



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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Follow our social media platforms to keep up to date with the latest news in the Parish.



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THE HEART OF THE MATTER

Life is becoming increasingly complex. We value people who have the gift of getting beyond the multiple dimensions of an issue so as to zoom in on the heart of the matter. Such people prevent us from missing the wood for the trees. They are good at separating out what really matters from the things that are less important. They encourage us to invest our energies in what is really worthwhile, rather than allowing them to be dissipated by what is not significant.

Jesus was a person who knew how to go to the heart of the matter. On one occasion someone asked him to intervene in a family dispute about inheritance. In his reply, he ignored the concrete issue and, instead, he called on the person who approached him to "Be on your guard against all kinds of greed" (Lk 12:13-15). He saw that the real issue was not the details of the particular case but the greed which underlay the dispute.

This capacity of Jesus to get to the heart of the matter is clear from his response to the question put to him by one of the Pharisees in today's gospel reading, "Master, which is the greatest commandment of the Law?" In the time of Jesus there were known to be 613 commandments in the Jewish Law. The potential here to miss the wood for the trees was enormous. Preoccupation with the detail of regulations could result in people ignoring what really matters, like straining out a gnat but swallowing a camel (Mt 23:24). Jesus answered the Pharisee's question by going straight to the heart of the Jewish law. He was asked if there is one "greatest" commandment, but in reply he named the *second* greatest commandment as well. For the first commandment, loving the Lord your God with all our heart and soul, is inseparable from the conjoined commandment, of loving my neighbour as myself. For Jesus, what God wants from us above all else is love.

There is no genuine love of God unless it finds expression in love of our neighbour. Love of neighbour, in turn, presupposes a healthy self-love, recognising and appreciating myself as fundamentally good, because I am created in the image and likeness of God. [@https://associationofcatholicpriests.ie/](https://associationofcatholicpriests.ie/)



When you look at something like the Catechism of the Catholic Church, and see its 691 pages, or look at the 2,000 pages of the big Jerusalem Bible, you can be forgiven for thinking that Christianity is a complicated affair. But Jesus reminds us today that it is essentially very simple: everything can be summed up in two basic rules: love God, love your neighbour. Exodus backs this up, by talking about the simple love that we must show to each other. Not that this is easy - love is always costly, and involves some degree of sacrifice. We will have to change, to become perfect in love; but it is possible, and when we do, like the people of Thessalonica, we become a great example to people everywhere. [@https://www.salfordliturgy.org.uk](https://www.salfordliturgy.org.uk)

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 455

Be thou my vision

OFFERTORY HYMN

CWBII 595

Seek, O seek the Lord

THANKSGIVING HYMN

CWBII 553

Love is his word

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice;
turn to the Lord and his strength;
constantly seek his face.

FIRST READING: EXODUS 22:20-26

The Lord said to Moses: "Thus shall you say to the Israelites, these are the ordinances that you shall set before them.

"You shall not wrong or oppress a resident alien, for you were aliens in the land of Egypt. You shall not abuse any widow or orphan. If you do abuse them, when they cry out to me, I will surely heed their cry; my wrath will burn, and I will kill you with the sword, and your wives shall become widows and your children orphans.

"If you lend money to my people, to the poor among you, you shall not deal with them as a creditor; you shall not exact interest from them. If you take your neighbour's cloak in pawn, you shall restore it before the sun goes down; for it may be your neighbour's only clothing to use as cover; in what else shall that person sleep? And if your neighbour cries out to me, I will listen, for I am compassionate."

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: 17:2-4, 47, 51

I love you, Lord, my strength
my rock, my fortress, my saviour
My God is a mighty rock
he is my saving refuge

The Lord is my shield, and mighty help,
The Lord is my stronghold.
The Lord is worthy of all praise:
when I call I am saved from my foes.

Long life to the Lord, my rock!
Praised be the God who saves me.
He has given great victories to his king
and shown his love for his anointed

**9.15AM SUNDAY: I love you, Lord, my
strength, with all my heart**

SECOND READING: 1 THESSALONIANS 1:5-10

You know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake.

And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it.

For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead- Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: JOHN 14:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

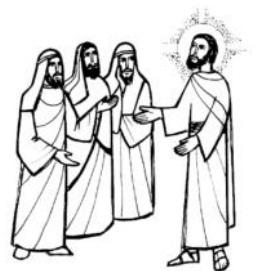
All who love me will keep my words,
and my Father will love them and we will come to them. Alleluia

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 22:34-40

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?"

Jesus said to him "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the greatest and first commandment.

"And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."



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 Tarlington, Nadia Monsieur, Adelina Murray, Iris Walshe-Howling, Ella Connery, Thomas Glenister, John Baltazar, Mario Jamora, Vivien Dorko & Peter Howard.

Those with anniversaries at this time: Bernice Aboud (20/10), Raymond Myers (27/10), Dolores Morgan (29/10), Olivia Herrera (31/10)

Those recently married: Rachel Plata & Jomar Cabacungan

Those recently deceased: Angela Midson, Valma Toms, Geraldine Hynek, Margaret Kelly & Margaret Edgar

WEEKDAY READINGS

30 Oct	Romans 8:12-17 Luke 13:10-17
31 Oct	Romans 8:18-25 Luke 13:18-21
1 Nov	Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14 Matthew 5:1-12
2 Nov	Isaiah 25:6,7-9 Matthew 11:25-30
3 Nov	Romans 9:1-5 Luke 14:1-6
4 Nov	Romans 11:1-2, 11-12, 25-29 Ps 93:12-15, 17-18 Luke 14:1, 7-11

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: *We rejoice in the love of God made known to us in Jesus Christ. Let us pray that God will strengthen us in faith and send us as messengers to share Christ's love with all in need.*

For the church and its leaders, especially Francis our Pope that they may preach the word in truth and inspire us by their example of service.

Nurturing God

Hear our Prayer

For the whole Body of Christ, all the baptised everywhere, that we live the message of the Gospel and when we fail, rejoice in the gift of forgiveness.

Nurturing God

Hear our Prayer

For all of us gathered here in prayer, that we may be able to show your love by keeping your word and being witnesses of peace and love to our family and friends.

Nurturing God

Hear our Prayer

For those who are dear to us but are not present among us, that we may hold them in our heart and mind and that they may be surrounded by Christ's loving care.

Nurturing God

Hear our Prayer

For the sick, that they may be comforted in their suffering, and for all who care for them, that they may be agents of the healing and life-giving Holy Spirit.

Nurturing God

Hear our Prayer

For those that are suffering in their faith, that they may, amid their difficulties, return to God through the love and care shown to them by their families and carers.

Nurturing God

Hear our Prayer

For the gift of creation, that we may use its resources rightly and be wise stewards of its abundance.

Nurturing God

Hear our Prayer

We pray together... *Gracious and loving God, may our lives bear witness to the mercy and grace made known in your Son, Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen*

NEWS & NOTICES

CHARITABLE WORKS FUND 4/5 NOV

Help keep alive vital ministries of the Church in service to those who need it most. In hospitals, churches, schools, communities and families, your donation is making our world a loving, caring and compassionate place. Your tax-deductible gift changes lives. Thank you

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

The new series of Planned Giving envelopes starts next Sunday, 5 Nov 2023. Please collect your next series of envelopes at the back of the Church to save on postage costs. Thank you for your support!

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. Please PRINT NAMES clearly and one per line.

FOOTSTEPS OF ST PAUL PILGRIMAGE

Please pray for all attending the Footsteps of St Paul Pilgrimage through Turkey & Greece leaving Sunday 29 October. May your travels be safe, faith filled and may you be deeply moved as you retrace the footsteps of St Paul.



ROSTER - OCTOBER

28 – 29 OCTOBER	SAT 5PM VIGIL	SUN 9.15AM	SUN 5PM
ALTAR SERVING	Margaret Blake	Cameron Ward	Dominic Hearne
PROCLAIMER OF WORD	?	Eloise Linfoot & Des Durkin	Joy Pertile
EUCCHARIST MINISTER	Susana Hansen & Vincent Conroy	Gisella Musumeci, Margaret Kelly, Francine Darvill & Jackie Durkin	Janet Gerzina & Kathy Reilly
HOSPITALITY	Warren Kelly	Jackie Durkin	Kathy Reilly
OFFERTORY	Zara, Sierra & Lucas Castelletti	Maria Ner	
POWERPOINT OPS	Toni Dickson	Lidia Linfoot	
CHILDREN'S LITURGY	-	Miriam Wairau & Nick Jeha	-

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

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School Principal: Mrs Ann Freeman

REC: Mr Mark McCoy

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131 Birrell Street, Waverley 2024

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Principal: Mr Graham Leddie

Dir of Identity & Student Formation:

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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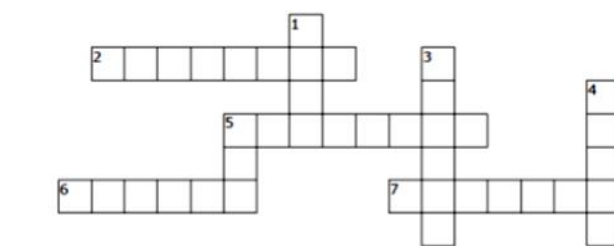
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KIDS CORNER



ACROSS

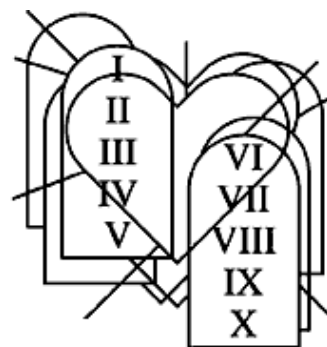
2. A person who lives near or next to another
5. The most important; better than all others of the same kind
6. Coming next in order after the first one
7. Someone who educates or trains others

DOWN

1. To have a deep feeling of affection or attraction for someone
3. A spoken or written reply to a question
4. The center and source of a person's emotions or feelings
5. The creator of heaven and earth; The One we worship

NEIGHBOR	TEACHER	SECOND	GOD
ANSWER	HEART	GREATEST	LOVE

Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.
Mark 12:30 (NIV)



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ST CHARLES' PLAYGROUP
@ Mary Immaculate Church, Parish Centre

COME JOIN US ON WEDNESDAYS AT
MASS 9:15AM IN CHURCH FOLLOWED BY
PLAYTIME 9:45AM - 11AM IN PARISH CENTRE

COME JOIN US EACH WEDNESDAY