



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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29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

NOTED BY THE TAX-COLLECTOR

Before being called by Christ to be one of his twelve Apostles, St Matthew was a tax collector operating in a customs house, somewhere in the north of Galilee. Since this profession required that he be able to read, write and especially keep records, these skills he would put to good use in writing his gospel account of Jesus' mission. His literary style, as an evangelist, may be more artificial than that of St Luke, but there is no doubt that the gospel excerpt you have just heard is truly dramatic. The question put to Jesus, as to whether it was permissible for Jews to pay tribute to Caesar, gives a clear insight into the minds and strategy of the Pharisees. They were trying to walk Jesus into a political trap that would set him at odds with the Roman authorities, who were the rulers of Israel at that time, or, failing that, would discredit him before his own people. To avoid giving rise to suspicion of their intent, they decided not to get involved personally themselves. They sent some of their disciples along to Christ instead. It is quite likely that the leaders of the Pharisees stayed in the background because they wanted the followers of Herod, the Roman appointed tetrarch of Galilee, to take part also in the plot against Jesus, even though these Herodians, who openly advocated cooperation with the Romans, were normally their most bitter enemies.

The mock tributes to Jesus by this delegation, mention of his honesty, his fearlessness, his disregard for the status of those he encountered, all this flattery coming from people who normally were hostile to him merely highlights the hypocrisy of their praise. Then the trap was sprung: "tell us what is your own opinion? Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar or not?" Were Christ to answer, "Pay the tax," then he would stand accused of collaboration with the Roman oppressors, and would incur the scorn of ordinary Jews each of whom had to pay a poll tax, from the age of twelve for women and fourteen for men. Were he to advocate non-payment, he could be arrested for sedition by the Roman authorities. Jesus' response, however, "Give to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's," left them confounded, and they slunk away. But Jesus' reply left the matter in suspense, because it did not touch upon the right of the Romans to rule Israel, nor did it enumerate precisely the things of Caesar or those of God.

The opposing claims of God and state were left to be decided by the informed conscience of each individual, as they still are to this day. But there remains the warning of Jesus, in the Sermon on the Mount, that "no one can serve two masters; one cannot be the slave of both God and wealth" (Mt 6:24). Wealth in early OT times was seen as created by God, and bestowed on patriarchs, kings and leaders who had roles of special responsibility. Later on, wealth ceased to be regarded as a gift from God. "Woe to those who join house to house and field to field, until everywhere belongs to them," Isaiah warned (Is 5:8), and Jesus himself said, "alas for you who are rich; you are having your life of ease now" (Lk 6:24). The world and all its resources were created by God for the benefit of all human beings without exception, and this must usually obtain alongside the right to private property, whether inherited or acquired by personal enterprise. It is the task of government to seek balance between policies that will help the common good of all the citizens. And taxation is still one of the most common means of achieving this.

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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 120**

Forgive our sins

OFFERTORY HYMN**CWBII 595**

Seek, O seek the Lord

THANKSGIVING HYMN**CWBII 122**

O Father I know I can count on

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

To you I call;
for you will surely heed me, O God;
turn your ear to me; hear my words.
Guard me as the apple of your eye;
in the shadow of your wings protect me.

FIRST READING: ISAIAH 45:1, 4-6

Thus says the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus,
whose right hand I have grasped to subdue
nations before him and strip kings of their
robes, to open doors before him - and the
gates shall not be closed:

"For the sake of my servant Jacob, and Israel
my chosen, I call you by your name, I surname
you, though you do not know me. I am the
Lord, and there is no other; besides me there
is no god. I arm you, though you do not know
me, so that all may know, from the rising of
the sun and from the west, that there is no
one besides me; I am the Lord, and there is no
other."

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: 95:1, 3-5, 7-10

O sing a new song to the Lord,
sing to the Lord all the earth.
Tell among the nations his glory
and his wonders among all the peoples.

The Lord is great and worthy of praise,
to be feared above all gods;
the gods of the heathens are naught.
It was the Lord who made the heavens.

Give the Lord, you families of peoples,
give the Lord glory and power,
give the Lord the glory of his name.
Bring an offering and enter his courts.

Worship the Lord in his temple,
O earth, tremble before him.
Proclaim to the nations: 'God is king,'
He will judge the peoples in fairness.

9.15AM SUNDAY:

Give the Lord glory and honour.

SECOND READING: 1 THESSALONIANS 1:1-5

From Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, to the
church of the Thessalonians in God the Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and
peace.

We always give thanks to God for all of you
and mention you in our prayers, constantly
remembering before our God and Father your
work of faith and labour of love and
steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ.
For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by
God, that he has chosen you, because our
message of the gospel came to you not in
word only, but also in power and in the Holy
Spirit and with full conviction.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: PHILIPPIANS 2:15-16

Alleluia, alleluia!

Shine on the world like bright stars;
you are offering it the word of life.
Alleluia

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 22:15-21

When the chief priests and Pharisees had
heard the parables, they realized that Jesus
was speaking about them. Then the Pharisees
went and plotted to entrap Jesus in what he
said. So they sent their disciples to him, along
with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we
know that you are sincere, and teach the way
of God in accordance with truth, and show
deference to no one; for you do not regard
people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you
think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor,
or not?"

But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why
are you putting me to the test, you
hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the
tax." And they brought him a denarius. Then
he said to them "Whose head is this, and
whose title?"

They answered, "The emperors." Then he said
to them, "Give therefore to the emperor the
things that are the emperor's, and to God the
things that are God's."

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, Ruth Tarlinton, Nadia Monsieur, Adelina Murray, Iris Walshe-Howling, Ella Connery, Thomas Glenister, John Baltazar, Mario Jamora, Margaret Edgar & Peter Howard.

Those with anniversaries at this time: Dolores Morgan (29/10), Olivia Herrera (31/10)

Those recently baptised: Isabel Adler-Tokjan; Edward James Robert Kilday, Matilda Grace Noblet & Mila Jinny Davis

Those recently married: Benjamin Gentle & Felicity Race; Nicholas Condylis & Lauren Kovacic

Those recently deceased: Phyllis Brkic, Joseph Marin, Angela Midson & Valma Toms

WEEKDAY READINGS

23 Oct	Romans 4:20-25 Luke 12:13-21
24 Oct	Romans 5:12, 15, 17-21 Luke 12:35-38
25 Oct	Romans 6:12-18 Luke 12:39-48
26 Oct	Romans 6:19-23 Luke 12:49-53
27 Oct	Romans 7:18-25 Luke 12:54-59
28 Oct	Ephesians 2:19-22 Ps 18:2-5 Luke 6:12-19

MAILING LIST

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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 *The psalmist acclaims that God is king and we will all be judged in fairness. With utter confidence then let us offer our needs in prayer.*

We pray for our leaders, especially Pope Francis. May they journey together in Rome in this time of Synod with the conviction that they are doing the work of God for the good of the world. **Nurturing God of Creation** *Hear our Prayer*

We pray for the leaders of all nations. May they know in their hearts that their political power is only temporal and that all power belongs to God. **Nurturing God of Creation** *Hear our Prayer*

We pray for all those who have lost their way in discerning their place in political structures. May they be given clarity of mind so that their choices can reflect what is God's and what belongs to the world. **Nurturing God of Creation** *Hear our Prayer*

We pray for those who are suffering because of corrupted political entities. May they find comfort in those who come to give them aid and support to rebuild their lives. **Nurturing God of Creation** *Hear our Prayer*

We pray for the community gathered here at the table of the Lord. May we not be tempted to politicise our relationship with each other but rather live justly as witnesses to the gospel. **Nurturing God of Creation** *Hear our Prayer*

We pray for those suffering the pain of loneliness and isolation, that family and friends will find ways of assuring them they are cherished. **Nurturing God of Creation** *Hear our Prayer*

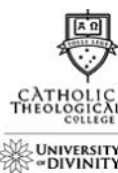
We pray together...

God of love, we offer this prayer in the sure knowledge that our needs will be granted in the name of Jesus, our Lord, through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

NEWS & NOTICES

CATHOLIC THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

Online Information Session
Monday 30 October 7.30pm
Register via our website:
ctc.edu.au/information-session
Dr M Saclot ctc.edu.au/contact/contact-the-registrar/



THE BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

The Book of Remembrance will be available from next weekend. Please write the names of your beloved deceased. During mass, the priest will offer Mass for the names nominated on each day. Please PRINT NAMES clearly and one per line.



ROSTER - OCTOBER

21- 22 OCTOBER	SAT 5PM VIGIL	SUN 9.15AM	SUN 5PM
ALTAR SERVING	Barry Blake & Francesca Jensen	Anthony Spratt	Dominic Hearne
PROCLAIMER OF WORD	Charles Primary Kids	Annabelle Abruzzese & Anne Fahy	Brigid Zengeni
EUCARIST MINISTER	Shirley Lyons & Vincent Conroy	Tony Abruzzese, Alison Abruzzese, Francine Darvill & Veralene Lobo	Laura Neeson & Janet Gerzina
HOSPITALITY	Ruth Lucas	Margaret Duncan	Kathy Reilly
OFFERTORY	Charles Primary Kids		Massimo Neeson
POWERPOINT OPS		Maureen Teagle	
CHILDREN'S LITURGY	-	Teresa Vigroux & Theresa Stevens	-

LOCAL AFFILIATED SCHOOLS

St Charles' Primary School

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REC: Mrs Jessica Keeley

Family Educator: Mrs Caroline Doherty

St Clare's College, Waverley

41-51 Carrington Road, Waverley 2024

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W <https://stclares.nsw.edu.au/>

School Principal: Mrs Ann Freeman

REC: Mr Mark McCoy

Waverley College, Senior Campus

131 Birrell Street, Waverley 2024

P (02) 9369 0600

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Principal: Mr Graham Leddie

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Ms Suzanne Walsh

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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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"Give to Caesar what is Caesar's, and to God what is God's" - Matt 22:21

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