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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. celebrated at St Paul's Rutherford 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 Camillus Nwahia

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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.



# 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time YEAR A Sunday 2nd July 2023 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday

### **Entrance Antiphon**

All peoples, clap your hands. Cry to God with shouts of joy!

#### 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 2 Kgs 4: 8-11, 14-16 That is the holy man of God, let him remain there.

## A reading from the second book of Kings

One day as Elisha was on his way to Shunem, a woman of rank who lived there pressed him to stay and eat there. After this he always broke his journey for a meal when he passed that way. She said to her husband, 'Look, I am sure the man who is constantly passing our way must be a holy man of God. Let us build him a small room on the roof, and put him a bed in it, and a table and chair and lamp; whenever he comes to us he can rest there.'

One day when he came, he retired to the upper room and lay down. 'What can be done for her?' he asked. Gehazi (his servant) answered, 'Well, she has no son and her husband is old.' Elisha said, 'Call her.' The servant called her and she stood at the door. 'This time next year,' Elisha said 'you will hold a son in your arms.'

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

#### **Responsorial Psalm**

# (R.) Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord

I will sing for ever of your love, O Lord; through all ages my mouth will proclaim your truth.

Of this I am sure, that your love lasts for ever, that your truth is firmly established as the heavens. (R.)

Happy the people who acclaim such a king, who walk, O Lord, in the light of your face,

who find their joy every day in your name, who make your justice the source of their bliss. (R.)

For it is you, O Lord, who are the glory of their strength; it is by your favour that our might is exalted:

for our ruler is in the keeping of the Lord; our king in the keeping of the Holy One of Israel. (R.)

# Second Reading Rom 6:3-4, 8-11

Having been buried with him through baptism, we shall walk in a new life.

# A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

When we were baptised in Christ Jesus we were baptised in his death; in other words, when we were baptised we went into the tomb with him and joined him in death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the Father's glory, we too might live a new life.

But we believe that having died with Christ we shall return to life with him: Christ, as we know, having been raised from the dead will never die again. Death has no power over him any more. When he died, he died, once for all, to sin, so his life now is life with God; and in that way, you too must consider yourselves to be dead to sin but alive for God in Christ Jesus.

# The Word of the Lord Thanks be to God

### **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia!

You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy people. Praise God who called you out of darkness and into his marvellous light.

Alleluia!

#### Gospel Mt 10:37-42

Anyone who does not accept his cross is not worthy of me. Anyone who welcomes you, welcomes me.

Jesus instructed the Twelve as follows: 'Anyone who prefers father or mother to me is not worthy of me. Anyone who prefers son or daughter to me is not worthy of me. Anyone who does not take his cross and follow in my footsteps is not worthy of me. Anyone who finds his life will lose it; anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it.

'Anyone who welcomes you welcomes me; and those who welcome me welcome the one who sent me.

'Anyone who welcomes a prophet because he is a prophet will have a prophet's reward; and anyone who welcomes a holy man because he is a holy man will have a holy man's reward.

'If anyone gives so much as a cup of cold water to one of these little ones because he is a disciple, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward.'

The Gospel of the Lord

**Praise to You Lord Jesus Christ** 

# Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA

Today we are faced with the cost of discipleship, but we are also comforted by the promise of the providence of God. Baptism is for us both death and life. Through it we enter into Christ's death and we die to lives of selfishness and sin. Through it we rise with Christ to a new life freed from everything that previously held us down. As glorious as this new life might be, it requires death to our old ways of living, and this is always difficult.

The cost of discipleship cuts right to the core of our beings, it lays bare the very structures of kinship. Baptism recreates us as children of God; through it we are given a new life and born into a new family. The bonds of discipleship are now even stronger than the bonds of blood. Discipleship requires our very lives. As disciples we can no longer put ourselves first. We must be willing to spend ourselves and to be spent, to serve others in the day to day unfolding of life. We may find such commitment very demanding, but that is part of the cost of discipleship. God promises that if we lose our lives in this way, we will really gain them. If we are unselfish in the way we share ourselves with others, we will be enriched through our generosity. If we spend ourselves and are spent in our service of others we will be filled with blessings unimaginable.

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Dianne Bergant CSA was a Professor of Biblical Studies at Catholic Theological Union in Chicago, where she taught from 1978 to 2014. She holds a BS in Elementary Education from Marian College, Fond du Lac, WI; an MA and PhD in Biblical Languages and Literature from St Louis University. Amongst other things, she served as President of Catholic Biblical Association of America (2000-2001) and has been awarded honorary doctorates from several other universities. She was an active member of the Chicago Catholic/Jewish Scholars Dialogue (1988-2017) and sat on the editorial boards of The Bible Today (1979-2005), Biblical Theology Bulletin (1990-2014), Catholic Biblical Quarterly (1992-2001), New Theology Review (1997-2003), Teaching Theology and Religion (2003-2005), and Chicago Studies (2003-2009). She has taught and lectured in many places in the United States and abroad and has written numerous books, articles and chapters in books.

#### **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 (All Bow) he came down from heaven 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:** Father, by the power of Your Spirit You have filled the hearts of the faithful with love for one another. Hear the prayers we offer for the people of the world and for our families, that they may do Your will with perfect love.

#### Praver leader

For the Holy Father Pope Francis, Bishop Michael and all our Priests, may they know that they are loved by God and by our communities as they continue the role of the Shepherd, spreading the word of Jesus to the those they meet. We pray . . . . . Lord hear us

Through the Holy Spirit: that the leaders of the nations of the world will work together for peace and love among those who are living in fear through wars and hostilities. . . We pray. . . Lord hear us.

We pray for all God's Baptised children in our community: help us to have the confidence and trust, that we are seen and loved by God and place Him first in our hearts always. . . . We pray. . . Lord hear us

We pray for the Aboriginal and Torres Straight Island people that God may bind us all in ties of friendship and mutual acceptance as we bear witness to the faith we profess with our lips as Gods' children.....We Pray...... Lord hear us.

We pray for the refugees and the homeless, may they find people with kind hearts and a safe place to rest. . . . We pray. . . Lord hear us

For those who are sick, may they feel the love of God in their lives, and gain strength in the prayers that we offer to our Loving Lord for them. . .We pray . . . Lord hear us.

We pray for our deceased family members, friends and parishioners, who have died recently especially Ken Hardy, Michelle Kerley, Joaquim Peris-Covita, Susan Schneider and those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they share the fullness of divine love which is our Christian hope in sharing the life of the Trinity...We Pray.....

Lord hear us.

**Celebrant:** Eternal God, and Father, Your goodness is beyond what our Spirit can touch and Your strength in more than mind can bear. Lead us to seek beyond our reach and give us the courage to stand before Your truth. We ask this through Christ our 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.

Communion Antiphon Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all within me, his holy name

# We pray those who have died this week

Ken Hardy, Michelle Kerley, Joaquim Peris-Covita (Joe), Susan Schneider

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

Ruth Bradbery, Leone Anne Clifton, Gwen Cuskelly, Allan & Beryl Dennis, John Dorn, Harold Gallagher, Shirley King, Peter Markham, Lynn (Robert) McIntyre, Ted Meyn, Jim Toner, Fr John Woods

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

Mari Shivanthi Abeykeon, lan-Christopher Bajo, Lorraine Bartlett, Judy Mary Carmody, Olga Charlton, Nickolee Dennis, Nicholas Dilley, Oneli Disaaynayake, John Fielding, Yvonne Mary Fielding, Dianne Fryer, Rev Fr Joseph Selvan Fifarado, Leanne Hardy, Colin Harmes, Mavis Hoadley, Gregory Hurney, Randy Janzen, Jolanta Jenkinson, Raymond Kelana, Karen Kenyon, Michael Lockyer, Judy Massey, Mharielle Munoz, Colette Nancarrow, Rita O'Brien, Collin Perera, Jen Phillips, Anthony Y Poblador (USA), Mary Pullin, Rohini Rajakaruna, Casey Rippon, Ella Rusak, Olga Rusak, Biyatrise Samaratunga, Steven Small, Anne Standing, Laurel Stanford (Breiner), Bill Temperley, Nilda Walker, Robert Wild, Gary Wills, Jo Winkler

#### We pray for those Baptised this week

Carter Brown, Freya Fonssbach, Evelyn Gordon, Everly Jones-Mashman, Lawson Jones-Mashman, Theodore Whitney

#### For those who will be married

Robert Oxley & Jasmine Hoare

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#### **ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:**

First Friday of each month - from after Mass at 7am till8.00am Mass on Saturday at St Joseph's East Maitland. Next Date: Friday 7 July 2023. All are welcome.

Have you been considering what is involved in 'becoming a Catholic'? Are you feeling called to learn more about Jesus or looking to deepen your relationship with God? To find out more, please note the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) team will be holding an Enquiry Evening on Wednesday August 9th in the Therry Centre East Maitland at 7pm. For planning purposes please register your interest with the parish office on 49338918 or chisholm@mn.catholic.org.au. For further information Margaret 0419 335 878 or Wayne 0448 924 771.

Parishioner Joshua Latimore is heading off to World Youth Day this month. Josh will be speaking at the 8.30am & 6pm Masses this weekend. Please keep Josh in your prayers.

Congratulations to Charlotte Dick, Isabelle Dixon and Emellia Sexton who received a Bishops Award on the 20th June for their contributions to our communities and the Diocese.

Fr Camillus invites all those involved in the Regional Home Communion ministry to a meeting on Saturday 29th July at 10am at St Joseph's East Maitland.

East Maitland Parish Dinner. In accord with the goal of "building community", a Parish Community Dinner, highlighting the many cultural groups within our parish, is proposed for September. If you would be willing to be part of an organising committee, could you please contact the Parish Office chisholm@mn.catholic.org.au

#### PLANNED GIVING

BECOME A PLANNED GIVER: if you wish to setup planned giving donations please contact the parish office.49338918 OR chisholm@mn.catholic.org.au

#### **WEEKDAY MASS ROSTER**

Monday 3rd July (St Thomas, apostle)

Tues 4th July (St Elizabeth of Portugal) 5.30pm Mass, St Joseph's, East Maitland

Wed 5th July (St Anthony Zaccaria, priest)7.00pm Mass, Holy Family, Largs

Thurs 6th July (St Maria Goretti, virgin, martyr) **7.00am** Mass, St Joseph's, East Maitland

**6.00pm** Syro-Malabar Mass, Immaculate Conception, Morpeth

<u>Fri 7th July (BI Peter To Rot, martyr)</u> **7.00am** Mass, St Joseph's, East Maitland

<u>Sat 8th July</u> **8.00am** Mass/Reconciliation, St Joseph's, Fast Maitland Sun 9th July

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

#### **SAFEGUARDING**

Without appropriate training and education, procedures and policies are not implemented in an effective or competent manner. This competency implies that ongoing educational and training continues to develop and change over time and therefore the programmes designed for this purpose are dynamic.

#### STANDARD SEVEN

#### Ongoing education and TRAINING

Competency: Personnel are equipped with knowledge, skills and awareness to keep children and adults safe through information, ongoing education and training.

Criteria 7.1 Personnel are trained and supported to implement the safeguarding policies and procedures.

Comment: The requirement for induction and refresher training is covered, with a 3 year requirement for refresher courses. The requirement for maintaining a training registered is noted. The education must include; Code of Conduct. Safeguarding risk management, Safeguarding Policy and procedures, Complaints Handling Policy and procedures, Reporting obligations; and E-safety training.

Criteria 7.2 Personnel are supported to recognise the nature and indicators of child abuse, including harmful behaviours by a child towards another child.

Comment: This criterion focuses specifically on the education and training related to all aspect of child abuse, including; understand the nature and impact of child abuse;

understand the nature, factors and impact of institutional abuse; identify risk factors, such as grooming behaviours; and understand, identify and respond to abusive behaviours by a child towards another child.

Criteria 7.3 - 7.5 CONTINUED NEXT WEEK

An evening with Noel Pearson – Sunday 16 July From 5pm to 8pm on Sunday 16 July Noel Pearson will host an event in the Factory Theatre at St Pius X High School, Adamstown. Listen to Noel's connection to Aboriginal Spirituality, his work on the Uluru Statement from the Heart and The Voice to Parliament. Concluding with a Q&A panel session that will include Noel, Aunty Louise Campbell (Catholic Schools Office) and Aunty Dianne Langham (Anglican Diocese). Register here: https://NP2023.eventbrite.com.au

## PIETY STALL AT ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH

There is a variety of Bibles in stock. Open after Sunday Masses at St Joseph's. The piety stall will not be open weekends 16th & 23rd July. Thank you for your patronage.

#### PRIVATE PRAYER / ADORATION

Mon 3rd July 9.30am-11.00am 11.00am-12pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Adoration/Holy Hour, St Joseph's, East Maitland

<u>Tues 4th July</u> 9.30am-10.30am <u>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament,</u> St Joseph's, East Maitland Funeral

Wed 5th July 9.30am-10.30am

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament St Joseph's, East Maitland

Thurs 6th July 9.30-10.30am 7.00pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Marian Movement of Priests Rosary Both at St Joseph's, East Maitland, prayer room

Fri 7th July 7.30am Fri—8am Sat 8th July Adoration, St Joseph's, EM

9.30am Prayer of the Church, OLOL, Beresfield