

# Saint Michael's Catholic Parish



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## Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C 10 August 2025

We acknowledge the Worimi people – the traditional custodians of this land.

**Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.**

### 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.

### 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.

### NURSING HOME MASS

Mass 3.00pm Wednesday 13 August 2025 at Uniting Muller Street – SALAMANDER BAY.

### MEDITATION GROUP



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 gives us access to the Father through the Spirit of Jesus, who lives in our heart'*

### 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

**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 COORDINATOR: DIANNE MARICIC**

**CARING GROUP REFLECTION AFTERNOON INVITATION**

The Caring Group Reflection afternoon will focus on the Feast of Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Held in St Michael's Catholic Church – Nelson Bay.

Fr Anthony Nguyen and Deacon Gerard McCarthy will facilitate the afternoon beginning with a light lunch at 1.00pm. Reflection starts at 2.00pm which will conclude with Vigil Mass celebrating the Holy Day of Obligation on the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. If you would like to attend the Reflection afternoon, please contact Dianne or leave a message on the parish mobile: 0401 233 6 50 or email: [stmichaelsnb@mn.catholic.org.au](mailto:stmichaelsnb@mn.catholic.org.au)

**THE ASSUMPTION OF BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**



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The Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Historically, holy days of obligation were special occasions on which Catholics were obliged to attend Mass.

In May 2001, with permission from the Vatican, the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference decided that in Australia, the Catholic faithful should observe the following as holy days of obligation - all Sundays of the year, Christmas Day, and The Assumption (August 15 - the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary).

For Parishioners to observe The Feast of the Assumption:

**THURSDAY 14 AUGUST VIGIL THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY MASS 5.00PM.**

**FRIDAY 15 AUGUST THE ASSUPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY MASS 9.15AM with St Michael's school children.**

**CROSSING CULTURES, HIDDEN HISTORIES**

A Cultural Awareness Day will be held on Saturday 16th August from 8.30am-3.30pm at St. Joseph's Toronto Parish Hall. Facilitated by Aunty Louise Campbell and Craig Duncan, they will take you on a 65,000-year journey deepening your knowledge and understanding of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples' perspectives. \$10 pp (cash on the day).

Morning tea & light lunch provided. To register: [https:// www.eventbrite.com.au/e/crossing-cultures-hidden-histories-cultural-awareness-day-tickets-1411447831459?aff=oddtcreator](https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/crossing-cultures-hidden-histories-cultural-awareness-day-tickets-1411447831459?aff=oddtcreator)

**TAX RECEIPTS AVAILABLE**

Planned givers who requested a receipt can now collect at the entrance of the Church. If you are unable to collect your receipt and would like it emailed to you, please contact the parish office via email: [stmichaelsnb@mn.catholic.org.au](mailto:stmichaelsnb@mn.catholic.org.au)

**PRAYERS PLEASE**

In your mercy, please pray for those who have died recently: Elizabeth Mehan, Djuro Feliks, Ivana Brbot, Cora Treanor, Sheily Hickey, Dolores Morgan, Dolly Diaz Castro, Harold Watson, Bernadette Healy and those whose anniversaries occur around this time: W.A. (Bill) Mitchenson, Bruno Garreffa, Nativida Archieta, Grace H. Jones, Zvonimir Milanja, Peter Stenning, Attilio Deanoz, and for the sick in our parish: Brenda and Brian Tucker, 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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**NEXT SUNDAY**

**20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in  
Ordinary Time Year C**

**First Reading**

Jeremiah 38:4-6. 8-10

**Responsorial Psalm**

Lord, come to my aid!

**Second Reading**

Hebrews 12:1-4

**Gospel**

Luke 12:49-53

# COME AND CELEBRATE THE FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Thursday, 14<sup>th</sup> August 2025

**Fr. Anthony Nguyen and  
Deacon Gerard McCarthy**  
will facilitate the afternoon at  
St Michaels Church, Nelson Bay.

The afternoon will proceed as follows:

- ✝ Light Lunch: 1.00 pm
- ✝ Fr. Anthony Talk: 2.00 pm
- ✝ Reflection: 2.30 pm
- ✝ Dcn Gerard Talk: 3.00 pm
- ✝ Reflection: 3.30 pm
- ✝ Adoration: 4.00 pm
- ✝ Vigil Mass The Assumption of the Blessed  
Virgin Mary 5.00 pm



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For catering purposes please register your attendance, text the parish  
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All are welcome!

**Hosted by the St Michael's - Caring Group**



# Crossing **Cultures**, Hidden **Histories**

CULTURAL AWARENESS DAY

SATURDAY 16 AUGUST 2025 | TORONTO



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Time: 8.30 am – 3.30 pm

Where: Awabakal Country, St Joseph's Hall (opp. Church), 140 Wangi Rd Toronto

Cost: \$10 cash – pay on the day. Morning tea & Lunch provided

RSVP: by Monday 11 August via <https://CCHH25.eventbrite.com.au> or QR code

Enquiries: to [mission@mn.catholic.org.au](mailto:mission@mn.catholic.org.au)



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# The Liturgical Life of the Church: Celebrating Revelation

Saturdays 16 & 23 August



## The Liturgical Life of the Church: Celebrating Revelation

is the final unit of the Christian Formation Course. This year we are inviting the participation of any interested members of the faithful – from parishes and schools - who wish to explore and reflect on the principles of Catholic liturgy. These principles shape the meaning and practice of Catholic liturgy and so deepen our understanding and appreciation of why we do what we do. This is an opportunity to deepen your relationship with God, your understanding of Catholic liturgy and to reflect on your own full conscious and active participation as a member of the Assembly.

All are welcome.

Morning tea and lunch provided.

### Time

9:00 am – 4:00 pm

### Where

Toohey Room  
841 Hunter Street, Newcastle

### RSVP

Please RSVP by 11 August.



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# aMeN caMiNo

## Weekend Experience!

**Experience an aMeN caMiNo weekend walk during this year's Season of Creation at the beautiful Myall Coast.**

This caMiNo is suitable for both beginner and practiced walker, with opportunities for prayer and reflection in nature, set amongst the beautiful wildflowers and gorgeous coastline. On Sunday morning join us to celebrate mass and morning tea with the Tea Gardens community.

**Accommodation:** we will be staying at the Tea Gardens Hotel. Feel free to join us by making your own booking.

**Cost:** there are **no** fees for the guided walks and reflections. Pilgrims will need to provide their own transport each day.

If the aMeN caMiNo sounds like something you might be interested in, please scan the QR code and fill in an expression of interest form.



### WALK OPTIONS

#### SATURDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2025

- Option 1: 5 km
- Option 2: 12 km

#### SUNDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2025

- Option 1: 5 km
- Option 2: 10 km

Start and end point is St Stephen's Catholic Church, Tea Gardens



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