



Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Year B World Youth Day *Holy see*

SUNDAY 24th November 2024



PARISH OFFICE: 302 High St Maitland Tuesday - Friday 9.30am - 4.30pm Closed for lunch 1.00pm - 1.30pm Phone: 49338918 P.O. Box 215 Maitland 2320

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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

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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

Revelation 5:12; 1:6

How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity, and wisdom and strength and honour. To him belong glory and power for ever and ever.

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 7:13-14

A reading from the prophet Daniel His sovereignty is eternal.

I gazed into the visions of the night. And I saw, coming on the clouds of heaven, one like a son of man. He came to the one of great age and was led into his presence. On him was conferred sovereignty, glory and kingship, and men of all peoples. nations and languages became his servants.

sovereignty eternal is an sovereignty which shall never pass away, nor will his empire destroyed.

The Word of the Lord Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 92:1-2. 5. R.v.1

(R.) The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty.

The Lord is king, with majesty enrobed; the Lord has robed himself with might, he has girded himself with power. (R.)

The world you made firm, not to be moved; your throne has stood firm from of old. From all eternity, O Lord, you are. (R.)

Truly your decrees are to be trusted. Holiness is fitting to your house, O Lord, until the end of time. (R.)

Second Reading

Revelation 1:5-8

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse

The ruler of the kings of the earth ... made us a line of kings, priests to serve his God.

Jesus Christ is the faithful witness, the First-born from the dead, the Ruler of the kings of the earth. He loves us and has washed away our sins with his blood, and made us a line of kings, priests to serve his God and Father; to him, then, be glory and power for ever and ever. Amen. It is he who is coming on the clouds; everyone will see him, even those who pierced him, and all the races of the earth will mourn over him. This is the truth. Amen. 'I am the Alpha and the Omega' says the Lord God, who is, who was, and who is to come, the Almiahtv.

The Word of the Lord Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed is he who inherits the kingdom of David our Father; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Alleluia!

Gospel John 18:33-37

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

You say that I am a king.

'Are you the king of the Jews?' Pilate asked. Jesus replied, 'Do you ask this of your own accord, or have others spoken to you about me?' Pilate answered, 'Am I a Jew? It is your own people and the chief priests who have handed you over to me: what have you done?' Jesus replied, 'Mine is not a kingdom of this world; if my kingdom were of this world, my men would have fought to prevent my being surrendered to the Jews. But my kingdom is not of this kind.' 'So you are a king then?' said Pilate. 'It is you who say it' answered Jesus. 'Yes, I am a king. I was born for this, I came into the world for this: to bear witness to the truth; and all who are on the side of truth listen to my voice.'

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

REFLECTION by Greg Sunter

This week marks the end of the liturgical year. Next week, with the first week of Advent, we begin the new liturgical cycle. It is fitting that the Church concludes the liturgical year with the celebration of Christ the King. The conversation between Jesus and Pilate displays a lot of word play on the part of Jesus and guite a lot of confusion on the part of Pilate. The confusion stems from different perceptions of what it means to be a king. For Pilate, part of the most powerful political and military rule in the ancient world, the idea of a king was a threat. Claiming kingship was claiming authority and power that would inevitably lead to challenging the authority and power of Rome and, more directly, its representative in Palestine – Pilate. Jesus, of course, had a completely different idea about ushering in a kingdom. He does indeed declare that he is a king and that is what leads us to today's feast of Christ the King. However, his intention is not to claim a position of power and authority. When we think back to Jesus' teachings about the kingdom of God, we recall that he declares the people of highest status – the first – in the kingdom to be the lowliest of this world. It is the poor, the sick, the outcast, the children and the widows who will hold the highest places in the kingdom of God. In a kingdom like that, what does it mean to declare oneself king? The confusion about what it means to be a king that is captured in this interaction between Jesus and Pilate is the same confusion that we saw among the disciples as they came to terms with exactly what it means to be the Messiah.

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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, (all bow) 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 PRAYER

Presider: God is King over all the earth; His rule brings us peace and freedom. With confidence we turn to Him in our needs.

Prayer leader:

We pray for Pope Francis, Bishop Michael, our Priests and Deacons that they may always feel Christ's Kingship of power of love as they shepherd His people.

We pray. Lord hear us in your love.

For the leaders of all Nations in our world: that Christ our King will shower down the Holy Spirit with the knowledge and wisdom to bring Justice and peace to all countries.

We Pray. Lord hear us in your love.

For all our Youth in the world: that they may grow in the knowledge and love of Christ the King. We pray. Lord hear us in your love.

We pray for the people of the Chisholm Region: that we may give Christ central place in our hearts and in our lives.

We pray. Lord hear us in your love.

We ask Gods Blessings on those who are struggling as they care for their families in times of hardship, giving them courage to put their faith in our Heavenly King.

We pray. Lord hear us in your love.

We pray for all who are unable to attend Eucharist, may the Lord bless them in spirit and body, that they feel the love and presence of others in their lives.

We pray. Lord hear us in your love.

May the fullness of light be with our family and friends who have gone before us in the faith of our Resurrection and enjoy the love and peace with Jesus our Lord. We pray especially for Norma Baldock, Robert Greenstreet, Steve Lawrence, Joshua Mahony, Brian Murphy, Maria Muncaster, Mary Nesbitt and Sr Evelyn Woodward RSJ.

We pray. Lord hear us in your love.

Presider: Heavenly Father, we place our trust in you Almighty King who reigns for ever and ever. 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.

Communion Antiphon Psalm 28:10-11

The Lord sits as King for ever. The Lord will bless his people with peace.

We pray those who have died this week

Norma Baldock, Robert Greenstreet, Steve Lawrence, Joshua Mahony, Brian Murphy, Maria Muncaster (Shoal Bay), Mary Nesbitt, Sr Evelyn Woodward RSJ

We remember those whose Anniversaries occur around this time including

Greg Bourke, Neville Carmody, John Bounds, Kareryna Dzus, Sr Loretto Grehan RSM, Yvonne Mullett (Von), Peter and Stefania Nowik, Dorothy Turnbull, Geoff Unicomb, Sr Yvonne Wynn RSM

We pray for those who are sick at this time

Jan Armstrong, Dalisay Almanza, Teresa Almanza, lan - Christopher Bajo, Lorraine Bartlett, Ron Bartlett, Patrick Brennan, Chloe Judith Carmody, Judy Mary Carmody, Luke Crotty, Olga Charlton, Angiela Dagook, Dianne Fryer, Reg Glover, Randy Janzen, Jolanta Jenkinson, Karen Kenyon, Margaret King, Michael Lockyer, Brian Perrin, Jen Phillips, Olga Rusak, Anne Standing, William (Bill) Temperley, Crystal Towers, Ruth Warner, Arlo John Vandermeer, Rosalinda Vicente, 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

James Patrick David Cagney, Charlotte Linda Carr, Harper Ellen Garland, Isla Margaret Garland, Jasper Alexander Skinner, Quinn Elizabeth Skinner

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, 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

1 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

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.

Pie Drive Fundraiser for the Campbells Hill Church Restoration. Thank you to all those who supported the fundraiser through orders and generous donations.

Piety stall Christmas has arrived, advent candles, nativity sets and figures, ornaments and books. Located at St Joseph's Church East Maitland at every weekend Mass.

Tap and Go eftpos machine for donations in the foyer and centre aisle of the East Maitland Church.

Message of the Holy Father Francis for the 39th World

Youth Day 2024 Message of the Holy Father Francis for the 39th World Youth Day 2024

Sacristy Cleanout and Makeover opportunity

The work room for the Sacramental and Liturgical life of the church is the sacristy. And the sacristans are the unsung heroes, working backstage to ensure everything is ready for whatever sacrament or liturgy we are celebrating. As part of our 'Forming the Sacramental Life of the Church' formation pathway, each Church community is being offered the opportunity to have a 'Sacristy Cleanout and Makeover' supported by the Bishop's Assistant Masters of Ceremonies. The AMCs are well experienced, having assisted several church communities with a sacristy clean out and having worked miracles in the Cathedral sacristy! If your Church community would like to take up this opportunity, please contact the parish office who will provide you with more information and work with Fr Andrew to book a convenient day when a couple of the AMCs are available to work with a group of sacristans, servers and others. This opportunity can be taken up any time, this year or next. It's always good to book ahead. If your last sacristy cleanout was last century It's time!

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

General Instruction of the Roman Missal

The Entrance to the Mass

47. When the people are gathered, and as the Priest enters with the Deacon and ministers, the Entrance Chant begins. Its purpose is to open the celebration, foster the unity of those who have been gathered, introduce their thoughts to the mystery of the liturgical time or festivity, and accompany the procession of the Priest and ministers. (cf. no. 31).

The Entrance to the Mass will continue in next weeks bulletin.

Cf. Second Ecumenical Council of the Vatican, Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy, Sacrosanctum Concilium, no. 31.

WEEKDAY MASS ROSTER

Monday 25th November (St Catherine of Alexandria, virgin, martyr)

Tues 26th November

Mass, St Joseph's, East Maitland 5.30pm

6.00pm Syro-Malabar Mass,

Immaculate Conception, Morpeth

Wed 27th November

7.00pm Mass, Holy Family, Largs

Thurs 28th November

7.00am Mass, St Joseph's, East Maitland

6.00pm Syro-Malabar Mass,

Immaculate Conception, Morpeth

Fri 29th November

7.00am Mass, St Joseph's East Maitland

<u>Sat 30th November</u> (St Andrew, apostle)

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

Sun 1st December (First Sunday of Advent)

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 25th November

9.30am-10.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament,

St Joseph's, East Maitland Rosary, St Paul's, Rutherford 5.00pm

<u>Tues 26th November</u> **9.30am-10.30am** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament,

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

St Joseph's East Maitland

Wed 27th November

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

Thurs 28th November 9.30-10.30am Expo

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament St Joseph's East Maitland

7.00pm Marian Movement of Priests Rosary

2 Erin Close Ashtonfield PH: 0449762976

Fri 29th November

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

Sat 30th November

5.30pm Rosary, Our Lady of Lourdes, Beresfield

See front of bulletin for weekend Mass