

Saint Michael's Catholic Parish



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Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle



Fourteen Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C 6 July 2025

We acknowledge the Worimi people – the traditional custodians of this land.
Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Reconciliation:

Saturday

4.00pm – 4.45 pm

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm

Sunday Mass: 8.30 am

Exposition and
Adoration

One Hour before Mass

WEEKDAY MASS

Tuesday 5.00pm

Wednesday 9:15am

Thursday 5:00pm

Friday 9:15am

NURSING HOME MASSES

Every Second Wednesday

10.30 am Uniting

Muller Street

Salamander Bay

Every Third Thursday

10.00am Regis Age Care
Corlette.

Every Forth Thursday

10.00am Harbourside
Shoal Bay.

PARISH CONTACTS

PARISH PRIEST:

Fr. Anthony Nguyen
Phone: 0420 401 025

PARISH DEACON:

Dcn Gerard McCarthy

PARISH SECRETARY:

Mrs Dianne Maricic
Parish Office Hours
9.30 am to 3.00 pm
Wednesday to Friday
Phone: 0401 233 650

ST MICHAEL'S PRIMARY SCHOOL PRINCIPAL:

Ms Helen Bourne
Office: 4981 1111

COMMUNITY SAFETY AT OUR MASSES

Please be assured that we are doing all we can to ensure our gatherings are as safe as possible:

- Please do not enter the church or other parish buildings if you are unwell. This includes meetings/gatherings.
- No density limits apply in Places of Worship but please allow space between people where possible.
- Please continue to hand sanitise.
- HOLY WATER is now available and is changed regularly.

HOLY COMMUNION

The Communion host can be received in the hand, and on the tongue with care. Since the latter is deemed high risk, please proceed to the Priest or Deacon only and at the end of the line.

ANOINTING MASS

The Anointing Mass will be celebrated on the first Friday of each month at 9.15am.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Kindly pray for the children in our parish as they do preparations for the Sacrament.

MASKS ARE AVAILABLE FOR THOSE WHO WISH TO USE THEM

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

New planned giving envelopes for the 2025/2026 financial year are available for collection at the entrance of the Church from this week. Please take the time to collect your set of envelopes in advance of the end of the current financial year. Please contact the Parish Office if you have any questions regarding the new envelopes.

ST MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL PRAYER

Saint Michael the Archangel,
defend us in battle.
Be our protection against
the wickedness and
snares of the devil;
May God rebuke him,
we humbly pray;
And do thou,
O Prince of the
Heavenly Host,
by the power of God,
cast into hell Satan
and all evil spirits
who roam the world
seeking the ruin of souls.
Amen.

ST MICHAEL'S CATHOLIC CHURCH - NELSON BAY
PROMOTES SAFEGUARDING, WHICH INVOLVES THE IMPLEMENTATION OF
PROACTIVE, COMMON SENSE AND PRACTICAL IDEAS THAT ENSURE THE SAFETY
OF CHILDREN AND VULNERABLE ADULTS IN OUR COMMUNITY

PARISH COLLECTION CHANGES

After a long period of consultation between Parish Clergy, Parish Finance Councils and Parish Administration as well as members of the Bishop's staff we are pleased to bring our parishes the following changes to Planned Giving, effective, from 1st July 2025.

- A new modernised monthly levy system, which will significantly reduce the administration burden on our parish staff and allow parishes to manage their finances more effectively.
- **1st and 2nd collections will remain.** These are both essential for the sustainability of our parish community.
- Both collections will now support Clergy across the Diocese, our Parish and the broader Diocesan community.
- The new levy system will provide parish with increased access to broader Diocesan services and support. The nature of the services means there will no longer be tax deductions available to parishioners for these contributions.
- **By removing the tax-deductible component of planned giving, we seek to further ease the administrative burden of our Parishes.** The current practice of issuing tax receipts has become increasingly onerous in comparison to the tax deduction benefit for parishioners.

Your valued contributions will continue to benefit the Parish and the work of the Church, and we foresee these changes to Planned Giving to be overwhelmingly positive for our parish communities. There are no immediate changes to the way your planned giving is collected. However, for those who used the Mass App, please note that this will no longer be available. We thank you for your ongoing financial support. If you have any questions regarding these changes, please speak to Fr. Anthony or Dianne who have more detailed information.

DIOCESAN LEVIES FOR 2025/2026 FINANCIAL YEAR

The Parish has been advised that it will be levied the following amounts each month for the coming financial year:

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| Clergy Sustentation Levy | \$3,924.95 |
| Infirm & Retired Clergy Levy | \$ 346.32 |
| Diocesan Services Levy | \$2,308.79 |
| Total each month | \$6,580.06 |

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE 2025

Join the Catholic Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle pilgrimage this Jubilee Year with Bishop Michael Kennedy. Visit the biblical sites of Greece, Turkey and Italy from 25th September -12th October 2025. Please visit the website: www.mn.catholic.org.au and click on '2025 Jubilee Year Information' for more details.

NEXT SUNDAY
15th Sunday in
Ordinary Time Year C

First Reading
Deuteronomy 30:10-14
Responsorial Psalm
Turn to the Lord in your
need, and you will live.

Second Reading
Colossians 1:15-20

Gospel
Luke 10:25-37

PRAYERS PLEASE

In your mercy, please pray for those who have died recently: Thomas Dunne, Bailey Mallard, Bonnalyn Bleza, Hilton Shallala, Trish Knoke **and those whose anniversaries occur around this time:** Tracy Jordon, Eulogia Mardo, Mladen Beretin, Maria Fuller, Katie Mifsud-Ellul **and for the sick in our parish:** Justin Fox, Damien Brinley, Sarlic Trumbli, Maureen Noonan, Clemente Quinajon, David Berkeley, Artemia Sheather, Mario Locantro, Anna Tan, Eduardo Vicedo, Johny and Alexander Vella, David Campbell and Peter Campbell.

Masses will be offered on request. Due to privacy laws, names of the sick and deceased can only be put in the bulletin with the permission of the immediate family.

Names on the Sick List will be removed after 4 weeks unless otherwise advised.

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Parish Pulse

To the Clergy and Parish Administration Staff of the
Diocese

Wednesday 02 July 2025

No. 25/2025

“Peace is built in the heart and from the heart, by eliminating pride and vindictiveness and carefully choosing our words.” Pope Leo XIV

1. Dungog Gresford Parish

The Parishes of Dungog and Gresford have been suppressed and the new Parish of St Francis of Assisi Dungog Gresford has been established effective 01 July 2025. Fr Andrew Doohan will remain as the priest serving these communities and is now the Parish Priest of the newly established Dungog Gresford Parish. Contact details for the Parish are as follows:

Phone: 4992 1477

Email: office@dungoggresfordcatholic.org.au,

Website: <https://dungoggresfordcatholic.org.au>

2. Caritas Australia Appeal for Support

Caritas Australia appeals for support for vulnerable communities across Africa

Across Africa, millions of people are trapped in a desperate struggle for survival. Conflict, violence, hunger, and displacement are tearing communities apart. In places like the Democratic Republic of Congo, Sudan and across the Horn of Africa, the situation is critical.

In response, Caritas Australia is supporting partners across the region to provide vital aid including emergency shelter, food and nutrition support, and access to clean water.

Please donate to Caritas Australia’s Africa Crisis Appeal.

You can donate online www.caritas.org.au/africa or phone 1800 024 413

A banner for Caritas Australia's Africa Crisis Appeal. On the left, the Caritas Australia logo is at the top, followed by the title 'AFRICA CRISIS APPEAL' in bold. Below the title, text reads: 'Millions are being impacted by violence, displacement, and hunger. Your support can help provide critical aid including food and clean water.' At the bottom left, a red box contains the text 'DONATE NOW', the website 'www.caritas.org.au/africa', and the phone number '1800 024 413'. To the right of this box is a QR code. On the far right of the banner is a photograph of a young girl sitting in front of a tent, wearing a blue and red striped shirt and a patterned skirt.

Caritas AUSTRALIA

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Please could you include this throughout July

3. Invitation Changes Everything: Build a Parish That Reaches Out

In this powerful, interactive session, renowned speaker and founder of *Back to Church Sunday*, Michael Harvey, will invite us into a bold new vision: a parish culture where invitation is second nature, not second thought. When invitation becomes everyone's responsibility, renewal takes root and the Church begins to flourish in new, Spirit-led ways. You are invited to join us for this talk and interactive session hosted by MacKillop Parish. For more information, please contact Yvonne Rego on 0450 323 206.

Date and Time: 18 July 2025 @ 6:00pm - 9:00pm

Cost: FREE

Location: Function Room at St. Mary of the Cross Parish Hub, 7 Milson Street, CHARLESTOWN 2290

RSVP: by 11 July

(one Attachment – **Invitation Charlestown 1**)

(one Attachment – **Invitation Charlestown 2**)

Scan the QR code for details and registration



4. Hunter Men's Rosary Crusade Camino

When: 30 August

Where: Sacred Heart Cathedral, 10:30 am

Register now and join in faith

(One Attachment – **Men's Rosary Crusade Camino Flyer**)

Bulletin Notices:

These items are provided for your information and inclusion in communications as you deem appropriate.

Port Chaplain Vacancy - Stella Maris Seafarers Centre

Please promote this Vacancy advertising among your parish

The Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle's Mission & Evangelisation team is seeking a compassionate and dedicated Port Chaplain to support seafarers visiting the Port of Newcastle. As part of an outward-looking team committed to sharing the Gospel in contemporary ways, you'll provide practical, pastoral, and spiritual care to seafarers of all nationalities. For more details about the vacancy please visit: [mnpeople - Administration - Career - View Job - Port Chaplain - Stella Maris Seafarers Centre](#)

Fishing Weekend

You are invited to fishing weekend, God for blokes, for more details please Scan the Code:



Invitation Changes Everything:

BUILD A PARISH THAT REACHES OUT

MacKillop Catholic Parish
7 Milson St, Charlestown NSW 2290

July 18, 2025 | 6 PM - 9 PM

FREE EVENT

SCAN HERE TO
REGISTER



For more information
contact Yvonne Rego on
0450 323 206



Michael Harvey



Hunter Men's Rosary Crusade Camino

Join us for a spiritual journey together

Event Details

Starting at Sacred Heart Cathedral, 841 Hunter St Newcastle West at 10.30am, 30th August.

Route Information

Pilgrims walk to Immaculate Heart of Mary (Tighes Hill) and return to Sacred Heart Cathedral at approximately 1.00pm.

Preparation Tips

Bring water and wear appropriate walking shoes. Registration closes 23rd August.



Register now and join in faith!

