

Saint Michael's Catholic Parish



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Fifth Sunday of Lent Year C 6 April 2025

We acknowledge the Worimi people - the traditional custodians of this land.
The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with

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

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
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.

ANOINTING MASS

The next Anointing Mass will be celebrated on first Friday of each month.

LOW GLUTEN HOSTS

Please see Fr. Anthony or Deacon Gerard before mass if you are coeliac or gluten intolerant.

STATION OF THE CROSS

Stations of the Cross will be said at 8.45am Friday (prior to Mass) during Lent.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM: RECONCILIATION

Please continue to pray for our children and their families as the children do their preparations for the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

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.

EASTER TRIDUUM

If you would like to be on the roster (readers, welcomers and computer operator) for the Easter Triduum, please write your name on the clipboards at the entrance of the Church.

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

PASCAL TRIDUUM / EASTER MASSES TIMETABLE

† Tuesday, 15 th April	Chrism Mass	7.00 pm – Sacred Heart Cathedral (840 Hunter St, Newcastle West)
† Wednesday, 16 th April	Holy Week	9.15 am
† Thursday, 17 th April	Mass of the Last Supper	6.00 pm
	Adoration until	8.00 pm
† Friday, 18 th April	Stations of the Cross	10.00 am
	The Lord's Passion	3.00 pm
† Saturday, 19 th April	Holy Saturday Vigil	5.30 pm
† Sunday, 20 th April	Easter Sunday	7.00 am and 8.30 am

CHRISM MASS

This year's Chrism Mass will be celebrated in the evening of Tuesday 15 April at Sacred Heart Cathedral, Newcastle West commencing at 7 pm. Join Bishop Michael Kennedy, the Clergy, and all the faithful of the Church of Maitland-Newcastle to gather for the annual Chrism Mass at Sacred Heart Cathedral.

St Michael's Catholic Parish is organising a bus leaving the church carpark at 4.30pm. There will be a dinner stop at McDonald's Williamstown, then departure to Cathedral at 6.00pm. Then the bus will be departing the Cathedral for Nelson Bay at 9.00pm and arrive back to Nelson Bay at approximately 10.00pm.

If you would like to attend the Chrism Mass, PLEASE put your name on the clipboard at the entrance of the Church or contact Dianne at the Parish Office or Parish Mb: 0401 233 650.

JOIN CARITAS AUSTRALIA'S PROJECT COMPASSION 2025

This Lent, Caritas Australia's Project Compassion invites you to Unite Against Poverty and take action to make a lasting difference. Join us for Project Compassion in 2025 by hosting a fundraiser, making a donation or exploring our many engagement and educational resources. How will YOU get involved in Project Compassion this year?

RECONCILIATION FOR LENT

Those who wish to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation can come at 4.00pm to 4.45 pm on Saturday, Sunday 7.30 am to 8.15 am, Tuesday 4.00pm to 4.45pm, Wednesday 8.00am to 9.00am, Thursday 4.00pm to 4.45pm, and Friday 8.00am to 9.00am.

EASTER EGG DONORS FOR OUR BROTHERS IN CESSNOCK CORRECTIONAL CENTRE

As we prepare to celebrate the joyous Easter, we are reaching out to you our wonderful parishioners of St Michael's Nelson Bay for Easter egg donations to our brothers in Cessnock Correctional Centre. If you can please buy an Easter egg and donate from this weekend to Palm Sunday. Easter eggs will be distributed during Holy Week throughout the correctional centre and may go to individuals of any faith or no faith. The goal is to send a message of love and mercy to those incarcerated. Your kindness and generosity will be deeply appreciated by our brothers. Easter Egg donations can be dropped off in the box at the entrance of the Church.

NEXT SUNDAY

**Palm Sunday
Year C**

First Reading
Isaiah 50:4-7

Responsorial Psalm
My God, my God, why
have you abandoned me?

Second Reading
Philippians 2:6-11

Gospel
Luke 22:14 – 23:56

PRAYERS PLEASE

In your mercy, please pray for those who have died recently: Tom Opfell and those whose anniversaries occur around this time: Jose and Maria Gacutan, Dr. Alfredo Cruz, Maureen Dempsey, Maria Iglic, and for the sick in our parish 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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