francis we see a faithful follower of Christ: may those in our community who faithfully followed Christ and have now been called home to God, be welcomed as St Francis was welcomed into the Kingdom of God.
God of Creation hear our prayer.

Pray together: To our God, most holy and most high, we your sons and daughters turn to you in supplication before your goodness, and we offer these our prayers to you in faith, hope, and confidence. We make these prayers 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.*

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, Mike Newman, Lizzie Prior, Gaye Zammit & Jeff Linfoot.

Those with anniversaries at this time: Anna Sidoti, Concetta & Angelo De Luca

NEWS & NOTICES

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**WORLD MISSION
SUN 24 OCT 2021**



In three weeks, Catholic Mission will share the essential mission work of Sister Chalaad and the Good Shepherd Sisters in Bangkok, Thailand, as they reach out to vulnerable mothers and their babies during their time of need. You will have the opportunity to respond to this great work and help Sister Chalaad reach out to more mothers and their babies. Please come with an open and generous heart.



A message from Aid to the Church in Need Australia: *That Catholic Shop* is an exciting development of ACN Australia. It is a go-to shop for Catholic gifts and devotional items. From Sacramental gifts, statues, books, rosaries, Christmas items and more, there is something for everyone. The purchases you make at TCS go to support the work of *Aid to the Church in Need* to keep the faith alive in those places where it is most at risk. To browse our full range visit www.thatcatholicshop.com.

MEET OUR PARISHIONERS

We want to hear from you!!! 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 take a photo of yourself and 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.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS STARTS SOON

A reminder to put your clocks forward 1 hour before going to bed on Saturday night. Please note our Mass times will remain the same.

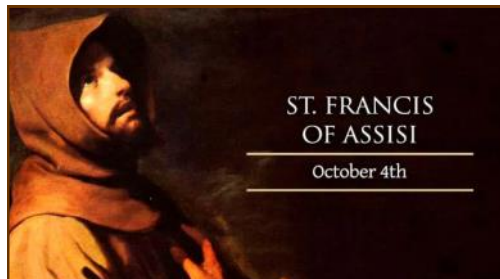


SATURDAY VIGIL 5PM

Please visit Facebook, create an account if you don't already have one and like our page www.facebook.com/waverleycatholic. At 5pm on Saturday, click on the live link that becomes available and join us.



FEAST DAYS - OCTOBER



LOCAL AFFILIATED SCHOOLS

St Charles' Primary School
 53-63 Carrington Road, Waverley 2024
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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
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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:
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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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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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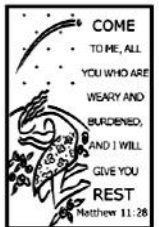
KIDS CORNER

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GIVE	P	H	K	G	R	O	L	E	T	R	W	T	F	R	D
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Rest for the Weary

Complete the paragraph by filling in the blanks with the correct words from the word bank at the bottom of the story.



"_____ to me, all you who are _____ and _____, and I will give you _____. Take my yoke upon you and _____ from me, for I am _____ and _____ in heart, and you will find _____ for your souls. For my yoke is _____ and my burden is _____."

Matthew 11:28-30 (NIV)

burdened	easy	humble	light	rest
Come	gentle	learn	rest	weary