



# Mary Immaculate Church, Waverley

PARISH OF ST CHARLES BORROMEO - CHURCH OF MARY IMMACULATE

## 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 10:30am. Bookings essential.

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## THE WORD THIS WEEK

We will spend most of the Sundays of the coming year in the company of Saint Matthew. His Gospel (like the others) has its own characteristics. He is writing for a Jewish audience, and so is always at pains to stress one thing: that Jesus of Nazareth was the promised Messiah. He does this by reference to Jesus' teaching and miracles, and very often by quoting the prophecies of the Old Testament to show that Jesus was their fulfilment. Today is a perfect example.

Zebulun and Naphthali was an old name for the area round Capernaum by the side of the Lake of Galilee, a busy fishing and trading area, with many Gentile towns and settlements: it is here, rather than in the dangerous town of Nazareth, that Jesus "settles" and begins his ministry. This is where the proclamation of the Kingdom of God begins, as was foretold, and the first followers are invited to join Jesus.



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## CAN WE CHANGE OUR WAY OF LIVING?

When Jesus began his public ministry of preaching and healing, John the Baptist had already been arrested, putting an end to his movement of religious revival. At that point, instead of going back to Nazareth (i.e. instead of going home), Jesus went to Capernaum. This marked a new beginning, whose purpose is described in a verse of prophecy: "The people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who lived in the land of the shadow of death, light has dawned." Jesus would later refer to himself as the light of the world; and, in commissioning his disciples, he would send us out also, to be light to the world. His vocation is our vocation too.

In times past the idea of "vocation" was focussed mainly on doctors, nurses, priests and religious. But now it has been restored to its original, wider application, and all our baptised people are invited to experience their calling from God. There is nothing dramatic about this. It just means that I don't just stumble into the Christian way by default, but that God has chosen me: "I have called you by name; you are mine." "You didn't choose me; no, I chose you, and I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that would remain." If the gospel is now, and I am every person in the gospel, then, through the gospel of today, I am being called again.

The starting-point of Jesus' message was very like that of John the Baptist. "Turn from your sins, and turn back to God, because the kingdom of heaven is near." Turning away from sins is a voluntary act, which can be reversed. There is a story to illustrate that point. When Leonardo da Vinci was asked to do a painting of the Last Supper, he searched far and wide for models for each person in the scene. He found a fine-looking young man, full of vitality, as the perfect model for Jesus. In the following months he did the same for models for each of the apostles, leaving Judas till last, not knowing how to represent him. Finally, he came across a tramp whom he thought was ideal for the part. Leonardo brought him to his studio, but while the work was in progress, he came to a shocking realisation. This man had been with him months before, representing Jesus. In the meantime he had taken to drink and lost his way, and was now homeless. It was a shock to Leonardo, and a prod to conversion for the man who modelled as Judas.

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**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:**

O sing a new song to the Lord;  
sing to the Lord, all the earth.  
In his presence are majesty and splendour,  
strength and honour in his holy place.

**FIRST READING: ISAIAH 8:23-9:3**

The Lord spoke to me and said:  
"There will be no gloom for those who were in anguish.  
In the former time the Lord brought into contempt  
the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali,  
but in the latter time he will make glorious  
the way of the sea,  
the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.  
"The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light;  
those who lived in a land of deep darkness,  
on them light has shined.  
You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy;  
they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest,  
as people exult when dividing plunder.  
"For the yoke of their burden,  
and the bar across their shoulders.  
the rod of their oppressor,  
you have broken as on the day of Midian."

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 26:1, 4, 13-14**

The Lord is my light and my help;  
whom shall I fear?  
The Lord is the stronghold of my life;  
before whom shall I shrink?  
O Lord hear my voice when I call  
Have mercy and answer  
Of you my heart has spoken  
Seek his face.  
It is your face O Lord, that I seek,  
Hide not your face  
Dismiss not your servant in anger  
You have been my help.  
I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness  
in the land of the living.  
Hope in him, hold firm and take heart.  
Hope in the Lord!

**9.15AM SUNDAY:**

*The Lord is my light,  
my light and my salvation*

**SECOND READING: 1 CORINTHIANS 1:10-13, 17**

I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose.

For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. What I mean is that each of you says,

I belong to Paul,  
or "I belong to Apollos,"  
or "I belong to Cephas,"  
or "I belong to Christ."

Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul?

For Christ did not send me to baptise but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: MATTHEW 4:23**

Alleluia, alleluia!  
Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom  
and healed all who were sick. Alleluia!

**GOSPEL: MATTHEW 4:12-23**

When Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

"Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned." From that time Jesus began to proclaim, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near."

As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers. Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of people." Immediately they left their nets and followed him.

As he went from there, he saw two other brothers James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.



**HYMNS**

**GATHERING HYMN -**

The Beatitudes

**OFFERTORY HYMN -**

CWBII 484 Eat this bread

**THANKSGIVING HYMN -**

CWBII 595 Seek O Seek the Lord

**WEEKDAY READINGS**

**23rd Jan** Hebrews 9:15, 24-28

**24th Jan** Hebrews 10:1-10

**25th Jan** Acts 9:1-22

**26th Jan** Isaiah 32:15-18

**27th Jan** Hebrews 10:32-39

**28th Jan** Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19

Luke 1:69-75

Mark 3:22-30

Mark 3:31-35

Mark 16:15-18

Matthew 5:1-12

Mark 4:26-34

Mark 4:35-41

**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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**PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL**

*Having been fed at the table of God's word and preparing to be nourished at the table of the Lord, let us pray that God's grace may sustain the world, the church, and all in need.*

**For the Church** – that we continue to serve one another, to offer love, care, and support – especially to those in most need of it.

Lord, hear us. **Lord graciously hear us**

**For those persecuted and marginalised** – that there may be unity and mutual respect for everyone no matter the age, orientation, ethnic background, or economic standing.

Lord, hear us. **Lord graciously hear us**

**For the places of war in our world, especially the Ukraine** – that destructive hostilities cease and leaders commit themselves to negotiations for peace.

Lord, hear us. **Lord graciously hear us**

**For the local community** – that we may truly care for our faith family with patience, acceptance, kindness, and forgiveness.

Lord, hear us. **Lord graciously hear us**

**For those facing challenges in their lives** – for those affected by severe weather; and for the sick and home bound.

Lord, hear us. **Lord graciously hear us**

**For our parish community** – that we strive to grow in faith and continue to build our community of prayer with Jesus at the centre of our lives.

Lord, hear us. **Lord graciously hear us**

**Conclusion:** In Jesus your light has dawned upon the earth, O God, dispelling gloom and anguish and filling our lives with joy and wisdom. Grant that the light and power of his cross may guide our way as we follow the truth of his gospel. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Those who are sick:** Michelle Byrne, Allana Vedder, Mike Newman, Gaye Zammit, Jeff Linfoot, Rose Colombo, Anna Dziedzic, Robert Saunders, Margaret Ryan, Patricia Furner, Fr Nick Lucas, Michael Connery, Rosie & Lucy Warwar, Fr Tony Doherty, Margaret Roper, Hunter Meagher, Mavis Flynn, Neil Stralow, Ken Smith, Mary Bentley, Jack Connery, Renae Smith, Catherine Roberts & Randolph Baral.

**Those with anniversaries at this time:** Agatha Renaldo (23/1), Robert Teagle (24/1) & Nina Kingston (4/2)

**Those recently deceased:** Con Coulouris, Anne Glenister, Stanley Bowick

**Those recently baptised:** Fynn McCarthy, Hugo Ugarte, Hazel Ugarte & April Tindall

**NEWS & NOTICES**

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

**Parent Info Evening:** Wed, 15th February @ 6.30pm in the Parish Centre. **Commitment Mass:** Sat, 25th February @ 5pm in the Church. **Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Wed, 22nd March @ 6.30pm in the Church. If your child does not attend St Charles' Primary School or St Charles' Parish regularly, please obtain written permission from your local parish to complete this Sacrament with us. Enrolment opens 27 January 2023. Any questions, please contact the Parish Office.

**ROSTER**

| 21 – 22 JAN        | SAT 5PM VIGIL                  | SUN 9.15AM                           | SUN 5.00PM     |
|--------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------|
| ALTAR SERVING      | Margaret Blake                 | Anthony Spratt                       | Dominic Hearne |
| PROCLAIMER OF WORD | Barry Blake                    | Gabrielle McAnespie & Eloise Linfoot | Karl Baricevic |
| EUCHARIST MINISTER | Shirley Lyons & Teresa Vigroux | Francine Darvill & Jackie Durkin     | Janet Gerzina  |
| HOSPITALITY        | Laura Neeson                   | Jackie Durkin                        | Kathy Reilly   |

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**REC:** Mrs Leanne Quinn  
**Family Educator:** Mrs Caroline Doherty

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**REC:** Mr Mark McCoy

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**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.

**For more information, please visit:**  
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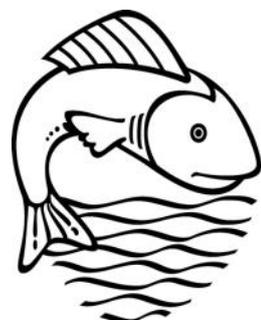
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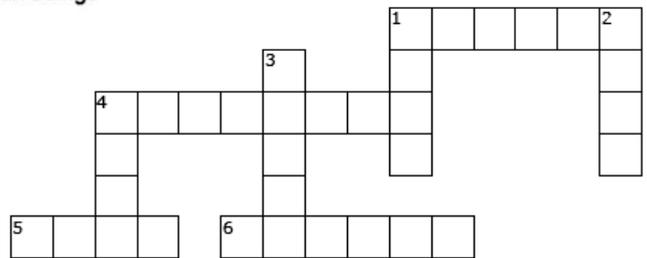
**ACROSS**

- To move along behind someone
- Two or more males who have the same parents
- Open fabric made of threads or cords used to catch fish. (Plural)
- Men, women, and children; human beings

**DOWN**

- An animal without legs that lives in water
- To move along by putting one foot in front of the other
- The land along the edge of the sea, lake, or wide river
- A small vehicle for traveling on water

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| BOAT SHORE  | PEOPLE WALK   |
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