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SUNDAY MASSES

ST JOSEPH'S (Est 1835), Cnr King St & New England Hwy, East Maitland
Vigil 5.00pm; Sunday 8.30am, 6.00pm
Registrations - QR Code available.
Judy 0412 689 517

ST JOHN THE BAPTIST (Est 1841)
Maitland

SACRED HEART, New England Hwy, Campbell's Hill - **Vigil 6.30pm.**
Registrations - Judy 0412 821 505 or Carole 0429 328 127

HOLY FAMILY, 11 John St, Largs
Sunday 8.20am. Registrations - Terry 0429 727 704 or email terryob1956@gmail.com

ST COLUMBA'S, Cnr Prince & Church Sts, Paterson - **Sunday 9.30am.**
Registrations - Maryanne 0409 336 993

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION (Est 1871)
Cnr George & James Sts, Morpeth
Sunday 7.15am. Registrations - John 4934 8520 / 0414 254 230

ST PATRICK'S (Est 1905), 55 New England Hwy, Lochinvar - **Sunday 9.30am. Registrations - Tony 4932 0208/0437 280 147**

OUR LADY OF LOURDES (Est 1947), Cnr Anderson Dr & Delprat Ave, Beresfield
Vigil 6.00pm. Registrations - Irena 4966 2902 / 0407 662 901

ST PAUL'S (Est 1961), 10 Young St, Rutherford - **Sunday 8.00am.**
Registrations - Gabby 0422 086 991

Ministers

All baptised members of the community
Ministry Team

Parish Priest: Fr Paul O'Neill (RIP)

Parish Administrator : Fr John Lovell

Asst Priests: Fr John Purnell &

Fr Graham Fullick

(Presbytery 4934 5783)

Support Clergy

Fr Maurice Cahill, Fr Lex Levey (RIP)

Regional Office

Louise Gilchrist, Janine Sidoti,
Sandra Buck, Rebecca Piefke

ACTiV8 Youth Co-ordinator

Rebecca Piefke 0422 500 429

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Lucy Sneesby-Tooth 0417 773 444

We are in the country of the Worimi, Gamilleroi, Wonnarua, Gweagui, Darkinjung, Biripi and Awabakal peoples. We respectfully acknowledge their Elders, celebrate their continuing culture and the living memory of their ancestors.

Entrance Antiphon

Your merciful love, O God,
we have received in the midst of your temple. Your praise, O God, like your name, reaches the ends of the earth; your right hand is filled with saving justice.

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.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading Ez 2:2-5

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel

The people are rebellious; they shall know there will be a prophet in their midst.

The spirit came into me and made me stand up, and I heard the Lord speaking to me. He said, 'Son of man, I am sending you up to the Israelites, to the rebels who have turned against me. Till now they and their ancestors have been in revolt against me. The sons are defiant and obstinate; I am sending you to them, to say, "The Lord says this." Whether they listen or not, this set of rebels shall know there is a prophet among them.'

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Resp. Psalm

Our eyes are fixed on the Lord,
pleading for his mercy.

To you have I lifted up my eyes, you who dwell in the heavens: my eyes, like the eyes of slaves on the hand of their lords. (R.)

Like the eyes of a servant on the hand of his mistress, so our eyes are on the Lord our God till he shows us his mercy. (R.)

Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy. We are filled with contempt. Indeed all too full is our soul

with the scorn of the rich,
with the proud man's disdain. (R.)

Second Reading 2 Cor 12:7-10

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

I will glory in my infirmities so that the power of Christ may dwell in me.

In view of the extraordinary nature of these revelations, to stop me from getting too proud I was given a thorn in the flesh, an angel of Satan to beat me and stop me from getting too proud! About this thing, I have pleaded with the Lord three times for it to leave me, but he has said, 'My grace is enough for you: my power is at its best in weakness.' So I shall be very happy to make my weaknesses my special boast so that the power of Christ may stay over me, and that is why I am quite content with my weaknesses, and with insults, hardships, persecutions, and the agonies I go through for Christ's sake. For it is when I am weak that I am strong.

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia!

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me; he sent me to bring Good News to the poor. Alleluia!

Gospel Mark Mk 6:1-6

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

A prophet is despised only in his own country.

Jesus went to his home town and his disciples accompanied him. With the coming of the sabbath he began teaching in the synagogue and most of them were astonished when they heard him. They said, 'Where did the man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been granted him, and these miracles that are worked through him? This is the carpenter, surely, the son of Mary, the brother of James and Joset and Jude and Simon? His sisters, too, are they not here with us?' And they would not accept him. And Jesus said to them, 'A prophet is only despised in his own country among his own relations and in his own house'; and he could work no miracle there, though he cured a few sick people by laying his hands on them. He was amazed at their lack of faith.

The Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

Homily - Fr John Purnell

This Gospel reading begins as Jesus and His disciples return home, to his native place. On the Sabbath, Jesus went to the synagogue and He began to teach. All who listened to Jesus were astonished. They were taken aback at the power of His teaching as well as the power of His presence. This was Jesus, a man they knew very well. He was a man who had grown up in their midst.

How had Jesus become so knowledgeable and such a powerful speaker? He was the son of a carpenter, not the son of a Rabbi. Many people in his hometown discounted Jesus and His message. They refused to listen to Him. After all, who did Jesus think He was to preach to the people who had known Him from birth?

Jesus did not get angry. Rather, Jesus replied to their comments by saying that typically a prophet is not honored by the people who have known him from birth. Jesus realised that He simply was too familiar to them. They only saw in Him what they wanted to see. Thus Jesus was unable to perform any great deeds there as they did not have faith in Him.

It can be easy to discount the people whom we know the best. They are so very familiar to us that we simply may take them for granted. Take a moment and think about the people in your life: what are their gifts? How do they gift you with their love and care? Do you appreciate them? Do you appreciate their gifts and talents? Do you let them know how important they are to you?

Today make time to give thanks for the many people who love and care about you! In some small way, let them know how grateful you are to have them in your life!

The Apostles' Creed

I 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,
(all bow)
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.
I 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.

UNIVERSAL PRAYERS

Celebrant: Sisters and Brothers, let us pray for the needs of our world, especially the needs of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples during this challenging time.

We pray for Pope Francis, our Bishops and all clergy, religious and laity. May they be faithful to Christ's teaching of truth, justice and peace. . . Lord hear us...**Lord hear our prayer.**

We pray for the success of the forthcoming Plenary Council: that all participants will listen to how God is calling the Church in Australia to be Christ-centered and inclusive. . . . Lord hear us...Lord hear our prayer.

We pray for the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Communities and all Cultural Communities: that God's Spirit of reconciliation will live in their hearts and minds, helping them to embrace the diversity that makes for a richer country and stronger Church. . Lord hear us...Lord hear our prayer.

We pray for our young people that they find the love and peace Christ has for them as they search for meaning in their lives. . Lord hear us...**Lord hear our prayer.**

We pray that through the Holy Spirit, the people of our nation will have understanding and respect for the laws of our country to keep everyone safe from the spread of the Covid Virus. Lord hear us...**Lord hear our prayer.**

For those of our community who bear the cross of poor health, that they be strengthened in body and soul, and encouraged by the love and prayers of our people. . . Lord hear us...**Lord hear our prayer.**

We pray for all those who have gone before us in the Faith, especially Alice Bennis, Dorothy Cunningham, Patricia Davies, Perlinda Fortu, Paul Hurney, Joyce Irene Payton, Rominia Patena, John Lavender, Maureen Veitch, Sr Patricia Wilson, and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time. . . Lord hear us...**Lord hear our prayer.**

Celebrant: Lord of heaven and earth, gathered in faith and in response to your Word, we ask You to accept the prayers we make, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen

Communion Antiphon Taste and see that the Lord is good: blessed the man who seeks refuge in Him.

A PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things and I desire to receive you in my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. AMEN.

We pray for the recently Deceased

Alice Bennis, Dorothy Cunningham, Patricia Davies, Perlinda Fortu, Paul Hurney, John Lavender, Joyce Irene Payton, Rominia Patena, Maureen Veitch, Sr Patricia Wilson,

We remember those whose Anniversaries occur around this time including

Ruth Bradbery, Patrick and Edna Bowe, Gwen Cuskelly, Lutgarda Ditan, Bill Hogan, Jack Locke, Nieves Marquez, Gregorio Marquez, Peter Markham, Ted Meyn, Bessie McNamara,
Mary and John Petersen, James Riordan Snr, James Riordan Jnr, Jim Toner, Rev John Woods

We pray for those who are sick at this time

Angeles Adapon, Linda Adapon, Dalisay Almanza, Teresa Almanza, Joseph Anderson, Cynthia Appleton, Judy Carmody, Olga Charlton, Marion & Luke Crotty, Nicholas Dilley, Brigid Field, Pam French, Melinda Grainger, Col Green, Anne & Peter Hardy, Julie Hartigan, John Hogan, Ken Jones, Terry Kauter, Krystyna Kulzcznski, Patricia & Robert Lancaster, Little Luke, Michael Lockyer, Kyra Lyall, Sharon Martin, Kevin Moloney, Michael Padilla, Lisa Peattie, Pauline Randall, Lolito Regudo, Ella Rusak, Olga Rusak, Jane Winsor O'Keefe, Amelia Verdera Satana, Margaret Sipple, Steven Small, Anne Standing, John Szczudluk, Bill Temperley, Robert Wild, Jo Winkler

We pray for those who will be Baptised

Tex Daniel Hoey, Astara Jewel-Lee Lawler

Would you like to remain on the sick list ? If so, please email chisholm@mn.catholic.org.au, place a letter in the second collection or send a letter to PO BOX 215 Maitland, 2320 Please continue to pray for those who are unwell in our communities

WEEKLY BULLETIN - If you wish an anniversary/notice/article to be placed, OR you wish to be added to our distribution list, please advise before 10am WEDNESDAY

The Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle has an abiding commitment to promote the safety, welfare and wellbeing of children and vulnerable adults. Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility if you have any concerns for a child or vulnerable adult please contact the Office of Safeguarding: P 4979 1390 or E childprotection@mn.catholic.org.au or visit their website for further information www.officeofsafeguarding.org.au

Parish Notices



Dear All,

As you know, the Premier of NSW last weekend announced the immediate introduction of some quite strict COVID-19 safety practices. The main ones affecting our liturgies & places of worship include: all attendees (including clergy) wearing masks (unless they are under age 12 or have a physical/mental condition that exempts them), no singing, maintaining 1.5 mt distance between persons not from the same household, churches returning to capacities based on the 1 person/4 sq metre rule, and where possible everyone registering their attendance via the QR code. Also, masks can only be removed briefly to consume Communion or by readers/commentators to proclaim the Word or make announcements. I commend those attending Masses across our region last weekend for complying really well with these at very short notice. Thank you.

I understand these rules are onerous but they will need to be firmly complied with for the time being to prevent possible transmission of the highly contagious COVID-19 delta variant. The NSW Police will not hesitate to prosecute breaches.

I am sorry for any anxiety these measures may be causing anyone in our communities, but hopefully our compliance, along with that of others outside our Catholic communities, will enable the authorities to relax some of these provisions in the near future.

Also, for the next week or two, or until the current lockdown is relaxed by the NSW Premier, I ask that our parish teams & other ministry groups refrain from physical meetings & instead either postpone them or meet electronically (eg via Zoom).

I would encourage us all to do our best to support each other pastorally during this time, both with prayers & in other safe ways such as with a phone call or even a simple text message to check if people are okay.

Love Fr John

For those who are unable to attend Mass at this time there is a live stream Mass available each Sunday Morning at 9.30am from Sacred Heart Cathedral Hamilton.
Live stream Mass <https://www.mn.catholic.org.au/places/live-stream/>

Refresher Training for Lay Led Sunday Celebrations is postponed due to current covid restrictions.

PIETY STALL is at the front porch, of St. Joseph's Church East Maitland. Now it is winter will only be open Sunday mornings if possible. Marion Riley 0412811759

Evidence of Flu Vax needed to enter Aged Care Centres
Please note that as of 1st June 2021 anyone wishing to enter an aged care facility must be able to provide proof of having received the flu vaccine this year. This is in accordance with Government legislation.

BISHOP BILL'S VISITATION SCHEDULE - 2021

The Bishop's Visitation occurs every few years and during these above dates Bishop Bill will be visiting our schools, presiding at Masses, he will have time for hospitality and an opportunity for private meetings with parishioners.

16-18 July Parishes of Beresfield & East Maitland
30 July – 1 August Parishes of Rutherford & Lochinvar

NAIDOC 2021 (4 - 11 July)

You're invited to join us in celebrating the beginning of NAIDOC Week, in an Ecumenical Service at Sacred Heart Cathedral. (841 Hunter St, Newcastle West, NSW 2302)

Sunday, 4 July 2021, 1:30 PM - 4:00PM

RSVP: [https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/naidoc-week-heal-country-heal-our-nation-tickets-157577367147?](https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/naidoc-week-heal-country-heal-our-nation-tickets-157577367147?aff=NAIDOC2021)

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WEEKDAY MASS ROSTER

Mon 5th July (*St Anthony Zaccaria, priest*)

Tues 6th July (*St Maria Goretti, virgin, martyr*)

6.30pm Mass, St Joseph's, East Maitland

Wed 7th July (*Bl Peter To Rot, martyr*)

12.00pm Mass, St John's Chapel, Maitland

7.00pm Mass, Holy Family, Largs

Thurs 8th July

7.00am Mass, St Joseph's, East Maitland

Fri 9th July (*St Augustine Zhao Rong, priest and companions, martyrs*)

7.00am Mass, St Joseph's, East Maitland

Sat 10th July

8.00am Mass/Reconciliation, St Joseph's, East Maitland

Sun 11th July

9.00am Mass/Polish, OLOL, Beresfield

PRIVATE PRAYER / ADORATION

Mon 5th July

9.30am Prayer, St Joseph's, East Maitland

12 - 1pm Adoration, St Joseph's, East Maitland

Tues 6th July

9.30-10.30am Prayer, St Joseph's, East Maitland

Wed 7th July

9.30-10.30am Prayer, St Joseph's, East Maitland

Thurs 8th July

9.30-10.30am Prayer, St Joseph's, East Maitland

Fri 9th July

9.30am Prayer of the Church, OLOL, Beresfield

St John's Chapel Maitland open for private prayer daily