

Saint Michael's Catholic Parish



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Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C 5 October 2025

We acknowledge the Worimi people – the traditional custodians of this land.
If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts

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 NO MASS
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.

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED AND NO MASS ON WEDNESDAY, 8 OCTOBER 2025

Dianne and Fr Anthony will be attending a Parish Safeguarding Network Meeting at East Maitland.

STAY IN TOUCH AND KEEP UP WITH PARISH NEWS

Did you know you can receive the bulletin each week by email? If you would like to receive the bulletin please email your request to the parish stmichaelsnb@mn.catholic.org.au

MEDITATION GROUP



The light and glory of God are to be found in our own hearts, if only we would learn to be still and silent. Our weekly Meditation Group assembles each Friday at 10.00 am in the multi-purpose room at the back of the Church. Everyone is welcome to attend.

'Be still long enough, and you will hear God's voice'

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

STELLA MARIS MISSION TO SEAFARERS

Stella Maris is the official Catholic Church agency for the Apostleship of the Sea and the world's largest ship-visiting network, providing spiritual, social, and material support to seafarers and fishers regardless of their background. The organization offers services such as ship and shore visits, communication with families, transport, assistance with needs like food and SIM cards, and advocacy for seafarers' rights and welfare. Stella Maris provides a vital lifeline to these often-isolated maritime workers through its network of chaplains and seafarer centres globally.

In Newcastle, there is an incredibly special relationship with Stella Maris, and The Mission to Seafarers. Our Bishop, Michael Kennedy is committed to supporting this relationship with MTS and Stella Maris. So please consider donations to the centre.

We are currently seeking donations of: **Seafarers Christmas Care Pack**

Our goal is to provide every Seafarer who enters our port the week before Christmas a care pack. This is often the ONLY present a Seafarer will receive for Christmas. Can you help? Cash donations ensure we can purchase what is needed however donated items for a Christmas Care Pack include:

- Hair comb • Razors • Shaving cream • Deodorant • Soap • Aftershave • Lip balm • Antiseptic cream • Sunblock
- New Socks • New Underwear • New warm gloves • Magnetic photo frame • Fun toy, e.g. Stress release ball • Deck of playing cards • Batteries • Little torch • Beanie • Sealed lollies – nothing that melts or attract ants • Nail clippers
- Small headphones • Pen and small writing pad • Coloured pencils / paper • Toothpaste/ Toothbrush • Basket balls
- Dart board and darts • Puzzles • Christmas cake
- Let your imagination take over and have fun.

PARISH DONATION: COMPLETED BY ALL SAINTS DAY 1 NOVEMBER 2025

Thank you so very much for your generosity. Online care pack donations at: <https://mtsnewcastle.org.au/>. For more details, please call the Mission to Seafarers on 49615007 Stella Maris Chaplain: Mark Spencer

Bucket available at the entrance of the Church beginning next weekend – thank you for your generous donation.

ZIMMERMAN SERVICE HEALING AND SUPPORT

Zimmerman Service Healing and Support provide support and assistance to anyone impacted by sexual assault perpetrated by an employee (paid or volunteer) of the Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle or in another religious institution and who now lives in our Diocese.

If you are a survivor or a relative, please contact the confidential service on 49230636 or email ZimmermanService@healingandsupport.org.au. Their hours are 9am to 4pm Monday to Friday. Reception is available Tuesday through Thursday. Feel free to leave a message at any time, and a team member will respond as soon as possible.

NEXT SUNDAY
28th Sunday in
Ordinary Time Year C

First Reading

2 Kings 5:14-17

Responsorial Psalm

The Lord has revealed to
the nations his saving
power.

Second Reading

2 Timothy 2:8-13

Gospel

Luke 17:11-19

PRAYERS PLEASE

In your mercy, please pray for those who have died recently: Peter Campbell, Anthony David Bicanic, Margarita Porchilan, Duro Feliks, Mario Locantro, Alwin Bendeich and those whose anniversaries occur around this time: Sheila Ann Featonby-Cole, Peter Dobson, Enid Coker, Elisa Acenas, Reme Gio Nunag, Joseph Fenwick, Michael Moroney, Francis and Shirley Lantry and for the sick in our parish: Brenda and Brian Tucker, Damien Brinley, Sarlic Trumbli, Maureen Noonan, Clemente Quinajon, David Berkeley, Artemia Sheather, Anna Tan, Eduardo Vicedo, 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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Stella Maris Mission to Seafarers



Why Seafarers?

Ships don't bring us 95% of everything we have. Seafarers do.

Seafarers continually sustain every Australian with the goods we need and enjoy. As a worldwide charity, the Stella Maris & Mission to Seafarers stands alongside these 1.6 million men and women in 260 ports around the world.

[@MTSNewcastle](#) is one of 27 Australian centres giving those isolated at sea a chance to:

- connect with their loved ones and children, often for the first time;
- mentally and spiritually recharge for the next leg of their voyage; and
- access medical, welfare, and chaplaincy services.

We actively respond with loving care to the many challenges and dangers faced by seafarers. We work closely with Australian Government agencies and Newcastle port users to improve the treatment of seafarers and shipping practices in Australian waters.

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