



PARISH OFFICE : 302 High St Maitland

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Lunch 1pm to 1.30pm

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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.**
celebrated at St Paul's Rutherford

HOLY FAMILY, 11 John St, Largs
Sunday 8.00am.

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

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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.

Gathering (*lights turned off/low*)

Ode to the Light of Christ (*read by one
person as priest is proceeding to altar*)

Come, let us walk in the Light of the Lord.
Let us not fear the past when our hearts
were heavy.

Let us Shine the Light of Christ. (Is. 2:5)

Come, let us bring light from the darkness.

Let us make evil good and find sweet in
the bitter.

Let us Shine the Light of Christ. (Is. 5:20)

Come, let us weep together when the light
grew dark with the clouds, from the
darkness and distress.

Let us Shine the Light of Christ. (Is. 5:30)

Come, let us walk with our brothers and
sisters, those who have walked in
darkness.

Let them see the great Light of God

and let us Shine the Light of Christ. (Is.
9:2)

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Penitential Act (*lights turned on*)

Presider: Brothers and sisters, let us
acknowledge our sins, and so prepare
ourselves to celebrate the sacred
mysteries.

A brief pause for silence follows.

Presider: Lord Jesus you are our hope:
Lord, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy.

Presider: Lord Jesus you rout the proud
of heart and exalt the lowly: Christ, have
mercy.

All: Christ, have mercy

Presider: Lord Jesus you send the rich
away empty and fill the hungry with good
things: Lord, have mercy

All: Lord, have mercy.

Presider: May almighty God have mercy
on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to
everlasting life.

All: Amen.

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 Ezekiel 37:1-14

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel

The hand of the Lord was laid on me, and
he carried me away by the spirit of the
Lord and set me down in the middle of a
valley, a valley full of bones. He made me
walk up and down among them. There
were vast quantities of these bones on the
ground the whole length of the valley; and
they were quite dried up. He said to me,
'Son of man, can these bones live?' I said,
'You know, Lord.'" He said, 'Prophecy over
these bones. Say, "Dry bones, hear the
word of the Lord. The Lord says this to
these bones: I am now going to make the
breath enter you, and you will live. I shall
put sinews on you, I shall make flesh grow
on you, I shall cover you with skin and
give you breath, and you will live; and you
will learn that I am the Lord.'" I prophesied
as I had been ordered. While I was
prophesying, there was a noise, a sound
of clattering; and the bones joined
together. I looked, and saw that they were
covered with sinews; flesh was growing on
them and skin was covering them, but
there was no breath in them. He said to
me, 'Prophecy to the breath; prophesy,
son of man. Say to the breath, "The Lord
says this: Come from the four winds,
breath; breathe on these dead; let them
live!"' I prophesied as he had ordered me,
and the breath entered them; they came to
life again and stood up on their feet, a
great, an immense army. Then he said,
'Son of man, these bones are the whole
House of Israel. They keep saying, "Our
bones are dried up, our hope has gone;
we are as good as dead." So prophesy.
Say to them, "The Lord says this: I am
now going to open your graves; I mean to
raise you from your graves, my people,
and lead you back to the soil of Israel. And
you will know that I am the Lord, when I
open your graves and raise you from your
graves, my people. And I shall put my
spirit in you, and you will live, and I shall
resettle you on your own soil; and you will
know that I, the Lord, have said and done
this it is the Lord who speaks.'"

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

**Responsorial Psalm (R.) My soul is
thirsting for the living God.**

Like the deer that yearns for running
streams, so my soul is yearning for you,
my God. (R.)

My soul is thirsting for God, the God of my
life; when can I enter and see the face of
God. (R.)

O send forth your light and your truth; let
these be my guide. Let them bring me to
your holy mountain to the place where you
dwell. (R.)

And I will come to the altar of God, the
God of my joy. And I will come to the altar
of God, the God of my joy. My redeemer, I
will thank you on the harp, O God, my
God. (R.)

Second Reading Romans 14:7-9

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

The life and death of each of us has its influence on others; if we live, we live for the Lord; and if we die, we die for the Lord, so that alive or dead we belong to the Lord. This explains why Christ both died and came to life, it was so that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia!

Shine in the world like bright stars; you are offering it the word of life.

Alleluia!

Gospel Luke 1:46-56

Mary said:

'My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord and my spirit exults in God my saviour; because he has looked upon his lowly handmaid. Yes, from this day forward all generations will call me blessed, for the Almighty has done great things for me.

Holy is his name, and his mercy reaches from age to age for those who fear him. 'He has shown the power of his arm, he has routed the proud of heart. He has pulled down princes from their thrones and exalted the lowly. The hungry he has filled with good things, the rich sent empty away. He has come to the help of Israel his servant, mindful of his mercy according to the promise he made to our ancestors – of his mercy to Abraham and to his descendants for ever.'

Mary stayed with Elizabeth about three months and then went back home .

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ

This prayer is one of the permanent elements of the Perpetual Day of Remembrance.

In the Light of Your Love

God with us,
you have made us in your image,
and filled us with the breath of your divine life.
Through the life of Jesus
you show us the way to live in the light of your love.
Create a clean heart in us O God.
Where people are disempowered
 may we shine the light of your justice.
Where there is privilege and prestige
 may we shine the light of your humility.
Where there is dishonesty and denial
 may we shine the light of your truth.
Where transparency is lacking, and agendas are
 hidden,
 may we shine the light of your integrity.

Where there is fear
 may we shine the light of your courage.
Where there is judgement
 may we shine the light of your compassion.
Where there is disrespect
 may we shine the light of your love.
Where people feel silenced
 may we shine the light of your word.
Where people feel excluded
 may we shine the light of your acceptance.
Where there is sin
 may we shine the light of your forgiveness.
Create a clean heart in us O God.
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The Apostles Creed

I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of God the
Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge the living
and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting. Amen.

UNIVERSAL PRAYERS

Presider: Sisters and brothers, let us pray to the God of light and truth for our needs and those of the world.

Reader: For the gift of wisdom and humility. God of mercy ...

All: Hear our prayer.

Reader: For the gift of truth and integrity. God of mercy ...

All: Hear our prayer.

Reader: For the gift of love and compassion. God of mercy ...

All: Hear our prayer.

Reader: For the gift of courage and forgiveness. God of mercy ...

All: Hear our prayer.

Reader: For the gift of acceptance and freedom. God of mercy ...

All: Hear our prayer.

Reader: For those who have been affected by abuse. God of mercy ...

All: Hear our prayer.

Reader: For those who are sick. God of mercy ...

All: Hear our prayer.

Reader: For those who have died especially Anton Bittner, Naomi Boco, Marion Crotty, Pamela French, Shirley McHugh, Sr Moya Lantry and Julie Wylie. God of mercy ...

All: Hear our prayer.

Presider: God of the living and the dead, in Jesus you raise us up to shine your light in the dark places of our world. Hear these prayers and help us to always remember how much we are loved. We ask this through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: 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.

We pray those who have died this week

Anton Manfred Bittner, Naomi Remo Boco, Marion Crotty (Melb), Pamela Elizabeth French, Shirley Ann McHugh, Sr Moya Lantry RSM, Julie Wylie

We remember those whose Anniversaries occur around this time including

Raymond Francis Belcher, Peter & Patty Bowe, Apolinia Cabrerra, Bernard Vaughan Campbell, Molly & Gabe Cunningham, John Edmonds, Joseph Edmonds (Joe), Margaret Edmonds, Ramon Eugenio, Bryan Hornery, Brian Humphreys, Margaret Jacka, Basil Keating, Thelma Keating, Peter Lamoury, Allan Mooney, Constantino Marquez, Evelyn Marquez, Rita Marquez, Veronica Warby, Thomas Augustus Redgrove, Joy Taylor

We pray for those who are sick at this time

Mari Shivanthi Abeykeon, Ian-Christopher Bajo, Lorraine Bartlett, Patrick Brennan, Judy Mary Carmody, Olga Charlton, Marion & Luke Crotty, Nickolee Dennis, Oneli Disaaynayake, Alfredo Doctor, John Fielding, Yvonne Mary Fielding, Dianne Fryer, Rev Fr Joseph Selvan Fifarado, Annette & Pete Flood, Leanne Hardy, Colin Harnes, Mavis Hoadley, Gregory Hurney, Randy Janzen, Jolanta Jenkinson, Karen Kenyon, Michael Lockyer, Jaime Marquez, Simeon (Jaime) Marquez, Nonette Mase, Judy Massey, Mharielle Munoz, Colette Nancarrow, Rita O'Brien, Carlo Panlilio, Collin Perera, Peter & Tracey Perry, Jen Phillips, Anthony Y Poblador (USA), Mary Pullin, Rohini Rajakaruna, Casey Rippon, Ella Rusak, Olga Rusak, Biyatrise Samaratunga, Steven Small, Anne Standing, Bill Temperley, Nilda Walker, John Williams, Gary Wills, Jo Winkler

We pray for those who will be Baptised

Poppy Mae Bolton, Eloise Elizabeth Maree Buffier, Colby George Carter, Hudson Denny Carter, Olivia Ivy Gorell, Theodore Raymond Mexon, Alora Jae Moore

Perpetual Day of Remembrance

Thank you for your commitment to stand with our brothers and sisters who are suffering and to shine the light of Christ in our Church and neighborhoods'. Together we can be a sign of hope.

Healing and Support

The *Zimmerman Service Healing and Support Team* provides support and assistance to survivors and their relatives. To engage with this service please call 49230636 or email

ZimmermanService@healingandsupport.org.au.

To commemorate Perpetual Day of Remembrance 2023, Zimmerman House at 5 Selma St, Newcastle West will be open to survivors and relatives from 12-4pm on the 15 September for those who wish to drop in.

The Healing and Support Team are also available should our prayer response cause distress for any person. Please make contact as above.

First Holy Communion - Congratulations to the children who have received their First Holy Communion over the past 3 weekends! May your hearts be filled with the joy of Christ's presence as you continue to grow in your faith.

To the parents and team members, thank you for your dedication and commitment. Your guidance, love, and encouragement have played an integral role in preparing these children.

SAFEGUARDING - Our parishes are participating in an external audit by the Australian Catholic Safeguarding Ltd which will measure our compliance with the National Catholic Safeguarding Standards. As a part of the audit the Parish staff have been working on completing the online self-assessment portal which has a deadline of Monday 11th September.

Safeguarding brochures are available in different languages for your convenience. This week a new poster has been placed onto our Safeguarding notice boards '**PARISH REPORTING OBLIGATION**'. This provides important contact details which everyone should be aware of. It has also been emailed with our bulletin.

Next week we will introduce the Safeguarding Team but in the meantime our **Promotors of Safeguarding** for the Region is **Rebecca Piefke** who is our Youth Co-Ordinator and **Louise Gilchrist** who is our Parish Manager. They can be contacted via the parish office on 49338918 or chisholm@mn.catholic.org.au

WEEKDAY MASS ROSTER

Tues 12th September (*The Most Holy Name of Mary*)

5.30pm Mass, St Joseph's, East Maitland

Wed 13th September (*St John Chrysostom, bishop, doctor*)

7.00pm Mass, Holy Family, Largs

Thurs 14th September (*The Exaltation of the Holy Cross*)

7.00am Mass, St Joseph's, East Maitland

6.00pm Syro-Malabar Mass, Immaculate Conception, Morpeth

Fri 15th September (*Our Lady of Sorrows*)

10.00am Anointing Mass, St Joseph's, East Maitland

Sat 16th September (*St's Cornelius, pope, martyr, and Cyprian, bishop, martyr*)

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

Sun 17th September

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

SEPTEMBER 15 | Feast Day of Our Lady of Sorrows

Prayer to Our Lady of Sorrows

Our mother of sorrows, with strength from above you stood by the cross, sharing in the sufferings of Jesus, and with tender care you bore him in your arms, mourning and weeping.

We praise you for your faith, which accepted the life God planned for you. We praise you for your hope, which trusted that God would do great things in you. We praise you for your love in bearing with Jesus the sorrows of his passion.

Holy Mary, may we follow your example, and stand by all your children who need comfort and love.

Mother of God, stand by us in our trials and care for us in our many needs. Pray for us now and at the hour of our death. Amen!

Our Lady of Sorrows, Pray for us!

✠ **Chisholm Region Bus Trip and Reflection Day** **St Joseph's Spirituality and Retreat Centre** **Kincumber.**

History Presentation, Way of the Cross, Mass with Fr Camillus and Private Reflection and Prayer Time

Date: Friday 22nd September Cost: \$80

Morning Tea and Lunch included.

Contact Vicki 0429337455 or John 0414254230

Regional Anointing Mass— 10am 15th September

St Joseph's, East Maitland Church this Friday

Disabled access available from the King St side entrance.

All welcome

NOTE: the 7am Mass time has been changed to 10am

✠ **PIETY STALL AT ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH**

New Bibles and books have arrived.

Open after Sunday Masses at St. Joseph's Church.

We need some help to assist with the Piety Stall. If you may be able to assist please contact the parish office.



NATSICC 2023

Please join us for 'Table Conversations' facilitated by Jennifer Rumbel, proud Gamilaraay woman and member of the Diocesan Aboriginal and Torres Strait

Islander Catholic Ministry. To learn more about the Indigenous Voice to Parliament. At the Therry Centre, King Street East Maitland Sunday 24/9/2023, 1.30 pm for

2pm – 4pm. Cost: Free but cash donations welcome

Contact Helen: 043 933 4000 or Yvonne: 0432 550 986.

Register at <https://thevoicechisholm.eventbrite.com.au>

RSVPs close 5pm Wednesday 20 September.

PRIVATE PRAYER / ADORATION

Mon 11th September

9.30am-11.00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

11.00am-12pm Adoration/Holy Hour, St Joseph's, East Maitland

Tues 12th September

9.30am-10.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament,

St Joseph's, East Maitland

Wed 13th September

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

Thurs 14th September

9.30-10.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

7.00pm Marian Movement of Priests Rosary

Both at St Joseph's East Maitland

Fri 15th September

7.30am Adoration, St Joseph's, EM

9.30am Prayer of the Church, OLOL, Beresfield