

Saint Michael's Catholic Parish



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Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles Year C 29 June 2025

We acknowledge the Worimi people – the traditional custodians of this land.
The Lord has set me free from all my fears.

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 NO MASS

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
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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
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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 Friday, 4th July 2025 at 9:15 am.

NO MASS ON TUESDAY, 1ST JULY 2025

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

NAIDOC WEEK FESTIVAL

Monday 7 July 2025 9.00 am, be a part of this year's NAIDOC Week celebrations, which coincides with its 50th anniversary. Hosted by Awabakal Ltd, and sponsored by the Catholic Diocese Maitland-Newcastle, the event starts at Civic Park, with a flag raising ceremony at 9am before a united procession to Foreshore Park where the festival is held.

NAIDOC WEEK PRAYER SERVICE

Sunday 6 July – Sacred Heart Cathedral, Newcastle – 2pm to 4pm

To commemorate the 50th anniversary, we invite you to a short prayer service and ritual that involves burying a time capsule as a symbolic gesture and preservation of this momentous legacy for future generations. The capsule will be opened in 30 years, offering a reminder of the journey and a glimpse into the values and voices of today. You can now register here: <https://mn.catholic.org.au/event/2025-naidoc-week-prayer-service/>

PARISH COLLECTIONS

We have two regular collections in the parish each weekend.

The First Collection goes to a common fund Maitland Clergy Central Fund (MCCF) and is used to support the Bishop and all the Priests (active and retired) in the Diocese. Donations for Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals and Easter and Christmas Dues also go to the Maitland Clergy Central Fund.

The Second Collection (Church Account) stays in the parish to meet all our expenses. Rents, envelopes, regular direct debits, TAP and GO and other donations (unless explicitly stated) go to the Church Account. What is it used for? All parish running expenses, including parish ministries e.g. SRE program; insurance; liturgical costs; rates, electricity and water; repairs and maintenance; wages and superannuation, office expenses. etc All other special collections go to the charity or activity that is advertised when we have the appeal.

As always, THANK YOU for your continued generosity to our parish. Your efforts greatly respected. Remember that it is Our Parish, and together we are its Stewards.

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.

PLANT HOPE WITH RED CEDAR TREES

To recognise 10 years of Laudato Si, we're giving you the opportunity to help heal the planet and give hope to others by planting one or more red cedar trees across the Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle. With thanks to the Tighes Hill Community Garden, St Benedict's Inner Newcastle Catholic Parish and the Sisters of St Joseph, Lochinvar you can reserve, receive and plant your tree by visiting the website: <https://mn.catholic.org.au/event/laudato-si-plant-hope-with-red-cedar-trees/>

NEXT SUNDAY

**14th Sunday in
Ordinary Time Year C**

First Reading

Isaiah 66:10-14

Responsorial Psalm

Let all the earth cry out
to God with joy.

Second Reading

Colossians 3:15. 16

Gospel

Luke 10:1-12. 17-20

PRAYERS PLEASE

In your mercy, please pray for those who have died recently: Trish Knoke, Robert Southwell, Peter Holmes and those whose anniversaries occur around this time: Mladen Beretin, Maria Fuller, Katie Mifsud-Ellul, Roger and Jessie Borg, Robert Paton 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, Jason Young, 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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Date
Monday 7 July

Time
9am – 3pm

Location
Civic Park, Newcastle
then onto Foreshore Park

Enquiries
mission@mn.catholic.org.au

NAIDOC Week 2025

Join us in celebrating the 2025 NAIDOC Week Community Festival, marking the 50th anniversary of NAIDOC Week.

Hosted by Awabakal Ltd, this special event begins at Civic Park with a flag-raising ceremony at 9:00am, followed by a united community procession to Foreshore Park, where festivities will continue until 3pm.

The Catholic Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle, a proud sponsor of the event, will host a dedicated information and activity tent alongside a wide range of community groups.

We would love as many staff as possible to attend and show support. There are also opportunities for staff who would like to volunteer their time. Register here: <https://forms.office.com/r/kFushe1HUD>



**THE NEXT
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STRENGTH,
VISION &
LEGACY**
6-13 JULY 2025



NAIDOC Week

2025 Prayer Service

SUNDAY 06 JULY



Time

2:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Where

Awabakal Country
Sacred Heart Cathedral,
841 Hunter St Newcastle West

RSVP

for catering numbers at
<https://naidoc-prayer-service.eventbrite.com.au>



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Join us for a cultural smoking procession leading into a liturgy and concluding with light hospitality.

Anglican
Church Newcastle



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You are invited to be a pilgrim on the aMeN caMiNo!

The purpose of pilgrimage is journey. You are invited to join the aMeN caMiNo journey and let your stories and experiences meet others. Camino has a long and established Christian history, it means 'road' or 'way'.

A famous Camino is *St James Way* or *Camino de Santiago* in Spain. The first Christian movement in the 1st Century was known as 'The Way'.

The aMeN CaMiNo is a response to a desire to be in communion with each other and our sacred earth. It is an opportunity to pause from routine, immerse yourself in reflection, contemplation and to provide a moment of space for each person to be conscious of God's gift of Grace.

Amen is the word Christian's use to say 'Yes, we are *on our way* to God.' By joining us on the "aMeN CaMiNo", you are saying yes to something in your heart which is calling you.

The aMeN caMiNo takes place over five consecutive days, and now offers weekend experiences. Pilgrims will walk an average of 20km per day through the beautiful landscape of bush, beach and beyond which we are blessed to have in our backyard.

DATES FOR 2025

5 DAYS: 6-10 August

WEEKENDER: 6 & 7 September



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