



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: 3rd & 4th Sundays of each month at 10:30am. Bookings essential.

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REFLECTIONS - SHEPHERD AND ROCK

Above the sanctuary of Saint Peter's basilica in Rome, written in huge lettering of gold mosaic, is this promise of Jesus to his chief apostle: "Thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church.. I will give to you the keys of the kingdom of heaven." These words are held by Catholics as the basis for the papacy, applying to the bishop of Rome as the successor to Peter, to be the chief spokesman for the church's living faith, and wielder of the spiritual power of the keys.

We must not be too simplistic in how we apply those words to the original Peter and even more so to his successors. Non-catholic Christians, our brethren in the Protestant churches, do not accept that there could be any succession, in the full sense, to the position held by Saint Peter. They find any claims to juridical and absolute authority for the papacy, under titles like "apostolic jurisdiction" or "the power of the keys" to be out of harmony with the Gospel message. They interpret differently what today's Gospel means for leadership in the Church. We need not insist that the Roman way is the only way of taking Christ's words. Still, this Gospel deserves close attention for what it says about faith, enlightenment and leadership, and guidance for our own lives.

Each must make a personal answer to Our Lord's question: "Who do you say that I am?" although Peter's credo is a solid basis from which to begin. Notice the beautiful phrase: "Son of the Living God," expressing more richly what "Christ" means. Peter's worshipful faith comes to him as gift from above, not from any mere logic or ingenuity. Why was the blessing given to him in particular? Perhaps because his humble and contrite spirit made him best prepared to receive it? Or because God chooses whom He wills, irrespective of their merits? It is to this Peter that Jesus entrusts whatever is meant by the keys of the Kingdom of Heaven. Upon his solid, dedicated faith the Church will always rely, for unity and encouragement. Keys are mainly for opening; many doors lock by themselves.

While he is appointed to "feed the lambs and sheep" of Christ, to "confirm his brethren," and welcome the first pagan convert into the Church, Peter is no plaster saint. Weakness of faith (when he began to sink), rash self-confidence and eventual denial are also portrayed by him. But these serve only to underline the grandeur of his conversion, when with a new clarity of self-knowledge he turns and says to Jesus: "You know that I love you." The task is not one of stern domination, or merely of the efficient organisation of Christ's Church. Pastor and penitent at once, convert and the support for other converted sinners, he leads the faithful by witness and example. This pastoral understanding of authority finds a lovely echo in the first epistle of Peter. Elders or leaders are asked to "tend the flock of God, not as domineering over those in your charge, but being examples to the flock" (5:13.) Just so, Peter tended the early church by sharing his deep faith in Christ the Risen Lord. So, he kept them united in a community of mutual love, and in faithful obedience to the Gospel. Such an ideal situation of harmony in the Church is briefly sketched for us in the Acts (2:42ff; 4:32f.)

What of today's Church, spread in all continents, united under the leadership of Pope Francis? How can this work of teaching, encouraging and uniting so many millions of baptised believers be carried on? Jesus remains at the centre, as the Christ, Son of the Living God, and he continues to be the Church's true Rock. We today, just as much as in the time of St Peter, need the ministry of faithful apostles, entrusted by Christ to build up his people, witness to the faith, and provide leadership in Christian love. Pope, bishops, priests and other ministries exist in order to serve. But in some sense, we get the service that we deserve. It is for us to make known to our pastors both our appreciation and our loyal criticisms; especially to pray for them, for their courage and perseverance. Today we particularly remember the present successor of Peter, our Pope; that God may establish him in faith and wisdom; that being strong in himself, he may confirm the brethren; and that as Chief Shepherd he may help us on our way to the Kingdom.

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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

We 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.
We 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.*

GATHERING HYMN

CWBII 585

Praise to the holiest in the height

OFFERTORY HYMN

CWBII 547

Lord, we come to your table

THANKSGIVING HYMN

CWBII 509

I am the bread of life (vs 1,4,& 5)

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WHO AM I

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21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

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: ISAIAH 22:19-23

Thus says the Lord God of hosts: "Go to the
steward, to Shebna, who is master of the
household, and say to him:

"I will thrust you from your office, and you
will be pulled down from your post. On that
day I will call my servant Eliakim son of
Hilkiah, and will clothe him with your robe
and bind your sash on him. I will commit your
authority to his hand, and he shall be a father
to the inhabitants of Jerusalem and to the
house of Judah.

"I will place on his shoulder the key of the
house of David; he shall open, and no one
shall shut; he shall shut, and no one shall
open. I will fasten him like a peg in a secure
place, and he will become a throne of honour
to his ancestral house".

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: 137:1-3, 6, 8.

I thank you, Lord, with all my heart,
you have heard the words of my mouth.
Before the angels I will bless you,
I will adore before your holy temple.

I thank you for your faithfulness and love
which excel all we ever knew of you.
On the day I called, you answered;
you increased the strength of my soul.

The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly
and the haughty he knows from afar.
Your love, O Lord, is eternal,
discard not the work of your hands.

9.15AM SUNDAY: *Lord your love is eternal,
do not forget the work of your hand.*

SECOND READING: ROMANS 11:33-36

O the depth of the riches and wisdom and
knowledge of God!
How unsearchable are his judgments
and how inscrutable his ways!
"For who has known the mind of the Lord?
Or who has been his counsellor?
Or who has given a gift to him,
to receive a gift in return?"
For from him and through him and to him are
all things.
To him be the glory forever. Amen.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: MATTHEW 16:18

Alleluia, alleluia!

You are Peter, the rock on which I will build
my Church; the gates of hell will not hold out
against it. Alleluia

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 16:13-20

Now when Jesus came into the district of
Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who
do people say that the Son of Man is?" And
they said, "Some say John the Baptist, but
others Elijah. and still others Jeremiah or one
of the prophets."

He said to them, "But who do you say that I
am?" Simon Peter answered, "You are the
Messiah, the Son of the living God."

And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you,
Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has
not revealed this to you, but my Father in
heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on
this rock I will build my church, and the gates
of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give
you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and
whatever you bind on earth will be bound in
heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will
be loosed in heaven."

Then Jesus sternly ordered the disciples
not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

MASS INTENTIONS

Those who are sick: Michelle Byrne, Mike Newman, 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, Mary Bentley, Catherine Roberts, Randolph Baral, Angela Midson, Ruth Tarlinton, Nadia Monsieur, Adelina Murray, Iris Walshe-Howling, Ella Connery, Thomas Glenister, John Baltazar & Mario Jamora.

Those with anniversaries at this time: Elizabeth Andrade, Patricia Keogh (13/8), Damien McCloskey (17/8), William Dickson (18/8), Joan Lynch (25/8), Maria Trela (28/8) & Frances Cauchi (29/8)

Those recently married: Alex Cario & Samantha Scarlato; Brendan Garcia & Emily Stepanoski

Those recently deceased: Mary Razzouk, Keith Dunsmore

WEEKDAY READINGS

28 Aug	1 Thessalonians 1:1-5, 8-10 Matthew 23:13-22
29 Aug	Jeremiah 1:17-19 Mark 6:17-29
30 Aug	1 Thessalonians 2:9-13 Matthew 23:27-32
31 Aug	1 Thessalonians 3:7-13 Matthew 24:42-51
1 Sept	1 Thessalonians 4:1-8 Matthew 25:1-13
2 Sept	1 Thessalonians 4:9-11 Ps 97:1, 7-9 Matthew 25:14-30

MAILING LIST

Do you wish to receive this bulletin via email each week? Any updates from Fr Bernie or events in the Parish will also be announced via our Friday Parish News email. Scan this QR code or visit: <http://eepurl.com/hHvhOr> to register.



WISH TO DONATE, NO CASH?

If you wish to donate for candles or 1st & 2nd Collections, you can do so with our Smart Terminals available in the church. The terminal at St Anthony's for Candles only, and the other on the back table near the glass dividers for Collections only. These terminals are NOT for Planned Giving.

If you wish to donate online, we are also pleased to offer this option by visiting our donation page. Scan this QR code to view options.

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PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Celebrant: We are in a house of prayer for all people. Our faith in the Lord makes us confident that it will be done for us as we pray.

For the Church – that Church leaders work industriously to set free those oppressed by abuse, discrimination or neglect. God of strength and courage **Hear our Prayer**

For the leaders of our church communities – that they be wise, courageous and creative in their leadership following in the spirit of St Peter
God of strength and courage **Hear our Prayer**

For all who worship as Christian communities today – that they be bold in proclaiming that Jesus is Lord and God, the Good Shepherd and Saviour.
God of strength and courage **Hear our Prayer**

For all of us here today in this house of prayer – that we discover anew the wonder of God in our midst & open ourselves to the Holy Spirit who enlivens within us the mission of Jesus.
God of strength and courage **Hear our Prayer**

For the people of countries where there is political unrest – that they will find a sense of hope in the support from each other and other world communities.
God of strength and courage **Hear our Prayer**

For all those who work for reconciliation in our country – that they hold on to the values taught to us through our belief in Christ, and seek unity and peace through clear and honest discussions.
God of strength and courage **Hear our Prayer**

For our parish of St Charles – that we continue to witness to the ever presence of God in our lives through our words, actions and life of faith.
God of strength and courage **Hear our Prayer**

We pray together... God of strength and courage, you never discard the work of your hands: strengthen us gathered here in prayer today, so that we may continue to witness our faith in you and your Son, Jesus Christ who is Lord forever. **Amen**

NEWS & NOTICES

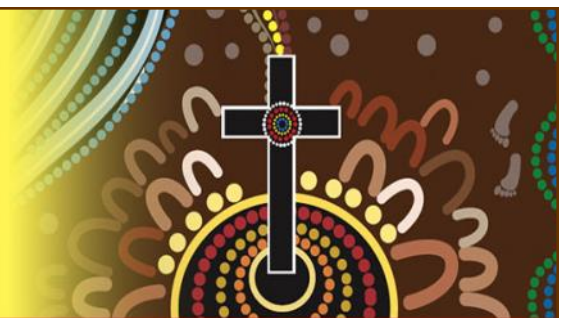
CATHOLIC MEDICAL ASSOCIATION AUSTRALIA - NATIONAL CONFERENCE

The First National Catholic Medical Association Conference will be held at St. Joseph's Conference and Retreat Centre, Baulkham Hills, from 10th to 12th November, 2023. Bishop Umbers will be the principal celebrant for the White Mass (Red Mass for lawyers, White Mass for doctors) during the Conference.

SOCIAL JUSTICE STATEMENT 2023-24

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A New Engagement with Aboriginal
and Torres Strait Islander Peoples



ROSTER - AUGUST

26 – 27 AUG	SAT 5PM VIGIL	SUN 9.15AM	SUN 5PM
ALTAR SERVING	Margaret Blake	Marchellas Tjipto	Dominic Hearne
PROCLAIMER OF WORD	St Charles Primary Kids	Anne Fahy & Genevieve Roberts	Peter Foley
EUCARIST MINISTER	Susana Hansen & Vincent Conroy	Gisella Musumeci & Jackie Durkin	Kathy Reilly
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OFFERTORY	St Charles Primary Kids	Maria Ner	
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REC: Mrs Jessica Keeley

Family Educator: Mrs Caroline Doherty

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School Principal: Mrs Ann Freeman

REC: Mr Mark McCoy

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Dir of Identity & Student Formation:

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A MESSAGE FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE OF SYDNEY

Waverley Parish, as part of the Archdiocese of Sydney, is wholly committed to ensuring the safety, well being and dignity of all children, and acknowledges its important legal, moral and spiritual responsibility to create a safe and nurturing environment for those children. Child sexual abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with a crime are the police. If you, or anyone you know, have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, contact the Safeguarding Office on 9390 5810 or safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org. You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support and guidance. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police.

For more info, visit:

www.sydneycatholic.org/safeguarding-and-child-protection/.



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MEMBER FOR COOGEE



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MASS 9:15AM IN CHURCH FOLLOWED BY
PLAYTIME 9:45AM - 11AM IN PARISH CENTRE

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