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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

Jeremiah 29:11,12,14

The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction. You will call upon me, and I will answer you, and I will lead back your captives from every place.

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

Daniel 12:1-3

A reading from the prophet Daniel

When that time comes your own people will be spared.

'At that time Michael will stand up, the great prince who mounts guard over your people. There is going to be a time of great distress, unparalleled since nations first came into existence. When that time comes, your own people will be spared, all those whose names are found written in the Book. Of those who lie sleeping in the dust of the earth many will awake, some to everlasting life, some to shame and everlasting disgrace. The learned will shine as brightly as the vault of heaven, and those who have instructed many in virtue, as bright as stars for all eternity.'

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

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 15:5. 8-11. R.v.1

**(R.) Keep me safe, O God:
you are my hope.**

O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup; it is you yourself who are my prize.

I keep the Lord ever in my sight: since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm. (R.)

And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad; even my body shall rest in safety. For you will not leave my soul among the dead, nor let your beloved know decay. (R.)

You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in your presence, at your right hand happiness forever. (R.)

Second Reading

Hebrews 10:11-14, 18

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

By a single offering he has achieved the eternal perfection of those who are sanctified.

All the priests stand at their duties every day, offering over and over again the same sacrifices which are quite incapable of taking sins away. Christ, on the other hand, has offered one single sacrifice for sins, and then taken his place for ever, at the right hand of God, where he is now waiting until his enemies are made into a footstool for him. By virtue of that one single offering, he has achieved the eternal perfection of all whom he is sanctifying. When all sins have been forgiven, there can be no more sin offerings.

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

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Be watchful, and pray constantly, that you may be worthy to stand before the Son of Man.

Alleluia!

Gospel Mark 13:24-32

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

He shall gather his elect from the four winds.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'In those days, after the time of distress, the sun will be darkened, the moon will lose its brightness, the stars will come falling from heaven and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in the clouds with great power and glory; then too he will send the angels to gather his chosen from the four winds, from the ends of the world to the ends of heaven. 'Take the fig tree as a parable: as soon as its twigs grow supple and its leaves come out, you know that summer is near. So with you, when you see these things happening: know that he is near, at the very gates. I tell you solemnly, before this generation has passed away all these things will have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. 'But as for that day or hour, nobody knows it, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son; no one but the Father.'

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

REFLECTION by Nick Brodie

As Pope Francis points out, the story Jesus tells in this week's Gospel passage is 'not a discourse on the end of the world, but rather an invitation to live the present well.' We are told 'to be vigilant and ever ready for when we will be called to account for our life.'

The Pope reminds us that Jesus is speaking about more than specifics. The dimming sun, darkening moon or falling stars need not be taken as literal descriptions of the future. Rather, Jesus is giving us a true prophetic insight: all created things will pass and Christ will gather his people in glory.

The key to this passage, as the Pope explains, is that human history has meaning through Christ. 'Human history, like the personal history of each of us,' he says, 'cannot be understood as a simple succession of meaningless words and facts.'

What Jesus wants us to know, the Pope suggests, is 'that the history of peoples and that of individuals have a purpose and an aim to fulfil: the definitive encounter with the Lord.'

Therefore, as the Pope puts it, we should reflect on 'whether the Word of the Son of God has illuminated our personal existence, or whether we turned our back to it.' After all, it is when things seem gloomiest that we should turn towards the light.

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Nick Brodie is an Australian historian and writer who is currently Dean of Academic Studies of Jane Franklin Hall in Hobart. A graduate of the Australian National University, Flinders University, and the University of Tasmania, he is the author of several books on Australian history and numerous essays on historical, political, and religious topics. In 2017 he was awarded the Bruce Mansfield Prize for the best article in the Journal of Religious History. He is currently studying Theology.

<p>The Apostles Creed I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, <i>(all bow)</i> 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;</p>	<p>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.</p>
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UNIVERSAL PRAYER

Celebrant: Knowing that Jesus is always at the right hand of God interceding for His people, we join our prayers to His, as we ask for our needs.

Prayer Leader:

For our Holy Father, in his role as Chief Shepherd, that the Lord may strengthen and encourage him as prophet to the world.

We pray to the Lord. . . . **Lord hear our prayer.**

For our Bishops, Priests, Deacons and those who live a consecrated life: may they be blessed in their role of spreading the words of the Gospel.

We pray to the Lord. . . . **Lord hear our prayer.**

We pray for the poor people of the world: may they find comfort and peace, all nations giving generously for their well-being.

We pray to the Lord. . . . **Lord hear our prayer.**

We pray for the peace of Christ, that all leaders will work together to overcome oppression and violence.

We pray to the Lord. . . . **Lord hear our prayer.**

We pray for ourselves and all in our faith-community, that we may ever be ready to answer the Lord when he calls us from this world.

We pray to the Lord. . . . **Lord hear our prayer.**

We ask the Lords Blessing on those who cannot attend Eucharist this day; give them the love and support that they need.

We pray to the Lord. . . . **Lord hear our prayer.**

We pray for those who have gone before us from this life especially Philip Maguire and Sr Patricia Robinson, that they may enter into their place of rest.

We pray to the Lord. . . Lord hear our prayer.

Celebrant: Merciful God, hear the prayers of your people through the intercession of the One who stands at your right hand, Jesus the Christ, 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 *Psalm 72:28*

To be near God is my happiness, to place my hope in God the Lord.

We pray those who have died this week

Philip Anthony Maguire, Sr Patricia Robinson OSU

We remember those whose Anniversaries occur around this time including

Gerard Brennan, Mary Clare Healey, Patrick Tobin (Telarah), Len Smith, Lex Warby

We pray for those who are sick at this time

Jan Armstrong, Dalisay Almanza, Teresa Almanza, Ian - Christopher Bajo, 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, Margaret King, Michael Lockyer, Mary Nesbitt, Brian Perrin, Jen Phillips, Olga Rusak, Anne Standing, William (Bill) Temperley, Crystal Towers, Ruth Warner, Arlo John Vandermeer, 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 baptised

Patterson Anthony Gavan, Adley Elizabeth Heslop, Sonny Joel Heslop, Evie Kathleen Jennings, Hudson Daniel Jennings, Kayce John Jennings, Cassidee Legasti, Joseph Evangelos McKendry, Coco Aurora Payne, Maverick David Payne, Mackenzie Maree Rice, Mckenzie Poppy Wade

We pray for the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

Candidates and Catechumens

Cassandra Bendeich, Brett Blake, Natasha Clements, Nicola Gaffel, Kurt Hayes, Trevor Kerr, Siu Ngatuvai, Saugat Pandeya, Natasha Potts, Ted Purdy, Zoe Sexton, Tyrone Smith, Brittany Snell, Aminata C. Taylor, Daniel Taylor, Skye Thompson, Anne Watts, Renee Wilcher

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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November is a special time where we remember our dearly departed.

Regional Memorial Liturgy and November Mass Offerings

✠ Lochinvar Parish annual memorial service to be held at St Patrick's Lochinvar Church on Thursday 28th November at 6:30pm.

November Mass offering envelopes are available in the church porches. Once you have completed your Intentions place them on the collection

Sacraments of Initiation 2024

If you would like your child to make their Sacraments next year please attend one of the following sessions.

- **Tuesday 6pm on Tuesday 26 November at St Paul's Church Rutherford OR**
- **Wednesday 6pm on Wednesday 27 November at St Joseph's Church, East Maitland, OR**
- **Thursday 6pm on Thursday 28 November at Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Beresfield**

For further information please take a parent letter from your church foyer, check the school 'compass' or Email SOlchisholm@mn.catholic.org.au

Priesthood Ordination of Deacon Omeiza Solomon Okovido

Saturday 23 November 2024 at 10am, Sacred Heart Cathedral, 841 Hunter St. Newcastle West.
Mass of Thanksgiving To be held on Sunday, 24 November 2024 at 11am St Francis Xavier Church, 40 Ernest St, Belmont. **Please note** there will be no reconciliations offered on Saturday 23 November at East Maitland due to our priests attending the Ordination.

Bible Study for families 6pm Tuesdays in the Prayer Room of the East Maitland Church, during school term.

The Parish of East Maitland are seeking donations to purchase a **votive candle stand**. To contribute please contact the parish office.

MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS FOR THE EIGHTH WORLD DAY OF THE POOR

[Eighth World Day of the Poor, 2024: The prayer of the poor rises up to God \(cf. Sir 21:5\) | Francis](#)

STATE SCHOOLS KIDS MASS. Children, parents and families are invited to a Special Mass for State School children to be held at St Joseph's East Maitland at 5.30 pm on Tuesday 19th November. A Party with food and fun will follow in the Therry Centre. For more information contact Jan Healy 0411 535 882.

Pie Drive Fundraiser for the Campbells Hill Church restoration will be conducted in November. Order forms are in the church foyer or contact the parish office.

Christmas has arrived at the piety stall. The stall is open this weekend after each Mass at St Joseph's East Maitland.

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

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.

General Instruction of the Roman Missal

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES 46.

The rites that precede the Liturgy of the Word, namely, the Entrance, the Greeting, the Penitential Act, the Kyrie, the Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) and Collect, have the character of a beginning, an introduction, and a preparation. Their purpose is to ensure that the faithful, who come together as one, establish communion and dispose themselves properly to listen to the Word of God and to celebrate the Eucharist worthily. In certain celebrations that are combined with Mass according to the norms of the liturgical books, the Introductory Rites are omitted or take place in a particular way.

Cf. Second Ecumenical Council of the Vatican, Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy, Sacrosanctum Concilium, no. 30.

WEEKDAY MASS ROSTER

Monday 18th November (*Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts Peter and Paul, apostles*)

Tues 19th November

5.30pm Mass, St Joseph's, East Maitland

6.00pm Syro-Malabar Mass, Immaculate Conception, Morpeth

Wed 20th November

7.00pm Mass, Holy Family, Largs

Thurs 21st November (*The Presentation of Blessed Virgin Mary*)

7.00am Mass, St Joseph's, East Maitland

6.00pm Syro-Malabar Mass, Immaculate Conception, Morpeth

Fri 22nd November (*St Cecilia, virgin, martyr*)

7.00am Mass, St Joseph's East Maitland

Sat 23rd November (*St, Clement I, pope, martyr, St Columban, abbot*)

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

Sun 24th November

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 18th November

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

5.00pm Rosary, St Paul's, Rutherford

Tues 19th November

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

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

Wed 20th November

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

Thurs 21st November

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 **PH: 0449762976**

Fri 22nd November

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

Sat 23rd November

5.30pm Rosary, Our Lady of Lourdes, Beresfield

See front of bulletin for weekend Mass times