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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

<u>Ministry Team</u> *Parish Priest:* Fr George Anthicad *Asst Priests:* Fr John Vo Vien Fr Graham Fullick

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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

See, I have God for my help. The Lord sustains my soul. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart, and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.

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

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 Gen 18:1-10

A reading from the book of Genesis

Lord, do not bypass your servant.

The Lord appeared to Abraham at the Oak of Mamre while he was sitting by the entrance of the tent during the hottest part of the day. He looked up, and there he saw three men standing near him. As soon as he saw them he ran from the entrance of the tent to meet them, and bowed to the ground. 'My lord,' he said, 'I beg you, if I find favour with you, kindly do not pass your servant by. A little water shall be brought; you shall wash your feet and lie down under the tree. Let me fetch a little bread and you shall refresh yourselves before going further. That is why you have come in your servant's direction.' They replied, 'Do as you say.'

Abraham hastened to the tent to find Sarah. 'Hurry,' he said, 'knead three bushels of flour and make loaves.' Then running to the cattle Abraham took a fine and tender calf and gave it to the servant, who hurried to prepare it. Then taking cream, milk and the calf he had prepared, he laid all before them, and they ate while he remained standing near them under the tree.

'Where is your wife Sarah?' they asked him. 'She is in the tent,' he replied. Then his guest said, 'I shall visit you again next year without fail and your wife will then have a son.'

The Word of the Lord Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm Ps 14:2-5. R. v.1 **The just will live in the presence of the Lord.**

Lord, who shall dwell on your holy mountain? He who walks without fault; he who acts with justice and speaks the truth from his heart; he who does not slander with his tongue. (R.)

He who does no wrong to his brother, who casts no slur on his neighbour, who holds the godless in disdain, but honours those who fear the Lord. (R.)

He who keeps his pledge, come what may; who takes no interest on a loan and accepts no bribes against the innocent. Such a man will stand firm for ever. (R.)

Second Reading Col 1:24-28

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians

The mystery hidden for centuries has now been revealed to his saints.

It makes me happy to suffer for you, as I am suffering now, and in my body to do what I can to make up all that has still to be undergone by Christ for the sake of his body, the Church. I became the servant of the Church when God made me responsible for delivering God's message to you, the message which was a mystery hidden for generations and centuries and has now been revealed to his saints. It was God's purpose to reveal it to them and to show all the rich glory of this mystery to pagans. The mystery is Christ among you, your hope of glory: this is the Christ we proclaim, this is the wisdom in which we thoroughly train everyone and instruct everyone, to make them all perfect in Christ.

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Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, alleluia!

Happy are they who have kept the word with a generous heart and yield a harvest through perseverance. Alleluia!

Gospel Lk 10:38-42

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Martha took up the duties in the house. Mary chose the better part.

Jesus came to a village, and a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. She had a sister called Mary, who sat down at the Lord's feet and listened to him speaking. Now Martha who was distracted with all the serving said, 'Lord, do you not care that my sister is leaving me to do the serving all by myself? Please tell her to help me.' But the Lord answered: 'Martha, Martha,' he said, 'you worry and fret about so many things, and yet few are needed, indeed only one. It is Mary who has chosen the better part; it is not to be taken from her.'

Homily - Fr Maurice Cahill - <u>A Martha or a Mary?</u>

<u>An after-Mass discussion of 16th Sunday.</u> Frank O'D, a parishioner says: "I reckon that Martha got a raw deal, being reprimanded by Jesus for her generous efforts. We certainly need our Marthers: they are backbone of the Church. 'Marthers' get things done." Marg, His wife joined in: "If I was Martha that Jesus reprimanded, I would turn off the strove immediately. And when hunger started to bite, then we'd see!"

Pope Francis in a typical day, has his times, as a Mary; but then a busy, busy Martha. We wonder how he ever finds time and energy. He rises at 4.30 am. His first activity is two hours of praying, pondering scripture and preparing for his teaching at the 7.00 am Mass. Then for breakfast, with his two priest secretaries, at the Santa Martha Hotel Cafeteria. Then to the papal palace for interviews - with people such as his curia officials, foreign bishops; nuncios, ambassadors, presidents, dignitaries, apostolic groups.

Lunch is at 12.30, in the dining room – always in company. Afterwards, a ten-minute nap, and then back to work, with more appointments perhaps, or at his desk. Francis' output in his official documents and teachings is prodigious. As teacher to the world, his duty is to speak the word of the Lord.

There follows a Holy Hour, quietly before the Blessed Sacrament, before his evening meal (though he confesses to sometimes falling asleep while praying). Then there is more work at his desk.

To bed at 9.00 (he is 85!). He likes to read for an hour in bed. Lights go out at 10.00 pm.

In all this activity, Is he a *Marther or a Mary*? Surely, he is both – like all good people are called to be. He has it all together: time especially for the Lord; and time for his huge workload.

Mary, of today's gospel, had the precious ability of staying quietly present before the Lord Jesus while he was so especially present to those gathered. She was absorbed in his beautiful words, and was responding to them in her heart. And that is what prayer is all about for all of us. We need, like Mary, to be quietly listening to the word of the Lord. We are so readily inclined to 'do a Martha' instead: to let other needs or activities take over out attentions - to be distracted. To have a time of being prayerfully attentive to the Lord can be something of a struggle for most of us. In fact, it can take some determination

At Mass together, we have precious time. We hear, ponder together, the word of the Lord, in the readings and homily. And that readies us to lift our hearts in our prayerful liturgy. It is not always easy to keep our minds where they should be.

But be encouraged! In our attentive and prayerful lives, we are all beginners.

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: Dear Christians, Martha and Mary found the love of God in Jesus, who we know is always in our midst. We pray through Him to God our Father for our needs and those of the world.

Prayer leader

We pray for the leaders of our Church; may they have the same great faith that Mary and Martha had and continue to lead the people of God in His Holy word. We pray Lord hear us.

We pray to our Father in heaven as we ask for a new Bishop for our Diocese, who will be our good shepherd and lead your people with wisdom, love and compassion. We pray Lord hear us.

We pray for Father Brett O'Neill S.J as he celebrates his ordination to the Priesthood and begins a new journey. May the Holy Spirit guide him every day and carry him through the joys and trials that he has to face as he brings the words of the Gospel to God's people. We give thanks for his life and ask for special blessings on his family for their support and inspiration to him through the years. We pray . . . Lord hear us.

For the Sisters of Saint Joseph in New South Wales as they celebrate 150 years since arriving from Adelaide to begin ministry in this State. May the inspiration of St Mary MacKillop and Fr Julian Tenison Woods continue to bring hope to a needy world. We pray . . . Lord hear us.

We pray for the people who have been flooded in their homes and those who have not been able to work. Keep them safe as the waters recede, give them the courage and trust in God, who walks with them as they rebuild their lives. We pray Lord hear us.

Let us pray as a community for all who are sick or lonely in mind and in body. May they be touched by the loving presence and healing hand of Jesus. We pray . . . Lord hear us.

We pray for those who have been called to Eternal life by our loving Lord and now rest in His presence especially Daphne Barnes, Wilma Bell, Robyn Murphy, Sr Helen Rankin OP. We pray Lord hear us.

Celebrant: Loving Father hear our prayers as we rejoice in the mystery of your loving Christ among us. Trusting in your love for us we ask these prayers through the grace of the Holy Spirit.

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 The Lord, the gracious, the merciful, has made a memorial of his wonders; he gives food to those who fear him.

We pray those who have died this week

Daphne Barnes, Wilma Bell, Robyn Murphy, Sr Helen Rankin OP

We remember those whose Anniversaries occur around this time including

Alexander Thomas Brown, Marie Breiner, Ingrid Kaiser, Mark and Johan Lantry, Margaret (Mag) McCarthy, Louise Mungoven, Addolorata Rega, Evelyn Rosenberg, Janina Orlowski, Irene May Wynne

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, 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, Victoria Micallef, Kevin Moloney, Jane Winsor O'Keefe, Daphne Parfait, George Parker, 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, Vivian Tee, Bill Temperley, Veronica Tuck, Ros Thompson, Robert Wild, Jo Winkler, Phillip Wilson

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Parish Notices

Thanksgiving Mass for Fr Brett O'Neill SJ Sunday 17 July at 11.00 St Joseph's East Maitland

Followed by a reception in the Therry Centre to congratulate Fr Brett and welcome him home. Parishioners are kindly asked to bring a plate.

PLEASE REMEMBER: There will be no 8.30am Mass at East Maitland on Sunday 17 July.

All members of our parishes are invited to attend a morning gathering with Fr Matthew Muller and Teresa Brierley to discuss new parish leadership and the pastoral planning needs of our parishes.

Saturday 6 August 2022 Time: 9.30am to 12.30pm Place: St John's Hall Maitland Purpose: Review Pastoral Planning for the Parish and imagine where the parish will be in 6-12 years' time.

Schedule:

9.30am Gathering and morning tea
10.00am Presentation: New continuous
development program for Clergy
10.15am Presentation: Leadership model
10.30am Strengths/Weaknesses/Opportunities/
Threats (SWOT) analysis
11.30am Discussion: What will the Parish look
like in 6 years and 12 years
12.30pm lunch

Please contact the parish office if you plan on attending so that we can gauge numbers. 49338918 or Chisholm@mn.catholic.org.au

ACTiv8 Youth Groups Will recommence from Tuesday 19th July.

Youth group is held as St Joseph's East Maitland on Tuesdays at 5pm and Holy Family Largs on Wednesdays at 5.30pm.

ACTiv8 Youth Ministry aims to provide a space for young people where they can develop lasting friendships and learn more about their Catholic faith in a fun and engaging environment. For more information please contact Bec Rebecca.piefke@mn.catholic.org.au or 0249338918

WEEKDAY MASS ROSTER

Monday 18th July

Tues 19th July 5.30pm Mass, St Joseph's East Maitland

Wed 20th July (St Apollinaris, bishop, martyr) 7.00pm Mass, Holy Family, Largs

Thurs 21st July (St Lawrence of Brindisi, priest and doctor of the church)

7.00am Mass, St Joseph's, East Maitland

Fri 22nd July (St Mary Magdalene) 7.00am Mass, St Joseph's, East Maitland

Sat 23rd July (St Bridget, religious) 8.00am Mass/Reconciliation, St Joseph's, East Maitland

Sun 24th July

9.00am Mass Polish, St Mary's Chapel (Victoria St Maitland) NOTE: there will be NO Polish Mass between 10/7/22—4/9/22 Are you or do you know someone who is, interested in finding out what is involved in becoming a Catholic? Are you/they feeling called into a relationship with God? Perhaps you are married to a Catholic, have Catholic children, and would like to know more about their faith? Maybe the realities of life are awakening deeper questions within you/them? Becoming a Catholic is a spiritual journey that is firstly about developing a closer relationship with Jesus Christ.

This journey, referred to as the **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)**, is highlighted by ceremonies or "rites" which help you to experience the love and support of a caring faith community. 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 3rd 2022 at 7PM, in the THERRY CENTRE at East Maitland.

Could you please register your interest in attending the Enquiry Evening by contacting the Chisholm Parish Office on 49338918 or chisholm@mn.catholic.org.au

Alternatively, please contact the Chisholm RCIA Team directlyMargaret 0419 335 878 or Wayne 0448 924 771 For further information please call Margaret or Wayne.

FIRST & SECOND COLLECTIONS

Parishioners' generous contributions provide support for our priests (first collection) and the upkeep pf our parishes (second collection). With the advent of Covid and declining congregations, there has been a significant decline in funds received, impacting on funds available, in particular for the support of our priests. Please consider what you might be able to contribute, to ensure that our priests are suitably remunerated for the wonderful pastoral care they provide for our community. Contributions made using electronic direct debit may be both convenient for parishioners and provide a regular source of income for out parishes. Please contact the parish office for more information.

PIETY STALL will be **closed** this weekend at St Joseph's East Maitland.

CRAFT GROUP—Will restart after the school holidays.

PRIVATE PRAYER / ADORATION

Mon 18th July
9.30am-noonExposition of the Blessed Sacrament, St Joseph's,
East Maitland12 Midday–1 pm Eucharistic Adoration St Joseph's, East Maitland12 Midday–1 pm Eucharistic Adoration St Joseph's, East Maitland9.30-10.30am
9.30-10.30amExposition of the Blessed Sacrament, St Joseph's,
East MaitlandWed 20th July
9.30-10.30am
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, St Joseph's,
East MaitlandThurs 21st July
9.30-10.30am
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, St Joseph's,
East MaitlandFri 22nd July
7.30am 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 www.mn.catholic.org.au/places/live-stream