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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

ACTiv8 Youth Co-ordinator
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0428 220 997

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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

Come, you blessed of my Father, says the Lord: I was sick and you visited me. Amen, I say to you: whatever you did for one of the least of my brethren, you did it for me.

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 1 Kgs 17:7-16

A reading from the first book of Kings
The jar of meal shall not be spent according to the word of the Lord spoken through Elias.

And then the word of the Lord came to Elijah, 'Up and go to Zarephath, a Sidonian town, and stay there. I have ordered a widow there to give you food.' So he went off to Sidon. And when he reached the city gate, there was a widow gathering sticks. Addressing her he said, 'Please bring a little water in a vessel for me to drink.' She was setting off to bring it when he called after her. 'Please,' he said 'bring me a scrap of bread in your hand.' 'As the Lord your God lives,' she replied 'I have no baked bread, but only a handful of meal in a jar and a little oil in a jug; I am just gathering a stick or two to go and prepare this for myself and my son to eat, and then we shall die.' But Elijah said to her, 'Do not be afraid, go and do as you have said; but first make a little scone of it for me and bring it to me, and then make some for yourself and for your son. For thus the Lord speaks, the God of Israel: "Jar of meal shall not be spent, jug of oil shall not be emptied, before the day when the Lord sends rain on the face of the earth." The woman went and did as Elijah told her and they ate the food, she, himself and her son. The jar of meal was not spent nor the jug of oil emptied, just as the Lord had foretold through Elijah.

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

Resp. Psalm Ps 62:1-8

My soul clings to you; your right hand holds me fast.

O God, you are my God, for you I long; for you my soul is thirsting. My body pines for you like a dry, weary land without water. (R.)

So I gaze on you in the sanctuary to see your strength and your glory. For your love is better than life, my lips will speak your praise. (R.) So I will bless you all my life, in your name I will lift up my hands. My soul shall be filled as with a banquet, my mouth shall praise you with joy. (R.)

On my bed I remember you. On you I muse through the night for you have been my help; in the shadow of your wings I rejoice. (R.)

Second Reading

Col 3:12-17

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians

Bear with one another, forgive each other.

You are God's chosen race, his saints; he loves you, and you should be clothed in sincere compassion, in kindness and humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with one another; forgive each other as soon as a quarrel begins. The Lord has forgiven you; now you must do the same. Over all these clothes, to keep them together and complete them, put on love. And may the peace of Christ reign in your hearts, because it is for this that you were called together as parts of one body. Always be thankful.

Let the message of Christ, in all its richness, find a home with you. Teach each other, and advise each other, in all wisdom. With gratitude in your hearts sing psalms and hymns and inspired songs to God; and never say or do anything except in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

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

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia!

Many women were there by the cross, watching from a distance, the same women who had followed Jesus and looked after him. Alleluia!

Gospel Mt 6:25-34

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Do not worry about your life.

Jesus said to his disciples: I am telling you not to worry about your life and what you are to eat, nor about your body and what you are to wear. Surely life is more than food, and the body more than clothing! Look at the birds in the sky. They do not sow or reap or gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not worth much more than they are? Can any of you, however much you worry, add one single cubit to your span of life?

And why worry about clothing? Think of the flowers growing in the fields; they never have to work or spin: yet I assure you that not even Solomon in all his royal robes was clothed like one of these. Now if that is how God clothes the wild flowers growing in the field which are there today and thrown into the furnace tomorrow,

will he not much more look after you, you have so little faith? So do not worry; do not say, "What are we to eat?

What are we to drink? What are we to wear?" It is the gentiles who set their hearts on all these things.

Your heavenly Father knows you need them all. Set your hearts on his kingdom first, and on God's saving justice, and all these other things will be given you as well. So do not worry about tomorrow: tomorrow will take care of itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.

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

Homily - Fr John Lovell

This Sunday we celebrate someone of incredible faith and courage, who was not a politician, Hollywood actor or musical rock star. Like Joan of Arc, she was considered a head-strong radical by various Church leaders of her time, and suffered censure and Excommunication; yet, through it all left a legacy that is at least as enduring as that of the greatest explorers, scientists and sporting men and women Australia has ever seen. Born in 1842 to poor Scottish immigrants, Mary Mackillop, along with many brave Sisters who followed in her footsteps, opened the doors of opportunity to countless disadvantaged and ordinary people, by providing for their basic needs and giving their children an education from which they could build a decent and dignified life. So many of us owe so much to her. Without Mary and the Josephite Sisters our nation would not be what it is today. From small beginnings the Sisters of Saint Joseph have continued to expand internationally beyond our shores, now helping poor communities in New Zealand, Timor-Leste, Peru, Brazil and Ireland.

By embracing poverty, Mary demonstrated her great love of the poor and her willingness to trust totally in the power of Divine Providence. Her mottos include: 'We are just travelers here' and 'Never see a need without doing something about it'.

We should also remember today the co-founder of the Congregation of Sisters of St Joseph, Fr Julian Tenison Woods, an extraordinary pioneering priest, scholar and geologist, without whom the Josephite movement may never have got off the ground.

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 heavenly Father, the words of the Gospel tell us You know all our needs. We place our prayers before You with true faith as we pray.

Prayer Leader:

We pray for the Church leaders, especially Pope Francis, the Bishops, and Priests that they be enlightened, encouraged and strengthened by the powerful Spirit of Jesus. . . . We Pray Lord hear us.

We pray for the Church of Australia as we continue the preparations for the Plenary Council, that we may 'Listen to what the Spirit is saying' and be open to being guided by God's Holy Spirit. . . . We Pray. . . . Lord hear us.

On this feast day of Saint Mary of the Cross, help us to be like her and accept bravely all our troubles, and remember whom we are trying to follow, in our journey of life, and love one another as you have loved us. . . . We Pray. . . . Lord hear us.

We pray for those preparing for first Holy Communion among us: that they come to the Sacred Banquet with hearts ready to know the presence of their Lord and Savior We Pray. . . . Lord hear us.

We pray for the Priests in our Dioceses, that one be enlightened to take up the role of Parish Priest and Shepherd the flock of the Chisholm Region. . . . We pray. . . . Lord hear us.

We pray for our family and friends especially Bishop Bill, who are not well, may they feel Your loving presence as you walk the journey with them. . . . We pray. . . . Lord hear us.

We pray for Joyce Ayton, Judy Carmody, David Barry Cottier, Dorothy Cox, Noela Joan Fraser, Ronald Lawrence Hanlon, Terry Kauter, Peter Lawrence Mockler and Freda Mary Preston who have died recently and those whose anniversaries occur; may Your love shine on them as they rest in peace. . . . We pray. . . . Lord hear us.

Celebrant: Your Word, O God of Love, can make all things come to pass. May it touch our hearts and the hearts of our Nation. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Communion Antiphon This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another, says the Lord.

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

Joyce Ayton, Judy Carmody, David Barry Cottier, Dorothy Cox, Noela Joan Fraser, Ronald Lawrence Hanlon, Terry Kauter, Peter Lawrence Mockler, Freda Mary Preston

We remember those whose Anniversaries occur around this time including

Kim Adams, Morrie Allen, Joan Barnes, Thomas Bourke, Emelia Carandang, Lawrence Douglas, Margaret May Edmonds, John Charles Edmonds, Fay Farrow, Bert Humphreys, Patrick Harold, Mary Ellen Harold, Ella Henderson, Ogden Javier, Joan Kealy, Kathleen Markham, Peter Markham, Sheelah Markham, Veronica Markham, Pat McGilvray, Nell Rowen, Ethel Sell, Margaret Sawyer, Eileen Shaw Sharkey, Joyce Turner

We pray for those who are sick at this time

Angeles Adapon, Dalisay Almanza, Teresa Almanza, Joseph Anderson, Cynthia Appleton, 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, Krystyna Kulzcznski, Patricia & Robert Lancaster, Little Luke, Michael Lockyer, Sharon Martin, Kevin Moloney, Lisa Peattie, Lolito Regudo, Ella Rusak, Olga Rusak, Jane Winsor O'Keefe, Amelia Verdera Satana, Margaret Sipple, Steven Small, Anne Standing, John Szczudluk, Vivian Tee, Bill Temperley, Robert Wild, Jo Winkler

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,
Unfortunately, due to the lockdown of our region taking effect from 5 pm today Thurs 5/8/21, we have been required to close all our Mass centres for the next 7 days. This has necessitated the cancellation of all public Masses and liturgies, except funerals which can proceed with an attendance limit of 10 people. Our Parish Office will also be closed during this time, but our office staff working from home can still respond to emails and phone calls made during working hours.

We will provide more information via email when it becomes available and information will be posted on our website. Please pass this information on to others who may not be able to access this message. Please take care of yourselves, support one another in safe ways (eg by phone or via other digital means) and know you remain always in our prayers.

Love
Fr John

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/>

Dear Friends,
We have finally completed and launched our website for the Chisholm Pastoral Region, which is full of wonderful images and information on the 6 parishes in our region, their history, our ministries, the sacraments, our Catholic schools, parish bulletins and lots of other resources. My sincere thanks to our office staff and particularly to our Youth Co-ordinator Bec Piefke for all the hard work they put into bringing this to completion. You can access our website via this link:

<https://maitlandcatholicparishes.org.au/>

Explanation of the Maitland Catholic Region logo design

The Cross – the principal symbol of our faith, recalling the crucifixion of Jesus Christ and the redeeming benefits of his Passion, death and resurrection .

The River which leads towards the Cross - this represents the Hunter River which flows through the heart of and across our pastoral region, bringing each of our parishes together to create a vibrant faith community.

The Southern Cross - regardless of our location, our service and ministry to others is guided by our unwavering commitment to spreading the Good News to all the peoples on his great Southland.

The Black (In the Southern Cross) - Black represents the habits of our religious nuns and brothers who brought Catholic education to the newly created Diocese of Maitland (now Diocese of Maitland - Newcastle)

The Green crops (or) plants – These represent the vibrant farming and agricultural communities that co - exist within our pastoral region, from Paterson, Tocal through to Largs and Maitland.

DEFIBRILLATOR TRAINING

All parishioners are encouraged to watch the defibrillator training video. Here is the link <http://rci.ink/1iS>

Catholic Care is looking for a Volunteer Team Leader to assist with the running of their new Maitland Community Kitchen on Fridays 4.30pm - 7.30pm.

For more information, please contact Karen Campbell on 0456 580 781 or volunteers@catholiccare.org.au

VINNIES COMMUNITY SLEEPOUT. On August 27, A Community Sleepout is being held, to raise funds to support the homeless and disadvantaged in our community. Mary from the Largs parish and Anne Horadam, a member of the East Maitland Conference, will be joining those sleeping out. You can offer your support by sponsoring those participating. Donations can be made by googling *Maitland Community Sleepout 2021* or directly at <https://my.fundraise.vinniesnsw.org.au/vinnies-community-sleepout-maitland-2021>. Also, bottles/cans can be left at your church on the weekend of 14/15 August as part of the fundraising. A big thank you to our parish schools who contributed a decorated fridge box for the participants to sleep in.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) Enquiry Evening scheduled for **August 11th at 7PM** will be **postponed**. For any inquires please contact the Chisholm Parish Office at chisholm@mn.catholic.org.au

WEEKDAY MASS ROSTER

Mon 9th August (*St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, virgin, martyr*)

Tues 10th August (*St Lawrence, deacon, martyr*)

5.30pm Mass, St Joseph's, East Maitland

Wed 11th August (*St Clare, virgin*)

12.00pm Mass, St John's Chapel, Maitland

7.00pm Mass, Holy Family, Largs

Thurs 12th August (*St Jane Frances de Chantal, religious*)

7.00am Mass, St Joseph's, East Maitland

Fri 13th August (*Sts Pontian, pope, martyr and Hippolytus, priest, martyr*)

7.00am Mass, St Joseph's, East Maitland

Sat 14th August (*St Maximilian Mary Kolbe, priest, martyr*)

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

Sun 15th August (*The ASSUMPTION of the BLESSED*

VIRGIN MARY)

9.00am Mass/Polish, OLOL, Beresfield

PRIVATE PRAYER / ADORATION

Mon 9th August

9.30am Prayer, St Joseph's, East Maitland

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

Tues 10th August

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

Wed 11th August

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

Thurs 12th August

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

Fri 13th August

9.30am Prayer of the Church, OLOL, Beresfield

7.30am - 9.00am Adoration, St Joseph's, East Maitland

St John's Chapel Maitland closed during this time of lockdown

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