



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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First Sunday of Lent

A WORD FROM FR BERNIE

Lots of things give us joy and happiness in our lives. Fine food and drink in a pleasant setting, a great movie, a day watching our favourite sport, or a special occasion where we dress to impress and catch up with friends.

When we reflect on the Gospel reading for Ash Wednesday and the season of Lent which it opens - with the call to humble fasting, prayer and works for God, the tendency might be to become suspicious of those things in life which give us enjoyment especially if they are a little ostentatious. If something is pleasurable or obviously entertaining, then maybe we should distrust such activities lest they distract us from the serious business of religious devotion. The truth is more complex and deeper than that.

The readings of the Ash Wednesday liturgy point to a recognition that is often not what activity is being performed that matters, but how, to what end and with what sort of inner disposition it is being done. Indeed, numerous times through the scriptures we are reminded that all of creation, as well as our place in it, is good and pleasing.

So don't get confused with the goodness of God and what you wish to do in order to make your Lent a time of renewal and prayer. The readings of Lent remind us that prayer, fasting and good works open us up to a goodness and happiness that helps us to understand God's intentions for creation and how through God we become better and faithful people.

Blessings for your Lenten journey,

Fr Bernie



Discover St Charles'

JOIN US FOR TERM 1

OPEN DAYS

Wed 21 Feb	9.15am - 10.45am
Wed 21 Feb	5pm - 7pm
Wed 6 Mar	9.15am - 10.45am
Sat 9 Mar	2pm - 4pm
Wed 27 Mar	9.15am - 10.45am

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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.***MASS HYMNS****GATHERING HYMN****CWBII 288**

Forty Days and Forty Nights

OFFERTORY HYMN**CWBII 289**

From ashes to the living font

THANKSGIVING HYMN**CWBII 295**

May this Lenten discipline

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**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:**

When he calls on me, I will answer him;
 I will deliver him and give him glory,
 I will grant him length of days.

FIRST READING: GENESIS 9:8-15

God said to Noah and to his sons with him,
 "As for me, I am establishing my covenant
 with you and your descendants after you, and
 with every living creature that is with you, the
 birds, the domestic animals, and every animal
 of the earth with you, as many as came out of
 the ark. I establish my covenant with you,
 that never again shall all flesh be cut off by
 the waters of a flood, and never again shall
 there be a flood to destroy the earth."

God said, "This is the sign of the covenant
 that I make between me and you and every
 living creature that is with you, for all future
 generations: I have set my bow in the clouds,
 and it shall be a sign of the covenant between
 me and the earth. When I bring clouds over
 the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I
 will remember my covenant that is between
 me and you and every living creature of all
 flesh; and the waters shall never again
 become a flood to destroy all flesh."

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 24:4-9

Lord, make me know your ways.

Lord, teach me your paths.

Make me walk in your truth, & teach me:
 for you are God my saviour.

Remember your mercy, Lord,
 and the love you have shown from of old.
 In your love remember me,
 because of your goodness, O Lord.

The Lord is good and upright.
 He shows the path to those who stray,
 he guides the humble in the right path;
 he teaches his way to the poor.

9.15AM SUNDAY:

*Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those
 who keep your covenant.*

SECOND READING: 1 PETER 3:18-22

Christ suffered for sins once for all, the
 righteous for the unrighteous, in order to
 bring you to God. He was put to death in the
 flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which
 also he went and made a proclamation to the
 spirits in prison. In former times these did not
 obey, when God waited patiently in the days
 of Noah, during the building of the ark, in
 which a few, that is, eight persons, were
 saved through water.

Baptism, which this prefigured, now saves
 you - not as a removal of dirt from the body,
 but as an appeal to God for a good
 conscience through the resurrection of Jesus
 Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at
 the right hand of God, with angels,
 authorities, and powers made subject to him.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: MATTHEW 4:4

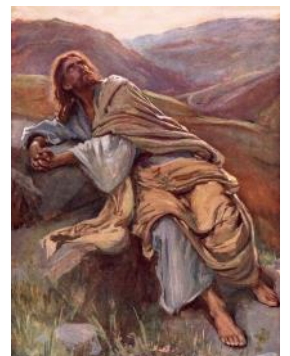
Glory and praise to you Lord Jesus Christ
 No one lives on bread alone,
 but on every word that comes from the
 mouth of God.

Glory and praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

GOSPEL: MARK 1:12-15

After Jesus was baptised, the Spirit drove him
 out into the wilderness. He was in the
 wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and
 he was with the wild beasts; and the angels
 waited on him.

Now after John was arrested; Jesus came to
 Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God,
 and saying, "The
 time is fulfilled,
 and the kingdom
 of God has come
 near; repent, and
 believe in the
 good news."

**MASS INTENTIONS****Those who are sick:**

Michael Connery, Ella Connery, Ken Smith, Annette Connelly, Pamela Cooper, Sabrina Kafka
 Girard, Kevin Brookes, Peter Timmins & Tania Gerzina (Murray)

Those with anniversaries at this time:

Ed Reilly (18/2) John Abrahams & Alice Pritchard (22/2), John Chong (25/2), Christine Harrison
 (28/2), John Harrison & Luis Trindade (2/3), Anthony Chin (3/3), Bridie Clarke
 (6/3), Rose Chin (7/3), Alice Aston & Lisa Rivera (8/3)

Those recently deceased:

Peter Cameron

Those recently baptised:

Isla Murray, Lachlan Bisley & Clay Baker



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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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:



CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

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

DEVOTIONAL SHOP OPEN

The Devotional Shop is open after the Saturday vigil and Sunday 9:15am Mass. Franciscan Calendars are now available \$10 each and God's Word 2024 at \$24 each. All Sacramental gifts, cards and candles are available too. Don't miss out!



MOTHER'S PRAYER GROUP

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

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

President: We are called in this Lenten season to a renewed effort in prayer, to fasting, and to engage in works of charity and selfless giving. We are also called together today to be formed as God's People, to be one Body in Christ and as one people, to celebrate this time of prayer.

For the Church – that the baptised open their hearts to the Gospel, welcome the kingdom of God and take God's love, peace and mercy to the world.

In your mercy Lord

Hear us now we pray.

For all in public office – that there will be a new and determined effort to care for our common home and appreciate the wonder and beauty of the natural world.

In your mercy Lord

Hear us now we pray.

For catechumens – that they will be supported, encouraged and affirmed by their faith communities as they make the journey towards the new light of Easter.

In your mercy Lord

Hear us now we pray.

For the children preparing to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation – may they know the healing and compassionate love of God through their preparation and celebration of the Sacrament.

In your mercy Lord

Hear us now we pray.

For victims of violence and abuse – that through the patient love of friends and family, they will come to accept their own dignity and beauty, and that a path of healing will open before them.

In your mercy Lord

Hear us now we pray.

For our local community of Mary Immaculate – that we as a parish family will support one another in this journey of Faith as we enter this season of prayer and reflection.

In your mercy Lord

Hear us now we pray.

We pray together: *Almighty God, be merciful to us sinners, renew us in your Son Jesus, and let us walk confidently in the power of the Holy Spirit, through Christ our Lord, Amen.*

NEWS & NOTICES

YEAR 2 FIRST RECONCILIATION

ENROLMENT NOW CLOSED

Commitment Mass: 17 February at 5pm in Mary Immaculate Church.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: 20 March at 6.30pm in Mary Immaculate Church.

ENRICH YOUR MARRIAGE

An enrichment course for married couples wanting a lasting, passionate relationship as God intended. Info: smartloving.org/marriage-kit. Marriage Week Sale - Ends 29 Feb. 50% off code: **MarriageWeek24**

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

The new series of Planned Giving envelopes starts next Sunday, 3 March 2024. Please collect your next series of envelopes from next weekend at the back of the Church to save on postage!

YEAR 3 FIRST EUCHARIST - NEW DATES

Parent Information Evening: 24 July @ 6.30pm

at Waverley Parish Centre. **Commitment Mass:** 27 July @ 5pm at Mary Immaculate Church. **First Eucharist Training:** 30 August @ 2.15am – 3.15pm at Mary Immaculate Church.

Sacrament of First Eucharist: 31 August @ 5pm (photos 4:20pm)

FAMILY LENTEN CALENDAR

Don't forget to download or take home our Family Lenten Activity Calendar for the kids to complete. Download [HERE](#) or grab your copy at church!

STAFF ON LEAVE

Fr Bernie will be away from Mon 19 Feb to Fri 1 Mar. The Parish Secretary will be away Fri 23 Feb returning, Wed 28 Feb. Emails checked.

AFFILIATED SCHOOLS OPEN DAYS

ST CLARE'S COLLEGE - Tuesday, 5 March 2:00pm – 6:00pm

Ph: (02) 8305 7100 E: info@stclares.catholic.edu.au

WAVERLEY COLLEGE - Wednesday, 6 March 10am Junior & 11:20am Senior

Ph: 9387 5022 E: juniorschool@waverley.nsw.edu.au

Ph: 9369 0600 E: wavcoll@waverley.nsw.edu.au

Register: waverley.nsw.edu.au/events/opendays/



LOCAL AFFILIATED SCHOOLS

St Charles' Primary School

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School Principal: Mr Michael Manton

REC: Mrs Jessica Keeley

Family Educator: Mrs Caroline Doherty

St Clare's College, Waverley

41-51 Carrington Road, Waverley 2024

P (02) 8305 7100

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School Principal: Mrs Ann Freeman

REC: Mr Mark McCoy

Waverley College, Senior Campus

131 Birrell Street, Waverley 2024

P (02) 9369 0600

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

Principal: Mr Graham Leddie

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Ms Suzanne Walsh

Waverley College, Junior Campus

44 Henrietta Street, Waverley 2024

P (02) 9387 5022

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Director of Junior School (Acting):

Ms Gabrielle Bransby

Asst Dir of Identity & Student formation:

Mr Stephen Ghattas

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 Safeguarding Office on 9390 5810 or safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org.

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ROSTER

17- 18 FEBRUARY 2024	SAT 5PM VIGIL	SUN 9.15AM	SUN 5PM
ALTAR SERVING	Margaret Blake	Anthony Spratt	Sofia Baricevic & Matthew Woolaston
PROCLAIMER OF WORD	Leanna Langlands	Bella Abruzzese & Genevieve Roberts	Peter Foley
EUCARIST MINISTER	Vincent Conroy & Shirley Lyons	Alison Abruzzese, Tony Abruzzese, Margaret Kelly & Veralene Lobo	Janet Gerzina & Laura Neeson
HOSPITALITY	Warren Kelly	Margaret Duncan	Laura Neeson
OFFERTORY	Zara, Sierra & Lucas Castelletti	Maria Ner	Chloe Neeson & Massimo Neeson
POWERPOINT OPS		Maureen Teagle	Theo Mabée & Dominic Hearne
CHILDREN'S LITURGY	-	Guilia Tolomeo & ??	-