



Mary Immaculate Church, Waverley

PARISH OF ST CHARLES BORROMEO - CHURCH OF MARY IMMACULATE BULLETIN

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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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The meeting with Jesus beside the lakeshore can be seen as the story of Peter's repentance and restoration. Others prefer to see it as his Confession, or declaration of faith. His repeated answer "Yes, Lord!" is surely a declaration of love and loyalty. It is not so easy to see how it can be a confession of guilt. But it does corresponded to Peter's threefold denial of Jesus.

There are interesting uses of the word "love" in this text. In English, when Jesus asks "Do you love me?" and Peter answers, "Yes, I love you," it makes good sense. But in the Greek original of the New Testament, what Peter replies does not respond exactly to the question Jesus asked. Greek has several words to express various levels of affection. In his book *The Four Loves*, he Belfast-born author C.S. Lewis described them as follows: There is *Storgé* (affection) the quiet liking you might feel for a cheerful neighbour whom you meet from time to time. Then there is *eros*, a sensual or erotic love, the love that unites a couple and often leads to marriage. Another term is *philia*, or friendship, a trusting companionship with people with whom we share some real interest. Finally there is *Agapé*, which means generous, self-giving love, which we value even when there is nothing tangible to be gained.

Back to our gospel story. Jesus asks Peter, "*Agapas me*, Do you have agapé for me?" meaning "Do you love me enough to risk everything for me." Peter has not lived up to this kind of love. He had disowned Jesus in order to save his own skin. So what can he say? He answers, "*Philo se*. Yes, Lord, I love you as a friend." He was saying, "Yes, I admire you... but I was unable to risk my life for you." Jesus asks him a second time "*Agapas me?*" and again Peter answers at the level of friendship (*philia*). Finally, unwilling to embarrass him further, Jesus asks him "Are you really my friend?" (*phileis me?*) And Peter answers "Lord, you know everything; you know that I am your friend." (*σὺ γινώσκεις ὅτι φιλῶ σε.*) Jesus accepts Peter just as he is; even friendship (*philia*) is good enough, for now. Fullness of *agapé* would come later, when Peter was put to death for the faith.

In that meeting beside the lake, Peter was not the boastful man who thought he was better than the other disciples but a wiser, humbler heart that would not claim more than he can deliver. Peter's confession is like that of the father of the possessed boy who said to Jesus, "I believe; help my unbelief!" Implicitly, what Peter said was, "I love you, Lord; help my lack of love."

In the hymn: *The Love of my Lord Is the Essence* we profess in church our love for God. Peter's meeting with the risen Christ reminds us that professions of love tell only side of the truth. In reality, our love is hardly ever *unconditional*, and we often back away when faced with danger. Like Peter, we need to bring our failures to God for healing. We can join Peter today when he declares: "I love you, Lord; help my lack of love."

ROSTER

30 APR – 1 MAY	SAT 5PM VIGIL	SUN 9.15AM	SUN 5.00PM
ALTAR SERVING	Barry Blake	Anthony Spratt	Dominic Hearne
PROCLAIMER OF WORD	Margaret Blake	Des Durkin & Nicholas De Jersery	Joy Pertile
EUCARIST MINISTER	Susana Hansen	Jackie Durkin & Gisella Musumeci	Kathy Reilly
HOSPITALITY	Ruth Lucas	Jackie Durkin	Ben Petherbridge

ENTRANCE ANTIphon:

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth;
O sing to the glory of his name.
O render him glorious praise, alleluia.

FIRST READING: ACTS 5:27-32, 40-41

The captain went with the temple police and brought the apostles, who were teaching in the temple, and had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned the apostles, saying, "We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us."

But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than any human authority. The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Saviour that he might give repentance to Israel, and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him."

Then the council ordered the apostles not to speak in the name of Jesus, and let them go. As they left the council, they rejoiced that they were considered worthy to suffer dishonour for the sake of the name.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: 118

I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me
and have not let my enemies rejoice over me.
O Lord, you have raised my soul from the dead,
restored me to life from those who sink into the grave.

Sing psalms to the Lord, you who love him,
give thanks to his holy name.
His anger lasts but a moment; his favour through life.
At night there are tears, but joy comes with dawn.

The Lord listened and took pity.
The Lord came to my help.
For me you have changed my mourning into dancing;
O Lord my God, I will thank you for ever.

FOR 9.15AM SUNDAY

I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

SECOND READING: REVELATION 5:11-14

I, John, looked, and I heard the voice of many angels surrounding the throne and the living creatures and the elders; they numbered myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, singing with full voice, "Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honour and glory and blessing!"

Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, singing, "To the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honour and glory and might forever and ever!"

And the four living creatures said, "Amen!"
And the elders fell down and worshipped.

GOSPEL ACCLAIMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia! Christ is risen, the Lord of all creation;
he has shown pity on all people. Alleluia

GOSPEL: JOHN 21:1-19

Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter; Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No." He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish.

That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter; "It is the Lord!". When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were nor far from the land, only about ninety meters off.

When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught."

So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast."

Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs."

A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep."

He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you."



Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go."

He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God. After this he said to him, "Follow me."

**"Do You Love Me?
Feed My Sheep."**

- John 21:15-19

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.**

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Introduction: As we gather here today, we know that even after the blackest of nights, joy comes to us through the Spirit, offering replenishment and renewal; and so in faith we now present our needs to God

For the Church – that the faithful will deepen their participation in, and understanding of the liturgy, appreciating it as the place where the Lord's 'sheep are fed'.

Christ has died, Christ is risen! Alleluia. Let us rejoice!

For leaders of nations – that they understand and exercise care for the delicate nature of our oceans and work to protect this vast treasure from pollution and degradation.

Christ has died, Christ is risen! Alleluia. Let us rejoice!

For the people of Russia and Ukraine, and all nations affected by war – that peace will spring forth and put down deep roots, and that new hope will flower.

Christ has died, Christ is risen! Alleluia. Let us rejoice!

For people whose homes are swamped by seawater or extreme flooding – that we take time to address the problems of climate change, while also supporting those already impacted.

Christ has died, Christ is risen! Alleluia. Let us rejoice!

For families without sufficient nutritious food – that as a society we work together to ensure the most vulnerable have ample food, and warm, dry, adequate housing.

Christ has died, Christ is risen! Alleluia. Let us rejoice!

For ourselves – that we follow Jesus, our lives a living witness to the resurrection of Jesus and to the Gospel.

Christ has died, Christ is risen! Alleluia. Let us rejoice!

Conclusion: *Loving God, as we are replenished and renewed with Your grace today, we are confident that our prayers will be blessed through the guidance of the Spirit in the name of Christ our Lord. Amen*

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, Rose Colombo, Anna Dziedzic, Juliet Lum, Robert Saunders, Margaret Ryan, Patricia Furner & Fr Nick Lucas.

Those recently deceased: Shirley Bell

Those with anniversaries at this time: Jessie Duncan (24/03), William Malouf (26/4) Wladyslaw Dziedzic (30/4), Tom Hassett, Anna Sidoti, Concetta & Angelo De Luca.

Those recently baptised: Conor Kelly-Davis

Those recently married: Jeremy Tan & Tina Teo

WEEKDAY READINGS

Mon 2nd	Acts 6:8-15 John 6:22-29
Tue 3rd	1 Corinthians 15:1-8 John 14:6-14
Wed 4th	Acts 8:1-8 John 6:35-40
Thurs 5th	Acts 8:26-40 John 6:44-51
Fri 6th	Acts 9:1-20 John 6:52-59
Sat 7th	Acts 9:31-42 Ps 115:12-17 John 6:60-69

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**MOTHER'S PRAYER GROUP**

The St. Charles' Mothers' Prayer Group meet in Mary's Chapel on the 1st Wednesday of each month at 7:30pm. You are warmly invited to spend time in prayer and reflection with other parents from our school community. Contact: laura@habitatmedia.com.au

MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS

Are you rostered on to help in one of our liturgical ministries each month? The next roster is available on our website. Please advise us if there are any changes to your allocation or unable to volunteer.

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION GROUP

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

CHARITABLE WORKS FUND APPEAL

Please support this initiative of the Sydney Archdiocese: The Charitable Works Fund (CWF) Pastoral Appeal. The first CWF Appeal of the year will be held on weekend of 7 & 8 May 2022.

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