

PARISH OFFICE : 302 High St Maitland Tuesday - Friday 9.30am - 4.30pm Lunch 1pm to 1.30pm Phone: 49338918 P.O. Box 215 Maitland 2320 chisholm@mn.catholic.org.au https://maitlandcatholicparishes.org.au/

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.



# 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C Sunday 25th September 2022 WORLD REFUGEES & MIGRATION DAY

#### **Entrance Antiphon**

All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgement, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

#### 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 Am 6:1. 4-7

A reading from the prophet Amos

You who give yourself to licentiousness and revelry will be exiled.

The almighty Lord says this: Woe to those ensconced so snugly in Zion and to those who feel so safe on the mountain of Samaria. Lying on ivory beds and sprawling on their divans, they dine on lambs from the flock, and stall-fattened veal; they bawl to the sound of the harp, they invent new instruments of music like David, they

drink wine by the bowlful, and use the finest oil for anointing themselves, but about the ruin of Joseph they do not

care at all. That is why they will be the first to be exiled; the sprawlers' revelry is over.

The Word of the Lord Thanks be to God

### Responsorial Psalm Praise the Lord, my soul!

It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever, who is just to those who are oppressed. It is he who gives bread to the hungry, the Lord, who sets prisoners free. (R.)

It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind, who raises up those who are bowed down. It is the Lord who loves the just, the Lord, who protects the stranger. (R.)

He upholds the widow and orphan

but thwarts the path of the wicked. The Lord will reign for ever, Zion's God, from age to age. (R.)

#### Second Reading 1 Tm 6:11-16

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to Timothy

Obey the commandments until the coming of the Lord.

As a man dedicated to God, you must aim to be saintly and religious, filled with faith and love, patient and gentle. Fight the good fight of the faith and win for yourself the eternal life to which you were called when you made your profession and spoke up for the truth in front of many witnesses. Now, before God the source of all life and before Jesus Christ, who spoke up as a witness for the truth in front of Pontius Pilate, I put to you the duty of doing all that you have been told, with no faults or failures, until the Appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, who at the due time will be revealed by God, the blessed and only Ruler of all, the King of kings and the Lord of lords, who alone is immortal, whose home is in inaccessible light,

whom no man has seen and no man is able to see: to him be honour and everlasting power. Amen. The Word of the Lord

#### Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor, to make you rich out of his poverty. Alleluia!

### Gospel Lk 16:19-31

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

During your life good things came your way just as bad things came the way of Lazarus. Now he is being comforted while you are in agony.

Jesus said to the Pharisees: 'There was a rich man who used to dress in purple and fine linen and feast magnificently every day. And at his gate there lay a poor man called Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to fill himself with the scraps that fell from the rich man's table. Dogs even came and licked his sores. Now the poor man died and was carried away by angels to the bosom of Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried.

'In his torment in Hades he looked up and saw Abraham a long way off with Lazarus in his bosom. So he cried out, "Father Abraham, pity me and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in agony in these flames." "My son," Abraham replied "remember that during your life good things come your way, just as bad things came the way of Lazarus. Now he is being comforted here while you are in agony. But that is not all: between us and you a great gulf has been fixed, to stop anyone, if he wanted to, crossing from our side to yours, and to stop any crossing from your side to ours."

'The rich man replied, "Father, I beg you then to send Lazarus to my father's house, since I have five brothers, to give them warning, so that they do not come to this place of torment too." "They have Moses and the prophets," said Abraham "let them listen to them." "Ah no, father Abraham," said the rich man "but if someone comes to them from the dead, they will repent." Then Abraham said to him, "If they will not listen either to Moses or to the prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone should rise from the dead."

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

# **REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate**

## Insects, Heaven and Hell

The rich man ('Dives') is so totally *self*-absorbed in the *self*-indulgence of his wealth that he does not even notice poor Lazarus at his gate. *He* created such a huge chasm between himself and the poor that not one crumb of food or companionship could cross over to Lazarus.

This chasm, *created* by Dives, was fixed at the moment of his death so that not one part of the life of Paradise could cross over to him – not even a drop of water. Hell is not a punishment sent by God. It is simply the continuation of the Divide which some have chosen as that which defines who they are. Hell is of our own making.

We could pause for a moment to check that we are making such choices that we become amongst those 'carried gently by the angels into Paradise'.

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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:** God is compassionate to all His creatures. Let us pray with confidence for our needs, the needs of the Chuch and the world.

# Prayer leader:

We pray for Pope Francis, Bishops, Priests and Deacons, who guide us on our faith journey. We ask the holy Spirit to give them the Wisdom and Strength to continue to speak the words of the Gospels that Jesus taught. . . . We pray. . Lord hear our prayer.

We pray to You Almighty God and Father to touch the life of a Priest who would be a good Bishop and true Shepherd in our Diocese, to keep us united in love and peace, as we continue on our journey of life.... We pray ... Lord hear our prayer

Give each of us the faith to continue to search for the Treasures that you have hidden in the hearts of each of us, and the graces to find the joy of giving to those who are less fortunate. . .We pray . . . . . .Lord hear our prayer.

We pray for the people of this great South land we live in, that they will open their hearts to all refugees, and others o have come to find a home in our country. We welcome them with outstretched arms of love and compassion, giving faith, hope and safety for them to make a new start in our country. . . . We pray. .Lord hear our prayer

May those who are not well, find comfort in the prayers that we offer for them to You Almighty God. Give them the strength to carry the cross that they bare, let their faith in Your love carry them on through the hard times. . . We pray. Lord hear our prayer.

We pray for those who mourn Queen Elizabeth, especially her immediate family, through her love and faith in God, was leader in the Commonwealth and friend to many Nations. May the principals that she lived by, continue to be adhered by all.... We pray. **Lord hear our prayer**.

For our Family and friends who have gone before us recently including Antoni Amma, Ross Gordon Foley, Errol Marshall, William McKenzie, Colleen North, George Parker and Roslyn Frances Thompson. May the Angels and Saints be there, to welcome them into our Eternal home in Paradise.... We pray. .**Lord hear our prayer**.

Celebrant: Almighty and ever living God, fill our hearts with Your love. Give us the graces to rise above our selfishness, and keep us faithful to You and one another. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

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** Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope. This is my comfort when I am brought low.

# We pray those who have died this week

Antoni Amma, (mother of Fr Victor Babu Doss), Ross Gordon Foley, Errol Marshall, William Joseph McKenzie, Colleen North, George Parker, Roslyn Frances Thompson

# We remember those whose Anniversaries occur around this time including

Teagan Christiansen, Megan Hamilton Trisha Mason, Hugh Styles

# 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, Brian & Esme Bisson, 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, Lisa Peattie, Jen Phillips, Ella Rusak, Olga Rusak, Amelia Verdera Satana, Margaret Sipple, Steven Small, Anne Standing, Carol Su'a, Vivian Tee, Bill Temperley, Andrew Veitch, Barry Whyte, Robert Wild, Jo Winkler, Phillip Wilson

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

Henry Browning, Noah Scott Hemmings,

Leighton William Taylor, Mostyn Mark Taylor, Ruby Grace Taylor, Hudson Jorge Whichello-Adams

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

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#### **MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS FOR THE 108th** WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS **AND REFUGEES 2022** (25 September 2022)

Click on link to view message Message for the 108th World Day of Migrants and Refugees 2022 | Francis (vatican.va)



50th Wedding Anniversary

23rd September 1972 at St Joseph's Church East Maitland.

Congratulations to Peter & Jan Martin (mum & dad) on this wonderful achievement. From Troy & Fiona, Shane, Kira and beautiful grandchildren Amaya, Liam, Morgan & Fletcher. With all our love & best wishes for the future.

# HOME COMMUNION MEETING on-Thursday 29th

September at 3.30pm at the Parish Office. Anyone who has previously volunteered to provide pastoral care to the housebound by providing home communion OR if you would like to volunteer you are invited to attend a meeting with Fr John Vo Vien. RSVP to the PARISH OFFICE on 49338918 or chisholm@mn.catholic.org.au. We would like to recommence this ministry as soon as possible and we will hopefully have at least one volunteer from each Parish. If you know anyone who would like to receive home communion please contact the Parish Office with details including their name, contact phone number and address.



# **Catechesis of the Good Shepherd**

Giving children a special time and place to listen to Jesus and build a personal relationship with Him. Volunteer assistants needed. Come and

spend two very rewarding hours a week with us. No experience needed. Wednesday session times: 3-6 year olds

9:30 - 11am; 6-9 year olds 4:15 - 5:45pm. Places currently available for 3-6 year olds. We are located in Beresfield next to the church. Please call Siubhan on 0432477181 or email chisholm.atrium@gmail.com for more information.

#### WEEKDAY MASS ROSTER Monday 26th September (Sts Cosmas and Damian, martyrs)

Tues 27th September (St Vincent de Paul, priest) 5.30pm Mass, St Joseph's East Maitland

Wed 28th September (St Wenceslaus, martyr, St Lawrence Ruiz and companions, martyrs) 7.00pm Mass, Holy Family, Largs

Thurs 29th September (Sts Michael, Gabriel, Raphael, Archangels) 7.00am Mass, St Joseph's, East Maitland

Fri 30th September (St Jerome, priest, doctor) 7.00am Mass, St Joseph's, East Maitland

Sat 1st October (St Thérèse of the Child Jesus, virgin, doctor) 8.00am Mass/Reconciliation, St Joseph's, East Maitland

#### Sun 2nd October

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

### PIETY STALL OPENED THIS WEEKEND AT ST JOSEPH'S EAST MAITLAND

Communion, Confirmation & Baptismal gifts available a great selection. Many other items as well, Missals, mass books and children's books Contact; Marion 0412811759

A SRE Scripture teacher is wanted at East Maitland Primary school on Wednesday afternoons 2.30pm to 3pm. You are required to have a WWCC Number. Help and training will be provided. If you're interested please call Jan on 49331302.

## World Youth Day Launch Event

Are you a young person interested in travelling across the globe? The Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle is inviting any young person who is over 18 years old to join us on a 3-week pilgrimage to the Holy Land and then Lisbon for World Youth Day.

World Youth Day (WYD) is the gathering of young people from all over the world with the Pope. It is also a pilgrimage, a celebration of youth, an expression of the universal Church and an intense moment of evangelisation for the youth world. This pilgrimage will take place in July/August 2023. For now, we are taking expressions of interest until we have specific information on dates, times, and prices. We have limited space so signing up is essential. Please express your interest on the diocesan website at www.mn.catholic.org.au The official WYD launch will be hosted on Sunday 9 October at 4pm at the Murray Room (841 Hunter Street, Newcastle West). To register your attendance, please visit the WYD page on the Diocesan website. If you have any questions regarding this pilgrimage, please email Ryan Gato, Diocesan World Youth Day Coordinator at:ryan.gato@mn.catholic.edu.au

Thank you to Sr Paula, Sr Joseph and all those who led and assisted with communion liturgies while our clergy were on retreat.

Due the public holiday on Monday the 3rd October 2022 the parish office will be closed to the public on Tuesday 4th October.

# **PRIVATE PRAYER / ADORATION**

#### Mon 26th September

9.30am-noon Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, St Joseph's, East Maitland 12 Midday-1 pm Eucharistic Adoration St Joseph's, East Maitland

Tues 27th September

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

Wed 28th September 9.30-10.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, St Joseph's, East Maitland

Thurs 29th September 9.30-10.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, St Joseph's, East Maitland

### Fri 30th September

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