

Saint Michael's Catholic Parish



12 Sproule Street - Nelson Bay 2315
Phone Number: 4981 1069 Mobile: 0401 233 650
Email: stmichaelsnb@mn.catholic.org.au
www.nelsonbaycatholicchurch.com
Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle



Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord Year C 20 April 2025

We acknowledge the Worimi people – the traditional custodians of this land.
This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

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	9.15 am
Thursday	5.00 pm
Friday	8.00 am

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.**

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

Pamphlets of the Novena and Chaplet can be found at the entrance of the church. The Novena can be accessed online at:

www.thedivinemercy.org/message/devotions/novena.php

ANZAC DAY MASS

ANZAC Day mass will be held on Friday, 25th April 2025 at 8.00am.

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS

And a very warm welcome to anyone visiting our parish. It is good to have you with us. As St. Michael's Catholic Church in the Diocese of Maitland - Newcastle we are committed to ensuring always a community of safety and care for all, especially for children, and those who are vulnerable.

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.

PLEASE NOTE: NO MASS ON TUESDAY, 22ND APRIL 2025

CELEBRATE DEACON GERARD MCCARTHY - 20TH ANNIVERSARY

You are welcome to join us in celebrating the 20th Anniversary of the Ordination to the Diaconate for Deacon Gerard McCarthy on Sunday, 27th April 2025, and also to celebrate our Easter joy with morning tea in the Multipurpose room after mass. Please join us.



**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**



Dear Brothers and sisters,

Thanks to all the volunteers who contributed generously to the Liturgies throughout Holy Week, up to and including Easter Sunday Masses. This includes Welcomers, Readers, Computer operators, Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist, Counters, Sacristans, Flower arrangers, Cleaners and all who helped in the preparations for the Easter liturgies.

Thank you, Annie for donated lovely Easter Flowers – Greatly Appreciated.

Thanks to all who attended and participated in the liturgies to make it such a well-attended and faith-filled experience of what is at the heart of our Catholic faith – the Passion, death and Resurrection of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Wishing all parishioners and their families a Holy Easter and safe travels during the Easter break.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR RCIA CANDIDATES

We warmly welcome and congratulate our RICA candidates Andrea MAGYAR, Michael SCHOONHOVEN and Samuel ENDERBY who chose to further their Catholic journey and receive the Holy Sacraments of Initiation Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Communion into the Catholic faith and are now members of our Catholic Church.

We came together for a wonderful and unforgettable journey of faith and celebration at St Michael's Catholic Parish Easter Vigil Mass. Letting the warmth of community and the joy of the resurrection fill our hearts as we gathered to commemorate the most sacred night of the year. Experiencing the beauty of tradition, the power of prayer, and the promise of hope as we welcome Easter with open arms. Thank you to all our wonderful volunteers who helped make this Easter a memorable one.

PROJECT COMPASSION BOX RETURN

Kindly remember to bring back your Project Compassion 2025 boxes. Collection baskets will be placed in all our churches. Your generous contributions will support life-changing programs worldwide. Let's unite in compassion and make a difference this Lent.

CATHOLIC PRISON MINISTRY LEAVING COLLECTION

I WAS IN PRISON AND YOU VISITED ME (Mt. 25:36)

On the weekend of 26th & 27th April 2025 our Parish will have a special collection for Catholic Prison Ministry in Cessnock Correction Centre. Your support and generosity will ensure that our Deacon Gerard can continue to be the messengers of God's mercy, love and compassion. Parishioners are encouraged to offer prayers and support to help provide continued spiritual and emotional comfort to individuals inmate and families facing loneliness, illness, pain and grief. Buckets are available at the entrance of the Church.

**NEXT SUNDAY
2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER
YEAR C**

First Reading

Acts of the Apostles
5:12-16

Responsorial Psalm

Give thanks to the Lord for
he is good, his love is
everlasting.

Second Reading

Revelation 1:9-13,
17-19

Gospel

John 20:19-31

PRAYERS PLEASE

In your mercy, please pray for those who have died recently: Joseph Hien Cong Bui, Terry Hickey, Merlita Quimado, Michael Berenger, and those whose anniversaries occur around this time: Christopher Bartly Norman, Benito Zaia, Sarina Locantro, Toni Fabro, David Mendoza, Margaret (Peg) Belcher, Lolita Quinajon, Anthony Simon, Mijo Vuica, Brian Gilmore, and for the sick in our parish 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.

COPYRIGHT ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS: © The scriptural quotations are taken from the Jerusalem Bible, published and copyright 1966, 1967 and 1968 by Darton Longman and Todd Ltd and Doubleday & Co Inc, and used by permission of the publishers. Disclaimer: Unless otherwise stated, advertisements placed in this newsletter are by independent third parties who have no legal relationship with the Diocese of Maitland- Newcastle. The activities or services of the advertisers are not supervised or controlled in any way by the Diocese. The Diocese is not able to endorse the advertisers, or the service provided and makes no representation about such matters. Accordingly, the Diocese cannot accept any responsibility for the advertisers or the activities or services that are the subject of these advertisements. Text Excerpts from the English translation of The Roman Missal © 2012, International Commission on English in the Liturgy Corporation. All rights reserved. Prayer taken from Liturgy Help © 2024. Images were taken from Liturgy Help, Caritas and Microsoft Clip Art. All rights reserved. Copyright © 2024 NAPCAN.



***Jesus said, "Do not hold on to me,
for I have not yet ascended to the Father.
Go instead to my brothers and tell them,
'I am ascending to my Father and your Father,
to my God and your God.'"***

JOHN 20:17



Jesus Christ crucified and risen from the dead
is the ultimate reason for our hope as Christians.
I wish all of you, your families, and loved ones
a very happy and hope-filled Easter.

Bishop Michael Kennedy
BISHOP OF MAITLAND-NEWCASTLE



**Watch Bishop Michael Kennedy's
Easter video by clicking here**



*55th Anniversary of
Cursillo in
Maitland - Newcastle
Diocese*

18th May 2025

9:30 Mass at Sacred Heart Cathedral with Bishop
Michael Kennedy. Followed by morning tea.

RSVP- Claire McWilliam
0413 044 382

