



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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JESUS AND THE PHARISEES

It is important that the homily should not distort the teaching of Christ by giving undue emphasis to some personal viewpoint of the preacher, one which does not receive similar emphasis in the Gospels. But in choosing to illustrate the dangers of Pharisaism the preacher is on solid ground; for the Gospels have many conflicts between Christ and the Pharisees and he denounces their approach. What follows are called the "Woes" against the Pharisees. It is a pity that this section has not been selected for any Sunday throughout the three year cycle, for it helps to give a picture of the dangers, not only of Pharisaism in the time of Christ, but of the perils of the false practice of religion in all ages, including our own.

Pharisaism can be seen from several angles. It is the belief that one can save oneself through the observance of law, through the performance of works of piety, fasting, prayer and almsgiving with an eye on the praise of men. The Pharisees tended to put stress on little things ("Tithe of mint, dill and cummin") while neglecting the much more important matters of faith, justice and mercy. They were noted for their zeal in making converts who in due time became twice as bad as their converters. The outcome was that the Pharisees tended to be hypocrites, a title which Jesus bestowed on them with great liberality.

The "Woes" in Matthew against the Pharisees end with Christ denouncing them for violence, especially against the prophets whose blood they shed and whose tombs they later adorned. "You are the sons of those who murdered the prophets! Very well then, finish off the work that your fathers began." Mat. 23:32. The finishing off of the work was the death of Christ for which the Pharisees were largely responsible. The works of piety, the strict observance of law was a defence mechanism at work within the Pharisees. They suffered from a sense of guilt which they refused to acknowledge, as the Parable of the Pharisee and the Publican informs us. However, if guilt is not acknowledged within oneself, it seeks a victim outside oneself. We can say that Christ was the victim on whom the Pharisees projected their own unacknowledged sense of guilt. No wonder that the repentant sinner of the Parable who cried out, "O God, be merciful to me, a sinner," is exalted by Christ above the Pharisee who thanked God he was not a sinner.

Today's Gospel is an invitation to all, especially the more pious and those who tend to be judgmental of others, to examine behind our good works. Are they an escape from a sense of guilt? If so, the remedy is not the rejection of piety and good works, but a search for a precious gift of God, the willingness to face up to ourselves by acknowledging our personal and national guilt.

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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 451

As we gather at your table

OFFERTORY HYMN

CWBII 443

A New Commandment

THANKSGIVING HYMN

CWBII 638

Where there is charity and Love

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Forsake me not, O Lord, my God;
be not far from me!
Make haste and come to my help,
O Lord, my strong salvation!

FIRST READING: MALACHI 1:14 - 2:2, 8-10

"I am a great King," says the Lord of hosts,
"and my name is revered among the
nations.

"And now, O priests, this command is for you.
If you will not listen, if you will not lay it to
heart to give glory to my name," says the Lord
of hosts, "then I will send the curse on you
and I will curse your blessings; indeed I have
already cursed them, because you do not lay
it to heart.

"You have turned aside from the way; you
have caused many to stumble by your
instruction; you have corrupted the covenant
of Levi," says the Lord of hosts, "and so I make
you despised and abased before all the
people, inasmuch as you have not kept my
ways but have shown partiality in your
instruction."

Have we not all one father? Has not one God
created us? Why then are we faithless to one
another, profaning the covenant of our
ancestors?

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: 130

O Lord, my heart is not proud
nor haughty my eyes.

I have not gone after things too great
nor marvels beyond me.

Truly I have set my soul
in silence and peace.

A weaned child on its mother's breast,
even so is my soul.

O Israel, hope in the Lord
both now and for ever.

9.15AM SUNDAY:

In you O Lord, I have found my peace

SECOND READING: 1 THESS 2:7-9, 13

Though we might have made demands as
apostles of Christ, we were gentle among you,

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like a nurse tenderly caring for her own
children. So deeply do we care for you that
we are determined to share with you not only
the gospel of God but also our own selves,
because you have become very dear to us.
You remember our labour and toil, brothers
and sisters; we worked night and day, so that
we might not burden any of you while we
proclaimed to you the gospel of God.

We also constantly give thanks to God for
this, that when you received the word of God
that you heard from us, you accepted it not as
a human word but as what it really is, God's
word, which is also at work in you believers.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: MATTHEW 23:9, 10

Alleluia, alleluia!

You have one Father, your Father in heaven;
you have one teacher: the Lord Jesus Christ.
Alleluia

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 23:1-12

Then Jesus said to the crowds and to his
disciples, "The scribes and the Pharisees sit in
Moses' chair; therefore, do whatever they
teach you and follow it; but do not do as they
do, for they do not practice what they teach.
They tie up heavy burdens, hard to bear, and
lay them on the shoulders of others; but they
themselves are unwilling to lift a finger to
move them. They do all their deeds to be
seen by others; for they make their
phylacteries broad and their fringes long.
They love to have the place of honour at
banquets and the best seats in the
synagogues, and to be greeted with respect in
the marketplaces, and to have people call
them rabbi.

"But you are not to be called rabbi, for you
have one teacher, and you are all students.
And call no one your father on earth, for you
have one Father- the one in heaven. Nor are
you to be called instructors, for you have one
instructor, the Messiah. The greatest among
you will be your servant. All who exalt
themselves will be humbled, and all who
humble themselves will be exalted."

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, Vivien Dorko & Peter Howard.

Those with anniversaries at this time: Lucy & Maurice (30 years marriage 4/11), Anna Sidoti, Concetta & Angelo De Luca, Mary Spratt (1/11), Christine Lynch (2/11), Giovanna Toppi (3/11), Josue Martins (6/11), Doreen Reilly (7/11), Theresa Chin (14/11).

Those recently married: Adam Matkovich & Angelie Costelo; Thomas Sommerville & Stefani LeKouska.

Those recently deceased: Margaret Kelly, Margaret Edgar, Jane Borg & Fr Gregory Bourke ofm

WEEKDAY READINGS

6 Nov	Romans 11:19-36 Luke 14:12-14
7 Nov	Romans 12:5-16 Luke 14:15-24
8 Nov	Romans 13:8-10 Luke 14:25-33
9 Nov	Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12 John 2:13-22
10 Nov	Romans 15:14-21 Luke 16:1-8
11 Nov	Romans 16:3-9, 16, 22-27 Ps 144:2-5, 10-11 Luke 16:9-15

MAILING LIST

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PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

The psalmist asserts that peace is found in the Lord. Let us turn to our Lord and offer the needs of our community and our world.

For Pope Francis and the leaders of our Church, lay, religious and clergy. May they all live the Gospel through humble service knowing that they who humble themselves will be exalted.

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 those who dedicate their lives to preaching the word of God. May their lives be the greatest example of humble service in God's way, not in human values.

Nurturing God

Hear our Prayer

For all those who have never heard the word of God. May they have their ears opened to the Gospel by those who live a humble life of service.

Nurturing God

Hear our Prayer

For those who are suffering ill health in body, mind or spirit. May the healing hands of those who care bring them comfort and strength.

Nurturing God

Hear our Prayer

For Fr Bernie and our pilgrims, who are currently following in the footsteps of St Paul, may they be inspired in their own missionary journeys to preach the Gospel as did St Paul.

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

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

The new series of Planned Giving envelopes is available. Please collect your envelopes promptly at the back of the Church to save on postage costs. Thank you for supporting the Parish.

THE BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

The Book of Remembrance is now available in the Church. Please write the names of your beloved deceased. Please PRINT NAMES clearly and one per line. The priest will offer their names during Mass.



You are cordially invited to the next Secular Franciscan Fraternity Meeting on Saturday, 18 November at 2:00pm in the Parish Hall.

ROSTER - OCTOBER

4 – 5 NOVEMBER	SAT 5PM VIGIL (Fr Phil)	SUN 9.15AM (Fr Phil)	SUN 5PM (Fr Martin)
ALTAR SERVING	Barry Blake	Cameron Ward	Dominic Hearne
PROCLAIMER OF WORD	Leanna Langlands	Eloise Linfoot & Maria Ner	Brigid Zengeni
EUCARIST MINISTER	Anna Maratta & Lucy Bjorngaard	Genevieve Roberts, Veralene Lobo Francine Darvill & Gisella Musumeci	Laura Neeson & Miriam Wairau
HOSPITALITY	Ruth Lucas	Margaret Duncan	Kathy Reilly
OFFERTORY	Dante & Giovanni Jensen	Genevieve Roberts & John	Massimo & Chloe Neeson
POWERPOINT OPS	Toni Dickson	Victor Voros	
CHILDREN'S LITURGY	-	Giulia Tolomeo & Jane Palin	-

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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.

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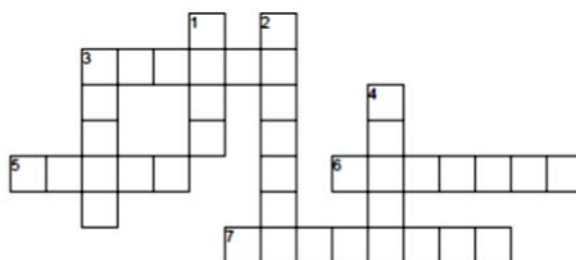
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ACROSS

3. To consider yourself as having no special importance; not proud
5. A large gathering of people
6. A formal dinner honoring a particular person or occasion
7. Most important, powerful, or famous

DOWN

1. To do what you are told or expected to do
2. Someone who trains or instructs other people
3. A place of high respect or esteem
4. To praise someone or raise to a more powerful position

GREATEST
HONOR

CROWD
HUMBLE

BANQUET
EXALT

TEACHER
OBEY

The greatest among you will be your servant.
Matthew 23:11

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