

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C, Sunday 26th January 2025



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 chisholm@mn.catholic.org.au

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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 **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 Asst Priests: Fr Paul Chackanikunnel Fr Priyantha Fernando, Fr Anil Kuchipudi Presbytery 4934 5783 Urgent Priest on Duty 0428 017 273

Regional Office

Louise Gilchrist, Janine Sidoti, Sandra Buck, Rebecca Piefke

ACTiv8 Youth Co-ordinator

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Safeguarding Promotors

Rebecca Piefke & Louise Gilchrist 49338918

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.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

Isaiah 32:15-18

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

The effect of justice will be peace.

Once more there will be poured on us the spirit from above:

then shall the wilderness be fertile land and fertile land become forest.

In the wilderness justice will come to live and integrity in the fertile land; integrity will bring peace, justice give lasting security.

My people will live in a peaceful home, in safe houses, in quiet dwellings.

The Word of the Lord Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 84:9-14. R. v.9

(R.) The Lord speaks of peace to his people.

I will hear what the Lord God has to say, a voice that speaks of peace. His help is near for those who fear him and his glory will dwell in our land. (R.)

Mercy and faithfulness have met: justice and peace have embraced. Faithfulness shall spring from the earth and justice look down from heaven. (R.)

The Lord will make us prosper and our earth shall yield its fruit. Justice shall march before him and peace shall follow his steps. (R.)

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 12:4-11

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

One and the same spirit distributes different gifts as he chooses.

There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose. One may have the gift of preaching with wisdom given him by the Spirit; another may have the gift of preaching instruction given him by the same Spirit; and another the gift of faith given by the same Spirit; another again the gift of healing,

through this one Spirit; one, the power another, miracles; prophecy; another the gift of recognising spirits; another the gift of tongues and another the ability to interpret them. All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, who distributes different gifts to different people just as he chooses.

The Word of the Lord Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Happy the peacemakers: they shall be called children of God. Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 5:1-12

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.

Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up the hill. There he sat down and was joined by his disciples. Then he began to speak. This is what he taught them:

'How happy are the poor in spirit: theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Happy the gentle:

they shall have the earth for their heritage.

Happy those who mourn: they shall be comforted.

Happy those who hunger and thirst for what is right:

they shall be satisfied.

Happy the merciful:

they shall have mercy shown them.

Happy the pure in heart: they shall see God.

Happy the peacemakers:

they shall be called sons of God. Happy those who are persecuted

in the cause of right:

theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

'Happy are you when people abuse you and persecute you and speak all kinds of calumny against you on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.'

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, (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.

Advance Australia Fair

Australians all let us rejoice
For we are young and free
We've golden soil and wealth for toil
Our home is girt by sea
Our land abounds in nature's gifts
Of beauty, rich and rare
In history's page let every stage
Advance Australia fair

In joyful strains then let us sing Advance Australia fair

Beneath our radiant Southern Cross
We'll toil with hearts and hands
To make this Commonwealth of ours
Renowned of all the lands
For those who've across the seas
We've boundless plains to share
With courage let us all combine
To advance Australia fair

In joyful strains then let us sing Advance Australia fair

UNIVERSAL PRAYER

Presider: Dear friends, God created men and women, to know love and serve. Let us pray to our Father that we may truly love Him and serve one another.

Prayer Leader:

For the leaders of our Church: Pope Francis, Bishop Michael and our own priests; may they continue to guide us with the gifts they have been given, teaching us to live together in love, trust and hope.

With faith we pray. . . Lord hear our prayers.

For Fr Anil as he begins his appointment in the Chisholm Region; we give thanks for his presence. May the Holy Spirit grant him many blessings and may he find friendship and love in all those he meets. With faith we pray. . . Lord hear our prayers.

As we celebrate Australia day, we give thanks for all the blessings we enjoy in our country. May we all recognise the gifts the Holy Spirit has given us and unite us together in a quest for Peace and Justice following the steps that Jesus made, especially for those who feel they are left behind. . . With faith we pray. . . Lord hear our prayers.

We pray for all people whose homes have been damaged by the recent storms in our country, may they have faith in our Loving Saviour and be given the strength and courage to begin again, we also ask for Blessings on those who give their time and energy to help repair the damaged homes. . .

With faith we pray. . .Lord hear our prayers.

For those who are not well and cannot attend Eucharist with us: we pray the Holy Spirit will give them faith, hope and love. . . .

With faith we pray. . .Lord hear our prayers.

We pray for those who have returned to Paradise, especially John Fagg, Sr Ruth Long rsj, Giovanni Pedri and Ronald Phelps, may they now reap the rewards of Eternal life.

With faith we pray. . .Lord hear our prayers.

Presider: Father in Heaven, help us to become more like You, love You always and be true to our vocation by finding ways to help those in need. We ask this through Jesus Christ Your Son.

We pray those who have recently died

John Fagg, Sr Ruth Long rsj, Giovanni Pedri, Ronald Phelps

We remember those whose Anniversaries occur around this time including
Leo Dzus, Joan Fortune, Joan Gregory, Steve Kelly, Jean Montgomery, Susie & Park O'Brien,
Margaret Annie Whiteley

We pray for those who are sick at this time

Dalisay Almanza, Teresa Almanza, Ian-Christopher Bajo, Lorraine Bartlett, Ron Bartlett, Patrick Brennan, Shari Maria Brewster, Luke Crotty, Olga Charlton, Dianne Fryer, Reg Glover, Randy Janzen, Jolanta Jenkinson, Karen Kenyon, Margaret King, David Latimore, Michael Lockyer, Brian Perrin, Jen Phillips, Olga Rusak, Anne Standing, William (Bill) Temperley, Crystal Towers, 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

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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The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanguished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever.

Amen

Parish Office Closure:

Happy Australia Day to all. Due to the Australia Day public holiday the parish office will be closed on Tuesday 28th January. Sorry for any inconvenience that this may cause.

WEEKDAY MASS ROSTER

Mon 27th January (St Angela Merici, virgin, Sts Timothy & Titus) Tues 28th January (St Thomas Aquinas, priest, doctor)

5.30pm Mass, St Joseph's, East Maitland

6.00pm Syro-Malabar Mass,

Immaculate Conception, Morpeth

Wed 29th January

7.00pm Mass, Holy Family, Largs

Thurs 30th January

7.00am Mass, St Joseph's, East Maitland

6.00pm Syro-Malabar Mass,

Immaculate Conception, Morpeth

Fri 31st January (St John Bosco, priest)

7.00am Mass, St Joseph's East Maitland

Sat 1st February

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

Sun 2nd February

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) A warm welcome to our new Assistant Priest Fr Anil Kuchipudi,

who will commence his ministry on 1st February 2025.

We thank God for the gift of his faith-filled life and dedicated service.

Please welcome Fr Anil when he celebrates at your Mass centre.

Fr George will be on leave 28th January - 3rd March. In his absence Fr Paul will be overseeing the day to day needs of the parishes.

As there will be 4 priests from 1st February Fr George has moved into a rental property.

Funeral Ministry - Helpers Needed

The Funeral Ministry is seeking people to assist with handing out booklets and setting up the church for funerals. Contact the Parish Office for more information 0249338918

Piety stall is closed until the 1st weekend in February 2025. Thank you for your support over the past year.

General Instruction of the Roman Missal

THE COLLECT 54.

Next the Priest calls upon the people to pray and everybody, together with the Priest, observes a brief silence so that they may become aware of being in God's presence and may call to mind their intentions. Then the Priest pronounces the prayer usually called the 'Collect' and through which the character of the celebration finds expression. By an ancient tradition of the Church, the 'Collect' prayer is usually addressed to God the Father, through Christ, in the Holy Spirit,57 and is concluded with a Trinitarian ending.

Cf. Second Ecumenical Council of the Vatican, Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy, Sacrosanctum Concilium, no. 54; Sacred Congregation of Rites, Instruction, Inter Oecumenici, 26 September 1964, no. 59:Acta Apostolicae Sedis 56 (1964), p. 891; Instruction, Musicam sacram, 5 March 1967, no. 47: Acta Apostolicae Sedis 59 (1967), p. 314

PRIVATE PRAYER / ADORATION / ROSARY/ BIBLE STUDY

Mon 27th January

9.30am-10.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament,

St Joseph's, East Maitland

5.00pm Rosary, Sacred Heart, Campbell's Hill

<u>Tues 28th January</u> **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 29th January
9.30am 10.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament,

St Joseph's, East Maitland-FUNERAL

Thurs 30th January

9.30-10.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

St Joseph's East Maitland Marian Movement of Priests Rosary

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Fri 31st January

7.00pm

.30am Adoration, St Joseph's, EM 9.30am

Adoration, J. Service, Prayer of the Church, Beresfield

Resuming 7/2/2025

Sat 1st February 5.30pm

Rosary, Our Lady of Lourdes, Beresfield

See front of bulletin for weekend Mass times