

Saint Michael's Catholic Parish



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Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A 12 July 2026

We acknowledge the Worimi people - the traditional custodians of this land.
The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest.

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 5.00 pm
Wednesday 9.15 am
Thursday 5.00 pm
Friday 9.15 am

NURSING HOME MASSES

Every First Thursday
10.00am Regis Aged Care
Corlette.

Every Second Wednesday
10.30 am Uniting.
Muller Street
Salamander Bay

Every Third 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 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

Friday, 19 July at 9.15am St Michael's Catholic Church Nelson Bay there will be an anointing with the 'Oil of the Sick' for those who are sick, frail, elderly or need of healing.

STELLA MARIS SEA SUNDAY 12 JULY 2026

Donations of goods needed for our Seafarers Care Packs or if you have the means: Toiletries, warm clothing, writing materials and cards/puzzles.

Monetary donations can be made to the following account:

BSB: 062 784

Account Number: 1000 12583

Account Name: The Apostleship of the Sea

MEDITATION



Christian meditation is the process in which we take time to become aware of our infinite potential in the context of the Christ event. Christian meditation is on every Friday at 10.00 am in the multi-purpose room at the back of the Church. Everyone is welcome to attend.

'Meditation is about a deep conversion of heart'.

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.
SAFEGUARDING PROMOTION: FOR ALL SAFEGUARDING CONCERNS WITHIN THE
PARISH, PLEASE CONTACT: FR. ANTHONY, DEACON GERARD AND
DIANNE MARICIC.**

THE SYNODAL WAY: A JOURNEY INTO WHAT THE GLOBAL NOW ASKS OF US.

The Synod on Synodality has been one of the most significant events in the life of the Catholic Church since Vatican II. For the first time, lay women and men joined bishops in the Synod Assembly with equal voting rights. Shortly afterwards, Pope Francis adopted the Final Document as part of the ordinary teaching of the Church. What does this mean for us and for the future of our Diocese? Join us as we explore the key themes of the Final Document, the implementation phase now underway, and opportunities to become involved in local Synodal Teams. Please bring a plate to share and register your attendance.

Locations:

CHARLESTOWN Pastoral Centre: Wed 15 July 6:00PM-8:00PM

Register: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/the-synodal-waytickets-1991962613800?aff=oddtcreator>

WARNER'S BAY Church Hall, Mon 20 July 6:30PM - 8:30PM

Register: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/the-synodal-waytickets-1991965186495?aff=oddtcreator>

RAYMOND TERRACE St Brigid's Parish Hall 65 William Street Raymond Terrace, Thu 30 July 6.00pm- 7:30pm.

Register: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/the-synodal-way-tickets-1993108270490?aff=oddtcreator>

THE INTERNATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS ('Eucharist28') IS COMING TO SYDNEY IN 2028

Eucharist28's theme, 'This is My Body, Given For You', invites us to reflect on Christ's words as he instituted the Eucharistic Sacrifice. At each Mass, the priest repeats Jesus' words from the Last Supper, and the bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ. As we receive the Eucharist, we are called to carry His presence into our homes, workplaces, schools, parishes and communities. We're invited to allow Christ's presence to transform us as we share in the breaking of the bread. The journey begins now.

For more information, visit <https://www.eucharist28.org/>

SAFEGUARDING IN OUR PARISH MEANS...

St Michael's Catholic Church – Nelson Bay holds that children, young people and vulnerable adults are a gift from God with an intrinsic right to dignity of life, respect and security from physical and emotional harm. They are to be treasured, nurtured and safeguarded.

In line with the Safeguarding Policy of the Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle, our parish has zero tolerance for all forms of abuse and is committed to safeguarding all who interact with the parish through our activities, ministries and services especially children and adults at risk.

NEXT SUNDAY

**16th Sunday in
Ordinary Time
Year A**

First Reading

Wisdom 12:13. 16-19

Responsorial Psalm

Lord, you are good and
forgiving.

Second Reading

Romans 8:26-27

Gospel

Matthew 13:24-43

PRAYERS PLEASE

In your mercy, please pray for those who have died recently: Rosemary Tucker, Olga O'Connor, Ollie Thornton, Julie Zuvela, Alex Manuel San Gil Maaliw and those whose anniversaries occur around this time: Kath Went, Grace H. Jones, Virgilio "Riyo" Vinluan, Michael McQuade, Eulogia Mardo and for the sick in our parish: Stephen Ogilvie, Peter Collins, Ron Finch, Damien Brinley, Robyn Harris, Lorraine McCourt, Justin Fox, Joe Garreffa, Brenda and Brian Tucker, Sarlic Trumbli, Clemente Quinajon, David Berkeley, Anna Tan, Johny and Alexander Vella and David 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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Sea Sunday APPEAL

12 JULY 2026

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SPECIAL TEXTS

8 JULY TO 24 JULY

10AM – 2PM

DIOCESAN RESOURCE CENTRE

Corner of Tudor Street and Parry Street,
Newcastle West

For further information, please call 0409 033 449

*with the exception of some special texts

**"Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens,
and I will give you rest."**

Matthew 11:28



JULY 2026

3rd July: First Friday Service, CHATSWOOD NSW
Healing Prayer Service, 6:30pm–8:30pm
at Our Lady of Dolours Catholic Church, 94 Archer St, Chatswood

4th July: First Saturday Devotion 10:30am–12:30pm
Special Prayers for the Sick, SOMERSBY NSW

Friday 10th July 5:30pm–Sunday 12th July 4:00pm
Family Healing Retreat, SOMERSBY NSW
For bookings: 0451 318 173 or email: drcretreatrego@gmail.com

17th July: 3rd Friday Service, EPPING NSW
Healing Prayer Service, 6:00pm–8:00pm
at Our Lady Help of Christians Church, 31 Oxford St, Epping

20th July: 3rd Monday Service, WALLSEND NSW
Healing Prayer Service, 7:00pm–9:00pm
at St Patrick's Church, 11 Macquarie Street, Wallsend

26th July: Last Sunday Service 9:00am–4:00pm
One Day Worship Pilgrimage, SOMERSBY NSW
Praise and Worship, Preaching the Word, Eucharistic Adoration, Holy Mass
ALL ARE WELCOME, NO BOOKING REQUIRED, BYO LUNCH

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AROUND THE WORLD**



Mary MacKillop
Spirituality Centre
Central Coast

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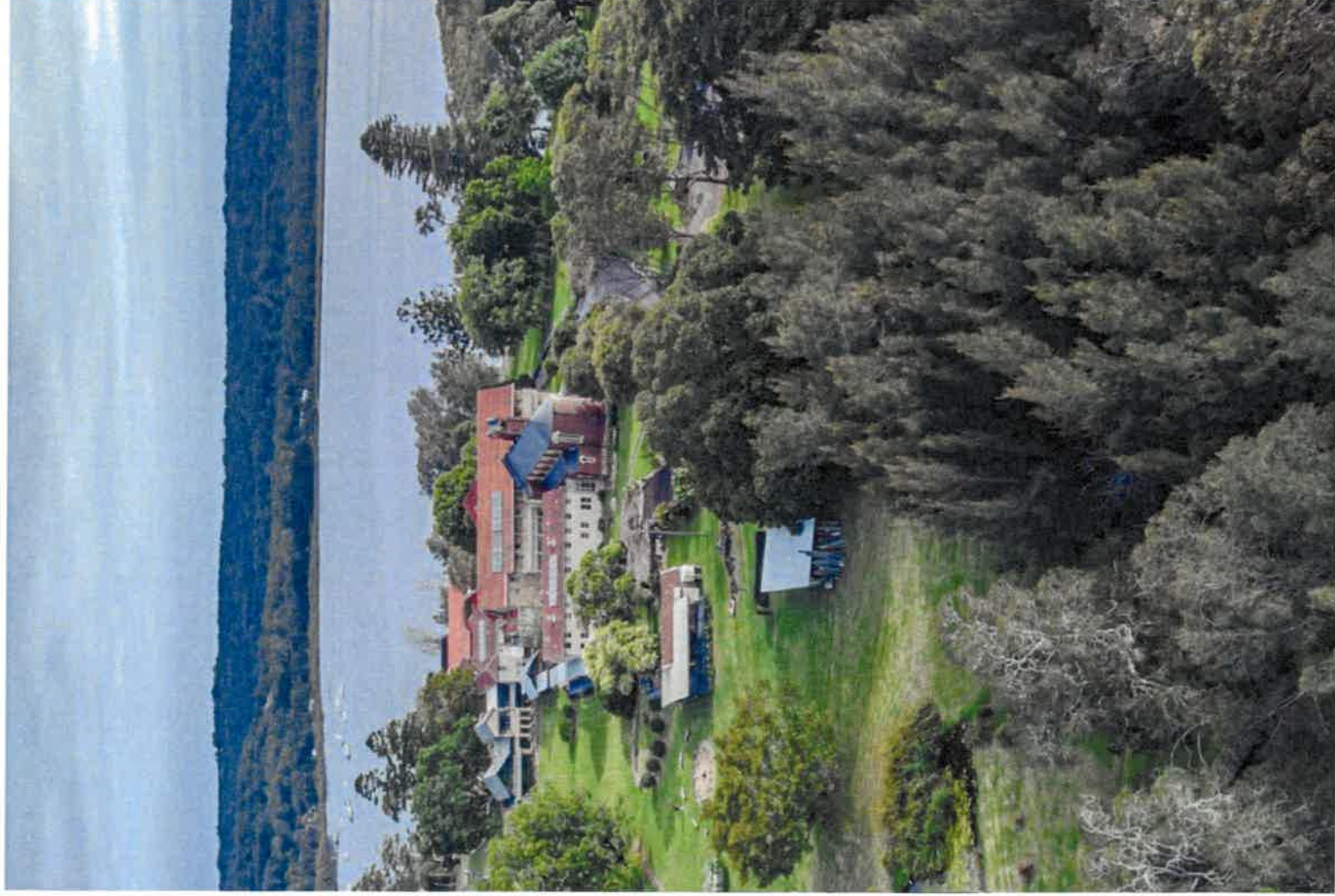
A PLACE TO REFLECT, LEARN AND CONNECT

ABOUT Us

Mary MacKillop Spirituality Centre, Central Coast invites all to encounter the sacred at the heart of everyday life. We offer experiences for the whole community within spaces that inspire, connect and renew. The peaceful atmosphere fosters a connection to nature and spirituality.

Choose your stay: nightly, weekend or book a day tour.

- Book your accommodation throughout the week or weekends, which includes continental breakfast and access to all our facilities.
- Book a Day Tour of our Heritage Trail & Museum or sit and relax in our curated gardens.



A Perfect Getaway

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01 Tailored Services: We provide a unique service on all accommodation and packages.

02 Accessible rooms Including Lift, Walk-in showers, shower chairs & Ramps.

03 Accommodation With over 38 Rooms located on site, we can accommodate groups as well as a solo traveller. Croke Cottage sleeps 6 guests. Single, Double, Twin & Family rooms available.



04

Stress-Free Catering: If you have a group of 10 more we offer a variety of catering options to suit all tastes, ensuring your guests are well taken care of with minimal effort on your part.

05

Attention to Detail: We focus on every aspect of welcoming you to Mary MacKillop Spirituality Centre, from the smallest details to the larger elements, ensuring a welcoming and relaxing experience.

Our Spaces

03



MUSEUM

St Josephs Boys Home Museum tells the story from 1887-1976. Bookings are essential.



CHAPEL

A serene space where you can sit, visit and connect for prayer or reflection.



TRANQUIL OUTDOOR AREAS

Our outdoor spaces provide a peaceful setting for quiet reflection, nature walks, wildlife and much more. Including the Heritage Trail & Swimming Pool



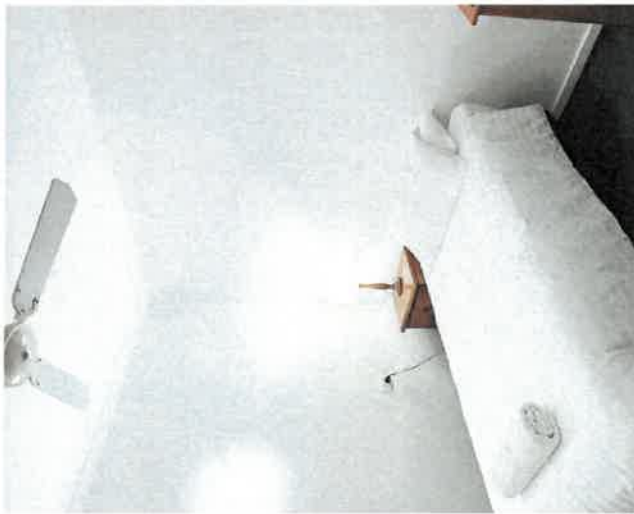
TEA ROOM & DINING ROOM

The dining room is where all catering is served, continental breakfast (which is included in accommodation bookings) as well as any pre-ordered catering.

Package

Options

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SINGLE ROOMS

Book in your solo stay for as little as \$160 per night including continental breakfast and free entry into the Museum



TWIN ROOMS

If you're traveling with a friend, enjoy our Twin room for just \$100 per person per night. This rate includes a delightful continental breakfast.



SPIRITUALITY DAY TOUR

Experience the tranquil outdoor spaces designed for guests as we guide you through our Historical Museum and Guided Heritage Trail. All of this is conveniently included in one daily rate.



GROUP ALL INCLUSIVE STAY

Do you have a group of ten or more? Looking for a fun getaway? Reserve two nights or more of all-inclusive accommodation, meals, and tours.

Inquire today!**

Heritage Trail

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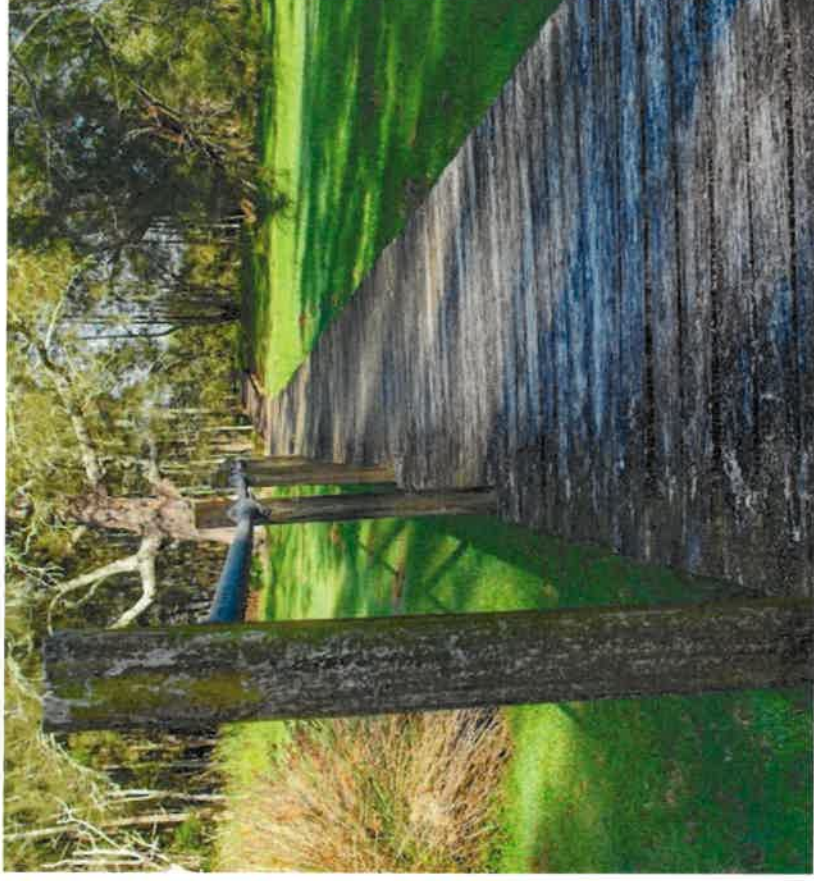
As you begin your walk from the reception area, be sure to pick up a flyer that provides a detailed historical overview of each location.

01
Old School Building

02
Croke Cottage

03
Sandstone Building

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Wharf



05
Chapel

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Swimming Pool & Underground tank

07
Dairy

08
Old Stable

09
Boardwalk & Stations of the Cross

Museum Tour

The St. Joseph's Boys Home Museum features a collection of artifacts that tell the numerous stories spanning the history of the Home. Visitors are invited to spend time exploring these narratives to truly grasp the profound impact this place has had on countless lives over the past century. Admission is complimentary for Accommodation Guests, while Day Guests can enter for \$8.



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Contact & Book

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To make the most of our packages, accessible rooms, and day trips, please feel free to call us or send an email detailing your needs. We offer tailor-made options designed just for you.

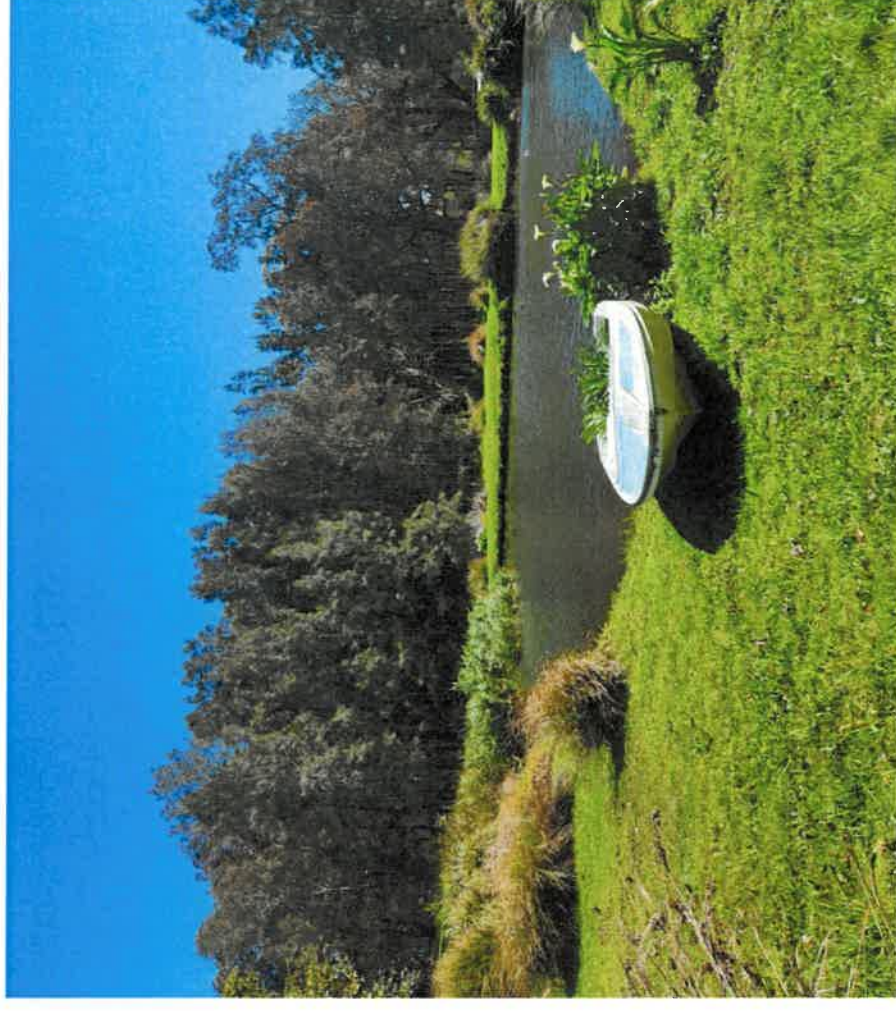
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