



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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COME & SEE

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

REFLECTIONS - <https://researchonline.nd.edu.au/pastoral-liturgy/>

'It was about the tenth hour...' About four o'clock in the afternoon for us. It might have been an afternoon like our summer, January afternoons...quiet and relaxed, pretty unremarkable. John the Baptist is standing with two of his disciples. And as the author of the Fourth Gospel puts it: Jesus passed. John stares at him and acclaims him as 'the Lamb of God'. At once, and I suspect, not knowing fully what was going on, two of John's disciples begin to follow Jesus. And then Jesus turns and asks them a question: 'What do you want?' But here, Jesus is not seeking information. He is calling them; he is arousing their desire...What is it that you truly seek? What is it that your hearts' desire? The two disciples reply with their own question: 'Where do you live?' The disciples are not asking Jesus for his address. These disciples want to know more than just where Jesus lives, they want to know the place where he abides, the place of his heart. Almost enigmatically, Jesus replies: 'Come and see'. And the lives of Andrew and the other, unnamed disciple are forever changed. They do indeed see where Jesus lives and they stay with him not only the rest of the day, but for the next three years and indeed for the rest of their lives as they respond to the call: Come and see. God calls each one of us to follow. Each one of us is challenged to come and see. All of us are like Samuel: we are young, we know not how to speak. All of us are like Andrew: someone else has pointed the way. And yet, all of us are called, all the same. God does not wait until we are perfect before he calls us to follow. God knows that we are all fallible human creatures, full of faults and failings. God knows that we do not have all the answers yet, that we do not have all the pieces of the puzzle worked out. God knows that we will get it wrong along the way. And yet, God still calls us. In the quiet of the sanctuary, at the desk at work, at the kitchen sink, in the classroom, in the garden, along the way. God calls us. To come and see.

2024 SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME

Yr 2 - First Reconciliation (Penance) - Enrolments open now. Close 14th February 2024

Parent Info Evening: Wed, 14th February @ 6.30pm Parish Centre

Commitment Mass: Sat, 17th February @ 5pm at Mary Immaculate Church

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Wed, 20th March @ 6.30pm at Mary Immaculate Church

Yr 3 - First Eucharist (Communion) - Enrolments open mid-July 2024

Parent Info Evening: Wed, 24th July @ 6.30pm at Mary Immaculate Parish Centre

Commitment Mass: Sat, 27th July @ 5pm at Mary Immaculate Church

Training Day: Fri, 13th September @ 11.45am-12.45pm at Mary Immaculate Church.

Sacrament of First Eucharist: Sun, 15th September @ 11:30am (photos from 10:50am)

Yr 6 - Sacrament of Confirmation - Enrolments open late April 2024

Parent Info Evening: Wednesday, 8th May @ 6.30pm at Parish Centre

Commitment Mass: Sat, 11th May @ 5pm at Mary Immaculate Church

Confirmation Spirituality / Training Day: Wed, 12th June @ 9.15am-12.30pm

Sacrament of Confirmation: Sun, 23rd June @ 2pm at Mary Immaculate Church

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.*

WEEKDAY READINGS

15 Jan 1 Sam 15:16-23 Mark 2:18-22
16 Jan 1 Sam 16:1-13 Mark 2:23-28
17 Jan 1 Sam 17:32-33, 37, 40-51
Mark 3:1-6
18 Jan 1 Sam 18:6-9; 19:1-7
Mark 3:7-12
19 Jan 1 Sam 24:3-21
Mark 3:13-19
20 Jan 2 Sam 1:1-4, 11-12, 17, 19,
23-27
Ps 79:2-3, 5-7
Mark 3:20-21

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

All the earth shall bow down before you, O
God, and shall sing to you,
shall sing to your name, O Most High!

FIRST READING: 1 SAMUEL 3:3-10, 19

Samuel was lying down in the temple of the
Lord, where the ark of God was. Then the Lord
called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I
am!" Samuel ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am,
for you called me." But Eli said, "I did not call;
lie down again." So he went and lay down.

The Lord called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got
up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for
you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my
son; lie down again." Now Samuel did not yet
know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had
not yet been revealed to him.

The Lord called Samuel again, a third time.
And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here
I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived
that the Lord was calling the boy. Therefore Eli
said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls
you, you shall say, 'Speak, Lord, for your
servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay
down in his place.

Now the Lord came and stood there, calling as
before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said,
"Speak, for your servant is listening." As
Samuel grew up, the Lord was with him and
let none of his words fall to the ground.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 39:2, 4, 7-10

I waited, I waited for the Lord
and he stooped down to me; he heard my cry.
He put a new song into my mouth,
praise of our God.

You do not ask for sacrifice and offerings,
but an open ear.
You do not ask for holocaust and victim.
Instead, here am I.

In the scroll of the book it stands written
that I should do your will.
My God, I delight in your law
in the depth of my heart.

Your justice I have proclaimed
in the great assembly.
My lips I have not sealed;
you know it, O Lord.

9.15AM SUNDAY:

Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.

SECOND READING: 1 CORIN 6:13-15, 17-20

The body is meant not for fornication but for
the Lord, and the Lord for the body. And God
raised the Lord and will also raise us by his
power.

Do you not know that your bodies are
members of Christ? But anyone united to the
Lord becomes one spirit with him. Shun
fornication! Every sin that a person commits is
outside the body; but the fornicator sins
against the body itself.

Or do you not know that your body is a
temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which
you have from God, and that you are not your
own? For you were bought with a price;
therefore glorify God in your body.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

We have found the Messiah:
Jesus Christ, who brings us truth and grace.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL: JOHN 1:35-42

John was standing with two of his disciples,
and as he watched Jesus walk by, he
exclaimed, "Look, here is the Lamb of God!"
The two disciples heard him say this, and they
followed Jesus.

When Jesus turned and saw them following,
he said to them, "What are you looking for?"

They said to him, "Rabbi" (which translated
means Teacher), "where are you staying?"

He said to them, "Come and see." They came
and saw where he was staying, and they
remained with him that day. It was about four
o'clock in the afternoon.

One of the two who heard John speak and
followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's
brother. He first found his brother Simon and
said to him, "We have found the Messiah"
(which is translated Anointed). He brought
Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said,
"You are Simon son of John. You are to be
called Cephas" (which is translated Peter).

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Those who are sick: Fr Nick Lucas, Michael Connery, Ella Connery, Ken Smith & Annette Connelly.

Those with anniversaries at this time: Anna Sidoti, Concetta & Angelo De Luca, Phyllis Lysaght (04/01), Robert Aston (11/01), Len Peirce (16/01) & Margaret Kirchner (28/1)

Those recently married: Matthew Lepar & Ailey Sun; Chris Hernandez & Helen Nguyen

Those recently deceased: Antonio Gabriele (17/12), Leighton John Unicom (27/12),

GETTING MARRIED?

Any couple intending to marry will need to participate in one of the Pre-Marriage Courses offered in the Archdiocese of Sydney. CatholicCare Sydney invites you to spend some time building or strengthening the foundations for your married life. Courses are run either in the group, online or in face-to-face format, on weeknights and some weekends. More info: www.catholiccare.org; (02) 9509 1234 or mre@catholiccare.org

**PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL**

President: *To the Lord we say, 'Here we are, with our needs and prayers'. The Lord in turn says to us, 'Here I am, to hear and answer you'. And so we pray:*

For the Church – that we, the baptised listen deeply to the Word of God, allow it to transform us and lead us to share in Christ's mission... God of transformation **Hear our Prayer**

For community and national leaders – that they will act with integrity, resist using their positions for their own benefit, and focus on establishing laws and principles that add dignity to people's lives... God of Integrity **Hear our Prayer**

For teenagers and young adults – that they will have people of wisdom they can turn to in times of uncertainty, difficulty and doubt, and that they will receive wise and understanding counsel... God of Wisdom **Hear our Prayer**

For all educators – that as they prepare to return to their teaching roles. May they understand their calling to the vocation of educator as a gift from God. God of knowledge **Hear our Prayer**

For the earth, our common home – that we might wonder at the extreme beauty of nature, see in it God's eternal and incarnate presence and be committed to protecting and caring for it... God of Creation **Hear our Prayer**

For all of us who are gathered here now – that our homes will be places of warm welcome, offering hospitality to guests and family alike... God of welcome **Hear our Prayer**

We pray together: *God, your voice goes out to all the earth, and you call each of us by name, to listen to you. Strengthen us in faith, so that we might heed your call to "come and follow"... We ask this through Christ our Lord, Amen.*

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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**NEWS & NOTICES****YOUNG FAMILY WHATSAPP GROUP**

Join our new Mary Immaculate Young Families WhatsApp chat group. Do you have little ones (babies or primary school age)? Connect now with other parents who share the unique challenges of raising Catholic kids in Sydney's eastern suburbs. Message Ky on 0403 042 359.

**CHRISTIAN MEDITATION GROUP**

Resuming on 12 February 2024, the Christian Meditation Group meet in the Parish Centre at 5.30pm on every Monday except Public Holidays. All welcome. For more information, please call on Trisha 0405 516 972.

**ST CHARLES' PRAYER GROUP**

You are warmly invited to spend time in prayer/reflection with us. The St. Charles' Mothers' Prayer Group meet on 1st Wednesday of each month (during school term) in Mary's Chapel at 7:30pm. Contact Laura for more info: laura@habitatmedia.com.au

DEVOTIONAL SHOP OPEN

The Devotional Shop is open after the Saturday vigil and Sunday 9:15am Mass. Franciscan Calendars are available \$10 each and God's Word 2024 at \$24 each. Don't miss out, stock is limited.

ROSTER

13 – 14 JANUARY 2024	SAT 5PM VIGIL	SUN 9.15AM	SUN 5PM
ALTAR SERVING	Laurie Bond	Cameron Ward & Christian Abruzzese	Dominic Hearne
PROCLAIMER OF WORD	Margaret Blake	Eloise Linfoot & Bella Abruzzese	Peter Foley
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St Charles' Primary School

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REC: Mrs Jessica Keeley

Family Educator: Mrs Caroline Doherty

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41-51 Carrington Road, Waverley 2024

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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

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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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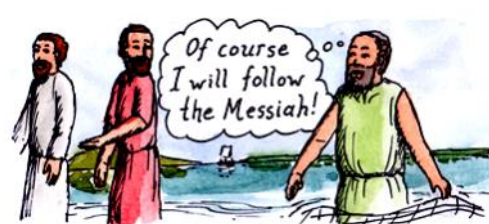
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