



**St John  
Vianney**  
Parish Morisset



**TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C SUNDAY 16 OCT 2022**

***No one can live a Christian life without prayer. But we have to understand what prayer is, and what it is not, and what it does.***

***When we learn how to pray, we learn not just how to recite words, but how to open the heart. It enriches us. It enables us to live not only more spiritually, but more deeply, more fully, more authentically.***

***Because there's a technique for success, we think there must be a technique for prayer. We think that talking is the magic cure for everything. Prayer is not a performance.***

***Prayer is awareness of God, engagement with God, abandonment to God. It is as natural as breathing, as spontaneous as wonder. Prayer is an automatic reflex to reality: holding our breath at the beauty of a flower, breaking our heart at the pain of a child.***

***Prayer is not an escape from life but a journey into the heart of life.***



We acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land, the Awabakal 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.

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1. Identity and Community		
2. Worship and Prayer.	Uta France	Mon
3. Formation and Education		
4. Mission and Outreach.		
5. Leadership and Structure.	John France	Sat & Sun

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**UPCOMING WORSHIP TIMES :**

Saturday	15th October 5pm Family Mass— Morisset
Sunday	16th October 9.30am Mass— Morisset
Tuesday	18th October 9.30am Liturgy— Morisset
Saturday	22nd October 5pm Mass— Cooranbong
Sunday	23rd October 9.30am Mass— Morisset
Tuesday	25th October 9.30am Liturgy— Morisset

**TO KEEP OUR COMMUNITY SAFE**

**WE ENCOURAGE**

**MASK WEARING  
 PHYSICAL DISTANCING  
 HAND SANITISING,  
 STAY HOME IF SICK**

**Friendly Reminder for Rostered Ministries**

Could everyone please check your roster and the bulletin to see when you are rostered on. If you are unavailable to do your rostered ministry please organise a swap with someone.

Copies of the spring Aurora are available at the back of the church.

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# BRING HOPE TO NEELA AND HER FAMILY

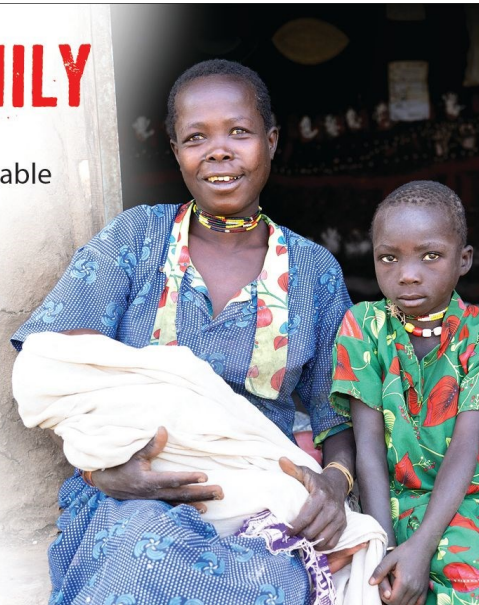
Many families in Emdibir are subsistence farmers, and distressingly, many are unable to put enough food on the table each day.

Next week Catholic Mission will offer you the opportunity to partner with the Church and community in Emdibir, Ethiopia, where your gift can help build a life-changing program from the ground up to help address this urgent need.

We hope you will take this opportunity to make an incredible impact for those in need.



Freecall: 1800 257 296  
catholicmission.org.au/ethiopia



## **REFLECTION FOR 29<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 16<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2022**

In today's Gospel Jesus said to his disciples, 'Pray continually and never lose heart.

Prayer and faith are very closely connected. It is because we have faith that we pray. At the same time prayer sustains our faith. St. Augustine's description of prayer affirms prayer, as an expression of our faith and trust in God.

The readings this Sunday, speak of the commitment to prayer and relationship with God, which is the basis for our lives of faith, hope and love. These readings don't simply teach us to pray for what we need, but highlight the fundamental element of Christian life, which is the grounding of our identity, and the nurturing of our mission.

We may ask, 'How do we pray amidst the noise and clamour of modern life'. We are told that prayer is the answer, but what is prayer, that makes it the answer?

Prayer is not a performance, and something we worry about that is the 'correct fit'. We Catholics in Australia are often hindered by thinking, that because there's a technique for success, there must be a winning technique for prayer. It may help to know that we don't need, sophisticated words or lofty arguments to pray. The God of mercy does hear us. The challenge is to be open to God's answer.

A widely circulated story about Thomas Edison says that when he was refining the light bulb, he failed 1,000 (sometimes the story goes 10,000) times before he found a long-lasting filament. Whatever the exact number of trials he conducted, the point remains that Edison persisted for a long, long time before he and his team finally hit upon the ingredients that made the light bulb commercially successful.

We live in a time of change, diminishment, and uncertainty. Ours is not a time for activism, cynicism, or nostalgia. It is a time for deepening of our commitment, for grounding our identity, and nurturing our mission. It's not easy to maintain one's calm in a restless, unhappy world gone mad with constant upheaval.

The final line of this week's Gospel might prompt some challenging reflection: "But when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

For most of us it will mean living our lives here in such a way that we will attract others to want to know what it is that inspires our life. For all of us it means building a vibrant, prayerful, faith-filled, and welcoming community, a spiritual home for those searching for a place where their souls can find peace, and, a Church that is more aligned to the radical vision of Christ.

This Sunday, Jesus is calling us to get our priorities straight. He

is calling us to speak out and do something real and concrete about injustice and human dignity and is challenging us to sacrifice our complacency for the sake of our fellow pilgrims.

John France

## **MENTAL HEALTH BREAKFAST 2022: A CHANCE TO REFLECT AND CONNECT**

Over 60 people from all walks of life gathered at the Victor Peters Suite, Newcastle West this morning to celebrate Mental Health Month.

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Hosted by the Diocesan Social Justice Council, the Mental Health Breakfast's aim was to advocate for and raise awareness of mental health in our community.

Guest speakers from the State Emergency Services (SES) and The Rosewood Centre reflected on the theme Building Resilience: Communities and Connections by sharing their experiences working with people while they were going through difficult times.

Cluster Commander for the Hunter SES, Graeme Silver was thrilled to speak at the event.

He shared stories from the frontline in his SES role and from when he worked with NSW Ambulance.

"I am a retired paramedic, so I have had experience with mental health patients and also mental ill-health within the ambulance service and my colleagues," he said.

"My piece of advice is to seek help as soon as you can."

He also encouraged people to connect with others and check in on their mates.

To read the full story go to: <https://mnnews.today/your-diocese/2022/55875-mental-health-breakfast-2022-a-chance-to-reflect-and-connect/>





The Sacrament of Confirmation will be conferred in our St John Vianney Church Morisset on Friday 14th October at 7pm and Friday 21st October at 7pm. We ask that you keep our children who are preparing for this sacrament in your prayers.



#### **MELBOURNE CUP HIGH AFTERNOON TEA**

On Tuesday 1st November 2022 there will be an Afternoon Tea held for Melbourne Cup, commencing at 1.30pm for sweeps, and Afternoon Tea will be served at 2pm. Cost is \$10 and numbers are capped at 25, due to social distancing. Marcia and Michell will be at Mass this weekend and next weekend to take your name if you would like to come. There will be a prize for the best hat / fascinator.



#### **COORANBONG CHURCH GARDENS ARE YOU ABLE TO GIVE SOME SUPPORT TO OUR WORK PARTY?**

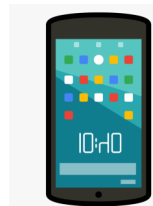
Which will be held on Wednesday 19 October 2022 at 8.30am (weather dependent of course)

With maintenance a little out of hand due to Covid, rain and age! we are inviting members of our community to gather on this one morning to spread donated and delivered mulch around existing trees and gardens.

Support us for 1 hour or a few, every little bit helps! Our work saves the parish many thousands of dollars!

Come any time after 8.30am, suitably attired with gloves, hat, sunscreen, and boots and hopefully armed with wheelbarrow (if possible) and spade or fork.

Denis, Frances, Kerry, Kevin, John, Juliet, and Jim (with the mulch). Any queries to John France.



#### **DO YOU HAVE AN UNUSED MOBILE PHONE?**

Lakes Salvos and St Joseph's Toronto are looking for donations of second-hand mobile phones to help people in their community. They can clear the memory, replace the SIM card and offer the phone to someone in need. A phone is a lifeline to those who may not have a place to call home

or the money to buy a phone.

Please bring any old, unused phones and charging cords to the church (140 Wangi Rd, Toronto). They are working with the Salvos at the Toronto Community Kitchen each Thursday night at the Hub, 97 The Boulevard, Toronto.

#### **CHRISTIAN MEDITATION – UNIFIED CONSCIOUSNESS: ONE MIND ONE HEART**

On Saturday 22 October, you're invited to attend a Christian Meditation event at the St James School Hall (Vista Parade, Kotara) from 9am until 12pm. The morning will be chance to reconnect and feel "oneness" again. Cost is \$10 per person; morning tea will be provided. RSVP: [annecuskelly@hotmail.com](mailto:annecuskelly@hotmail.com) or 0407 436 808.

#### **INTERFAITH DIALOGUE**

The Interfaith Dialogue will explore leadership within different faith communities. Join us as we explore what is the same or different – and what we can learn from each other. This is an opportunity to join the Ecumenical and Interfaith Council and other faith communities. The event is being hosted at the Mackillop Pastoral Centre (7 Milson Street, Charlestown) from 6.30pm to 9pm on Thursday 3 November. A light supper will be served, for catering purposes, please register online by 31 October. Register here: [www.eventbrite.com.au/e/interfaith-dialogue-tickets-410277560227](http://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/interfaith-dialogue-tickets-410277560227)

#### **A DAY ON THE GOSPEL OF MATTHEW**

As the liturgical calendar leads to Year A and the Gospel of Matthew, we are excited to have

Dr Michele Connolly rsj Associate Professor of Biblical Studies Catholic Institute of Sydney, visit the Diocese.

The day will include both presentation and discussion around the literary structure, organisation, history and intended audience of the Gospel of Matthew.

Issues for Interpretation, comparison with other Synoptic Gospels; the ancient historical, cultural, and religious backgrounds and Matthew's prominent themes will be explored.

Several pieces of scripture will be unpacked and interpreted on the day.

**Date:** Thursday 10 November **Time:** 9:00AM – 3:30PM

**Where:** Victor Peters Suit, 841 Hunter Street, Newcastle West

**Cost:** \$25 (includes Morning tea and Lunch)

Registration: [www.eventbrite.com.au/e/a-day-on-the-gospel-of-matthew-tickets-413966584197](http://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/a-day-on-the-gospel-of-matthew-tickets-413966584197)

#### **aMeN caMiNo INFORMATION SESSION**

The aMeN caMiNo takes place over five consecutive days. The pilgrimage starts at St John's Chapel, Maitland and concludes at the Sacred Heart Cathedral, Hamilton. 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 2023: June 17-21, July 8-12 & August 5-9

An online Information Session for people interested in attending the aMeN caMiNo in 2023 will be hosted on 9 November from 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm

To register go to: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/amen-camino-information-session-2022-tickets-412683817407>

#### **EVANGELISE – A NATIONAL CONFERENCE FOR CATHOLICS**

The National Centre for Evangelisation is getting ready to host an online evangelisation conference from Thursday 20 to Saturday 22 October. There will be a wide range of keynote presentations from well-known Catholic speakers from around Australia, on a variety of topics related to evangelisation and formation. You can find more information about the conference at [www.evangelisation.catholic.org.au](http://www.evangelisation.catholic.org.au)

Individual registration costs \$25 or a community can purchase five registrations for \$100.

#### **PRAYING THE GOSPELS**

You are invited to connect and pray with each other across the Diocese from your own home. God speaks to us through the words of the Gospel and then through artist's images of the Gospel message. Join us each Wednesday 5.00-5.45pm. Zoom link: <https://mncatholic.zoom.us/j/61036103033> Password: pray For more information contact: [rose.mcallister@mn.catholic.org.au](mailto:rose.mcallister@mn.catholic.org.au)

### **SUPPORTING THE CLERGY / 1ST COLLECTION**

We wish to thank those who have continued to support the Clergy and are asking for those who are not doing so to consider making contributions to support the Clergy / 1st Collection at Mass in the BLUE bucket or electronically using the Online Payments button on the Parish Website Home page, the Diocese App or set up a direct debit arrangement (contact the parish office for this option).

### **SUPPORTING OUR PARISH / 2ND COLLECTION**

We wish to thank everyone who has continued their support of our Parish during these very different times. You can support our Parish at Mass via the RED bucket or deposit directly into the Parish Account our details are: Account Name: CDF 96014 Morisset Parish BSB:062815 Account Number: 00328161 Ref: 5004 2nd Collection or 5004 PG and Giver Number, or you can use the Online Payments button on the Parish Website Home page or the Diocese App.

### **WEEKEND ROSTERS**

		<u><b>THIS WEEK</b></u>	<u><b>NEXT WEEK</b></u>
<u><b>Presiders</b></u>	5PM 9.30AM	Mass Mass	Mass Mass
<u><b>PROCLAIMERS:</b></u>	5PM 9.30AM	M Melvey J France	L Hutchinson P Melvey
<u><b>PSALMIST:</b></u>	5PM 9.30AM	P Melvey J Shamley	G Hutchinson M Melvey
<u><b>GIFTS</b></u>	5PM 9.30AM	H White Jo Patrick J Vipan K London	J Vipan K London H White P Herbert
<u><b>SERVERS</b></u>	5PM 9.30AM	J France V Paulo	M Melvey V Paulo
<u><b>AV</b></u>	5PM 9.30AM	U France U France	U France D Joyce
<u><b>SOUND / VIDEO</b></u>	5PM 9.30AM	R McArdle J France	J France J France
<u><b>WELCOMERS</b></u>	5PM 9.30AM	J Andersen TBA	TBA TBA
<u><b>COVID TEAM</b></u>	5PM 9.30AM	A Walker G Walker L McRae L McRae	K London P Melvey R Hay P Herbert
<u><b>COVID CLEAN- ING</b></u>	5PM 9.30AM	All available Covid team members	All available Covid team members
<u><b>CHURCH CLEANING</b></u>	COOR MOR	XXXX R Hay C Hay	P Herbert A Walker G Walker

The Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle has an abiding commitment to promote the safety, welfare and wellbeing of children and vulnerable adults. If you have any concerns for a child or vulnerable adult please contact the Office of Safeguarding (ph: 4979 1390 or email: [childprotection@mn.catholic.org.au](mailto:childprotection@mn.catholic.org.au)), or visit their website for further information ([www.officeofsafeguarding.org.au](http://www.officeofsafeguarding.org.au)).

### **UPCOMING FEAST DAYS MEMORIALS AND SOLEMNITIES**

SAINT TERESA OF JESUS— 15TH OCTOBER  
SAINT IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH— 17TH OCTOBER  
SAINT LUKE— 18TH OCTOBER  
SAINTS SIMON AND JUDE— 28TH OCTOBER  
ALL SAINTS— 1ST NOVEMBER  
THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED— 2ND NOVEMBER  
SAINT CHARLES BORROMEO— 4TH NOVEMBER  
THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA— 9TH NOVEMBER  
SAINT LEO THE GREAT— 10TH NOVEMBER

### **Please pray for those who are sick, in hospital or recovering at home:**

Fiona McAlinden, Stephen McKay, June Purcell, Jeremy McMullen, Harry Goldman, Yvonne Beecroft, Bernadette Martin, John Francisco, Joan Gillett, Bruce Gillett, Koby Smith, Patricia Jones.

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

**Recently Deceased:** Nevio Sain, Douglas Charles Ray, Josie Scully.



### **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 call or email the parish office or complete a prayer card for each person and place in the mail box near the parish office door. Cards are available at the back of the church and at the Parish Office.

All prayer requests require permission from a family member or the person. Due to Australian privacy laws.

### **AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION**

My Jesus,  
I believe that You  
are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.  
I love You above all things,  
and I desire to receive You into my soul.  
Since I cannot at this moment  
receive You sacramentally,  
come at least spiritually into my heart.  
I embrace You as if You were already there and unite  
myself wholly to You.  
Never permit me to be separated from You.  
Amen.



Live stream Mass every Sunday at 9.30am at [www.mn.catholic.org.au/places/live-stream](http://www.mn.catholic.org.au/places/live-stream)





**SUNDAY PRAYER SERVICE**  
**Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C**  
**Sunday 16 Oct 2022**

## The Introductory Rites

### Acknowledgement of Country

We acknowledge Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples as Australia's First Peoples and the Traditional Owners and Custodians of the land on which we work to build a stronger, more equitable, kinder society that values children, young people, families and individuals.

We honour the wisdom of and pay respect to, Elders past, present and emerging. We acknowledge the spiritual culture of all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples across Australia.

The Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle is located on the traditional lands of the Awabakal, Biripi, Darkinjung, Kamilaroi, Wiradjuri, Wonnarua and Worimi people.

This diocese acknowledges the important Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander occupation and care of the land on which we live. We acknowledge our Traditional Custodians' continual spiritual and cultural connection to Country. We acknowledge all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples as having been on this land for over 60,000 years.

*This is the acknowledgement made in the Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle Reflect Reconciliation Action Plan launched on 18 August 2022.*

### Gathering

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

### 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 are our constant help: Lord, have mercy.

**All: Lord, have mercy.**

Christ Jesus, you ask us to pray and never lose heart: Christ, have mercy.

**All: Christ, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, your Word brings salvation and life: 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:**

**All: Amen.**

### Opening Prayer

**Leader:**

Let us pray.

*All pause for silent prayer.*

God most holy  
you are the Lord of all.  
We are made in your likeness  
and your name is written on our hearts.  
Guide us in your ways  
and make our faith strong.  
We ask this through Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
for ever and ever.

**All:**

**Amen.**

### The Liturgy of the Word

#### First Reading

**Ex 17:8-13**

A reading from the book of Exodus

*As long as Moses kept his arms raised, Israel had the advantage.*

The Amalekites came and attacked Israel at Rephidim. Moses said to Joshua, 'Pick out men for yourself, and tomorrow morning march out to engage Amalek. I, meanwhile, will stand on the hilltop, the staff of God in my hand.' Joshua did as Moses told him and marched out to engage Amalek, while Moses and Aaron and Hur went up to the top of the hill. As long as Moses kept his arms raised, Israel had the advantage; when he let his arms fall, the

advantage went to Amalek. But Moses arms grew heavy, so they took a stone and put it under him and on this he sat, Aaron and Hur supporting his arms, one on one side, one on the other; and his arms remained firm till sunset. With the edge of the sword Joshua cut down Amalek and his people.

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

The word of the Lord.

*All reply:*

**Thanks be to God.**

### **Responsorial Psalm**

**Ps 120. R. v.2**

**(R.) Our help is from the Lord,  
who made heaven and earth.**

1. I lift up my eyes to the mountains:  
from where shall come my help?  
My help shall come from the Lord  
who made heaven and earth. (R.)
2. May he never allow you to stumble!  
Let him sleep not, your guard.  
No, he sleeps not nor slumbers,  
Israel's guard. (R.)
3. The Lord is your guard and your shade;  
at your right side he stands.  
By day the sun shall not smite you  
nor the moon in the night. (R.)
4. The Lord will guard you from evil,  
he will guard your soul.  
The Lord will guard your going and coming  
both now and for ever. (R.)

### **Second Reading**

**2 Tm 3:14 – 4:2**

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to Timothy

*This is how the people of God become equipped and ready for every good work.*

You must keep to what you have been taught and know to be true; remember who your teachers were, and how, ever since you were a child, you have known the holy scriptures – from these you can learn the wisdom that leads to salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and can profitably be used for teaching, for refuting error, for guiding people's lives and teaching them to be holy. This is how the man who is dedicated to God becomes fully equipped and ready for any good work.

Before God and before Christ Jesus who is to be judge of the living and the dead, I put this duty to you, in the name of his Appearing and of his kingdom: proclaim the message and, welcome or unwelcome, insist on it. Refute falsehood, correct error, call to obedience – but do all with patience and with the intention of teaching.

*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 Luke.

*All:*

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

**Lk 18:1-8**

*God will see those who cry to him vindicated.*

Jesus told his disciples a parable about the need to pray continually and never lose heart. 'There was a judge in a certain town' he said 'who had neither fear of God nor respect for man. In the same town there was a widow who kept on coming to him and saying, "I want justice from you against my enemy!" For a long time he refused, but at last he said to himself, "Maybe I have neither fear of God nor respect for man, but since she keeps pestering me I must give this widow her just rights, or she will persist in coming and worry me to death."'

And the Lord said, 'You notice what the unjust judge has to say? Now will not God see justice done to his chosen who cry to him day and night even when he delays to help them? I promise you, he will see justice done to them, and done speedily. But when the Son of Man comes, will he find any faith on earth?'

*Reader:*

The Gospel of the Lord.

*All:*

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

*All are seated.*

### **Reflection on the Word**

Q. Why does Jesus use such unsavoury characters – like the judge – in his parables?

Q. Why is it specifically a widow who pleads her case with the unjust judge in this parable?

Q. Where and when do you make time to pray?

Q. What are the conflicting demands that push prayer from your daily/weekly routine?

Q. What positive impact could time spent in prayer have upon these other demands?

### **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.

### Prayers of the Faithful

Leader: Dear friends, with prayer and faith in our hearts, let us bring our prayers before God.

Reader: That the Holy Church will continually proclaim the message of Christ as justice for all.

(pause)

In your mercy:

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: That the poor and persecuted will receive mercy from those holding power.

(pause)

In your mercy:

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: That officers of law enforcement will make just decisions.

(pause)

In your mercy:

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: That our parish community will be attentive and constant in offering prayer to God.

(pause)

In your mercy:

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: That the sick will be healed through God's saving help, especially those in our community and families..

(pause)

In your mercy:

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: That those who have died will dwell with God the father of all, especially those in our community and families.

(pause)

In your mercy:

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: Loving God, you bring justice to all who call to you. Hear our prayers and help us to always seek you through prayer in the promise of eternal life. 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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## Diocesan Reflection Day on our Spiritual Foundations

Saturday 12 November 2022



You are welcome to join us for the Diocesan Reflection Day on our Spiritual Foundations marking the anniversary of Bishop Bill Wright's death.

#### Reflection Purpose:

- To gather and reconnect with our diocesan people
- To pray, reflect and engage with one another
- To reflect with our diocesan foundational principles
- To renew our sense of community after months of restrictions



#### Time

9.30 am for a 10.00 am start  
Finish at 3.00 pm

#### Catering

Please bring a plate for morning tea and a fellowship lunch, to share in your hub location

#### Registration

<https://DioReflectionDay.eventbrite.com.au>

Registration closes on  
Monday 7 November

#### Various Hub Locations

- Victor Peters Suite, 841 Hunter St, Newcastle West
- San Clemente High School, Havelock St, Mayfield
- St Pauls High School, Primrose St Booragul
- Catherine McAuley College, 507 Medowie Rd, Medowie
- St Joseph's High, Segenhoe St Aberdeen
- St Clare's High School, Davis St, Taree



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DIOCESAN COUNCIL FOR MINISTRY WITH YOUNG PEOPLE

## An invitation to explore ministry with young people:

A RETREAT WITH BR DAMIEN PRICE CFC

The Diocesan Council for Ministry with Young People is hosting a weekend retreat with Br Damien Price, a Christian Brother of the Oceania Province who has worked in youth ministry for many years.

#### Saturday 29 October 2022 – Encounter: The Heart of the Shepherd!

9.30am – 5.00pm

An open invitation to everyone interested in exploring ministry with young people.  
5.30pm – 6.30pm

Mass celebrated at Sacred Heart Cathedral.

Optional Shared Meal following Mass at a venue to be determined.

#### Sunday 30 October 2022 – The Smell of the Sheep!

9.30am – 3.30pm

An invitation to join with the Diocesan Council for Ministry with Young People as they reflect with Br Damien on vision and strategy.

To learn more about Br Damien Price and The Encounter Cycle please visit the website here: <https://encountertheheart.com/>

#### Location:

Catholic Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle  
Meeting Rooms – 841 Hunter Street,  
Newcastle West

#### RSVP:

Wednesday 19 October 2022 via  
QR code or [dcmyp.eventbrite.com.au](https://dcmyp.eventbrite.com.au)



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