

# Saint Michael's Catholic Parish

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## Fourth Sunday of Easter - Year B - 25 April 2021

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

### **THE STONE REJECTED BY THE BUILDERS HAS BECOME THE CORNERSTONE**

#### **WEEKEND MASS TIMES**

**Reconciliation:**

**4.00pm - 4.45pm**

**Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm**

**Reconciliation:**

**7.45am – 8.15am**

**Sunday Mass: 8.30am**

#### **WEEKDAY MASS TIMES**

**No weekday Masses  
this week**

**Reconciliation is available  
before weekday Masses**

#### **COVID-19 UPDATE - LATEST NSW GOVERNMENT PUBLIC ORDER**

Places of worship are still allowed to have one person per two-square-metres with no maximum cap from 29 March. Under the current restrictions St Michael's can accommodate 220 people.

**THE QR CODE FOR CHURCHES IS COMPULSORY.** To use the QR Code, please download the Services NSW App. Those who do not have a smart phone will need to have their names and contact details recorded.

**WE ASK YOU TO CONTINUE TO:**

- **REGISTER** (to secure a place at Mass and to help us with our numbers) by calling the COVID-19 Mobile 0401 233 650 (Wed to Fri from 8.30am to 3.30pm). Please note bookings will close at 3pm on Friday.

Weekday Mass - details will be taken at the door.

- **RECORD KEEPING** Everyone entering the Church must sign in with their name and contact number, preferably using the QR code, or on the paper sheet provided. Please write clearly.

- **DO NOT ATTEND** (even if you have booked) if you are unwell or at high risk due to compromised immune or respiratory system and those that are over 70 should exercise caution.

- **SEATING** please sit in pews marked "Please sit here".

- **PHYSICAL DISTANCING** 1.5m between persons if not from the same household.

- **SANITISE** your hands when entering Church.

- **OBSERVE** good hygiene practices when coughing or sneezing.

- **MASK WEARING** is no longer mandatory.

- **DO NOT LEAVE** anything in the church - please take the parish bulletin with you or place in the bin.

- **DISPENSATION FROM ATTENDING MASS** still holds, i.e. You do not have to attend Mass on Sunday.

- **CLEANING** After every service Mass, Funeral, Wedding and Baptism, our Church is cleaned for the wellbeing of others.

**Please do not become complacent and ensure you continue to be vigilant. PLEASE DO NOT** congregate inside or outside the Church after Mass.

**OFFERTORY** Collection plates are still not to be passed around. We have two collection boxes at the entrance of the church for your envelopes and cash.

**We thank you for your kindness and donation.**

The **First Collection** taken up at Mass and Funeral, Baptism and Wedding donation goes to the Maitland Clergy Central Fund (MCCF) for the financial support of the bishop and priests.

The **Second Collection** is used to meet Parish running costs, maintenance of Church, Presbytery, offices and grounds. It is also used to pay for all our Ministries' expenses and staff salaries and superannuation.

#### **PARISH CONTACTS**

**Parish Priest:**

**Fr. Anthony Nguyen**

**Phone: 0420 401 025**

**Parish Deacon:**

**Rev. Gerard McCarthy**

**Phone: 0421 598 084**

**Parish Secretary:**

**Alison Keane**

**Office Hours:**

**Wednesday to Friday**

**8:30am – 3.00pm**

**St. Michael's Primary**

**School Principal:**

**Ms Helen Bourne**

**Office: 4981 1111**

If you have any questions or comments please do not hesitate to ask. I want to make it as easy as possible for you. Let us keep united in prayer in this challenging time! And we continue to ask for the help of our Patron Saint Michael the Archangel - Protect us



## ANZAC Day 25 April

This day marks the landing of Australian and New Zealand soldiers at Gallipoli during the Great War of 1914-1918. It has become a national day of remembrance in which we honour the courage and self-sacrifice of those who have served in all wars, conflicts, and peacekeeping operations. The liturgy recognises the sacrifice of the fallen, commends them to eternal life, and prays that the justice and peace which they sought to defend may dwell in our lands.

### Ode of Remembrance

They shall not grow old, as we that are left grow old: Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning. We will remember them.

### Lest we forget

**Parish Choir:** The Parish Choir is very excited that COVID restrictions have been lifted so we would like to rebuild the choir with new music director Chris Hawkins. We are, therefore, inviting you to join us for practice at 7.00pm one weeknight each week for Sunday 8.30am Mass. We are especially looking for additional members. It is not a huge commitment and you do not have to be an amazing singer, just keen to enjoy sharing with the congregation. Thank you.

**Assistance is needed to drive a parishioner to Mass on Sundays.** A parishioner, whose husband recently passed away, has asked if there is anyone who would be able to take her to Mass on Sundays. The lady lives at: **Nandu Boulevard, Corlette**. If you are able to help please ring Gary on 0411 289 176.

**Planned Giving Envelopes** we will be ordering weekly Planned Giving Envelopes soon. We encourage you to change over to Direct Debit, if you are thinking so, please let the Parish Office know by 30 April 2021.

**Sacristy Duties - Assistance Needed.** Are you able to assist for approximately four hours once every three months with the Sacristy Duties? We would be very grateful to have another two people to assist if possible.

## St Michael's Nelson Bay Parish and School **Safeguarding Information Evening**



### Keeping Our Community Safe

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility.

***All Parishioners are encouraged to attend.***

Date: Wednesday, 5 May 2021 Time: 6.00pm to 7.00pm

Venue: St Michael's Church, 12 Sproule Street, Nelson Bay

For further information or if you wish to make contact with the Parish Safeguarding Committee, please contact the Parish Office on 4981 1069 Wednesday to Friday 8.30am to 3.00pm.

**Next Sunday**  
**Fifth Sunday of Easter**  
**Year B**  
**1st Reading: Acts 9:26-31**  
**Second Reading:**  
**1 Jn 3:18-24**  
**Gospel:**  
**Jn 15:1-8**

### **MASSES AND PRAYERS REQUESTED:**

We remember and pray for those who are ill at home and in hospital at this time, may they know the healing presence of Christ: **Dave Campbell, Carol Randall, Jenny Nethery, Ruth Hanna, Agnes Burke, Elma McCourt, Colin Cater, Jack Reddan, Peter Dobson and Graham Childs**

**Recently Deceased:** Mirane Sammut and Vikki Baker

**Anniversaries:** Viko Lukin, Gabrielle Picton and Gordon Picton

(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.)