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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 Anhicad
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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.



Entrance Antiphon

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

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24

A reading from the book of Wisdom

It was the devil's envy that brought death into the world.

Death was not God's doing,
he takes no pleasure in the extinction of the living.

To be – for this he created all;
the world's created things have health in them, in them no fatal poison can be found, and Hades holds no power on earth; for virtue is undying.

Yet God did make man imperishable,
he made him in the image of his own nature; it was the devil's envy that brought death into the world, as those who are his partners will discover.

**The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God**

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 29:2. 4-6. 11-13. R. v.2

(R.) I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me and have not let my enemies rejoice over me.

O Lord, you have raised my soul from the dead, restored me to life from those who sink into the grave. (R.)

Sing psalms to the Lord, you who love him, give thanks to his holy name.

His anger lasts but a moment: his favour through life.

At night there are tears, but joy comes with dawn. (R.)

The Lord listened and had pity.

The Lord came to my help.

For me you have changed my mourning into dancing,

O Lord my God, I will thank you for ever. (R.)

Second Reading

2 Corinthians 8:7. 9. 13-15

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

Your abundance should supply their want.

You always have the most of everything – of faith, of eloquence, of understanding, of keenness for any cause, and the biggest share of our affection – so we expect you to put the most into this work of mercy too. Remember how generous the Lord Jesus was: he was rich, but he became poor for your sake, to make you rich out of his poverty. This does not mean that to give relief to others you ought to make things difficult for yourselves: it is

a question of balancing what happens to be your surplus now against their present need, and one day they may have something to spare that will supply your own need. That is how we strike a balance: as scripture says: The man who gathered much had none too much, the man who gathered little did not go short.

**The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God**

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death and brought us life through his gospel. **Alleluia!**

Gospel

Mark 5:21-43

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

Young girl, I say to you, arise.

When Jesus had crossed in the boat to the other side, a large crowd gathered round him and he stayed by the lakeside. Then one of the synagogue officials came up, Jairus by name, and seeing him, fell at his feet and pleaded with him earnestly, saying, 'My little daughter is desperately sick. Do come and lay your hands on her to make her better and save her life.' Jesus went with him and a large crowd followed him; they were pressing all round him.

Now there was a woman who had suffered from a haemorrhage for twelve years; after long and painful treatment under various doctors, she had spent all she had without being any the better for it, in fact, she was getting worse. She had heard about Jesus, and she came up behind him through the crowd and touched his cloak. 'If I can touch even his clothes,' she had told herself 'I will be well again.' And the source of the bleeding dried up instantly, and she felt in herself that she was cured of her complaint. Immediately aware that power had gone out from him, Jesus turned round in the crowd and said, 'Who touched my clothes?' His disciples said to him, 'You see how the crowd is pressing round you and yet you say, "Who touched me?"' But he continued to look all round to see who had done it. Then the woman came forward, frightened and trembling because she knew what had happened to her, and she fell at his feet and told him the whole truth. 'My daughter,' he said 'your faith has restored you to health; go in peace and be free from your complaint.' While he was still speaking some people arrived from the house of the synagogue official to say, 'Your daughter is dead: why put the Master to

any further trouble?’ But Jesus had overheard this remark of theirs and he said to the official, ‘Do not be afraid; only have faith.’ And he allowed no one to go with him except Peter and James and John the brother of James. So they came to the official’s house and Jesus noticed all the commotion, with people weeping and wailing unrestrainedly. He went in and said to them, ‘Why all this commotion and crying? The child is not dead, but asleep.’ But they laughed at him. So he turned them all out and, taking with him the child’s father and mother and his own companions, he went into the place where the child lay. And taking the child by the hand he said to her, ‘Talitha, kum!’ which means, ‘little girl, I tell you to get up.’ The little girl got up at once and began to walk about, for she was twelve years old. At this they were overcome with astonishment, and he ordered them strictly not to let anyone know about it, and told them to give her something to eat.

The Gospel of the Lord Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA

In the gospel, Jesus reaches deep into the world beyond life and rescues a young girl from the jaws of death. Earlier, he was jostled by the crowd and felt healing power leave him in order to restore an afflicted woman. Repeating the words of last week’s gospel: Who is this man? Is this someone with whom we want to become involved? On the other hand, can we afford not to get involved with him? This is a man who can lead us to life even in the midst of death. He is someone who is interested in the well-being of everyone, even those who may not be highly valued by society – women and children, the chronically ill, those who carry the seeds of death within them.

God’s graciousness toward us should prompt us to be generous toward others. What we receive as life-enhancing gifts, we must share with those in need, those to whom life has not been kind. As we have been favoured by the healing touch of God, so we must extend that same loving touch to others. The love of Christ impels us to be openhanded as we approach those in need. Following Jesus’ lead, we must not only give to them, we must also allow them to take from us. At times this will require that we share material resources; at other times it might mean that our energy will be drained in our service of them. In all of this, Jesus has set the example for us to follow.

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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
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: Our Gospel reading invites us on a journey of healing and provides an opportunity to become missionary disciples for others. He said ‘Do not be afraid; To have faith and trust in Him’. Let us place our prayers before Him with the faith of those who have been before us.

For the leaders of our Church on earth to be inspired by the Holy Spirit, with the wisdom and love of God to continue the work of the first disciples.

We Pray... .**Hear our prayer.**

For the leaders of our Nation, that they may work for the good of all people, with a sense of justice and compassion and respect human life from its very beginnings.

We pray**Hear our prayer.**

We pray for the local Church: our parish and region, that our faith and trust in Jesus be strengthened, and that those who no longer join us at the altar be renewed in their faith.
We pray. . . **Hear our prayer.**

For all who have lost their hope in God's love: that the Holy Spirit may move within their hearts, so they will come again to hear His call to life of hope and peace.
We Pray. . . **Hear our prayer.**

Lord you make us instruments of Your healing power, where there is hatred, let us sew love.
We pray. . . **Hear our prayer.**

We pray for those who are suffering in mind and body and need the strength that our prayers bring for them, may they know the Lord's healing touch in body and soul.
We Pray . . . **Hear our prayer.**

For all those who have gone before us on the journey of faith and hope: we pray for those who have died recently including Frank Attard and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they know the fullness of life in Jesus, our Risen Lord
We Pray. . . **Hear our prayer.**

Celebrant: All-powerful God, our lives rest in your hand. Trusting in your loving care, we bring our petitions before you, 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 Cf Psalm 102:1 Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all within me, his holy name.

We pray those who have died this week

Frank Attard

We remember those whose Anniversaries occur around this time including

Ruth Bradberry, Ron Charles, Gwen Cuskelly, Jan Ellicott, Les Ellicott, Michael Patrick and Honora Enright, Patricia, Frank and Francis Hinchey, Shirley King, Rob Lucas, Bill and Phyllis Martin, Peter Markham, Ted Meyn, Paul Sweeney, Jim Toner, Rev John Woods

We pray for those who are sick at this time

Mari Shivanthi Abeykeon, Angeles Adapon, Bonifacio Adapon, Teresa Almanza, Ian-Christopher Bajo, Lorraine Bartlett, Patrick Brennan, Cloe Judith Carmody, Judy Mary Carmody, Olga Charlton, Brendan Cleaveland, Timothy Clifton, Luke Crotty, Angiela Dagook, Oneli Disaaynayake, Alfredo Doctor, Dianne Fryer, Rev Fr Joseph Selvan Fifarado, Barbara Filas, Annette & Pete Flood, Greg Grainger, Gregory Hurney, Randy Janzen, Jolanta Jenkinson, Karen Kenyon, Michael Lockyer, Judy Massey, Marielle Munoz, Carlo Panlilio, Collin Perera, Brian Perrin, Jen Phillips, Anthony Y Poblador (USA), Mary Pullin, Rohini Rajakaruna, Jenny Ribeyro, Olga Rusak, Biyatrise Samaratunga, Anne Standing, Bill Temperley, Nilda Walker, Gayle Williams, John Williams, Gary Wills, Maureen Wilson, Jo Winkler

We pray for those who will be Baptised

Aiden Robert Chew, Lucas Warren Chew, Navy Charles Cooper, Goldie Jayne Maytom, Lily Michelle Neal, Jackson Brenton Watson, Theo Brett Watson

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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Welcome Fr Paul Chackanikunnel On behalf of our parish community, we extend a warm welcome to you. We are blessed to have you join us. Your presence is a gift, and we are eager to support you in any way we can as you settle into your new role. May God bless you abundantly as you begin this new chapter in your ministry. Together, we will continue to grow in faith, hope, and love.

**Volunteers and Parishioner thank you evening
Signs of Hope—People of Faith
with Peter Kearney**

Dear Parishioners and Volunteers, we are excited to invite you to our upcoming free concert, a special event designed to be a source of nourishment and prayer time for you. We recognise the immense dedication you give to our community, and this concert is our way of offering something special just for you. It will also be a wonderful opportunity to build community and connect with fellow parishioners and volunteers.

Peter Kearney's concert will weave songs, stories, and reflections about faithful people who have lived out the Beatitudes and brought compassion, hope, and justice into our world. Subjects will include Mary MacKillop (St. Mary of the Cross) and Sr. Irene McCormack, an Australian Josephite nun who was killed in Peru in 1991. We hope you will join us for this enriching experience. **Thursday 18th July 2024, 6pm for a BBQ, 6.30pm for the concert at St John the Baptist Primary school Hall Maitland. Venue is heated .**

Bookings essential rebecca.piefke@mn.catholic.org.au or 0249338918 by 11th July 2024.

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 5th July 2024. All are welcome.

Annual Pilgrimage to MacKillop Place

This year's pilgrimage to MacKillop Place will be on Friday 23 August 2024. Cost is \$80.00 per person. Bus will leave Branxton at 6.15am and picking up at Greta, Lochinvar, Rutherford and East Maitland at 7am. Cost includes bus, morning tea, museum entry and Mass in the chapel at 12pm with Fr Thomas. You will need to buy your own lunch at North Ryde RSL. Bus will leave Sydney at 3pm. Numbers must be finalised by 12 July. Names to Mercia via the Branxton Parish Office 02 5507 4048 . We encourage everyone to join us for the trip as it is a spiritually rewarding day.

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Community pray the Rosary together each Saturday night before Mass, commencing at 5.30pm. Everyone is warmly invited to join us.

PIETY STALL AT ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH EAST MAITLAND

The stall is opened after the 8.30am & 6.00pm mass on Sunday's. New stock with a great selection of Bibles and children's books.

If you wish to be added to the parish **email distribution** list please email chisholm@mn.catholic.org.au. You will receive the bulletin each week plus other announcements.

Bible Study for families & youth (18-35) at 6pm in the Prayer Room of the East Maitland Church. Tuesdays during school term. RSVP Sr Paula 0449656406

ACTiv8 Youth Group sessions run weekly during the school term at the following locations:

- Tuesdays: St Joseph's, East Maitland, from 5pm to 7pm
- Wednesdays: Holy Family Church Hall, Largs, from 5.30pm to 7pm. For more information or to volunteer please contact rebecca.piefke@mn.catholic.org.au

Please collect your **Planned Giving Envelopes** from your church porch.

The Maitland Parish Community invite all people to come and join us in **praying the Rosary to Our Blessed Mother** on **Monday nights, 5.00pm at St Paul's Church, Rutherford.**

If you or a loved one would like **Home Communion** please call the parish office on 49338918 or email chisholm@mn.catholic.org.au

WEEKDAY MASS ROSTER

Tues 2nd July

5.30pm Mass, St Joseph's, East Maitland
6.00pm Syro-Malabar Mass, Immaculate Conception, Morpeth

Wed 3rd July (*St Thomas, apostle*)

7.00pm Mass, Holy Family, Largs

Thurs 4th July (*St Elizabeth of Portugal*)

7.00am Mass, St Joseph's, East Maitland
6.00pm Syro-Malabar Mass, Immaculate Conception, Morpeth

Fri 5th July (*St Anthony Zaccaria, priest*)

7.00am Mass, St Joseph's East Maitland

Sat 6th July (*St Maria Goretti, virgin, martyr*)

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

Sun 30th June

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

PRIVATE PRAYER / ADORATION

Mon 1st July

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

Tues 2nd July

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

Wed 3rd July

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

Thurs 4th July

9.30-10.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament St Joseph's East Maitland
7.00pm Marian Movement of Priests Rosary 2 Erin Close Ashtonfield

Fri 5th July

7.30am - 8.00am **Saturday 6th July** Adoration, St Joseph's, EM
9.30am Prayer of the Church, OLOL , Beresfield

See front of bulletin for weekend Mass times