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**ST JOSEPH'S** (Est 1835), Cnr King St & New England Hwy, East Maitland  
**Vigil 5.00pm; Sunday 8.30am**  
Judy 0412 689 517  
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**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 George Anthicadu  
**Asst Priests:** Fr John Lovell, 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

Rebecca Piefke 0422 500 429

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#### Deanery

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**

Forsake me not, O Lord, my God;  
be not far from me!  
Make haste and come to my help,  
O Lord, my strong salvation!

### **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** Dt 6:2-6

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy  
*Hear Israel, you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart.*

Moses said to the people: 'If you fear the Lord your God all the days of your life and if you keep all his laws and commandments which I lay on you, you will have a long life, you and your son and your grandson. Listen then, Israel, keep and observe what will make you prosper and give you great increase, as the Lord God of your fathers has promised you, giving you a land where milk and honey flow.

'Listen, Israel: The Lord our God is the one Lord. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength. Let these words I urge on you today be written on your heart.'

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

#### **Resp. Psalm** Ps 17:2-4. 47. 51. R.v.2

**I love you Lord, my strength.**

I love you, Lord, my strength,  
my rock, my fortress, my saviour.  
My God is the rock where I take refuge;  
my shield, my mighty help, my stronghold. The Lord is worthy of all praise: when I call I am saved from my foes. (R.)

Long life to the Lord, my rock!  
Praised be to the God that saves me.  
He has given great victories to his king and shown love for his anointed. (R.)

### **Second Reading** Heb 7:23-28

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews  
*This one, because he remains for ever, has an eternal priesthood.*

There used to be a great number of priests under the former covenant, because death put an end to each one of them; but this one, Christ, because he remains for ever, can never lose his priesthood. It follows, then, that his power to save is utterly certain, since he is living for ever to intercede for all who come to God through him.

To suit us, the ideal high priest would have to be holy, innocent and uncontaminated, beyond the influence of sinners, and raised up above the heavens; one who would not need to offer sacrifices every day, as the other high priests do for their own sins and then for those of the people, because he has done this once and for all by offering himself. The Law appoints high priests who are men subject to weakness; but the promise on oath, which came after the Law, appointed the Son who is made perfect for ever.

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

### **Gospel Acclamation** Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words,  
and my Father will love them and we will come to them.

Alleluia!

### **Gospel** Mk 12:28-34

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

*This is the first commandment, and the second is similar to it.*

One of the scribes came up to Jesus and put a question to him, 'Which is the first of all the commandments?' Jesus replied, 'This is the first: Listen, Israel, the Lord our God is the one Lord, and you must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: You must love your neighbour as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these.' The scribe said to him, 'Well spoken, Master; what you have said is true: that he is one and there is no other. To love him with all your heart, with all your understanding and strength, and to love your neighbour as yourself, this is far more important than any holocaust or sacrifice.' Jesus, seeing how wisely he had spoken, said, 'You are not far from the kingdom of God.' And after that no one dared to question him any more.

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

## Homily - Fr John Lovell

The Two Great Commandments Jesus is speaking of in the Gospel today are not *replacing* the Ten Commandments. They *are* the Ten Commandments, and *more*.

The first of the Two Great Commandments Jesus spoke about today, is effectively a summation of the first three Commandments given to Moses: don't worship false gods, honour God's name and keep holy the Lord's Day. When we look at the Cross, these represent the vertical beam, our vertical relationship with God.

The second Commandment Jesus spoke about today, covers the other seven Commandments given to Moses, which are all about social justice in treating all people fairly, such as: don't kill, don't steal, don't commit adultery, don't bear false witness, etc. And these make up the horizontal beam of the Cross, reminding us we are all equal – and on the same level – with one another. God does not have favourites.

In addition to the Ten Commandments, however, these Two Great Commandments also require us to go a few steps further. For they require us to always forgive others their offences, and to help the poor and any other disadvantaged people in our world. So, they may sound simple, but they cover a lot.

And who do we find at the intersection of the 2 beams, the vertical and horizontal axes, of the Cross? Jesus, who in His life and death is the embodiment of these Two Great Commandments shown in action. So, let's pray today for the grace to fulfil these Commandments in our lives to the very best of our ability.

### 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:** We are God's children, let us bring the needs of the church, the care of the world and the helplessness of the weak, to our loving Father as we pray.

### Prayer Leader

May the leaders of our Church, Pope Francis, the Bishops and Priests, be blessed by the Holy Spirit and continue to have the Wisdom and strength to lead us on our journey of faith. . . *We Pray . . . Lord hear our prayer*

As we celebrate this Eucharist together once more, we give thanks for the blessings that have been given to us, and for the Priests and Staff who have kept us together over the past months. . . *We Pray . . . Lord hear our prayer*

Lord help us to hear Your voice saying, 'I love you' as we pause and listen. . . . . Give us the graces to share Your love and listen to our neighbours. . . *We Pray . . . Lord hear our prayer*

May Your light shine on our new Parish Priest, Father George, may he feel the power of the Holy Spirit giving him wisdom, as he begins his Ministry in our Region. . . *We Pray . . . Lord hear our prayer.*

We Pray to the Holy Spirit to watch over our young people who are returning to school for their studies. Keep them safe and help them to settle in their work, to prepare for their exams. . . *We Pray . . . Lord hear our prayer.*

In this month of the Holy Rosary, we pray through our Holy Mother Mary that she will help those who live without hope and do not know our loving God: give them the Wisdom to believe in the resurrection and the life of the world to come. . . *We Pray . . . Lord hear our prayer*

We pray to You our loving Father, to look kindly on our own Bishop Bill and those who are not well, give them the strength and courage in their trials. May they feel Your presence as You help them carry their cross. . . *We Pray . . . Lord hear our prayer*

As we come to the feast day of the Holy Souls we pray for our relative and friends who nurtured us in the faith of the Church and gone on to Eternal life, to enjoy the peace and love bestowed upon them. We pray especially for those who have left us recently especially Mary Alice Goldsmith and Bernie Larcombe may they too, now see the face of the one who loves us. . . . *We Pray . . . Lord hear our prayer*

**Celebrant:** Lord God, hear the prayers of the people who trust You completely. Come near to each one of us, never let us be separated from You. We ask this through Mary our Mother as we say. . . . Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee, blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

**Communion Antiphon** You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in your presence, O 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***

Mary Alice Goldsmith, Bernie Larcombe

***We remember those whose Anniversaries occur around this time including***

Thomas and Margaret Creigh, Jack Clancy, Br Edward Collins, Mary Alice Ernst, Ivy Gurr, David Killen, Daniel McCarthy ( Snr) , Bill McFadyen, Harry McNamara, Jim Mullett, John O'Brien, Gus O'Neill, Carmel Rawlings, Lorna Sykes, Elizabeth (Betty) Vanlarhoven

***We pray for those who are sick at this time***

Angeles Adapon, Dalisay Almanza, Teresa Almanza, Dominick Antija, Cynthia Appleton, Judy Mary Carmody, Olga Charlton, Robyn Chesworth, Kerry Copus, Marion & Luke Crotty, Nicholas Dilley, Jovie Eugenio, 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

***For those that will be Baptised***

Zane Harrison Gibbs, Isla Plancia, Mia Plancia, Harvey David Winsor O'Keefe, Ivy-Rose Scheuber-Zivanic

***Would you like to remain on the sick list ? If so, please email [chisholm@mn.catholic.org.au](mailto: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**

Dear friends,

It was great to see so many of you returning to Mass last weekend and I hope more of us will feel safe enough to return to Mass over the coming weeks. Of course, we'll need to continue with current covid-safe precautions until government restrictions are relaxed.

As you will have heard, Fr George Anthicadu is being appointed as the new Parish Priest for our region and this will be effective from 4<sup>th</sup> November. However, since Fr George needs to take a couple of weeks holidays, he won't actually begin ministry in our region until the weekend of 20/21<sup>st</sup> November. Many of you may not have met Fr George who is originally from India and has been serving as the Parish Priest of Taree and Wingham Parishes in recent years. I know we will all do our best to make him feel very welcome. On that same weekend of 20/21<sup>st</sup> November we expect Fr John Purnell to begin ministry in his new role as the Sacramental Priest at Morisset. He will be sadly missed.

This coming week will be the start of November, the month in which Catholics each year specially remember the souls of our departed loved ones in our Masses and prayers. Since this will begin this Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November with All Saints Day, a very important solemnity in our Church calendar, we'll have three special Masses on this day: **7 am at St Joseph's, East Maitland, 10.00am at Our Lady of Lourdes, Beresfield ( Polish mass) and 6.30 pm at Sacred Heart, Campbell's Hill.**

My sincere thanks to everyone for your kind ongoing support and prayers.

Love Fr John

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](mailto:childprotection@mn.catholic.org.au) or visit their website for further information [www.officeofsafeguarding.org.au](http://www.officeofsafeguarding.org.au)

## **Thank you Fr. John Lovell**

While we look forward to welcoming our new parish priest, we would very much like to acknowledge the wonderful contribution Fr. John Lovell has made to our region as Administrator of our parishes. Fr John was appointed as Administrator little more than 2 years after his ordination in February 2019. However, he has carried out the role very effectively. Despite the onerous responsibility of overseeing 6 parishes, he has been a guiding light and a steadying influence. In addition to the administrative responsibilities of coordinating the work of his fellow priests, liaising with schools, attending meetings, consulting widely and making significant decisions, he has exercised true pastoral care, reaching out to those in need of support, always approachable and ever ready to listen to parishioners' concerns. He has always made time to visit and care for the sick, including home communions and anointing the elderly. We have enjoyed Fr John's homilies, always with a practical message for us. We understand that the Administrator's role has been a stressful one, but Fr John has carried out the role successfully, humbly and with great common sense. As a final note, reports have been received that among his many talents Fr John is a chef of some distinction! As parishioners, we extend our deepest thanks to Fr John for his pastoral care during his time with us. May God continue to bless him as he continues his mission with us.

**ACTiv8 Youth Groups** will return from Monday 1st November. Youth groups are held each Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings during school term. For more information contact Bec 0422500429

*Thank you to all those who have caught up with their planned giving donations and general donations to our Church and Clergy.*

## **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

First Friday of each month - from after Mass at 7am Friday till 8am Mass on Saturday at St Joseph's, East Maitland. Next Date: Friday 5 November 2021. All are welcome. All Covid-19 requirements will be complied with throughout the Adoration period.

The month of November begins with our celebration of All Saints Day (Nov 1) and commemoration of All Souls Day (Nov 2). At this time we give thanks for saints, both dead and living, and remember our deceased relatives, friends and those who have no one to pray for them. To acknowledge these special days an online reflection has been prepared to pray at home. [All Saints All Souls Days Liturgy 2021 \(office.com\)](https://www.office.com)

There will be a gathering at the Campbells Hill Cemetery near the Celtic cross Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 6pm, to pray for the Holy Souls of all our Relatives and friends who have gone before us. If it is raining, we will gather in the Sacred Heart Church. Any person is welcome to come.

A rosary will be prayed at Paterson Catholic Cemetery on Thursday 18th November at 6.30pm for the repose of souls. All welcome to attend.

## **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)**

If you would like to find out more about becoming a Catholic and the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) process, there will be Introductory sessions over the next few weeks on Wednesday night at 7 pm, in the Therry Centre, East Maitland. Could you please register your interest by contacting the Chisholm Parish Office at [chisholm@mn.catholic.org.au](mailto:chisholm@mn.catholic.org.au)

**SVdP Winter Sleepout Fundraiser** The collection of refundable / recyclable cans and bottles will take place this weekend 30/31 Oct. Please bring them in to your Mass centre and they will be collected. Thankyou, Mary Adamson 0437604501

## **WEEKDAY MASS ROSTER**

### **Mon 1st November** (All Saints)

**7.00am** Mass, St Joseph's, East Maitland  
**10.00am** Mass/Polish, OLOL, Beresfield  
**6.30pm** Mass, Sacred Heart, Campbell's Hill

### **Tues 2nd November** (All Souls' Day)

**5.30pm** Mass, St Joseph's, East Maitland  
**Wed 3rd November** (St Martin de Porres, religious)  
**12.00pm** Mass, St John's Chapel, Maitland  
**7.00pm** Mass, Holy Family, Largs

### **Thurs 4th November** (St Charles Borromeo, bishop)

**7.00am** Mass, St Joseph's, East Maitland

### **Fri 5th November**

**7.00am** Mass, St Joseph's, East Maitland

### **Sat 6th November**

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

### **Sun 7th November**

**9.00am** Mass/Polish, OLOL, Beresfield

## **PRIVATE PRAYER / ADORATION**

### **Mon 1st November**

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

### **Tues 2nd November**

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

### **Wed 3rd November**

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

### **Thurs 4th November**

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

### **Fri 5th November**

**7.30am** Adoration, St Joseph's, East Maitland  
**9.30am** Prayer of the Church, OLOL, Beresfield  
**St John's Chapel Maitland** open for private prayer daily

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