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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

Regional Office

Louise Gilchrist, Janine Sidoti,
Sandra Buck, Rebecca Piefke

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Rebecca Piefke 0422 500 429

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Deanery

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

Entrance Antiphon

O God, come to my assistance;
O Lord, make haste to help me!
You are my rescuer, my help;
O Lord, do not delay.

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 Ex 16:2-4. 12-15

A reading from the book of Exodus

I will rain bread from heaven upon you.

The whole community of the sons of Israel began to complain against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness and said to them, 'Why did we not die at the Lord's hand in the land of Egypt, when we were able to sit down to pans of meat and could eat bread to our hearts content! As it is, you have brought us to this wilderness to starve this whole company to death!'

Then the Lord said to Moses, 'Now I will rain down bread for you from the heavens. Each day the people are to go out and gather the day's portion; I propose to test them this way to see whether they will follow my law or not.' 'I have heard the complaints of the sons of Israel. Say this to them, "Between the two evenings you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have bread to your hearts content. Then you will learn that I, the Lord, am your God.'" And so it came about: quails flew up in the evening, and they covered the camp; in the morning there was a coating of dew all round the camp. When the coating of dew lifted, there on the surface of the desert was a thing delicate, powdery, as fine as hoarfrost on the ground. When they saw this, the sons of Israel said to one another, 'What is that?' not knowing what it was. 'That' said Moses to them 'is the bread the Lord gives you to eat.'

**The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God**

Resp. Psalm Ps 77:3-4. 23-25. 54. R. v.24

The Lord gave them bread from heaven.

The things we have heard and understood, the things our fathers have told us, we will tell to the next generation: the glories of the Lord and his might. (R.)

He commanded the clouds above and opened the gates of heaven. He rained down manna for their food, and gave them bread from heaven. (R.)

Mere men ate the bread of angels. He sent them abundance of food. He brought them to his holy land, to the mountain which his right hand had won. (R.)

Second Reading

Eph 4:17, 20-24

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians

Put on the new person that has been created in God's image.

I want to urge you in the name of the Lord, not to go on living the aimless kind of life that pagans live. Now that is hardly the way you have learnt from Christ, unless you failed to hear him properly when you were taught what the truth is in Jesus. You must give up your old way of life; you must put aside your old self, which gets corrupted by following illusory desires. Your mind must be renewed by a spiritual revolution so that you can put on the new self that has been created in God's way, in the goodness and holiness of the truth.

**The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God**

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia!

No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God. Alleluia!

Gospel Jn 6:24-35

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Whoever comes to me will never be hungry; whoever believes in me will never thirst.

When the people saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they got into boats and crossed to Capernaum to look for Jesus. When they found him on the other side, they said to him, 'Rabbi, when did you come here?' Jesus answered: 'I tell you most solemnly, you are not looking for me because you have seen the signs but because you had all the bread you wanted to eat.

Do not work for food that cannot last,

but work for food that endures to eternal life, the kind of food the Son of Man is offering you, for on him the Father, God himself, has set his seal.' Then they said to him, 'What must we do if we are to do the works that God wants?' Jesus gave them this answer, 'This is working for God: you must believe in the one he has sent.' So they said, 'What sign will you give to show us that we should believe in you? What work will you do? Our fathers had manna to eat in the desert; as scripture says: He gave them bread from heaven to eat.' Jesus answered: 'I tell you most solemnly, it was not Moses who gave you bread from heaven, it is my Father who gives you the bread from heaven, the true bread; for the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.' 'Sir,' they said 'give us that bread always.' Jesus answered: 'I am the bread of life. He who comes to me will never be hungry; he who believes in me will never thirst.'

**The Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

Homily—Fr John Purnell

In the gospel reading this weekend, Jesus speaks of two kinds of food, food that cannot last and food that endures to eternal life. He challenges the crowd to reflect on their priorities. Are they working for food that cannot last or for food that endures to eternal life?

Jesus takes seriously food that cannot last. He fed the hungry multitude in the wilderness with five loaves and two fish. The basic physical needs of people were very important for him. He fed the hungry, healed the sick; he called on the rich to share with the poor. These basic human physical needs had to be met first.

However, having fed the physical hunger of the crowd, some of that crowd now want Jesus to give them more of the same. In response to this preoccupation with Jesus as the provider of physical bread, Jesus speaks of the food that endures to eternal life which he is offering. He is calling on those who have gone looking for him to attend to the deeper hunger in their lives, their spiritual hunger. Jesus presents himself as the one who can satisfy this spiritual hunger. That is why he equates working for the food that endures to eternal life with believing in him. Believing in him is the one work that is required if that deeper hunger in our lives is to be satisfied, the hunger for a love that is unconditional, for forgiveness, for truth, for justice, for peace, ultimately, our hunger for God. We cannot ignore our physical hunger; when we are hungry, we eat. We can ignore those deeper hungers which Jesus alone can satisfy. This is why he draws attention so strongly in this weekend's gospel to our need to work for the food that endures to eternal 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: God our father you gave your people in the dessert 'Bread from Heaven' Your gift to us through Jesus Your Son, was the 'Bread of Life'. Through this Eucharistic Faith we place our prayers before You.

Prayer leader:

We pray for Pope Francis, our Bishop, Priests and Deacons that the Holy Spirit will strengthen them in their teaching of God's Word, the food, that gives life to the world. . . . We pray to the Lord. . . . Hear our prayer.

This week as we remember the Feast of the Transfiguration let us turn to our Loving Saviour and say also 'it is good to be with you Lord', as we Celebrate the Real Presence of Jesus in this Eucharist, knowing that we are never alone We Pray to the Lord. . . . Hear our prayer.

Lord you have chosen special people to preach the good news of salvation, give strength to those whose vocation it is to do so, as they answer your call with generous hearts. May a special person be enlightened to take up the role of Parish priest of the Chisholm region. . . . We pray to the Lord. . . . Hear our prayer.

We Pray for our Dominican Sisters and give thanks for their life commitment to You, by teaching others Your Holy Word, as they celebrate the feast of their founder, St Dominic this weekWe pray to the Lord.. . Hear our prayer.

We pray for all Plenary Council Members who are preparing for the First Assembly in October: that they will be attentive to the heartfelt hopes voiced in the initial consultation. . . .We pray to the Lord.. . Hear our prayer.

For those who are unable to celebrate Eucharist with us because of ill health, especially Bishop Bill and our Religious Sisters, may they feel the presence of Jesus in their lives and have comfort in the promises of ChristWe Pray to the Lord. . . . Hear our prayer.

We Pray for those who have died recently Pauline Randall, Sr Ursula Kauter and Ron Taylor and those whose anniversaries occur at this time, may they find peace in Eternal lifeWe Pray to the Lord. . . . Hear our prayer.

Celebrant: Most Loving Father you have given us your Son, as the Bread which gives life to the world. He is our way, our Truth and our Life. We ask all things in His name through Christ our Lord.

Communion Antiphon You have given us, O Lord, bread from heaven, endowed with all delights and sweetness in every taste.

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

Pauline Randall, Sr Ursula Kauter, Ron Taylor

We remember those whose Anniversaries occur around this time including

Delia Acosta, Rey Acosta, Susannah Banister, John Davies, Dionisia Endaya, Domingo Endaya, Fernando Endaya, John Funnell, Jack Hope, Eileen Martin, Fred Rose

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, Robyn Chesworth, Marion & Luke Crotty, Nicholas Dilley, Brigid Field, Pam French, Melinda Grainger, Col Green, Anne & Peter Hardy, Julie Hartigan, John Hogan, Ken Jones, Ethan Joseph, Terry Kauter, Krystyna Kulzycznski, Patricia & Robert Lancaster, Little Luke, Michael Lockyer, Sharon Martin, Kevin Moloney, Lisa Peattie, Lolito Regudo, Ella Rusak, Olga Rusak, Jane Winsor O'Keefe, Amelia Verderra Satana, Margaret Sipple, Steven Small, Anne Standing, John Szczudluk, Vivian Tee, Bill Temperley, Robert Wild, Jo Winkler

We pray for those who will be Baptised

Harry Michael Lumsden, Lochlan Peter Lumsden, Vincent Mathew Marriott, Ochre Anne O'Donohue, Kden Nate Randall, Axton James Rees, Reuben Artie Rinkin, Darren Mark Wilbow Jr

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

The Tuesday night Youth Mass at East Maitland will change from a 6.30pm start to a 5.30pm start from the 10th August.

Update on COVID Check-in Requirements to Enter our Parish Buildings

1. Anyone who has a phone that can scan QR codes, has an obligation to scan in upon entering any of our parish buildings (for Mass, prayer, cleaning or any other purpose).

Also, please remember to check-out upon leaving.

2. If you are unable to scan the QR code, please seek assistance from someone who can, so they can scan you in on their device. Instead of putting all this burden upon the one person who normally monitors everyone entering, it would be good for regular attendees to 'buddy-up' with someone they know who would be happy to scan them in each time they attend.

3. Please only record your attendance in written form (ie on paper) if you can't register yourself or get someone else to register you via the QR code. On top of this, please remain vigilant in wearing masks, safe distancing, not exceeding allowable church capacity numbers and in observing no congregational singing.

Sydney's Archbishop Anthony Fisher is urging all Catholics to express their opposition to the *Voluntary Assisted Dying Bill 2021*, soon to be presented by independent MP Alex Greenwich for debate in the NSW State Parliament. We can express our opposition to euthanasia, which devalues the sanctity of human life, by going online and signing the petition. Here is the link: <http://www.no euthanasia.org.au/>

As a member of Largs parish and St Vincent de Paul St John's Conference I will be participating in the S.V.D.P Winter Sleepout at Maitland Showground on 27th August 2021. I would like to collect bottles/cans as one of my fundraisers and I'm hoping for support from parishioners. Please bring them to your church on the weekend of 14/15 August and I will arrange to collect them. With thanks Mary.

Following direction from NSW Government our Diocesan CEO advised all Diocesan employees that we could work from home, wherever practical. After discussions with Fr John and the staff and given that we are able to safely distance the staff will continue to work within the office.

The Parish office will be CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC.

This will reduce the movement within the office. Sorry for any inconvenience – please call us on 49338918 or email chisholm@mn.catholic.org.au if you need to discuss any aspect of parish life or to make arrangements for bulletin notices. If Government requirements change we will adjust our operations

DEFIBRILLATOR TRAINING

Our safety is important and so we have invested in a life-saving defibrillator for each Mass community. They are located in obvious spots within your Church and for Paterson it is installed in the Nara Room. It's important that you take a little time out of your day to watch the training video in the link below as it may mean the difference between someone's life being saved, or not. The training is something which will help everyone. We pray that the machines will never need to be used but if the situation arises this training will give us the confidence to save a life! Here is the link to the training [.http://rcl.ink/1iS](http://rcl.ink/1iS)

Are you or someone you know interested in finding out what is involved in becoming Catholic? Or would you like to complete your Sacraments of Initiation?

If you would like to find out more about becoming a Catholic and the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) process, please note there will be an Enquiry Evening on **August 11th at 7PM**. At this stage it is planned to be at the THERRY CENTRE at East Maitland. However, due to present Covid restrictions alternative arrangements may need to be arranged. For this reason, could you please register your interest in the Enquiry Evening by contacting the Chisholm Parish Office at chisholm@mn.catholic.org.au

PIETY STALL

New books have arrived.

Open after Sunday masses at St. Joseph's church, East Maitland. Contact Marion Riley 0412811759.

WEEKDAY MASS ROSTER

Mon 2nd August (*St Eusebius of Vercelli, bishop, St Peter Julian Eymard, Priest*)

Tues 3rd August (*St Dominic, priest*)

6.30pm Mass, St Joseph's, East Maitland

Wed 4th August (*St John Vianney, priest*)

12.00pm Mass, St John's Chapel, Maitland
7.00pm Mass, Holy Family, Largs

Thurs 5th August (*Dedication of the Basilica of St Mary Major*)

7.00am Mass, St Joseph's, East Maitland

Fri 6th August (*The Transfiguration of the Lord*)

7.00am Mass, St Joseph's, East Maitland

Sat 7th August (*St Sixtus II, pope, martyr and companions, Martyrs, St Cajetan, priest*)

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

Sun 8th August

9.00am Mass/Polish, OLOL, Beresfield

PRIVATE PRAYER / ADORATION

Mon 2nd August

9.30am Prayer, St Joseph's, East Maitland
12 - 1pm Adoration, St Joseph's, East Maitland

Tues 3rd August

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

Wed 4th August

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

Thurs 5th August

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

Fri 6th August

9.30am Prayer of the Church, OLOL, Beresfield
All day 1st Friday Adoration, St Joseph's, East Maitland

St John's Chapel Maitland open for private prayer daily