



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.

STAY CONNECTED

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

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2024 Holy Week

24 - 31
MARCH 2024

MARY IMMACULATE CHURCH, WAVERLEY

Palm Sunday

5pm - Saturday Vigil
9:15am - Passion Sunday
5pm - Evening Mass

Holy Thursday

7pm - Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday

10am - Stations of the Cross
3pm - Celebration of Lord's Passion




Holy Saturday

7pm - Easter Vigil
No morning Mass

Easter Sunday

9:15am - Resurrection Sunday
No evening Mass



Find us online:   

A WORD FROM FR BERNIE

Dear Parishioners – I received recently this letter (see below), from Bishop Umbers, our Regional Bishop for the Eastern Deanery. I fully support this initiative and invite you to make this small Pilgrimage on Holy Thursday night in our local area. A list of the churches taking part will be published next week on the noticeboard and possibly in the bulletin, although quite a few churches have already indicated their interest. I have agreed to leave our church open until midnight on Holy Thursday. I appreciate any volunteers who would like to assist and be present from 9pm through to midnight. Please let me know if you would be interested.

As we prepare for the Jubilee Year in 2025, the Pope has called us to a Year of Prayer. "A year dedicated to rediscovering the great value and absolute need for prayer in personal life, in the life of the Church, in the world" (Pope Francis 21 January 2024). Among a range of practices that promote time with Lord, the Dicastery for Evangelisation have included the pilgrimage to the Seven Churches as a key element in the Jubilee Year for all groups visiting Rome. Seeing the need for spiritual renewal and revival among the people of Rome, St Philip Neri began this tradition of visiting the Seven Churches of Rome during Holy Week as a means of combatting lukewarmness among Catholics. I am writing to you in the hope to gain some interest in an Archdiocesan initiative, the 'Holy Thursday Visitation of the Seven Churches'. I realise, of course, that a pilgrimage to Seven Churches is not new to some of you. I hope that this initiative will encourage parishes to adopt a more widespread practice. In essence, this tradition involves visiting seven different churches to meditate on seven events that lead to Christ's Passion and Crucifixion. The devotion typically begins after the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday and continues until midnight. To facilitate this pilgrimage we will provide parishioners with a resource that will explain its purpose and provide seven scriptural meditations and prayers for each church visit. It will also feature suggestions and advice on the pilgrimage and the list of participating churches.

Blessings, Fr Bernie

WHY 7 CHURCHES?

The Seven Churches Visitation (also known as "Visita Iglesia") is a pious Roman Catholic Lenten tradition to visit seven churches on Maundy Thursday. The number seven mainly signifies the seven holy sites related Jesus' arrest and trial:



- 1) Garden of Gethsemane
- 2) The House of Annas
- 3) Tribunal of Caiphass the High Priest
- 4) Trial before Pilate
- 5) Trial before Herod
- 6) From Herod back to Pilate
- 7) From Pilate to Golgotha (Calvary)

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 303

All glory, Laud and honour

OFFERTORY HYMN

CWBII 526

Jesus, remember me

THANKSGIVING HYMN

CWBII 330

O sacred head surrounded

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WEEKDAY READINGS

25 Mar Isa 42:1-7
Jn 12:1-11

26 Mar Isa 49:1-6
Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

27 Mar Isa 50:4-9
Matt 26:14-25

28 Mar Exo 12:1-8, 11-14
Jn 13:1-15



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

The children of the Hebrews, carrying olive branches, went to meet the Lord, crying out and saying: Hosanna in the highest.

FIRST READING: ISAIAH 50:4-7

The servant of the Lord said: "The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he awakens - awakens my ear to listen as those who are taught.

"The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward.

"I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting.

"The Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame."

RESPONSORIAL PS: 21:8-9, 17-20, 23-24

All who see me deride me. They curl their lips, they toss their heads. 'He trusted in the Lord, let him save him; let him release him if he is his friend.'

Many dogs have surrounded me, a band of the wicked beset me. They tear holes in my hands and my feet. I can count every one of my bones.

They divide my clothing among them. They cast lots to see who takes my robe. O Lord, do not leave me alone, my strength, make haste to help me!

I will tell of your name to my people and praise you where they are gathered. You who fear the Lord revere him; give him glory O children of Israel.

9.15AM SUNDAY: *My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?*

SECOND READING: PHILIPPIANS 2:6-11

Though he was in the form of God, Jesus did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death - even death on a cross.

Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Christ became obedient for us even to death, dying on the cross.

Therefore God raised him on high and gave him a name above all other names.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

GOSPEL: MARK 15:1-39

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark



ROSTER

23 – 24 MARCH 2024	SAT 5PM VIGIL	SUN 9.15AM	SUN 5PM
ALTAR SERVING	Margaret Blake	Marchellas Tjipto	Sofia Baricevic & Matthew Woolaston
PROCLAIMER OF WORD	Victor Voros	Eloise Linfoot & Des Durkin	Joy Pertile
EUCHARIST MINISTER	Vincent Conroy & Shirley Lyons	Veralene Lobo, Gisella Musumeci, Genevieve Roberts & Francine Darvill	Kathy Reilly & Teresa Vigroux
HOSPITALITY	Ruth Lucas	Jackie Durkin	Kathy Reilly
OFFERTORY	Zara, Sierra & Lucas Castelletti		Valentine & Timeo Vigroux
POWERPOINT OPS		Lidia Linfoot	Dominic Hearne
CHILDREN'S LITURGY	-	Miriam Wairau & Guilia Tolomeo	-

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

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CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

The Christian Meditation Group meet in the Parish Centre at 5.30pm on every Monday except Public Holidays. All are welcome. For more info, please call or SMS Beatriz on 0425 248 014.

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

YOUNG FAMILY WHATSAPP

Join our Mary Immaculate Young Families WhatsApp chat group. Do you have little ones (babies or primary 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.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Presider: God the Father did not spare his own Son but gave him up to death on our behalf. Therefore, we can place our needs before him with great confidence

For the Church - that all who take up the cross as followers of Christ will seek unity and peace. *God of mercy and compassion* *Hear our Prayer*

For world leaders - that they will strive for peace and bring healing and comfort to those in need. *God of mercy and compassion* *Hear our Prayer*

For those suffering because of war – that their anticipation of a return to peace will not be fruitless. *God of mercy and compassion* *Hear our Prayer*

For those unjustly accused or imprisoned – that they will be set free. *God of mercy and compassion* *Hear our Prayer*

For people who are terminally ill – that love will enfold them and the resurrection hearten them. *God of mercy and compassion* *Hear our Prayer*

For ourselves – that we have the courage to speak up for the victimized and vulnerable. *God of mercy and compassion* *Hear our Prayer*

For our common home – that all people develop a new and profound respect for the earth that sustains us. *God of mercy and compassion* *Hear our Prayer*

We pray together: Father, may the suffering and death of Jesus lighten the burdens of all who suffer. Lead us in the way of the cross, that as we suffer with Jesus, so we may rise to life in his glory, for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen**

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), Madeline McMahon & Paddy Raleigh.

Those with anniversaries at this time: Sean Stankard (24/3), Jessie Duncan (24/3)

Those recently deceased: Br Ignatius Hickson ofm, Mandy Robinson, Pay Kornie & Nikki Pietch

Those recently baptised: Molly Orlando, Dara Vaughan & Kye Grundstrom

Those recently married: Jacob Tome & Melanie McDonough

NEWS & NOTICES

PARISH SECRETARY ON LEAVE

Please note the Parish Secretary is on leave from 21.03, returning 26.03. Emails will be checked periodically.

FIRST RECONCILIATION 2024

Congratulations for all the students who celebrated their Sacrament of First Reconciliation last Wednesday.



Our Parish is raising funds to help support Project Compassion, Caritas Australia's annual fundraising campaign. Please make a generous donation via 1800 024 413 or join parishes.projectcompassion.org.au/o/waverley-catholic-parish-2024

HOUSE OF WELCOME COLLECTION

Support House of Welcome. Bring something to add to the baskets in church. **Next collection this weekend 23/24 March. Pick up available for those unable to carry - Call/SMS 0421 745 612.**

Non-Food Items: (NO CLOTHES PLEASE)

- * Nappies (larger sizes—walker / junior)
- * Toothpaste, toothbrushes
- * Laundry detergent, dishwashing Liquid
- * Shampoo, conditioner, soaps
- * Deodorant (men's and women's)
- * Sanitary Pads (no tampons) & toilet paper
- * Razors & Shaving Cream
- * Aldi/Woolworths/ Coles vouchers

Great food items to donate include:

- * Cook oil, sugar/flour, salt/pepper/spices
 - * Basmati rice & instant noodles
 - * Biscuits, tea/coffee, honey/jam & juices
- (Please no soup, baked beans or tinned spaghetti!)*

LOCAL AFFILIATED SCHOOLS

St Charles' Primary School
53-63 Carrington Road, Waverley 2024
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W <https://stcwaverley.catholic.edu.au>

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

Principal: Mr Graham Leddie
Dir of Identity & Student Formation:
Ms Suzanne Walsh

Waverley College, Junior Campus
44 Henrietta Street, Waverley 2024
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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 (02) 9390 5810 or safeguardingenquiries@sydn.eycatholic.org.



DEVOTIONAL SHOP OPEN

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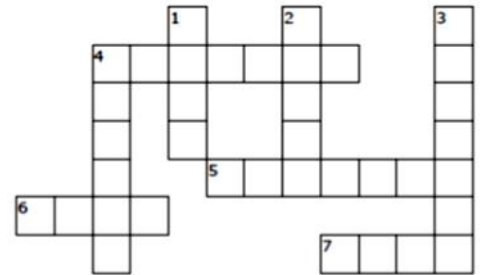
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JESUS
VILLAGE
HOSANNA
NAME
SHOUTED
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ACROSS

- Said something in a loud voice; called out; yelled
- A word used for praise and adoration which means "save us"
- A pathway for vehicles, persons, and animals; a street or highway
- What a person is called

DOWN

- A young animal of the horse family; especially one under one year
- The Son of God
- A small town
- To stretch out over a large area