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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

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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.



27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A 8th October, 2023

Entrance Antiphon

Within your will, O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist your will. For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven; you are the Lord of all.

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 Isaiah 5:1-7

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

The vineyard of the Lord God of hosts is the House of Israel.

Let me sing to my friend the song of his love for his vineyard. My friend had a vineyard on a fertile hillside. He dug the soil, cleared it of stones, and planted choice vines in it. In the middle he built a tower, he dug a press there too.

He expected it to yield grapes, but sour grapes were all that it gave.

And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and men of Judah, I ask you to judge between my vineyard and me.

What could I have done for my vineyard that I have not done?

I expected it to yield grapes. Why did it yield sour grapes instead?

Very well, I will tell you what I am going to do to my vineyard: I will take away its hedge for it to be grazed on, and knock down its wall for it to be trampled on.

I will lay it waste, unpruned, undug; overgrown by the briar and the thorn. I will command the clouds to rain no rain on it.

Yes, the vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the House of Israel, and the men of Judah that chosen plant.
He expected justice, but found bloodshed, integrity, but only a cry of distress.

The Word of the Lord Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm Ps 79:9. 12-16. 19-20. R. Is 5:7

(R.) The vineyard of the Lord is the House of Israel.

You brought a vine out of Egypt; to plant it you drove out the nations. It stretched out its branches to the sea, to the Great River it stretched out its shoots. (R.)

Then why have you broken down its walls? It is plucked by all who pass by. It is ravaged by the boar of the forest, devoured by the beasts of the field. (R.)

God of hosts, turn again, we implore, look down from heaven and see. Visit this vine and protect it, the vine your right hand has planted. (R.)

And we shall never forsake you again: give us life that we may call upon your name. God of hosts, bring us back; let your face shine on us and we shall be saved. (R.)

Second Reading

Philippians 4:6-9

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians

Do these things and the God of peace will be with you.

There is no need to worry; but if there is anything you need, pray for it, asking God for it with prayer and thanksgiving, and that peace of God, which is so much greater than we can understand, will guard your hearts and your thoughts, in Christ Jesus. Finally, fill brothers, your minds with everything that is true, everything that is noble, everything that is good and pure, everything that we love and honour, and everything that can be thought virtuous or worthy of praise. Keep doing all the things that you learnt from me and have been taught by me and have heard or seen that I do. Then the God of peace will be with

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Gospel Matthew 21:33-43

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

He leased his vineyard to other farmers.

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, 'Listen to another parable. There was a man, a landowner, who planted a vineyard; he fenced it round, dug a winepress in it and built a tower; then he leased it to tenants and went abroad. When vintage time drew near he sent his servants to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his servants, thrashed one, killed another and stoned a third. Next he sent some more servants, this time a larger number, and they dealt with them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them. "They will respect my son," he said. But when the tenants saw the son, they said to each other, "This is the heir. Come on, let us kill him and take over his inheritance." So they seized him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?' They answered, 'He will bring those wretches to a wretched end and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will deliver the produce to him when the season arrives.' Jesus said to them, 'Have you never read in the scriptures:

It was the stone rejected by the builders that became the keystone. This was the Lord's doing and it is wonderful to see?

'I tell you, then, that the kingdom of God will be taken from you and given to a people who will produce its fruit.'

The Gospel of the Lord Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ

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

Celebrant: St Paul tells us to ask our God for all that we need. Together we place our prayers before our God and have true faith that He will answer them.

Prayer leader

For the leaders of our Church on this earth: may they always have the wisdom to guide our communities to love and hope in this sometimes troubled world. . . Generous God. . **Hear our prayer.**

Holy Spirit enlighten our Church leaders as they meet at the Synod to bring the light of Christ and new life into our Communities. . . . Generous God. . . **Hear our prayer.**

We pray for all God's people that through the Holy Spirit, they come to learn of the true love that God has for each of us and learn that we are brothers and sisters in the same vineyard of Christ. . . . Generous God. . . Hear our prayer.

We pray to You our merciful Father to send water to our dry and parched land and give faith and strength to the farmers whose livelihood is governed by the land. . . Generous God. . . **Hear our prayer.**

We pray for the parishioners of Morpeth as they celebrate the 125th anniversary of the Blessing and opening of the Church . . . Generous God. . . **Hear our prayer.**

May the Loving Jesus shine his love on those who are not well, especially our religious Sisters and Priests, and those of our community who are unable to be with us at this Eucharist . . . Generous God. . . **Hear our prayer.**

We pray for all our brothers and sisters who have gone before us, especially Gloria Crowe and those who have died recently and those whose anniversary occurs about this time. May the Lord welcome them into the peace of his kingdom. . . Generous God. . . **Hear our prayer.**

Celebrant: Father, we thank You that you call us your sons and daughters, and love us as You love Jesus. We make our prayers in His name - through Jesus who is Lord, for ever and ever.

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 is good to those who hope in him, to the soul that seeks him.

We pray those who have died this week

Gloria Dawn Crowe

We remember those whose Anniversaries occur around this time including
Kim Adams, Kevin Bridge, Jack Bourke, Katarzyna Graski, John Robinson, Patricia Robinson, Mary Tobin,
Sherwin Tully, Milton (Stoney) Warby

We pray for those who are sick at this time

Mari Shivanthi Abeykeon, lan-Christopher Bajo, Lorraine Bartlett, Patrick Brennan,
Judy Mary Carmody, Olga Charlton, 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 Harmes, 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, 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

William Nicholas Adamski, Charlie Tyler Bonnard, Lindsay Stephen Brown, Emmy Therese Dennis, Zofia Natasha Green, Valli Ann Hoey, Millie Clare Huggins, Harvey John Kemp, Asher Neil Lancaster, Jude William Maher, Franklin George Ogilvy

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Welcome to the Sacraments of Initiation children and their families who join us this weekend at the 6pm Youth Mass for the SOI Celebration Mass.

"Special Thanks to Fr. George, Fr. John, Fr. Camillus, and Bec for their outstanding efforts in organising and hosting the Altar Servers' Thank You BBQ, enjoyed by all!"

Join us for our **2nd Annual Pet Blessing** Tuesday 17th October at 4.30pm at St Joseph's East Maitland

We invite you to a special Pet Blessing Ceremony to celebrate the furry, feathered, and finned members of our families. Bring your beloved pets, big or small, and join us for a meaningful blessing.

We look forward to seeing you and your cherished companions at this heartwarming event.

All are welcome!

To ensure the safety and comfort of all attendees please remember to keep your pets restrained with leashes, carriers or other appropriate means.

Regional Anointing Mass

St Joseph's, East Maitland Church (not Therry Centre) This Friday 20th October at 10am. Disabled access available from the King St side entrance.

All welcome

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

The Diocese of Maitland/Newcastle Catholic Women's League will be holding their annual Mass of Thanksgiving on Thursday 9th November at St. Joseph's Church East Maitland at 11am followed by lunch at the Hunter River Hotel at 12.30. Lunch is \$40 and numbers are limited for the lunch due to the size of the room. Names and money to be in by 2nd November to Colleen Phone 0400383950 or Anne 49335612. Or any member of CWL.

Immaculate Conception Morpeth Community invite all priests, sisters and parishioners, past and present, to join them in celebrating the 125th anniversary of the Blessing and opening of the Church in Morpeth. Commencing with Mass at 11am this Sunday 8th October followed by a BYO picnic lunch in the grounds of the church.

WEEKDAY MASS ROSTER

Mon 9th October (St Denis, bishop, martyr & companions, martyrs, St John Leonardi, priest)

Tues 10thOctober

5.30pm Mass, St Joseph's, East Maitland

Wed 11th October (St John XXIII, pope)
7.00pm Mass, Holy Family, Largs

Thurs 12th October

7.00am Mass, St Joseph's, East Maitland

6.00pm Syro-Malabar Mass, Immaculate Conception, Morpeth

Fri 13th October 7.00am Mass, St Joseph's, East Maitland

<u>Sat 14th October</u> (St Callistus I, pope, martyr)**8.00am** Mass/Reconciliation, St Joseph's, East Maitland

Sun 15th October

9.00am Mass—Polish, St Mary's Chapel (Victoria St Maitland) Page 4

EAST MAITLAND PARISH DINNER.

The East Maitland Parish Dinner is to be held on the evening of Friday 20 October - 6 for 6.30 pm - in the Therry Centre. Parishioners planning to attend are asked to confirm their attendance on the notice board list.

SAFEGUARDING

The Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle is being audited against its compliance with the National Catholic Safeguarding Standards. As our parishes are a part of this audit it may be of interest for you to view this electronic recording of a 15 minute presentation. It will inform you about the audit process. Here is the

link National Catholic Safeguarding Standards Audit -

YouTube

PARISH VOLUNTEER SAFEGUARDING TRAINING

The ACSL audit team will ask to view the parish Volunteer Register to ensure that volunteers are compliant with their Safeguarding training, Working with Children Checks and National Police Checks so please register to attend one of these training sessions if you haven't already done so.

Online Sessions: Tuesday October 10 - 1.30pm to 4.30pm Thursday October 12 – 5.30pm to 8.30pm

Here is the link to register: Course 2 in Parishes -Safeguarding Training (office.com) or if you wish to come to our offices to participate please contact us on 49338918 or Chisholm@mn.catholic.org.au we will be facilitating the online sessions for both those dates so you are not required to have ZOOM facilities.

Missionaries of God's Love Sisters Visit to the Chisholm Region

The Missionaries of God's Love Sisters are a new group of consecrated women who work with young people seeking to express God's love in fresh and creative ways. They share personally and candidly about their own faith and experience of God and hope to encourage people to reflect on their own personal understanding of God. Four MGL Sisters will be visiting between Oct 29 and Nov4, 2023. They will be visiting each weekend Mass, running sessions in our schools and a retreat day open to all parishioners. More information to follow.

PIETY STALL AT ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH

New Bibles and books have arrived. Open after Sunday Masses at St. Joseph's Church.

PRIVATE PRAYER / ADORATION

Mon 9th October 9.30am-11.00am

11.00am-12pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Adoration/Holy Hour, St Joseph's, East Maitland

<u>Tues 10th October</u> **9.30am-10.30am** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament,

St Joseph's, East Maitland

Wed 11th October
9.30am-10.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament St Joseph's, East Maitland

Thurs 12th October 9.30-10.30am 7.00pm

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

Fri 13th October 7.30am

9.30am

Adoration, St Joseph's, EM

Prayer of the Church, OLOL, Beresfield