



**PARISH OFFICE** : 302 High St Maitland  
Tuesday - Friday 9.30am - 4.30pm  
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**ST JOSEPH'S** (Est 1835), Cnr King St & New England Hwy, East Maitland  
Vigil 5.00pm; Sunday 8.30am  
Youth Mass 6.00pm

**ST JOHN THE BAPTIST** (Est 1841)  
Maitland

**SACRED HEART**, New England Hwy, Campbell's Hill - Vigil 6.30pm.

**HOLY FAMILY**, 11 John St, Largs  
Sunday 8.20am.

**ST COLUMBA'S**, Cnr Prince & Church Sts, Paterson - Sunday 9.30am

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION** (Est 1871)  
Cnr George & James Sts, Morpeth  
Sunday 7.15am.

**ST PATRICK'S** (Est 1905), 55 New England Hwy, Lochinvar-Sunday 9.30am.

**OUR LADY OF LOURDES** (Est 1947), Cnr Anderson Dr & Delprat Ave, Beresfield  
Vigil 6.00pm.

**ST PAUL'S** (Est 1961), 10 Young St, Rutherford - Sunday 8.00am.

#### Ministers

All baptised members of the community

#### Ministry Team

**Parish Priest:** Fr George Anthonicad

**Asst Priest:** Fr Graham Fullick  
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Fr Maurice Cahill

#### Weekend Supply

Fr Greg Arnold, Fr Kevin Kiem  
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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 sing a new song to the Lord,  
for he has worked wonders;  
in the sight of the nations  
he has shown his deliverance, alleluia.

### 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 Acts 14:21-27

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles  
*They assembled the church and gave an account of all that God had done with them.*  
Paul and Barnabas went back through Lystra and Iconium to Antioch. They put fresh heart into the disciples, encouraging them to persevere in the faith. 'We all have to experience many hardships' they said 'before we enter the kingdom of God.' In each of these churches they appointed elders, and with prayer and fasting they commended them to the Lord in whom they had come to believe.  
They passed through Pisidia and reached Pamphylia. Then after proclaiming the word at Perga they went down to Attalia and from there sailed for Antioch, where they had originally been commended to the grace of God for the work they had now completed.  
On their arrival they assembled the church and gave an account of all that God had done with them, and how he had opened the door of faith to the pagans.

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

#### Responsorial Psalm I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

The Lord is kind and full of compassion, slow to anger, abounding in love. How good is the Lord to all, compassionate to all his creatures. (R.)

All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord, and your friends shall repeat their blessing. They shall speak of the glory of your reign and declare your might, O God, to make known to men your mighty deeds and the glorious splendour of your reign. (R.)

Yours is an everlasting kingdom;  
your rule lasts from age to age. (R.)

#### Second Reading Rv 21:1-5

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse

*He will wipe away all the tears from their eyes.*  
I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth; the first heaven and the first earth had disappeared now, and there was no longer any sea. I saw the holy city, and the new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, as beautiful as a bride all dressed for her husband. Then I heard a loud voice call from the throne, 'You see this city? Here God lives among men. He will make his home among them; they shall be his people, and he will be their God; his name is God-with-them. He will wipe away all tears from their eyes; there will be no more death, and no more mourning or sadness. The world of the past has gone.'

Then the One sitting on the throne spoke: 'Now I am making the whole of creation new.'

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

**Gospel Acclamation** Alleluia, alleluia!  
I give you a new commandment:  
love one another as I have loved you.  
Alleluia!

#### Gospel Jn 13:31-35

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

*I give you a new commandment: love one another.*

When Judas had gone Jesus said: 'Now has the Son of Man been glorified, and in him God has been glorified. If God has been glorified in him, God will in turn glorify him in himself, and will glorify him very soon.

My little children,  
I shall not be with you much longer.

I give you a new commandment:  
love one another;  
just as I have loved you,  
you also must love one another.  
By this love you have for one another, everyone will know that you are my disciples.'

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

## HOMILY by Fr Maurie Cahill

Antioch, Lystra, Iconium and Derbe were ancient towns in modern Turkey. They are famous because they were some of the very first towns evangelised by St. Paul and Barnabas. It was never just a “blow in job.” They would spend years working away from one town to another and back again, setting up small Christian communities. And work was tough in these pagan cities. Our early Church, in its very beginning years, had no clergy and church organisation as we know it. Paul & Barnabas continued to earn their own living, (Paul was a tent maker) and to live and pray among the people. Eventually they chose some leaders who could help keep the faith alive after they had left. And ultimately, they prayed over them, laid hands on them & anointed them as Presbyters (priests) who would preside at the Eucharist & other sacraments; and perhaps attend to preaching. (That depended on whether they were the best teachers). Paul warns them all that it can be tough; perhaps there would be many things to suffer. But they must continue to pray and live their faith in Jesus together – or it would all fade away. How could we have a better description of our own faith community?

Every one of us here today has a spiritual link that reaches, unbroken, right back to that early faith in Jesus. There would be some person or persons, who knew and lived their faith in Jesus, who has been a large spiritual influence in your coming to faith. Perhaps it was parents. And they, in turn, learned it from the spiritual generation that went before them – hearts that gave witness to their love of the Lord. We are told that going right back to Paul & Barnabas, and indeed to Jesus himself, the Faith has had to be passed on some 200 times – each generation to the one coming after. And in that, we have the wonderful spiritual train which has blessed us, and our own generation. And, please God, our own living and witnessing our love of the Lord is helping set up the spiritual link for the next generation to hear, understand and live the Faith.

### The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and  
invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son  
of God, born of the Father before all ages.

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;  
through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation

he came down from heaven (*All Bow*)

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,  
and became man. For our sake he was crucified under  
Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and

rose again on the third day in accordance with the  
Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand  
of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the  
dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.

I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins  
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## UNIVERSAL PRAYERS

**Celebrant:** To our God who is there for us with everlasting trust and love we place our prayers before Him.

### Prayer Leader:

We pray for the Church, that through our leaders, Pope Francis, Bishops, Priests and Deacons, that they be supported in their efforts and strengthened by their reliance of God. ... We pray in faith. . . **Lord hear us in Your love.**

We pray for the Priests of the Chisholm Region: Father George that he be blessed as he takes his leave, Father Graham that he is given the graces he needs to care for his father, Father John Vo who will join us in the near future, may he find us to be a friendly and loving community. ... We pray in faith. . . **Lord hear us in Your love.**

We pray that the Holy Spirit will inspire the choice of a Bishop to guide us in our Diocese, and build Your church into a Sacrament of unity, love and peace. ... We pray in faith. . . **Lord hear us in Your love.**

Heavenly Father send Your Holy Spirit to those who are suffering in the Ukraine as the conflicts and brutality continue. Bring Your peace and love to those in need and remove the hatred that is in their country... We pray in faith. . . **Lord hear us in Your love.**

For our Great South Land of the Holy Spirit, Australia: that the Lord bless our leaders who are elected in the coming election, may they have a sense of justice and compassion for all on the fringes of society, and for people seeking refuge... We pray in faith. . . **Lord hear us in Your love.**

We pray for those who are not well, may they feel the loving presence of Your love and give them relief in their sufferings... We pray in faith. . . **Lord hear us in Your love.**

May the Angels and Saints escort those who have died into the glory of heaven especially Sr Gladys Gardiner RSM, Baby Jack Donald Kemp, Gordon 'Coogan' Lawrence, Ligaya Mendoza and Brian Whipps and those whose anniversaries occur at this time, rejoice with them in the company of our loving God. We pray in faith. . . **Lord hear us in Your love.**

**Celebrant:** Jesus loved even the one who betrayed Him, He forgave those who hanged Him on the cross. Let us call on the Holy Spirit to unite us in faith and grant us the trust, to love as He loved.

**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.

**Communion Antiphon** I am the true vine and you are the branches, says the Lord. Whoever remains in me, and I in him, bears fruit in plenty, alleluia.

***We pray those who have died this week***

Sr Gladys Gardiner RSM, Baby Jack Donald Kemp, Gordon 'Coogan' Lawrence, Ligaya Mendoza, Brian Whipps

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

Cheryl Dunn, Roland Lee Snr, Tom O'Brien, Roma Sharkey, Verney Small, Myrell Mary Suters,

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

Angeles Adapon, Dalisay Almanza, Teresa Almanza, Arabella Rae Arroyo, Joseph Austin, 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, Ken Jones, Ethan Joseph, Krystyna Kulzcznski, Fr Anthony Lemon (Murwillumbah), Michael Lockyer, Sharon Martin, Kevin Moloney, Jane Winsor O'Keefe, Lisa Peattie, Jen Phillips, Peters Family (Maryborough), Ella Rusak, Olga Rusak, Amelia Verdera Satana, Margaret Sipple, Zane Slomka, Steven Small, Anne Standing, Carol Su'a, Margareth Tajonera, Vivian Tee, Bill Temperley, Veronica Tuck, Ros Thompson, Robert Wild, Jo Winkler

***We pray for those children who will be Baptised this weekend***

Oliver Johannes Koshorn, Armani Grace Milne, Aurora Renwick

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# Parish Notices

## Presentation of the Oil of Chrism

At Mass this weekend the children, who are preparing for their Confirmation, will be invited to come forward and learn about the Oil of Chrism.

**GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT: SEMINAR & WORKSHOP**  
Presented by MGL Sisters  
Saturday 21 and 28 May 2022 Time: 10am to 4pm  
Holy Cross Glendale Catholic Church Hall  
30 Oakland St Glendale  
Call Wayne 0466 631 394 or Maryanne 0402 918 375

## NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK 16-22 May 2022

Thanks and gratitude to our volunteers in church organisations and community, especially our Parish volunteers in spiritual and corporal works of Mercy. May the Lord richly reward you.

## PLANNED GIVING TAX RECEIPTS

It is believed that most parishes will be able to provide tax receipts to those who contribute through the Planned Giving programme this year. Please email or phone the parish office if you require a tax receipt for your planned giving donations. **Please only request a receipt if you need it for tax purposes.** If you don't need one for tax purposes but would like to know the amount you have given throughout the financial year please request a planned giving report instead.

We will need your Name, Parish, and Planned give number when requesting a tax receipt

Deadline for Tax receipt requests is Monday 27th June  
PH: 49338918 OR [chisholm@mn.catholic.org.au](mailto:chisholm@mn.catholic.org.au)

## Concerns around the Lochinvar Cemetery:

As everyone is aware, we have had a few months of consistent rain which has caused the grounds at Lochinvar to be quite water logged. Unfortunately, the mowing contractor was unable to mow the grounds prior to Mother's Day, in fact he tried and was bogged. We know families were distressed upon visiting the cemetery and apologise.

Our Communities would like to extend our sincere thanks to our visiting Clergy and Deacons. This week Fr Camilius Nwahia, Fr Greg Arnold and Fr Kevin Kiem will be celebrating Mass throughout our Region. We are so blessed to have them support Fr Graham during May.

**THANK YOU**

**MacKillop Place Pilgrimage** St Bridget's Branxton pilgrimage to Mary MacKillop Place North Sydney, on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> August 2022. Bus leaves Branxton at 6.15am with pick ups at Greta, Lochinvar, Rutherford, East Maitland. Cost \$50 which includes bus, morning tea, museum tour. Lunch at your own expense. Leaving North Sydney at 3.00pm for home. Call Mercia 0447819889 or Rose 49336284 by 15<sup>th</sup> July to book.

**RCIA update:** Please continue to pray for our Neophytes (those who were Initiated at Easter) as they continue their RCIA Journey through the final stage leading up to Pentecost Sunday

**RECOMMENCEMENT OF HOME COMMUNION** – Anyone who has previously volunteered for the pastoral care of the housebound by providing home communion OR if you would like to volunteer please contact the PARISH OFFICE as soon as possible.

Covid safe precautions will need to be adhered to.

ACTiv8 Youth are seeking volunteers to assist with the running of our youth groups. If you can offer 2 hours of your time once a week, fortnight or even once a month please contact the parish office for more information.

With COVID restrictions easing we will be re-introducing **Collections and the Offertory.**

It is the hope to include young families on the Offertory roster so if your family are interested please speak to the Mass contact person or call the parish office and we can put you in contact with the correct person.

## WEEKDAY MASS ROSTER

### **Tues 17th May**

**5.30pm** Mass, St Joseph's East Maitland

### **Wed 18th May** (St John I, pope, martyr)

**7.00pm** Mass, Holy Family, Largs

### **Thurs 19th May**

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

### **Fri 20th May** (St Bernardine of Siena, priest)

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

### **Sat 21st May**

(St Christopher Magallanes, priest, and companions, martyrs)

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

### **Sun 22nd May**

**9.00am** Mass—Polish, St Mary's Chapel (Victoria St Maitland)

## PRIVATE PRAYER / ADORATION

### **Mon 16th May**

**9.30am - 12 Midday** Prayer, St Joseph's, East Maitland

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

### **Tues 17th May**

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

### **Wed 18th May**

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### **Thurs 19th May**

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

### **Fri 20th May**

**7.30am to 9.00am** Adoration, St Joseph's, East Maitland

**9.30am** - Prayer of the Church, OLOL, Beresfield

**St John's Chapel Maitland** : is closed until further notice

**Live stream Mass every Sunday** at 9.30am  
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