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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 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

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 Benedicto Abel, Michael Cross, Noeleen Gogarty, Ted Manning, Douglas MacMillan, Enid McPherson and Rose Wagner. 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.

We pray those who have died this week

Benedicto Abel, Michael Cross, Noeleen Gogarty, Douglas MacMillan, Enid (Pat) McPherson,
Ted Manning, Rose Wagner

We remember those whose Anniversaries occur around this time including

James Bailey, Mollie & Gabe Cunningham, Ross Foley, Michael Heffernan, Marjorie Grace Hill,
Peter Lamoury, Fay Margaret Lawler, Wilma Solon, Fr Len Wholohan, Catherine Wilkes, Les Wilkes

We pray for those who are sick at this time

Dalisay Almanza, Teresa Almanza, Lorraine Bartlett, Ron Bartlett, Patrick Brennan,
Chloe Judith Carmody, Judy Mary Carmody, Luke Crotty, Olga Charlton, Dianne Fryer, Reg Glover,
Randy Janzen, Jolanta Jenkinson, Karen Kenyon, Michael Lockyer, Brian Perrin, Jen Phillips,
Jenny Ribeyro, Ireneo Del Rosario, Olga Rusak, Anne Standing, William (Bill) Temperley,
Crystal Towers, Ruth Warner, John Williams, Maureen Wilson, Jo Winkler, Elfrieda Zimmerman
(If you would like your sick notice to be reinstated please email chisholm@mn.catholic.org.au)

We pray for those who will be married

Steven Lawrence Joannou & Georgia Gonzales

We pray for those who will be baptised

Cameron Jade Basista, Harvey Graham Basista, Remy Robert McLuckie, Chase Middlemas,
Maisie Middlemas, Tyatt Middlemas, Oliver James Palmowski,
Jaxson Thomas Unicomb, Ryder Johnathon Unicomb, Mia Jade Unicomb,

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

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.

**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!

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.

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

Piety stall will be only open on Saturday evenings at St Joseph's East Maitland throughout September. Thank you.

Important information for parents and sacristans of Altar Servers under the age of 18

- Please sign in and out by using the provided book
 - When children arrive to dress in the Sacristy, please ensure that at least one parent is with them while they are in the sacristy
 - Do not allow children to be in the sacristy on their own
 - If there is a situation that the child is not with a parent or caregiver, it is the responsibility of the sacristan to stay in the sacristy.
 - The approved procedure is that there should be **two adults** in the sacristy when an altar server is there.
 - Do not leave clergy in the sacristy if an altar server is expected.
 - The preference is that there are always two adults in the room with children.
 - Once the child is dressed, they should return to the body of the church and not wait inside the Sacristy.
- This process is to prioritise the safety and supervision of all individuals, especially children, within our parish.***

Regional Anointing Mass - 10am 20th September

St Joseph's, East Maitland Church this Friday

Following the Mass morning tea will be served in the foyer of the Therry Centre. It would be appreciated if anyone attending could drop their plate off to the Therry Centre before Mass. Disabled access available from the King St side entrance. **All welcome**

HSC Mass 21st September at St Joseph's East Maitland, 5pm. Please join our families to pray for our year 12 students as they begin their exam period.

Thanksgiving Mass for Children Who Have Completed the Sacraments of Initiation.

We invite the parish community to join us in a special Thanksgiving Mass on Sunday 22nd September at the 6pm Youth Mass, St Joseph's East Maitland to celebrate the children who have recently completed the Sacraments of Initiation: This joyous occasion marks a significant milestone in their faith journey. **All Welcome**

WEEKDAY MASS ROSTER

Mon 16th September (Sts Cornelius, pope, martyr and Cyprian, bishop, martyr)

Tues 17th September (St Hildegard of Bingen, virgin, doctor, St Robert Bellarmine, bishop, doctor)

5.30pm Mass, St Joseph's, East Maitland

6.00pm Syro-Malabar Mass, Immaculate Conception, Morpeth

Wed 18th September

7.00pm Mass, Holy Family, Largs

Thurs 19th September St Januarius, bishop, martyr)

7.00am Mass, St Joseph's, East Maitland

6.00pm Syro-Malabar Mass, Immaculate Conception, Morpeth

Fri 20th September (St's Andrew Kim Tae-gõn priest, martyr, Paul Chõng Ha-sang & Companions, martyrs)

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

Sat 21st September (St Matthew, apostle, evangelist)

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

Sun 22nd September

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

9.30am Latin Mass - St John the Baptist Oratory (Cathedral St Maitland. Confessions from 8.45am)

PRIVATE PRAYER / ADORATION / ROSARY/ BIBLE STUDY

Mon 16th September

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

5.00pm Rosary, St Paul's, Rutherford

Tues 17th September

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

6.00pm Bible Study for families, Prayer Room St Joseph's East Maitland

Wed 18th September

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

Thurs 19th September

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 20th September

7.30am Adoration, St Joseph's, EM
9.30am Prayer of the Church, Our Lady of Lourdes, Beresfield

Sat 21st September

5.30pm Rosary, Our Lady of Lourdes, Beresfield

See front of bulletin for weekend Mass times