



# 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 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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### A NOTE FROM FR BERNIE

Dear Parishioners, a couple of practical suggestions. Sorry to sound/write like Fr Grumpy 😞 😞 but every Sunday after each Mass for the last 5 years, I have walked through the pews, picking up discarded bulletins and returning the kneelers to their upright position – this makes it easier for the next people to get into the pews. Could I ask that when you leave the church each Sunday to either take your bulletin home, or return it to the holder at the front of the Church, and to lift the kneelers.

Also to parents and children who use the kid's corner. Would you please tidy up the room when you leave and please, please, stop the children from writing in the books and on the walls. There is no magic fairy who cleans up each week, unless you count me as the magic fairy. 😊 😊

Blessings & thanks, Fr Bernie.

### GOSPEL REFLECTION

In last week's gospel, the disciples learnt that to be a faithful follower of Jesus, they must be committed to a new order. This week's text tells them how they must live in that new order; in a sense, it provides the practical details. What Jesus is suggesting should not be confused with passivity or simply inaction or resignation in the face of persecution and injustice. Quite the contrary! What Jesus is suggesting is radical action. It demands that we act towards others without being asked, that believers offer friendship and pardon constantly, without asking or hoping for anything in return. In Jesus we find God's self-revelation, God's actions in and for the world, his plan for salvation and its fulfilment. Followers of Jesus must act in these ways precisely because they are the ways of God.

What is compassion? What is love? And how do we live them out in our own age? These are the questions that spring from the Gospel today. In many ways this is the hardest teaching Jesus offers us, because it goes against so much of what the "modern world" would have us believe. Look at the first reading: David and Saul are enemies, and Saul is suddenly in David's power. The logic of the modern world would say "Strike while you can." But David chooses another path. He is compassionate. We can all think of times when we were in a position to take revenge, score a victory over someone, take it out on them. Our measure of our faith is whether or not we were compassionate - especially with our enemies - as Jesus taught us.

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**FIRST READING: 1 SAMUEL 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23**

Having heard that David was hiding out in the desert, Saul rose and went down to the Wilderness of Ziph, with three thousand chosen men of Israel, to seek David in the Wilderness of Ziph. David and Abishai went into Saul's army by night; there Saul lay sleeping within the encampment, with his spear stuck in the ground at his head; and Abner and the army lay around him. Abishai said to David, "God has given your enemy into your hand today; now therefore let me pin him to the ground with one stroke of the spear; I will not strike him twice." But David said to Abishai, "Do not destroy him; for who can raise his hand against the Lord's anointed, and be guiltless?" So David took the spear that was at Saul's head and the water jar, and they went away. No one saw it, or knew it, nor did anyone awake; for they were all asleep, because a deep sleep from the Lord had fallen upon them. Then David went over to the other side, and stood on top of a hill far away, with a great distance between them. David called aloud to Saul, "Here is the spear, O king! Let one of the young men come over and get it. The Lord rewards everyone for his righteousness and his faithfulness; for the Lord gave you into my hand today, but I would not raise my hand against the Lord's anointed.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM: 102**

My soul, give thanks to the Lord,  
all my being, bless his holy name.  
My soul, give thanks to the Lord  
and never forget all his blessings.

It is he who forgives all your guilt,  
who heals every one of your ills,  
who redeems your life from the grave,  
who crowns you with love and compassion.

The Lord is compassion and love,  
slow to anger and rich in mercy.  
He does not treat us according to our sins  
nor repays us according to our faults.

As far as the east is from the west  
so far does he remove our sins.  
As a father has compassion on his children,  
the Lord has pity on those who fear him.



**SECOND READING: 1 CORINTHIANS 15:45-49**

It is written: "The first man, Adam, became a living being"; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit. But it is not the spiritual that is first, but the physical, and then the spiritual. The first was from the earth, made of dust; the second is from heaven. As was the one of dust, so are those who are of the dust; and as is the one of heaven, so are those who are of heaven. Just as we have borne the image of the one of dust, we will also bear the image of the one of heaven.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Alleluia, alleluia! I give you a new commandment;  
love one another as I have loved you. Alleluia

**GOSPEL: LUKE 6:27-38**

Jesus addressed a great crowd of his disciples, together with the multitude from Judea, Jerusalem, Tyre and Sidon.  
"I say to you that listen: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you.  
"If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.  
"Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over; will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back."

**PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL**

- Fr Bernie:** As a people of faith, we pray for our enemies and want only the best for all people. Faced with this great challenge, we present our prayers to our God.
  - For Pope Francis and who lead and serve in our Church:** that they will show the face of God to the world through their example of life and prayer... We pray to the Lord...
  - For our civil leaders:** that they will lead with mercy and compassion for all peoples... We pray to the Lord...
  - For those burdened by unforgiveness:** that God may open their hearts and grant them healing from their pain and give new hope.... We pray to the Lord...
  - For our community of St Charles and Mary Immaculate:** that through God's grace we will be forgiving, loving and generous.... We pray to the Lord...
  - For those who we class as enemies and those who persecute us:** that we may seek reconciliation and strive for harmony and peace... We pray to the Lord...
  - For peace in our world, especially in Russia and Ukraine:** that the leaders will seek peaceful solutions rather than conflict... We pray to the Lord...
  - For those who have died:** that God will receive them graciously into his presence... We pray to the Lord...
- Conclusion:** Nurturing God, we know that you hear the needs of your community, so we offer these prayers with hope in 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 life everlasting. *Amen.*

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**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, Tanja Gerzina, John Seminara, Rose Colombo, Anna Dziedzic, Juliet Lum & Robert Saunders.

**Those with anniversaries at this time:** Kevin Garvan, Nancy Trindade (13/2)

**Those recently deceased:** Nina Kingston, June See, Alan Kirkwood & Patricia Soden

**Those recently baptised:** Aerin Lo, Finlay Forde and Jasper & Milo McLgynn-Waters

**NEWS & NOTICES**

**FIRST RECONCILIATION**

Enrolment now closed. Workbooks available in Parish Office during office hours. Call to confirm collection time.  
**Commitment Mass:** 23rd Feb @ 5pm.  
**Sacrament:** 16th Mar @ 6.30pm.



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**Tuesday 8th March 2022\*** Due to high demand, this event has booked out. Our next Open Day is **26 May 2022**. Bookings for this event will open next week through their website - <https://waverley.nsw.edu.au/>

**ST CLARE'S COLLEGE - OPEN DAY**



Ranked 29th in NSW & is Sydney Catholic Schools' best ranked school.  
**Thursday, 2 May (2:00 – 6.00pm) for 1hr sessions. Bookings via Eventbrite.**  
<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/st-clares-college-open-day-2022-tickets-264892088367>. More info P: (02) 8305 7100 or E: [info@stclares.catholic.edu.au](mailto:info@stclares.catholic.edu.au)

**ST CHARLES' PRIMARY - OPEN DAYS**



**17 March (9am - 10.30am)**  
**17 March (7pm - 8.30pm)**  
**19 March (2pm - 3.30pm)**  
No booking required.  
Ph: (02) 9387 3845 or email [info@stcwaverley.catholic.edu.au](mailto:info@stcwaverley.catholic.edu.au)

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19 – 20 FEB (WK 3)	SAT 5PM VIGIL	SUN 9.15AM	SUN 5.00PM
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 W <https://stcwaverley.catholic.edu.au>  
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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  
 W <https://stclares.nsw.edu.au/>  
**School Principal:** Mrs Kerrie McDiarmid  
**REC:** Mr Mark McCoy

**Waverley College, Senior Campus**  
 131 Birrell Street, Waverley 2024  
 P (02) 9369 0600  
 W <https://waverley.nsw.edu.au/>  
**Principal:** Mr Graham Leddie  
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