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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
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Safeguarding Promotors

Rebecca Piefke 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.

First Reading

Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4

A reading from the prophet Habakkuk

The just will live by faithfulness.

How long, Lord, am I to cry for help
while you will not listen;
to cry 'Oppression!' in your ear
and you will not save?

Why do you set injustice before me,
why do you look on where there is
tyranny?

Outrage and violence, this is all I see,
all is contention, and discord
flourishes.

Then the Lord answered and said,

'Write the vision down,
inscribe it on tablets
to be easily read,
since this vision is for its own time
only:
eager for its own fulfilment, it does
not deceive;
if it comes slowly, wait,
for come it will, without fail.
See how he flags, he whose soul
is not at rights,
but the upright man will live by his
faithfulness.'

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 94:1-2. 6-9. R. v.8

(R.) If today you hear his voice,
harden not your hearts.

Second Reading

2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14

A reading from the second letter of St
Paul to Timothy

Never be ashamed of witnessing the Lord.

I am reminding you to fan into a flame
the gift that God gave you when I laid
my hands on you. God's gift was not a
spirit of timidity, but the Spirit of
power, and love, and self-control. So
you are never to be ashamed of
witnessing to the Lord, or ashamed of
me for being his prisoner; but with me,
bear the hardships for the sake of the
Good News, relying on the power of
God.

Keep as your pattern the sound
teaching you have heard from me, in
the faith and love that are in Christ
Jesus. You have been trusted to look
after something precious; guard it with

the help of the Holy Spirit who lives in
us.

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia!

The word of the Lord stands for ever;
it is the word given to you, the Good
News.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 17:5-10

A reading from the holy Gospel
according to Luke

If you had faith!

The apostles said to the Lord,
'Increase our faith.' The Lord replied,
'Were your faith the size of a mustard
seed you could say to this mulberry
tree, "Be uprooted and planted in the
sea", and it would obey you.'

'Which of you, with a servant
ploughing or minding sheep, would
say to him when he returned from the
fields, "Come and have your meal
immediately"? Would he not be more
likely to say, "Get my supper laid;
make yourself tidy and wait on me
while I eat and drink. You can eat and
drink yourself afterwards"? Must he be
grateful to the servant for doing what
he was told? So with you: when you
have done all you have been told to
do, say, "We are merely servants: we
have done no more than our duty."'

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



*Faith the size of a mustard
seed*

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 Prayer Response

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Places of Pilgrimage in Our Region

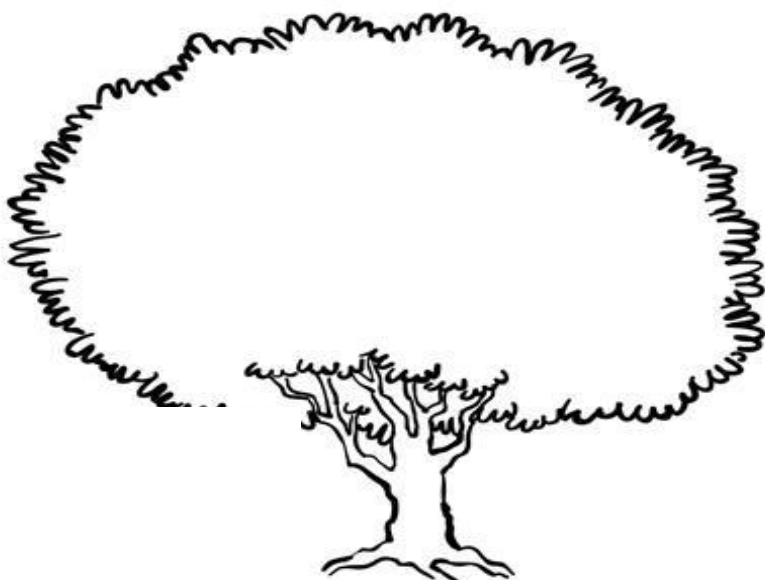
St. John's Chapel Maitland

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, 10th 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: 11th October, 8th November, 13th December
Sunday	Scheduled Mass Times: 8:30am & 6:00pm

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With even the smallest
amount of faith we can
achieve a lot.
Write in the tree some
good things that you can
do this week which show
other people how much
you believe in Jesus.

Prayer for the World Day of Migrants and Refugees 2025

Merciful God and Father of all,
wake us from the slumber of indifference,
open our eyes to the suffering of migrants and refugees, and free us from the insensitivity of comfort.

We pray those who have recently died

Barry Bridger, Johnni De Costa (Timor Leste), Thomas (Tom) Williams

We remember those whose Anniversaries occur around this time including

Kim Adams, Gwen Black, Barbie Bourke, Iris Briggs, Mavis Burley, Kathleen Grant, Mavis Hoadley,
Doug Lawler Patricia McBlane, John Robinson, Patricia Robinson,

We pray for those who are sick at this time

Adapon-Capistrano, Dalisay Almanza, Teresa Almanza, Lorraine Bartlett, Ron Bartlett,
Patrick Brennan, Shari Maria Brewster, Olga Charlton, Robert Dewsbury, Patrick Brennan,
Wayne Canny, Rita Clarin, Richard Cooke, Luke Crotty, 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, Jennifer Reynolds,
Roberts family, Olga Rusak, Anne Standing, Crystal Towers, Martina Van Den Broek,
Arlo John Vandermeer, Pauline Wade, Carla Whiting, John Williams, Maureen Wilson, Jo Winkler,
Elfrieda Zimmerman

We pray for those who will be baptised

Samuel Charles Digby , Octavia Beth Muddle, Alexander David Tomas Muddle,
Finley Steven Pool

WEEKDAY MASS ROSTER

Monday 6th October (*St Bruno, priest—optional*)

Tuesday 7th October (*Our Lady of the Rosary*)
5.30pm Mass, St Joseph's, East Maitland

Wednesday 8th October
6.00pm Mass, Holy Family, Largs

Thursday 9th October (*St Denis, bishop, martyr and companions, martyrs—optional, St John Leonardi, priest—optional*)
7.00am Mass St Joseph's, East Maitland

Friday 10th October
7.00am Mass, St Joseph's, East Maitland

Sat 11th October (*St John XXIII, pope—optional*)
8.00am Mass, St Joseph's, East Maitland

Sun 12th October
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 6th October
9.30am-10.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, St Joseph's, East Maitland
5.00pm Rosary, Sacred Heart, Campbell's Hill

Tues 7th October
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 8th October
9.30am-10.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, St Joseph's, East Maitland

Thurs 9th October
9.30-10.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament St Joseph's East Maitland
7.00pm Cenacle Rosary of the Marian Movement of Priests Prayer Meeting at 2 Erin Close, Ashtonfield

Fri 10th October
7.30am Adoration, St Joseph's, East Maitland
9.30am Prayer of the Church, Our Lady of Lourdes, Beresfield

Sat 11th October
5.30pm Rosary, Our Lady of Lourdes , Beresfield

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111th World Day of Migrants and Refugees & Jubilee of Migrants – Sunday, 5 October 2025

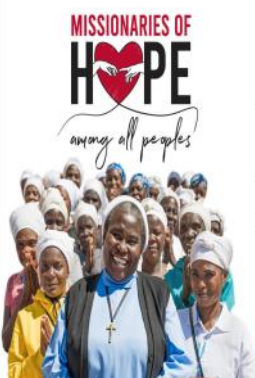
The theme for this year's World Day of Migrants and Refugees, which coincides with the Jubilees of Migrants and of the Missions, is "MIGRANTS, MISSIONARIES OF HOPE." The Australian Catholic Migrant and Refugee Office (ACMRO), an agency of the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference, has created online resources—including liturgies for primary and secondary schools, homily notes, prayers of intercession, stories, and interviews—to help celebrate this special day. Resources available at: <https://acmro.catholic.org.au/wdmr/2025>



COMMUNION UNDER BOTH SPECIES

St Joseph's is preparing to reintroduce the sharing of the Precious Blood from the chalice. This is a significant moment for the East Maitland community to reflect anew on the mystery of the Eucharist and for our Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHCs) to refresh their theological understanding and practical skills. Bishop Michael has permitted parishes to resume Communion under both kinds but has asked that EMHCs first receive updated formation and training. This ensures that all ministers are aware of the current guidelines, pastoral considerations, and practical requirements of each community before recommencing this ministry. After the training, each EMHC will have the opportunity to discern whether they are ready to accept these responsibilities in the present circumstances.

Formation and training sessions will be held on Thursday, 23 October, from 2.30-3.30pm & 7:00-8:00 pm in St Joseph's Church, led by Fr Paul. Attendance to one session is **compulsory** for all current EMHCs, especially those who will be distributing the Precious Blood, so that we can ensure and record that everyone has been properly trained in line with diocesan requirements. We also need a sufficient number of EMHCs to cover all our Masses, as once this practice resumes it must be continued without interruption. This is also a valuable opportunity for parishioners who may feel called to join this ministry. In addition, all members of the community are warmly invited to attend, as together we deepen our appreciation of the Eucharist—the source and summit of our Christian life. **Morpeth's session will be at 7pm on Wednesday 29th October in Immaculate Conception Church.** Please note training will be provided in other communities at a later date.



In two weeks, we'll share with you the story of two inspiring missionaries, Sr Jane and midwife Kayula, who are helping to lift women like Sharon out of poverty and provide life-saving care to mothers like Grace and their newborn babies.

You have the opportunity to partner with this life-giving work, as your prayers and support are crucial in ensuring these programs can move forward.



Free call: 1800 257 296
catholicmission.org.au/mission



Due to the public holiday on Monday the Parish Office will be closed to the public on Tuesday 7th October reopening Wednesday 8th at 9.30am.

EUCCHARISTIC & MARIAN HOLY HOUR

St Joseph's East Maitland Saturday October 11th, 2025, 8.30AM-9.30AM (FOLLOWING 8AM MASS AT ST JOSEPH'S) **EXPOSITION, BENEDICTION, ROSARY AND CONFESSION** Pope Leo XIV has invited the faithful to join in praying the Rosary every day during October to invoke God's gift of peace and has announced a Rosary in St. Peter's Square on October 11 as part of the Jubilee of Marian Spirituality. *All are invited to join us as we unite with Catholics across the globe to pray the Rosary for peace.*

Clergy Retreat Please be aware that the clergy will be on retreat 12th-17th October. During this time Masses will be replaced by Liturgy of the Word.

St Vincent de Paul Food Appeal on the weekend of 11th/12th October. Parishioners are asked to donate non-perishable items, e.g. ring pull tins of meat/veg, cereal, long-life milk, etc., to be distributed to the needy via The Hub. Please leave in church porches. Your generosity is appreciated.

November Mass offering envelopes will be available in the church porches this weekend.

20th Anniversary of ACTiv8 Youth Ministry

This year marks a special milestone – 20 years of ACTiv8 Youth Ministry! Over the past two decades, ACTiv8 has been a place where young people have encountered Christ, grown in faith, and shared their gifts with the Church. Join us as we give thanks and celebrate:

Sunday, 19th October

5:00 PM – Praise & Worship

6:00 PM – Mass of Thanksgiving

BBQ & Cake to follow St Joseph's Church, East Maitland. All are warmly invited to come along for this joyful occasion as we celebrate what God has done and look forward to the future of youth ministry in our region.

Save the Date – Trivia Night!

We're excited to announce a Trivia Night at the Therry Centre to help raise funds for our young people attending the Australian Catholic Youth Festival. Thursday 7th November, 6.30pm start This is an all-ages event – a chance for our older parishioners to share in the fun with our younger ones as we come together in community. More details coming soon – but for now, mark your calendars and get ready for a great night.

Piety Stall at St Joseph's East Maitland be open before and after Sunday morning and Sunday evening this weekend. Helpers needed to run stall, see Marion at the stall.

Craft Group Monday's, Therry Centre

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

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.