



PARISH OFFICE : 302 High St Maitland
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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

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Rebecca Piefke & Louise Gilchrist
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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.

First Reading

Numbers 21:4-9

A reading from the book of Numbers

*When those that were afflicted looked upon it,
they were healed.*

On the way through the wilderness,
the Israelites lost patience. They
spoke against God and against
Moses, 'Why did you bring us out of
Egypt to die in this wilderness? For
there is neither bread nor water here;
we are sick of this unsatisfying food.'

At this God sent fiery serpents among
the people; their bite brought death to
many in Israel. The people came and
said to Moses, 'We have sinned by
speaking against the Lord and against
you. Intercede for us with the Lord to
save us from these serpents.' Moses
interceded for the people, and the
Lord answered him, 'Make a fiery
serpent and put it on a standard. If
anyone is bitten and looks at it, he
shall live.' So Moses fashioned a
bronze serpent which he put on a
standard, and if anyone was bitten by
a serpent, he looked at the bronze
serpent and lived.

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 77:1-2. 34-38. R. v.7

(R.) Do not forget the works of the
Lord!

Second Reading

Philippians 2:6-11

A reading from the letter of St Paul to
the Philippians

*He humbled himself, therefore God had
exalted him.*

The state of Jesus was divine,
yet he did not cling
to his equality with God
but emptied himself
to assume the condition of a slave,
and became as men are;
and being as all men are,
he was humbler yet,
even to accepting death,
death on a cross.
But God raised him high
and gave him the name
which is above all other names
so that all beings
in the heavens, on earth and in the
underworld,

should bend the knee at the name of
Jesus
and that every tongue should acclaim
Jesus Christ as Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia!

We adore you, O Christ, and we
praise you, because by your cross you
have redeemed the world.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Gospel

John 3:13-17

A reading from the holy Gospel
according to John

The Son of Man must be lifted up.

Jesus said to Nicodemus:

'No one has gone up to heaven
except the one who came down
from heaven,
the Son of Man who is in heaven;
and the Son of Man must be lifted
up
as Moses lifted up the serpent in
the desert,
so that everyone who believes
may have eternal life in him.
Yes, God loved the world so much
that he gave his only Son,
so that everyone who believes in
him may not be lost
but may have eternal life.
For God sent his Son into the
world
not to condemn the world,
but so that through him the world
might be saved.'

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



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.

Presider: On this day of Perpetual Day of Remembrance, let us stand and together pause in silence...
Observe a minute's silence.

Presider: Together we pray...

All: 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.

Come, let us bring light from the darkness.
Let us make good come from evil
and find sweet in the bitter.
Let us Shine the Light of Christ.

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.

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.



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mission within the Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle.

We pray those who have recently died

Samuel Lemmon, Irene Probert, Alison Ramage

We remember those whose Anniversaries occur around this time including

Apolonia Cabrera, Joan Cahill, Ellen & Lennard Collins, Molly Gabe Cunningham, Ramon Eugenio,
Anthony Fransis, Ross Foley, Brian Humphreys, Peter Lamoury, Fay Lawler, Constantino Marquez,
Jaime Marquez, Cynthia Ross, Ana Maria Suares, Cecilio Sunga, Sarah Wand, Veronica Warby

We pray for those who are sick at this time

Cecelia Adapon-Capistrano, Dalisay Almanza, Teresa Almanza, Lorraine Bartlett, Ron Bartlett,
Shari Maria Brewster, Robert Dewsbury, Patrick Brennan, Wayne Canny, Luke Crotty,
Olga Charlton, Rita Clarin, Richard Cooke, Christine Edwards, Reg Glover, Randy Janzen, Jolanta Jenkinson,
Ellen Jory, Karen Kenyon, Margaret King, Loretta Lamoury (NZ), Peter Levestam (Fiji), Michael Lockyer,
Gina Marquez, Brian Perrin, Jen Phillips, Roberts family, Olga Rusak, Anne Standing, Crystal Towers,
Martina Van Den Broek, Arlo John Vandermeer, Carla Whiting, John Williams,
Maureen Wilson, Jo Winkler, Elfrieda Zimmerman

We pray for those who will be baptised

Banjo Martin Breiner, Sidney James Breiner, Frankie Florence Dobija, Remi Elizabeth Dobija,
Matilda Rose Dates, Lachlan James Dates, Jack Tyler Dates, Luca August Kelso

A prayer for students preparing for HSC exams

Lord we ask for your blessing on all students undertaking HSC exams over the coming weeks. Give them calm hearts and quiet confidence in the knowledge that you hold them in the palm of your hand. May they be enriched by the gifts of the Holy Spirit especially Wisdom, Understanding, Fortitude and Knowledge.

Give them strength to face the examinations and peace to believe they have done their best.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Phillipians 4:6-7

Get ready for the Australian Catholic Youth Festival 2025

Join 10,000 young Catholics for an unforgettable Jubilee Year celebration!

The **Australian Catholic Youth Festival (ACYF)** is back — and it's bigger than ever! After five years, we're thrilled to invite YOU to be part of a powerful encounter with Jesus Christ, alongside thousands of passionate young people from across the country.

What's Happening?

Together with **Bishop Michael Kennedy**, we're leading a **pilgrimage of 100 young people** from the Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle to Melbourne for ACYF 2025!

Dates: Saturday 29 November – Wednesday 3 December

Travel: Return flights from Newcastle

Stay: Mercure Welcome Hotel (twin-share, breakfast included)

Cost: \$950 pp (includes flights, registration, transport, diocesan shirt)

All pilgrims will take part in a dynamic formation program and be commissioned on **Christ the King Sunday**

Who Can Come? 50 spots for young people aged **16–25** from parishes across the Diocese

50 Year 10 students from Catholic secondary schools (plus young teachers) — future youth ministry leaders in the making! We're aiming for **at least one young person from every parish** — let's build a vibrant diocesan identity together! **Spots are limited and will fill fast — first come, first served!**

Parishes are encouraged to **subsidise costs or support fundraising** to make this opportunity even more accessible. Please contact Bec for more information rebecca.piefke@mn.catholic.org.au

Places of Pilgrimage in Our Region

St. John's Chapel Maitland

The Chapel will not be open for Pilgrimage visits during the day except on the following dates between 11am - 3pm. Wednesday, 15th October, Wednesday, 12th November, Wednesday, 9th December. If you wish to visit outside of these dates, please make an appointment in advance.

St. Joseph's, East Maitland

Monday Private Adoration: 9:30am - 10:30am

Tuesday Private Adoration: 9:30am - 10:30am

Mass open from: 5:00pm - 7:00pm

Wednesday Private Adoration: 9:30am - 10:30am

Thursday Rosary: 6:30am, Mass: 7:00am,

Private Adoration: 9:30am - 10:30am

Friday Rosary: 6:30am, Mass and Private Adoration: 7:00am - 9:00am,

1st Friday: 24-hour Private Adoration from 7:00am Friday to 8:00am Saturday

Saturday Mass, Rosary, Reconciliation: 8:00am - 10:00am,

Mass (Vigil): 5:00pm, 2nd Saturday: Mass at 8:00am followed by Eucharistic & Marian Holy

Hour, Benediction & Reconciliation at 8:30am. Dates: 9th August, 13th September,

11th October, 8th November, 13th December

Sunday Scheduled Mass Times: 8:30am & 6:00pm

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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



HSC Mass at St Joseph's Church, East Maitland, this Sunday 14th September at 6:00pm.

This special celebration is an opportunity to come together in prayer and support for our Year 12 students as they prepare for their HSC exams. All welcome to attend. Following the Mass, we'll gather for a BBQ. We hope to see you there!

Anointing Mass Will be held at Immaculate Conception, Morpeth on Friday 19th September at 10.00am. Followed by morning tea in the Corcoran Centre. All welcome.

Volunteers Needed – Largs Youth Group

We're looking for enthusiastic volunteers to help support our Largs Youth Group each Wednesday evening during school term, from 5:30pm to 6:45pm. Interested? Please reach out to Rebecca Piefke rebecca.piefke@mn.catholic.org.au

Thankyou from SVDP to all the children and their families from the recent First Communion groups for their food and toiletries donations for the needy in our area. Their thoughtfulness will help us to assist those who are struggling at present.

Bible and Prayer Group for families

6pm Tuesdays in the Prayer Room of St Joseph's East Maitland during school term.

Craft Group at Holy Family Largs Hall every Tuesday from 9.30am. Morning Tea provided. Everyone welcome. Bring your craft or just come for the company.

Craft Group Monday's, Therry Centre

9.30am -12pm. Morning Tea Provided. All welcome. Phone: Joanne 4936 1326.

Piety Stall at St Joseph's East Maitland be closed this weekend. Helpers needed to run stall, please contact the parish office if you are able to help.

Perpetual Day of Remembrance is an opportunity for our whole faith community to come together in prayer and remembrance - honouring survivors, acknowledging the wrongs of the past, and renewing our commitment to building a Church that is safe and life-giving for all. Each year in September, our Diocese marks the Perpetual Day of Remembrance. This day stands as a solemn commitment to truth, healing, and accountability. It was established in Maitland-Newcastle as a local, enduring response to the failures of the Church to protect children and the ongoing pain of survivors. Thank you for joining with us in prayer.

Appeal for Support – Mary Mother of Hope Oratory, Chisholm

We are blessed to have a beautiful Oratory at Chisholm, dedicated to Mary, Mother of Hope. In order to enhance the reverence of our liturgical celebrations in the Oratory, we are seeking your kind support in acquiring essential liturgical items and religious articles along with sacred vessels. Our goal is to ensure that this space continues to inspire our young people in their faith journey and offers all who gather there a place of encounter with Christ. With your generosity, we can make this vision a reality. If you feel moved to contribute, donations can be made at any of our Mass centres or through the parish office. Please indicate that your donation is for the "Oratory Fund for liturgical items at Chisholm." For bank transfer details or other ways to give, feel free to contact us directly.

ACTiv8 Youth Groups

St Joseph's East Maitland on Tuesday's at 5:00pm and Holy Family Largs on Wednesday's 5:30pm. If you are interested in your child being involved and learning more about the catholic faith in an engaging environment please call the parish office 49338918 or email rebecca.piefke@mn.catholic.org.au

WEEKDAY MASS ROSTER

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

5.30pm Mass, St Joseph's, East Maitland

Wed 17th September (*St Hildegard of Bingen, virgin, doctor—optional; St Robert Bellarmine, bishop, doctor—optional*)

8.00am Mass, Mary, Mother of Hope Oratory, St Bede's College, Chisholm

6.00pm Mass, Holy Family, Largs

Thurs 18th September

7.00am Mass St Joseph's, East Maitland

Fri 19th September (*St Januarius, bishop, martyr—optional*)

10.00am Anointing Mass, Immaculate Conception, Morpeth

Sat 20th September (*Sts Andrew Kim Tae-gon, priest martyr, Paul Chong Ha-sang & companions, martyrs*)

8.00am Mass, St Joseph's, East Maitland

Sun 21st 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 15th September

9.30am-10.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, St Joseph's, East Maitland
5.00pm Rosary, Sacred Heart, Campbell's Hill

Tues 16th 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 17th September

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

Thurs 18th 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 **PH: 0449762976**

Fri 19th September

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

Sat 20th September

5.30pm Rosary, Our Lady of Lourdes, Beresfield