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SUNDAY MASSES CURRENTLY SUSPENDED

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)

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Fr Maurice Cahill

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Lucy Sneesby-Tooth 0417 773 444

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

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities,
Lord, who could stand?
But with you is found forgiveness,
O God of Israel.

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 Wis 7:7-11

A reading from the book of Wisdom
*In comparison to wisdom, I held riches as
nothing.*

I prayed, and understanding was given
me;

I entreated, and the spirit of Wisdom
came to me.

I esteemed her more than sceptres and
thrones;
compared with her, I held riches as
nothing.

I reckoned no priceless stone to be her
peer,

for compared with her, all gold is a
pinch of sand,

and beside her silver ranks as mud.

I loved her more than health or beauty,
preferred her to the light,
since her radiance never sleeps.

In her company all good things came to
me, at her hands riches not to be
numbered.

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Resp. Psalm Ps 89:12-17. R. v.14

**(R.) Fill us with your love, O Lord,
and we will sing for joy!**

Make us know the shortness of our life
that we may gain wisdom of heart.

Lord, relent! Is your anger forever?

Show pity to your servants. (R.)

In the morning, fill us with your love; we
shall exult and rejoice all our days. Give
us joy to balance our affliction
for the years when we knew
misfortune. (R.)

Show forth your work to your servants;
let your glory shine on their children.
Let the favour of the Lord be upon us:
give success to the work of our hands.
(R.)

Second Reading Heb 4:12-13

A reading from the letter to the
Hebrews

*The word of God discerns the thoughts and
intentions of the heart.*

The word of God is something alive
and active; it cuts like any double-
edged sword but more finely: it can slip
through the place where the soul is
divided from the spirit, or joints from
the marrow; it can judge the secret
emotions and thoughts. No created
thing can hide from him; everything is
uncovered and open to the eyes of the
one to whom we must give account of
ourselves.

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, alleluia!

Happy the poor in spirit;
the kingdom of heaven is theirs!
Alleluia!

Gospel Mk 10:17-30

A reading from the holy Gospel
according to Mark

*Go and sell whatever you have and come follow
me.*

Jesus was setting out on a journey
when a man ran up, knelt before him
and put this question to him, 'Good
master, what must I do to inherit
eternal life?' Jesus said to him, 'Why
do you call me good? No one is good
but God alone. You know the
commandments: You must not kill; You
must not commit adultery; You must
not steal; You must not bring false
witness; You must not defraud; Honour
your father and mother.' And he said to
him, 'Master, I have kept all these from
my earliest days.' Jesus looked
steadily at him and loved him, and he
said, 'There is one thing you lack. Go
and sell everything you own and give
the money to the poor, and you will
have treasure in heaven; then come,
follow me.' But his face fell at these
words and he went away sad, for he
was a man of great wealth.

Jesus looked round and said to his disciples, 'How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God!' The disciples were astounded by these words, but Jesus insisted, 'My children,' he said to them, 'how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.' They were more astonished than ever. 'In that case' they said to one another, 'who can be saved?' Jesus gazed at them. 'For men' he said, 'it is impossible, but not for God: because everything is possible for God.'

Peter took this up. 'What about us?' he asked him. 'We have left everything and followed you.' Jesus said, 'I tell you solemnly, there is no one who has left house, brothers, sisters, father, children or land for my sake and for the sake of the gospel who will not be repaid a hundred times over, houses, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and land – not without persecutions – now in this present time and, in the world to come, eternal life.'

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

Homily - By Fr Graham Fullick

Money is not everything, but it sure buys a lot of food, clothing and shelter. That is comfort and security. But it does not go past the grave. Look at the items hoarded into the pyramids and the size of the pyramids themselves. The only rooms through which to pass which should matter to a Christian are the many rooms in the mansion of God above who has by the humility of His Passion, Cross and Resurrection prepared us a place. We should consider our lives as necessary to be the key to unlock that door to heaven. The key to our lives fitting to heaven is in that image. If God's values, if God's wealth is not what we treasure in our lives, then the key will not fit the lock, even as Christ by His Cross has unlocked the way for us. Our lives now must be fit or fitted up for Eternity—and lived with Eternal Beatitude as the ultimate Good of life. All the transitory goods of life are to serve the ultimate Good who is God Himself. Jesus knew that Himself as He emptied Himself out in His Divine Humanity to fully restore humanity—us—by becoming Himself the Key to the door of heaven. Humility is required. We are to empty ourselves of the capital sin of pride so that our heart, soul, head and hands are FREE to hold and behold to give and receive purely and unselfishly from God and back to God.

Like the second reading, we must be cut to the heart by God's word and take the Gospel to heart. Think of the man who enters the seminary with a Mercedes convertible and exits it ready to be a priest with only an undivided heart set on God and the salvation of His people. Think today of the call to true charity for all those who have wealth for the wealth to be used for God's purposes, humble charity and not fake virtue signaling. Things like funding a Catholic scholarship or overseas missionary building where there is no Australian advertising pay off. Think of society today with families being sold corpulent consumerism of products, games, internet wastage, big and small toys and "experiences" for happiness. All we have is anxiety and depression. We are fed a lot and asked to swallow hook, line and sinker even while family life is eroded and lived faith in God is emaciated. All of us must have a preferential option for the poor, not just doing good and avoiding evil, but donating time treasure and talent. Volunteering lacks today. Finally, we should look beyond accusing the sinful pride of the rich and selfish to our sinful lust of jealousy and envy for wanting what they have. Our hearts can be just as corrupted. For the huge chip of resentment on our shoulder will not let us pass through the eye of the needle either. Jesus could have had a chip on His shoulder that we are all unworthy and ungrateful. He saved us anyway. Let us open our hearts fully to love fully by leaving our prideful selves behind. That includes when we walk into Church.

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: The words of the gospel remind us that Wisdom comes from God who created us in love. Let us place our needs before Him with confidence.

Prayer leader:

May our God of Wisdom look kindly on the leaders of the Church as they proclaim the words of the Gospel among all peoples, and be the sign of peace and unity to all in our world . . . We Pray. . . Lord hear our prayer .

We ask the Holy Spirit to bring new life to our Church through the work of the Plenary Council. May those who are in dialogue be open to the same Spirit in this time of discernment . . . We Pray. . . Lord hear our prayer .

Strengthen the bonds of Faith between each of us and give us the grace to be able to declare what is important to God in our lives . . . We Pray. . . Lord hear our prayer .

Bestow special blessings of wisdom and strength on the priests of our Region as they care for our communities in these uncertain times. . . We Pray. . . Lord hear our prayer .

In this month of the Holy Rosary, we pray through our Holy Mother Mary that she watch over those who are not well and facing trials in their lives, especially Bishop Bill. May she be with them as she was with her Divine Son when He needed her . . . We Pray. . . Lord hear our prayer .

We give thanks for the gift of Faith that was taught to us by those who have gone before us and we trust they will now rest in the peace of Christ in a true Resurrection, especially those who have died recently including Joan Stace. We Pray. . . Lord hear our prayer. .

Celebrant: Come Holy Spirit, fill us with your loving presence. Make us strong and constant in following Jesus with a will to proclaim the Gospel message. We ask this through Christ our lord. Amen

Communion Antiphon The rich suffer want and go hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.

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.

Sunday Spiritual link-ups via Zoom with Fr John Lovell or Fr Graham Fullick

Each Sunday during lockdown, Fr John and Fr Graham will each have a spiritual link-up with any parishioners wishing to join them online via Zoom. If you would like to join either of them for prayer and a reflection, please do so using the links below:

Fr Graham - Sunday at 10.30 am <https://mncatholic.zoom.us/j/69813145970> Password: 638203

Fr John— Sunday at 11.30 am <https://mncatholic.zoom.us/j/68482994180> Password: 426154

We pray for the recently Deceased

Joan Margaret Stace

We remember those whose Anniversaries occur around this time including

Katarzyna Grabski, Joan Jordan , Daniel McCarthy (jnr), Carol Prouse,
Milton Warby (Stoney), Trevor Wilson

We pray for those who are sick at this time

Angeles Adapon, Dalisay Almanza, Teresa Almanza, Cynthia Appleton, Judy Mary Carmody, Olga Charlton, Robyn Chesworth, Kerry Copus, Marion & Luke Crotty, Nicholas Dilley, Brigid Field, Pam French, Melinda Grainger, Vince Gurr, Anne & Peter Hardy, Leanne Hardy, Julie Hartigan, John Hogan, Ken Jones, Ethan Joseph, Krystyna Kulzcznski, 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, Kathleen Tuckerman, 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

Dear Friends in Christ,
As you will have read in last week's Pastoral letter from our Vicar-General, Fr Andrew Doohan, later this month after NSW achieves 80% vaccination, our churches will be able to re-open for public Masses. At this stage we are expecting our first weekend of Sunday Masses to be on 30th-31st October. We expect to be able to re-open for regular weekday Masses from Tuesday 26th October. We have been advised that both vaccinated and unvaccinated people will be allowed into our churches. From this time and up until NSW achieves 90% vaccination (est. date 1st December) the 4 sqm rule will apply, masks will need to be worn, QR codes scanned and no singing. So thanks for all your prayers during the lockdown period, please continue to support of one another via phone and in other safe ways, and we look forward with eager hearts to coming together once again very soon, united in the one Lord.
Love John

MAITLAND REGION PRAYER GROUP

Every Monday at 10am Via Zoom.
Hosted by Family Ministry Co-Ordinator Lucy Sneesby-Tooth
All are welcome to join. For more information or if you need help joining the meeting please phone Lucy 0417 773 444
Zoom link – <https://mncatholic.zoom.us/j/66161593560>
Password – Oremus

A National Week of Rosaries (from Oz Rosary Australia)

You are invited to join online Rosary each night at 7 pm from the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary 7th October until 13th October, Fatima Day. We want to cover our country in a United rosary and Chaplet to St Michael for the protection of the nation and church. We are praying for Revival in the faith, in our nation, a JUST government and all church leaders in our nation. Australia needs to come back to God. zoom link is: <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/77150640515...> meeting ID: [77150640515](https://us04web.zoom.us/j/77150640515) password: Luisa

Live stream Mass every Sunday at 9.30am at <https://www.mn.catholic.org.au/places/live-stream/>
Daily Gospel Reflections Via this Parish Website <https://maitlandcatholicparishes.org.au/>



The call to share our blessings – our time, talent and treasure – is not always an easy one to embrace. There are many demands on those aspects of our lives and we can become weary – and perhaps wary – of how charities constantly ask us to donate. As Christians, however, we know that building the Kingdom is a constant work in progress; the poor will always be with us and while ever we enjoy blessings from God, we must be mindful of them, and their needs. The Gospel is not a call to give away everything we possess – it is about having a heart for others and being willing to ‘let go’ and share with those in need that which God has given us. In this time of World Mission Month, let us pray for, and donate to, those who serve the poor, in places like Thailand. Please consider, at this time, your capacity to either make a major gift in this life or provide an eternal legacy, through a gift in your will.

For more information about ways you can contribute to the vital, life-giving work supported by Catholic Mission, click [here](#). For information about leaving a bequest to Catholic Mission, click [here](#)

ACU Centre for Liturgy | Ritual Bodies as ‘Reasonable Worship’: Putting Liturgy in Proper Ethical Perspective

Bruce T Morrill SJ will present on Ritual Bodies as 'Reasonable Worship': Putting liturgy in proper ethical perspective. In our current Synod process we hear a longing for more formation opportunities so this lecture is an opportunity not to be missed. It will explore the challenges of theological rhetoric for 21st century Catholics, and how those challenges can illuminate the connection between liturgy and ethical living.

Time: 10:00AM-11:30AM Date: 18 October 2021
Register: www.acu.edu.au/publiclecturecf

Pints with a Purpose - Two Part Session

Mon Oct 11- Facilitator: Ellen Hazelton
Part One: Mental Wellbeing, Time: 7.00pm-8.30pm
Oct 18- Facilitator: Mike Hazelton
Part Two: What to do if your mental health deteriorates?
Time: 7.00pm-8.30pm
Zoom link and password for both sessions:
<https://mncatholic.zoom.us/j/65019218463>
Password: health

WEEKDAY MASS ROSTER

Mon 11th October (St John XXIII, pope)

Tues 12th October

5.30pm Mass, St Joseph's, East Maitland

Wed 13th October

12.00pm Mass, St John's Chapel, Maitland

7.00pm Mass, Holy Family, Largs

Thurs 14th October (St Callistus I, pope, martyr)

7.00am Mass, St Joseph's, East Maitland

Fri 15th October (St Teresa of Jesus Avila, virgin, doctor)

7.00am Mass, St Joseph's, East Maitland

Sat 16th October (St Margaret Mary Alacoque, virgin)

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

Sun 17th October

9.00am Mass/Polish, OLOL, Beresfield

PRIVATE PRAYER / ADORATION

Mon 11th October

9.30am Prayer, St Joseph's, East Maitland

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

Tues 12 October

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

Wed 13th October

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

Thurs 14th October

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

Fri 15th October

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 lockdown

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'EARTHY WOMEN' WEBINAR 2021

Engaging with Laudato Si'

TUESDAY | 26TH OCTOBER | 6pm – 8pm

Diocesan Council for Women

Speakers:

- Sue Martin – Catholic Earthcare
- Maryanne Murray- St Mary's High School Gateshead

You are invited to join with other women of our Diocese to share our Approach and Action in caring for our Land

The webinar will explore with other women:

- *How do you as a woman respond to God's call to Care for the Earth?*
- *What action will you take to Protect our Planet?*
- *Are our schools' places of living examples of what can be done to show that care of the earth matters?*

Summary of Laudato Si': On Care of Our Common Home - <https://catholicclimatecovenant.org/>

Registration is now open

Once registered Zoom link will be forwarded to you with Eventbrite ticket