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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 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.



22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

Sunday 28th August 2022

Entrance Antiphon

Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.

O Lord, you are good and forgiving, full of mercy to all who call to you.

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 Sir 3:17-20, 28-29

A reading from the book of Ecclesiasticus

Humble yourself and you will find favour with the Lord.

My son, be gentle in carrying out your business, and you will be better loved than a lavish giver. The greater you are, the more you should behave humbly, and then you will find favour with the Lord; for great though the power of the Lord is, he accepts the homage of the humble. There is no cure for the proud man's malady,

since an evil growth has taken root in him. The heart of a sensible man will reflect on parables, an attentive ear is the sage's dream.

The Word of the Lord Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor.

The just shall rejoice at the presence of God, they shall exult and dance for joy. O sing to the Lord, make music to his name; rejoice in the Lord, exult at his presence. (R.)

Father of the orphan, defender of the widow, such is God in his holy place. God gives the lonely a home to live in; he leads the prisoners forth into freedom. (R.)

You poured down, O God, a generous rain: when your people were starved you gave them new life.

It was there that your people found a home, prepared in your goodness, O God, for the poor. (R.)

Second Reading Heb 12:18-19, 22-24

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

You have to come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God.

What you have come to is nothing known to the senses: not a blazing fire, or a gloom turning to total darkness, or a storm; or trumpeting thunder or the great voice speaking which made everyone that heard it beg that no more should be said to them. But what you have come to is Mount Zion and the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem where the millions of angels have gathered for the festival, with the whole Church in which everyone is a 'first-born son' and a citizen of heaven. You have come to God himself, the supreme Judge, and been placed with spirits of the saints who have been made perfect; and to Jesus, the mediator who brings a new covenant.

The Word of the Lord Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, alleluia! Take my yoke upon you; learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart. Alleluia!

Gospel Lk 14:1. 7-14

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

All who exalt themselves shall be humbled and all who humble themselves shall be exalted.

On a sabbath day Jesus had gone for a meal to the house of one of the leading Pharisees; and they watched him closely. He then told the guests a parable, because he had noticed how they picked the places of honour. He said this, 'When someone invites you to a wedding feast, do not take your seat in the place of honour. A more distinguished person than you may have been invited, and the person who invited you both may come and say, "Give up your place to this man." And then, to your embarrassment, you would have to go and take the lowest place. No; when you are a guest, make your way to the lowest place and sit there, so that, when your host comes, he may say, "My friend, move up higher." In that way, everyone with

you at the table will see you honoured. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and the man who humbles himself will be exalted.'Then he said to his host, 'When you give a lunch or a dinner, do not ask your friends, brothers, relations or rich neighbours, for fear they repay your courtesy by inviting you in return. No; when you have a party, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; that they cannot pay you back means that you are fortunate, because repayment will be made to you when the virtuous rise again.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

Heaven Embossed Invitations

Hearing Our Lord's command: 'Invite the poor, the crippled, to the feast,' how do we respond as citizens of a nation which, in comparative global terms, is having a great feast? Jesus demands that we go well beyond an immigration policy which favours skilled and entrepreneurial people. They more than 'repay our courtesy' in terms of economic activity and social stability.

The majority of the poor and the crippled live in the subsistence villages, the refugee camps, and the squalor of the megacities of the Third World.

Heaven embossed invitations must be extended to such as those so that they may join in our national feast. Only then can we become the sort of people who, in the great Feast of Heaven, can join with those poor who are certain to be there.

We could pause for a moment to pray to put today's Gospel into effect so that we might hear Our Lord: 'Friend, join in the Feast. Be close to me.'

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Rev Prof Michael Tate graduated in Law from the University of Tasmania in 1968, and in Theology from Oxford University in 1971. He lectured at the University of Tasmania from 1972-78, being Dean of the Faculty of Law in 1977-78. He was a Senator for Tasmania from 1978-93, being Federal Minister for Justice from 1987-93. He served as Ambassador to The Hague and the Holy See from 1993-96. He then returned to Australia and was ordained in May 2000 and has been a parish priest in the Archdiocese of Hobart since then. He is an Honorary Professor of Law at the University of Tasmania where he lectures in International Humanitarian Law.

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: Brothers and Sisters with humility, let us place our prayers before our God who, with His love made us as His own.

Prayer Leader

For the leaders of the Church throughout the world: Pope Francis, Bishops, Priests and Deacons, may they continue to show an example of discipleship, and be a living sign of our one Catholic faith. . . . We pray. . . Holy Spirit strengthen our love.

For the Religious who have given their life on earth to make known, the love our Father has for all people. Give them the blessing they need to continue their life's work, especially our Dominican Sisters at this special time. . . . We pray. Holy Spirit strengthen our love.

That the Leaders of the world will come together with humility, to bring peace and justice to all people especially in those countries who are in conflict We pray. Holy Spirit strengthen our love.

Through the Holy Spirit we pray the heart the one You have designed, to follow the path of Spiritual leadership in our diocese will take up the challenge to guide us as our Bishop. We pray. Holy Spirit strengthen our love.

Heavenly Father, You have created each of us to love You and Your people and be humble to each other, give us the graces to treat each other with love and respect regardless of their position in life. . . . We pray. Holy Spirit strengthen our love.

For the young people who have been learning about the true Love of God and are now ready to receive the real presence of Jesus in Holy Communion. May they always pray with that love in their hearts on their journey of life. . . We pray. . . Holy Spirit strengthen our love.

We ask the Holy Spirit to give blessings to those who are not able to attend Eucharist with us. May they feel the presence of our loving God in their lives and bring peace to their hearts. . . . We pray. . . Holy Spirit strengthen our love.

Loving lord we pray that you will comfort those who mourn their loved ones and welcome into Your presence. Including Ken Jones and Lynda Morley who have returned to Eternal life forever. . . We pray. . . Holy Spirit strengthen our love.

Celebrant: Father of all wisdom, marvelously you have created us with greater wonders. You redeemed us. Hear our prayers and grant our requests according to Your will.

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 How great is the goodness, Lord, that you keep for those who fear you.

We pray those who have died this week

Ken Jones, Lynda Morley

We remember those whose Anniversaries occur around this time including

Kim Adams, Joan Baxter, Joan Barnes, Barbarita Carias, Private Nathanael Gallagher, Rignald Hughes, Jack Lane,

Private James Thomas Martin, Pamela McFadyen, Lance Corporal Mervyn McDonald, Private Stephan Milosevic, Sr Bernadette Mills, Ciriaco Minoza, Private Robert Poate, Ida Stace, Tony Wills, Remegia Villayer

We pray for those who are sick at this time

Angeles Adapon, Dalisay Almanza, Teresa Almanza, Arabella Rae Arroyo, Joseph Austin,
Cynthia Appleton, Lorraine Bartlett, Judy Mary Carmody, Olga Charlton, Robyn Chesworth, Juliet Cranny,
Marion & Luke Crotty, Nickolee Dennis, Nicholas Dilley, Yvonne Mary Fielding, Pam French, Melinda Grainger,
Vince Gurr, Anne & Peter Hardy, Leanne Hardy, Julie Hartigan, Ethan Joseph, Karen Kenyon, 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,
Ella Rusak, Olga Rusak, Amelia Verdera Satana, Margaret Sipple, Zane Slomka, Steven Small, Anne Standing,
Carol Su'a, Vivian Tee, Bill Temperley, Ros Thompson, Maire Veitch, Barry Whyte, Robert Wild,

We pray for those children who will be Baptised this weekend

Jo Winkler, Phillip Wilson

William Sante Cagney, Piper Maree Mann, Thomas Martin Westcott

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Parish Notices



First Holy Communion

Please pray for the children in our Region who will be receiving their Holy Communion for the first time this weekend.



ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

First Friday of each month - from after Mass at 7am till 8.00am Mass on Saturday at St Joseph's East Maitland. Next Date: Friday 2nd September 2022. All welcome.

Catholic Women's League Reflection Day Saturday 3rd September 10.30am - 3.00pm Morpeth Cochran Centre Open to all parishioners of the Chisholm Region Moderator - Sr Judy Bowe of the Missionaries of

God's Love Sisters Tea and coffee provided - please bring your own lunch Donation - \$10 cash please Any further enquiries - 0414 422 838 or 49321245

Season of Creation: World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation

This annual Christian celebration calls us to listen and respond together to the cry of Creation. This year we will unite around the theme, "Listen to the Voice of Creation." Join us on 1 September 7.00pm for an evening of prayer and reflection as we commence the Season of Creation 2023. To register go to:

https://seasonofcreation.eventbrite.com.au

Waiting for Purpose

As we continue our synodal journey we invite you to a period of waiting this Advent through connecting with each other in prayer and reflection.

Our Diocesan Advent Reflection will be available from October 2022.

PIETY STALL

Please note the Piety stall at St Joseph's East Maitland will be closed 27/8 & 28/8

Communication with clergy and staff members: With Fr Graham and Louise having a few

weeks off in August/September it is timely to remind everyone to use the parish office phoné number 49338918 or email chisholm@mn.catholic.org.au to communicate with clergy or staff even though a lot of you have our mobile numbers. If you have an urgent matter which requires one of our clergy to attend an anointing or hospital visit please use the urgent priest on duty phone 0428017273 thanks for understanding.

Dominican Sisters of Eastern Australia and the Solomon Islands

The Sisters will be holding their Chapter at St Mary's Priory Campbell's Hill from 23/8 to 28/8. They have asked Fr George to celebrate their Closing of Chapter Mass which will be held at Sacred Heart Church Campbell's Hill on 27/8 at 5.30pm (note change of time from 6.30pm) We celebrate and pray for the Sisters during this time.

Perpetual Day of Remembrance will occur throughout the diocese on the weekend of 10th and 11th September. East Maitland will be hosting the Stations of the Cross on Friday 9th September commencing at 7pm in the Therry Centre. Together we hope to shine a light of solidarity, a light of prayer, a light of commitment to change, a light of hope.

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

All are welcome.

WEEKDAY MASS ROSTER

Monday 29th August

(The passion of St John the Baptist, martyr)

Tues 30th August

5.30pm Mass, St Joseph's East Maitland

Wed 31st August

7.00pm Mass, Holy Family, Largs

Thurs 1st September (World Day of Prayer for Creation) 7.00am Mass, St Joseph's, East Maitland

Fri 2nd September (Spring Ember Day Special day of Prayer and Penance)

7.00am Mass, St Joseph's, East Maitland

Sat 3rd September (St Gregory the Great, pope, doctor) **8.00am** Mass/Reconciliation, St Joseph's, East Maitland

Sun 4th September

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

PRIVATE PRAYER / ADORATION

Mon 29th August 9.30am-noon Ex Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, St Joseph's, East Maitland

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

<u>Tues 30th August</u> **9.30-10.30am** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, St Joseph's, East Maitland

Wed 31st August 9.30-10.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, St Joseph's, East Maitland

<u>Thurs 1st September</u> **9.30-10.30am** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, St Joseph's, East Maitland

Fri 2nd September

7.30am Friday - 8.00am Sat 3rd September

Adoration, St Joseph's, East Maitland till 8am Mass

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