



**St John
Vianney**
Parish Morisset



THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C 19 JANUARY 2024

Dear Parish Family,

Mother knows best!

At Christmas time, I got to spend some time with my family. I watched my grandniece Adaline who has not long turned one, she was standing and holding on, smiling at everyone thinking she was so clever. At the same time, I watched her mother carefully guiding and encouraging her to make the next step, which she did. Of course, falling on her bottom from time to time.

Today we begin the season known as Ordinary Time. The colour is green to symbolise growth and life now extraordinary in light of the birth of Emmanuel – God with us. In today's Gospel, we have the wedding feast at Cana. Jesus is hesitant to open his Spirit-given gifts in public yet, it was his mother who saw an urgent need using her Spirit given gifts of insight and motherly care saying, yes, it is! Not directly but directly...*do whatever he tells you*. The miracle of turning water into wine in six stone jars. Did you know that a jar is equivalent to about a hundred of our current bottles of wine, that's a lot of wine (and a lot of headaches)? We are used to Jesus' healing miracles but this sets the scene for Jesus' ministry and our year. God's desires for us abundance but that abundance must be shared with others...just like the Spirit-given gifts we heard in the Second Reading. Jesus cares that we experience joy, friendship and love the fullness of life for which we were created.

Continuing on from last week, I shared with you a bit about my role as your Parish Priest (PP) or Pastor. Church law states that the Parish Priest "must be caring for the people and celebrating the sacraments; proclaiming the word of God through preaching and teaching; leading people in worship; leadership and serving the parish community; seeing to the administration of the parish goods; promoting mission outreach; and supporting and promoting social justice." In addition, a PP must, and I do pray for everyone constantly, in addition is to pray the *Missa Pro Populo* that is Mass for the people every Sunday and holy day of obligation. When you hear me say all our patron saint's names of our communities, you know I am praying the *Missa Pro Populo*.

Bishop Michael invites all parishioners of Boolaroo, Booragul, Morisset and Toronto to attend my Installation as Parish Priest. The Mass will be celebrated at St Joseph's Toronto, 140 Wangi Road Toronto on Wednesday 12th March 2025 at 6.00pm. Everyone is welcome.

As part of my appointment, the bishop has directed me to work towards one Pastoral Council (PC) and one Finance Committee (FC) to cover all the four parishes. This is to try and save me from being in meetings all the time and to allow me to be able to move around and have time for visitations and pastoral ministry. In the coming months, I will meet with the previous teams to listen, to seek advice on the membership of our future PC and FC and how it might look as we create and support communities where all will feel welcome, valued and safe. I believe in a synodal church where all of us must and will have an opportunity to have their say because as St Paul writes *to each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit*.

There is much to look forward to as we begin our Ordinary Time in this year of the Jubilee of Hope and our time together in our parishes. Have a good week everyone.

Fr Darryl Mackie
Parish Priest

We acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land our parish encompasses, the Awabakal and Darkinjung People. who, long before us lived, loved, educated and raised their children on this Country. We pay our respects to Elders past and present and we recognise the young people who are our future. We acknowledge all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families in our communities. We respect their deep physical and spiritual connections to Country through their stories, traditions and living cultures.

PARISH PRIEST:

Fr Darryl Mackie

ASSISTANT PRIESTS:

Fr Raphael Madukwe
Fr Paul Macharia Kamau
Fr John Purnell

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL:

Uta France, John France, Juliet Hutchins, Mal Melvey,
Pam, Melvey, Kerry Lendon, Rod Hay

Welcome

Welcome to all the visitors to our Parish of St John Vianney during the summer holiday season.

The Parish of St John Vianney Morisset, was officially formed in 1947, however our Mass center of St Patrick and St Brigid at Cooranbong, dates to the 1860's. The present Cooranbong Church celebrated its centenary in August 2006, and 150 years of Catholic presence in the area was celebrated in 2011.

It is documented that Saint Mary McKillop visited Cooranbong where she had a convent school. Up until 1966 St John Vianney Parish was part of the Diocese of Sydney, but now it is part of the Diocese of Maitland / Newcastle, with Bishop Michael Kennedy as Bishop.

The 9.30am Mass at Morisset is recorded each Sunday and uploaded to the Parish Website and Facebook later in the day, internet allowing. This allows people in nursing facilities and those away from the parish for whatever reason, to keep 'in touch' with the parish.

GOSPEL

John 2:1-11

The first of the signs given by Jesus was at Cana in Galilee.

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Baptism Preparation

When parents are asked why they have chosen to have their child baptised, there is usually a wide range of responses.

Baptism is about belonging. It is the gateway to a new life of unity, sharing joys and struggles as we seek to live as disciples of Jesus.

If you are seeking baptism for your child or children in our parish please register your interest to attend one of our baptism preparation programs at: <https://forms.office.com/r/DwDQgaUe6A>

The Jubilee Year 2025 Pilgrims of Hope' li

The 2025 Jubilee officially opened on December 24, 2024, at 7pm, with the rite of Opening of the Holy Door of the Papal Basilica of St. Peter by Pope Francis, who then presided over the celebration of the Night Mass of the Lord's Birth inside the Basilica.

During 2025, the Paschal Candle which is the sign and light of Hope for the Catholic faithful, will be an extraordinary sign for the Jubilee Year, and will be lit for every liturgy

An anchor is being used as a symbol of stability and security for the duration of 2025 The image of the anchor helps us to recognize the stability and security that is ours amid the troubled waters of this life, provided we entrust ourselves to the Lord Jesus. heavenly goal to which we have been called. (Pope Francis)

With A Light Heart

Nutshell Wisdom

Tact is the art of making a point without making an enemy. Talk sense to a fool and he calls you foolish.

The ability to quote is a serviceable substitute for wit.

The best things in life aren't things.

The chance of a piece of bread falling the buttered side down is directly proportional to the cost of the carpet.

The farther away the future is, the better it looks.

The man who is swimming against the stream knows the strength of it.

The man who strikes first admits that his ideas have given out

The only job you start at the top is digging a hole.

The only way to entertain some folks is to listen to them.

The person who knows how to laugh at himself will never cease to be amused.

The problem with the future is it turns into the present The repairman will never have seen a model quite like yours before.

The reward of a thing well done is to have done it.

The right to be heard does not automatically include the right to be taken seriously.

The severity of the itch is inversely proportional to the ability to reach it

Australia Day

In the lead up to Australia Day, it is an excellent time to remind ourselves of the great land that God has given us. Australia Day is not a feast day in the Calendar of the Catholic Church, but rather a 'day of prayer' where Catholics are called to pray for our nation and its peoples. Let us remember that right from the start, the full title of our land was bound up with the Holy Spirit.

Private Showing of the Movie Conclave...

Fr Darryl has organized a private showing off the Movie Conclave.

Lake Macquarie Cinema

62 Main Road Boolaroo NSW 2284

Monday 3rd February 2025

Starting at 6pm.

Tickets \$15

Formal Installation of Fr Darryl as Parish Priest

Hi everyone, the Bishop would like to formally install me as Parish Priest of the parishes of Boolaroo, Booragul, Toronto and Morisset. The installation takes place within Mass. I have suggested that St Joseph's Toronto be the venue as it's the halfway point of the parishes.

The details are:

St Joseph's Catholic Church
140 Wangi Road Toronto NSW 2283
Wednesday 12th March 2025 6pm.

Thanks Darryl

Message from Bishop Michael Kennedy

I particularly wish to highlight parish communities who have offered their Churches as sites of pilgrimage for the Jubilee Year, and I wish to accept, and announce, them as official pilgrimage sites to you all:

- Sacred Heart Cathedral, Newcastle West
- St Mary Star of the Sea, Newcastle
- St John the Baptist Shrine, Maitland
- St Joseph's, East Maitland
- St Joseph's, Murrurundi
- Blessed Virgin Mary Queen of Peace, Scone

- Saints Patrick & Brigid, Cooranbong

Over the coming months Mission & Evangelisation will work with the leadership teams of these churches to prepare their place of welcome to pilgrim groups small and large from across the Diocese and beyond. At our Diocesan Launch for the Jubilee Year on March 2 there will be more information available and the opportunity to receive a Pilgrim Passport for those wishing to make the journey to as many of our pilgrimage sites as possible.

Yours in Christ Most Reverend Michael Kennedy Bishop of Maitland-Newcastle

Save the Dates the following Jubilee Year 2025 Diocese Events

2nd March 2025 Diocesan Launch—Pilgrimage, Mass and Festival—Foreshore Park to Sacred Heart Cathedral

8th August 2025 aMeN Camino Experience

25th September—11th October 2025

International Pilgrimage—Journey of St Paul and Rome

29th September—3rd October 2025

NATSICC Assembly—Hunter Valley

30th November—2nd December 2025

Australian Catholic Youth Festival—Melbourne

Sacramental Program

Families who have baptised children in Year 3 or above who would like to complete their sacraments of: Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Communion please register your expression of interest at: <https://forms.office.com/r/6B1AYN1SRB>

World Day of Prayer 2025

The World Day of Prayer is a global ecumenical movement that brings Christians of many traditions together to observe a common day of prayer each year. Through preparation and participation in the worship service, we can learn how people of other countries, languages and cultures understand the Biblical passages in their context. Through our participation in the World Day of Prayer, we affirm that prayer and action are inseparable and that both have immeasurable influence on the world.

A different participating country writes the service each year, and we look forward to that prepared by the WDP Committee of The Cook Islands 2025.

Southlakes Anglican Church, Bridge St Morisset will be the Host Church this year, Friday 7th March 2025. More details as the date draws closer.

FYI Are You Interested?

1 February 2025 at 11am, the Formation Film In "Between Two Worlds," Marianne (Juliette Binoche) finds work as a cleaner, enduring tough conditions and long hours. However, she's actually a journalist undercover, wanting to write about the hidden crisis of unemployment experienced by those in precarious jobs. The film explores themes of inequality and the discomfort of Marianne's quest to understand those she portrays, highlighting her separation from their reality despite good intentions. Lunch, coffee & tea provided.

Venue: Diocesan Resource Centre, Corner of Tudor & Parry Streets, Newcastle West.

Registration: <https://forms.office.com/r/uiiDmzEAiL> or call Mary O'Connor on **0409033449**

Pope Francis's Prayer Intention for January 2025 For the right to an education. Let us pray for migrants, refugees and those affected by war, that their right to an education, which is necessary to build a better world, might always be respected.

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Prayer Requests for the Bulletin

If you would like the parish to pray for a family member who is sick, recently deceased or you would like remembered please email the parish office or complete a prayer card for each person and place in the mail box near the parish office door.

SUPPORTING THE CLERGY / 1st Collection

If you would like to make contributions to support the Clergy / 1st Collection please do so at Mass in the BLUE bucket or electronically using the Online Payments button on the Parish Website Home page, Diocese App, Electronic Funds Transfer Only Bank Account Name: Morisset Parish Presbytery BSB: 066739 No: 100004062 Ref: 1st Collection & SURNAME or contact the parish office to set up a direct debit.

SUPPORTING OUR PARISH / 2nd Collection

If you would like to make contributions to support our Parish please do so at Mass via the RED bucket or our Parish Electronic Funds Transfer Only Account the details are: Account Name: Morisset Parish Church BSB:066739 Account Number: 100004064 please use one of the following Payment References PG + your giver number or PG + SURNAME or SURNAME you can also use the Online Payments or Planned Giving button on the Parish Website Home page or the Diocese App. If you are considering taking up **planned giving** you may like to know that **a percentage of the contributions are tax deductible**. If you would like to know more or set up planned giving please contact the Parish Office.

WEEKEND ROSTERS			
		<u>THIS WEEK</u>	<u>NEXT WEEK</u>
<u>PRESIDERS</u>	5PM 9.30AM	Mass Mass	Mass Mass
<u>PROCLAIMERS:</u>	5PM 9.30AM	K Lendon D Peterson	L. Hutchinson R Hay
<u>PSALMIST:</u>	5PM 9.30AM	L Hutchinson M Foo	D Joyce P. Robertson
<u>GIFTS</u>	5PM 9.30AM	P Melvey H White J Hutchins K Amon	A Dussin K Lendon P Melvey
<u>SERVERS</u>	5PM 9.30AM	M Melvey J Lawandos	R Lawandos V Paulo
<u>AV</u>	5PM 9.30AM	J Vipan M Fowler	E Lawandos J Vipan
<u>WELCOMERS</u>	5PM 9.30AM	J France K Lendon	H White J France
<u>CHURCH CLEANING</u>	COOR MOR	K Lendon A Walker G Walker	XXXX B Hutcheson D Whitten



UPCOMING FEAST DAYS MEMORIALS AND SOLEMNITIES

- THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD (F) - 12TH JAN
- SAINT HILARY (OM) - 13TH JAN
- SAINT ANTHONY (M) - 17TH JAN
- SAINT FABIAN (OM) - 20TH JAN
- SAINT SEBASTIAN (OM) - 20TH JAN
- SAINT AGNES (M) - 21ST JAN
- SAINT VINCENT (OM) - 22ND JAN
- SAINT FRANCIS DE SALES (M) - 24TH JAN
- CONVERSION OF SAINT PAUL (F) - 25TH JAN
- AUSTRALIA DAY—26TH JAN

Please pray for all those who are sick: in hospital or at home, especially those living with a life threatening disease:

Sick: Jackie Purnell, Nancy Overton, Ross Dickson, Betty Smith, Frank Simons, Anna Dussin, Koby Smith, Annette Boyd, Mary Monaghan, Clare Wallington, Donna Hazzard, Pam Mullaly, Tintumol Thomas, Peter Martyn, Bernadette Martin, Bruce Gillett. Tony Bijou.

Please pray for those who have been called to eternal life may they always be in our prayers.

Anniversary: Maria Bosdari.



UPCOMING WORSHIP TIMES :

- Saturday 11th January 5pm
Mass— Cooranbong
- Sunday 12th January 9.30am
Mass—Morisset
- Friday 17th January 10.30am
Mass—Morisset
- Saturday 18th January 5pm
Family Mass—Morisset
- Sunday 19th January 9.30am
Mass— Morisset
- Friday 24th January 10.30am
Mass—Morisset
- Saturday 25th January 5pm
Mass—Cooranbong
- Sunday 26th January 9.30am
Mass—Morisset

The Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle has an abiding commitment to promote the safety, welfare and wellbeing of children and vulnerable adults.

Our Parish supports The Diocese in its zero-tolerance approach to abuse. Every one of us must each day commit ourselves individually and collectively to safeguard each child and every vulnerable person to whom we interact with.

Safeguarding is everyone’s responsibility.

If you have any concerns for a child or vulnerable person please contact the Office of Safeguarding Phone: 02 4979 1390 Email: childprotection@mn.catholic.org.au,

or visit their website for further information:

www.officeofsafeguarding.org.au

Live stream Mass every Sunday at 9.30am at www.mn.catholic.org.au/places/live-stream

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SUNDAY PRAYER SERVICE

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C Sunday 19 Jan 2025

The Introductory Rites

Gathering

The Lectionary/Roman Missal or a Bible may be placed on a table together with a candle and a cross.

A short hymn might be sung.

Sign of the Cross

Leader:

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All:

Amen.

Greeting

Leader:

Blessed be Jesus who makes us one, and strengthens us by the power of his Spirit.

All:

Blessed be God forever.

Introductory Remarks

Leader (in these or similar words):

Friends in Christ,
although we cannot celebrate the Eucharist this day,
we gather in God's name
for when two or more come together
God is always with us.

We worship in union with the whole Church
keeping this day of the Lord holy.

Opening Rite

LITANY OF PRAISE

Leader:

Before listening to the Word of God
let us praise the Lord Jesus Christ.

A brief period of silence follows.

Leader:

Lord Jesus, you invite all to serve one another: Lord, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, your Spirit moves among your people: Christ, have mercy.

All: Christ, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you prepare a feast for all: Lord, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy.

Leader:

May almighty God have mercy on us,
forgive us our sins,
and bring us to everlasting life.

All:

Amen.

Opening Prayer

Leader:

Let us pray.

All pause for silent prayer.

God of peace,
your Holy Spirit rests on those who look to you.
Help us to welcome you into our hearts
so that we may do your will
and share the Good News of Jesus Christ with all people.
We ask this through Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
for ever and ever.

All:

Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

Isaiah 62:1-5

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

As the bridegroom rejoices in his bride, so will your God rejoice in you.

About Zion I will not be silent,
about Jerusalem I will not grow weary,

until her integrity shines out like the dawn
and her salvation flames like a torch.
The nations then will see your integrity,
all the kings your glory,
and you will be called by a new name,
one which the mouth of the Lord will confer.
You are to be a crown of splendour in the hand of the Lord,
a princely diadem in the hand of your God;
no longer are you to be named 'Forsaken',
nor your land 'Abandoned',
but you shall be called 'My Delight'
and your land 'The Wedded';
for the Lord takes delight in you
and your land will have its wedding.
Like a young man marrying a virgin,
so will the one who built you wed you,
and as the bridegroom rejoices in his bride,
so will your God rejoice in you.

To indicate the end of the reading, the reader acclaims:

The word of the Lord.

All reply:

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 95:1-3, 7-10. R. v.3

(R.) Proclaim his marvellous deeds to all the nations.

1. O sing a new song to the Lord,
sing to the Lord all the earth.
O sing to the Lord, bless his name. (R.)
2. Proclaim his help day by day,
tell among the nations his glory
and his wonders among all the peoples. (R.)
3. Give the Lord, you families of peoples,
give the Lord glory and power,
give the Lord the glory of his name. (R.)
4. Worship the Lord in his temple.
O earth, tremble before him.
Proclaim to the nations: 'God is king.'
He will judge the peoples in fairness. (R.)

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 12:4-11

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

One and the same spirit distributes different gifts as he chooses.

There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose. One may have the gift of preaching with wisdom given him by the Spirit; another may have the gift of preaching instruction given him by the same Spirit; and another the gift of faith given by the same Spirit; another again the gift of healing, through this one Spirit; one, the power of miracles; another, prophecy; another the gift of recognising spirits; another the gift of tongues and another the ability to interpret them. All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, who distributes different gifts to different people just as he chooses.

To indicate the end of the reading, the reader acclaims:

The word of the Lord.

All reply:

Thanks be to God.

Gospel

Reader:

From the holy Gospel according to John.

All:

Glory to you, O Lord.

John 2:1-11

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customary among the Jews; each could hold twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to the servants, 'Fill the jars with water,' and they filled them to the brim. 'Draw some out now' he told them, 'and take it to the steward.' They did this; the steward tasted the water, and it had turned into wine. Having no idea where it came from – only the servants who had drawn the water knew – the steward called the bridegroom and said, 'People generally serve the best wine first, and keep the cheaper sort till the guests have had plenty to drink, but you have kept the best wine till now.'

This was the first of the signs given by Jesus: it was given at Cana in Galilee. He let his glory be seen, and his disciples believed in him.

Reader:

The Gospel of the Lord.

All:

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

All are seated.

Reflection on the Word

A short period of reflection may be observed.

Profession of Faith

Leader:

In union with the whole Church
let us profess our faith.

All:

**I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,**

*At the words that follow, up to and including the Virgin
Mary, all bow.*

**who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayer of the Faithful

Leader: Dear friends, let us bring our intentions before the Lord, who we trust in love.

Reader: That as the true bride of Christ, the Holy Church will work in loving service of the Gospel.
In your goodness:

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: That all married people will remain in love and faithfulness to each other.
In your goodness:

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: That local organisations who work with the disadvantaged will serve with a spirit of hospitality and charity.
In your goodness:

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: That like the wedding couple at Cana, those preparing for marriage will be granted the blessing of Jesus Christ.
In your goodness:

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: That all the sick and housebound will be blessed and find comfort and healing through Christ, especially our loved ones.
In your goodness:

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: That all who have died will be called to the feast of Christ's everlasting kingdom, especially our loved ones
In your goodness:

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Loving Father, you turn the water into our new wine of eternal joy. Hear our prayers and help us to trust in your word as we live your Gospel. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Leader:

At the Saviour's command
and formed by divine teaching,
we dare to say:

All:

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours,
now and forever.**

Amen.

The Concluding Rite Blessing

Leader:

May the Lord be with us and protect us now and for ever.

All make the sign of the cross during the blessing.

All:

Amen.

Dismissal

Leader:

Let us go in the peace to love and serve the Lord.

All:

Thanks be to God.

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