



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.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR C SUNDAY 11 MAY 2025

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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.

UPCOMING WORSHIP TIMES:

Saturday 10th May 5pm

Mass—Cooranbong

Sunday 11th May 9.30am

Mass-Morisset

Tuesday 13th May 9.30am

Mass-Morisset

Saturday 17th May 5pm

Sunday

Mass—Morisset 18th May 9.30am

Mass—Morisset

Tuesday 20th May 9.30am

Mass-Morisset

Dear Parish Family,

...choose a shepherd after Your own heart.

Habemus Papam we have a pope, Pope Leo XIV a missionary and diplomat of peace what the world probably needs now more than ever. We keep our Holy Father in our prayers! It's kind of ironic that we have a new pope on a Sunday where we reflect upon the Good Shepherd. The prayer above was part of the prayers for the conclavechoose a shepherd after God's own heart. Although this weekend's Gospel passage is somewhat short, the Good Shepherd is the position description of the next Holy Father and more: for a shepherd is one who is totally committed, shepherding isn't just another job, it's a way of life often living for months at a time in the hills with just the sheep; a shepherd must be deeply caring where their satisfaction is tied up with the welfare of the flock - if the sheep are happy, so is the shepherd etc; a shepherd must be courageous often risking their lives in defence of their flock. Jesus claiming himself as the good shepherd guarantees not only our safety and love but also eternal life, the gift of Easter.

These three qualities of commitment, caring and being courageous are also called to be reflected in the life of the baptised, those who follow Christ. Through Baptism we are called to a commitment to follow Christ. Through Baptism we are called to be caring for each other. Through Baptism we are called to be courageous just like Paul and Barnabas in our First Reading to speak out boldly and to proclaim the word of God by what we say and what we do. Another trait of the shepherd is to bring unity in diversity. Both our first and second reading depict communities made up of many nations, race, people and tongue, Jews and Gentiles alike. Our parishes today represent these and despite any differences, we are all children under the one God, and we celebrate with joy our diversity.

It takes a good teacher to help us hear the voice of the good shepherd amongst the noises of life. Who have been those shepherds in our lives? I can think of some priests, some teachers, some friends, my parents and other parents that I have met.

This weekend, we recognise a special person for their revealing of the shepherd's love and care for us. Our Mothers, grandparents, aunts, carers and mother-like figures. Often going about their daily life not drawing attention to that love and spirit that they give. Be it by touch, a hug, being challenging, having to discipline - teaching how to love, how to forgive, how to respect. Often, they are an example of this giving and sacrificing love. Often making sacrifices of their choices, for their children, so that they may have the best of opportunities.

As you walked into the shops this week you would have seen these large signs, saying "Gift for mum". Yet the greatest gift that we can give is a small amount in return.....take time to say thank you. It's not for sale in shops, yet priceless. And for those mums who have gone before us, we give thanks in prayer this weekend.

So, to all our mother figures this weekend we say thank you.

Have a great week everyone.....

Fr Darryl Mackie

Parish Priest



Mother's Day Prayer

For mothers to pray for themselves

God of Creation, be a source of peace for me when personal and family struggles and difficulties sometimes overwhelm me.

God of Goodness, hold me close to your heart fill me with joy and delight in my role as mother.

God of Peace, be the centre of my life, in the whirlwind of my life bless me and those I love with your strength and your hope. Amen

A blessing prayer for our mothers and mother like.

Creator God, in your Great Spirit, we ask you to bless our mother, our nans, our aunties, our sisters on this Mother's Day and always. They were made by you so that the image of Your love could be brought into existence.

May they always carry with them the sacredness of this honour. May you receive loving kindness to those who call you mother. May you have what you need and also what feeds your spirit.

May you have what you need to hold your family safe both in your heart and in this world.

May you delight in nurturing and relish the gift of children.

May your heart be open to friends and strangers in need of mothering and mentoring.

May you grow in wisdom as you experience the challenges and gifts of life.

May you go to sleep each evening aware of the protection and warmth of God's loving embrace

For those who wait in hope of bringing their family together in safety during these times:

May you find the strength to create necessary peace and comfort in this and each coming day and may open doors and hearts bring you together as last in the safety of each other.

For all of us, do not be afraid to hope and to dream, as we honour all those who have and are mothers and motherers to us. For this we pray. Amen

Cooranbong Cemetery

Most people are aware that our parish has a Catholic Cemetery and Columbarium, located in the beautiful Catholic Church grounds, of St Patrick and St Brigid Cooranbong.

Recently, the NSW Government introduced an Interment Industry Scheme, as part of the Cemeteries and Crematoria regulation 2022, -a licensing system for cemetery and crematorium operators.

To be compliant and to understand this new legislation, in 2024, the Parish Team, together with Rosanna our Parish Secretary, attended information meetings, coordinated by CCNSW.

As a licenced cemetery operator, the parish must comply with key licence conditions.

Some key licence conditions relate to:

 consumer contracts – standard terms and conditions explained clearly so customers can understand what they are paying for.

cemetery maintenance – to make sure there are clear minimum standards for every cemetery.

- pricing transparency so customers know what they are purchasing and can easily compare prices.
- customer service to ensure operators are consistently providing quality service.
- religious, cultural, and spiritual principles— to ensure respect

for religious and cultural requirements and promote understanding of the unique importance of Sorry Business to Aboriginal people.

These are just a few of the many legislated conditions, that CCNSW has introduced for cemetery operators. The Parish must be fully compliant as an operator with the new legislation.

Thankyou

Thank you to the parishioners who have helped the Parish Secretary Rosanna, with filing and archiving.

Vinnies Winter Appeal

The Morisset Vinnies Conference will be holding their annual winter appeal at the Masses on the June 21& 22 weekend.

Easy Access Ramp.

Parishioners with mobility issues, are encouraged to use the 'easy access' ramp when entering or leaving the Morisset Church.

With A Light Heart

The room was full of pregnant women with their husbands.

The instructor said, "Ladies, remember that exercise is good for you.

Walking is especially beneficial. It strengthens the pelvic muscles and will make delivery that much easier.

Just pace yourself, make plenty of stops and try to stay on a soft surface like grass or a path."

"Gentlemen, remember -- you're in this together. It wouldn't hurt you

to go walking with her. In fact, that shared experience would be good

for you both."

The room suddenly became very quiet as the men absorbed this information.

After a few moments a man, name unknown, at the back of the room, slowly raised his hand.

"Yes?" said the Instructor.

"I was just wondering if it would be all right if she carries a golf bag while we walk?"

Brings a tear to your eye, doesn't it?

This kind of sensitivity just can't be taught.

Baptism Preparation

Baptism is a happy event and a time to ponder God's loving gifts in our lives. For those seeking baptism for their children our baptism preparation programs will usually run in the evenings on the second Tuesday of the Month starting at 7pm, bookings are essential. Our next Program will be held on Tuesday 13th May 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/HRzVSryKVh or Email: morparish@mn.catholic.org.au or call 02 4973 6859.

Diocesan Local Churches Pilgrimage

The Diocesan Pastoral Ministry, Mission and Evangelising Partner, is organising the Jubilee Pilgrimage throughout the Diocese. Our parish is scheduled for: **Next Saturday 17th May at St Brigid's and St Patrick's, Cooranbong at 1pm.**

The proposed schedule is: 1pm BYO Picnic Lunch on the church grounds. Parish to host Tea & Coffee.

After lunch, move into the church for a brief history of Cooranbong and its association with Mary MacKillop, followed by Prayer/Liturgy. 2pm. Travel to St John's Maitland.



RIGHT ACROSS OUR MAITLAND-NEWCASTLE DIOCESE VOLUNTEERING BRINGS PEOPLE TOGETHER; IT BUILDS COMMUNITIES AND CREATES A BETTER SOCIETY FOR EVERYONE.

To Celebrate National Volunteer Week 2025 we are excited to invite all volunteers to our upcoming Volunteer Recognition Event in **Kotara.**

National Volunteer Week is Australia's largest annual celebration of volunteering, to celebrate the power of volunteering to bring people together with the theme 'Connecting Communities'. Volunteering creates lasting relationships that enrich lives and strengthen communities.

We would like to show our appreciation and say thank you to all our volunteers for their time, efforts and unwavering support to the Catholic Diocese of Maitland Newcastle Join us on:

Date: Wednesday 21st May 2025

Time: 5.30pm – 8.00pm

Location: Event Cinemas Westfield Kotara, Park Ave, Kotara RSVP: By Thursday 15th May 2025 by clicking here and completing your details or Email volunteers@mn.catholic.org.au for more information call 02 4931 1259.

Kind regards, Joanne Salem.

Happy Mother's Day

Happy Mother's Day to all the incredible mums. Today we honour you – the love you give, the patience you show and the quiet strength you carry day after day. Whether you're a mum, stepmum, grandmother or someone who loves like a mum, thank you.

You bring comfort, guidance and warmth in ways that last a lifetime.

Even when it's not spoken, what you do matters deeply. We also pause to remember the mums who are no longer with us.

Their love still surrounds us, their wisdom still shapes us and their memory lives on in our hearts.

To all mothers, present or remembered, thank you for the love that continues to guide us.

God, thank You for mothers, their love, strength and care.
Bless those with us and those we remember today.
Give them rest when they are weary, peace when they worry and joy in knowing they are loved.
May we honour them with thankful hearts. Amen.

Parish Assembly-(Save the Date)

A Parish Pastoral Assembly, to which all parishioners are invited, will be held after 9.30am Mass on Sunday 29th June. Sunday 8th June (Pentecost Sunday) was considered as a date for the Assembly, but because it is also a 'Long Weekend'-Kings Birthday, so the 29th of June was settled on. A Parish Pastoral Assembly is a body of faith-filled parishioners and the ordained, through which everyone works together as coresponsible partners in furthering the mission of Christ in our Parish.

At the Assembly the status of the Parish will be presented, along with Financials.

Statutes for PPC, PFC and Team will also be introduced From this Assembly, a Pastoral Plan will be developed. This Plan is a set of goals and objectives embraced through a process of shared decision-making, which will direct the parish in its activities and decisions for the next 12 months. Sr Loretta Baker RSJ, will facilitate the Assembly.

Visit our Local Sites of Pilgrimage this Jubilee Year May 16-18

For one long-weekend only *Mission & Evangelisation* is facilitating a chance to visit all eight churches. This is an opportunity to truly embrace the Jubilee Year and compete your entire Pilgrim Passport. For more information and to register for one or all stops along the journey visit - <u>Diocesan Local Churches Pilgrimage - Catholic Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle</u>

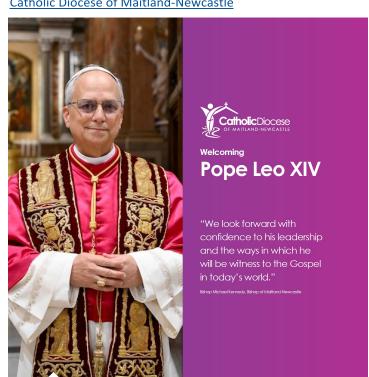
Celebrating the 1700th Anniversary of the Nicene Creed May 23

Mission & Evangelisation invites you to this premium formation offering with Associate Professor Joel Hodge, National Head, School of Theology, Australian Catholic University. Choose from one of two sessions at 3:30pm or 6:00pm as he immerses us in the history and theology of the Nicene Creed. This 'deep-dive' into 'what we believe' is not to be missed as we celebrate its 1700 years. This free event, over 2hrs, face to face, will become part of an ongoing formation series hosted at St John the Baptist Shrine, Maitland in 2025. Register now via the Diocesan events page - Events - Catholic Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle

Called & Gifted Discernment Program Expressions of Interest are Open

Mission & Evangelisation is working with the Catherine of Siena Institute (USA) to offer this highly acclaimed online program beginning June 10. The process will strengthen your confidence in living and sharing your faith with others as you discern and discover your charisms and gifts for the flourishing of your faith community. If you're inspired by collaborative ministry – this is for you. For more information and to register visit – Expressions of Interest for the Called & Gifted Program –

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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, 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. 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			
		THIS WEEK	NEXT WEEK
PRESIDERS	5РМ	Mass	Mass
	9.30АМ	Mass	Mass
PROCLAIMERS:	5РМ	H White	K Lendon
	9.30АМ	D Peterson	M Shamley
PSALMIST:	5РМ	K Lendon	R Hay
	9.30АМ	L McRae	S Mathew
<u>GIFTS</u>	5PM	L Hutchinson	J & F Lawandos
	9.30AM	F & J Lawandos	L Hutchinson
<u>Servers</u>	5РМ	J Foo	M Melvey
	9.30АМ	M Melvey	V Paulo
<u>Av</u>	5РМ	J Vipan	E Lawandos
	9.30АМ	E Lawandos	M Foo
WELCOMERS	5РМ	K Cameron	J France
	9.30АМ	H White	A Dussin
CHURCH CLEANIING	Coor MOR	P Stewart TBA	XXXX D Whitten B Hutcheson





UPCOMING FEAST DAYS MEMORIALS AND SOLEMINITIES

SAINT PANCRAS (OM) - 12TH MAY
SAINTS NEREUS AND ACHILLEUS (OM) - 12TH MAY
OUR LADY OF FATIMA (OM) - 13TH MAY
SAINT MATTHIAS (F) - 14TH MAY

SAINT BERNADINE OF SIENA (OM) - 20TH MAY
SAINTS CHRISTOPHER MAGALLANES AND COMPANIONS (OM) 21ST MAY

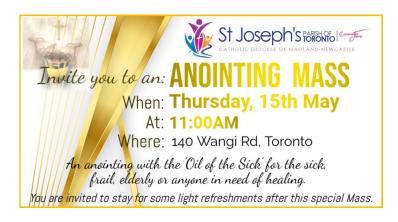
SAINT RITA OF CASCIA (OM) - 22ND MAY OUR LADY, HELP OF CHRISTIANS (S) - 24TH MAY

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

Mary Maloney, Maureen Luxford, Steve McKay, Terry Gillett, Jackie Purnell, Nancy Overton, Ross Dickson, Betty Smith, Anna Dussin, Mary Monaghan, Clare Wallington, Donna Hazzard, Pam Mullaly, Tintumol Thomas, Peter Martyn, Bruce Gillett.

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





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.officeofsafequarding.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 Third Sunday of Easter Year C Sunday 04 May 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.

Amen.

Greeting

Blessed be Jesus Christ who has redeemed us and raised us to new life.

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.

United with the whole Church,

we celebrate the joy of Easter

and keep 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

who has raised us to new life.

Lord Jesus, you gather people from every race and nation: Lord, have

Lord Jesus, you lead us to springs of water: Christ, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you have promised us eternal life: Lord, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy.

May almighty God have mercy on us,

and bring us to everlasting life.

All:

Opening Prayer

Leader:

Let us pray.

All pause for silent prayer.

Loving God,

you lead your faithful flock

along the Good Shepherd's path.

Help us to follow Jesus

so that one day we may reach our eternal home

and share in the joys of heaven.

We make this prayer through Jesus Christ,

with the Holy Spirit,

for ever and ever. All:

A brief period of silence follows. Leader:

mercv.

All: Lord, have mercy.

All: Christ, have mercy.

Leader:

forgive us our sins,

Amen.

Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

Acts of the Apostles 13:14, 43-52

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

We are now turning to the gentiles.

Paul and Barnabas carried on from Perga till they reached Antioch in Pisidia. Here they went to synagogue on the sabbath and took their

When the meeting broke up, many Jews and devout converts joined Paul and Barnabas, and in their talks with them Paul and Barnabas $urged\ them\ to\ remain\ faithful\ to\ the\ grace\ God\ had\ given\ them.$ The next sabbath almost the whole town assembled to hear the word of God. When they saw the crowds, the Jews, prompted by jealousy, used blasphemies and contradicted everything Paul said. Then Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly, 'We had to proclaim the word of God to you first, but since you have rejected it, since you do not think yourselves worthy of eternal life, we must turn to the pagans. For this is what the Lord commanded us to do when he said:

I have made you a light for the nations,

so that my salvation may reach the ends of the earth.' It made the pagans very happy to hear this and they thanked the Lord for his message; all who were destined for eternal life became believers. Thus the word of the Lord spread through the whole countryside. But the Jews worked upon some of the devout women of the upper classes and the leading men of the city and persuaded them to turn against Paul and Barnabas and expel them from their territory. So they shook the dust from their feet in defiance and went off to Iconium; but the disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit.

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

The word of the Lord.

All reply:

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 99:1-3. 5. R. v.3

(R.) We are his people, the sheep of his flock.

- 1. Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth. Serve the Lord with gladness. Come before him, singing for joy. (R.)
- Know that he, the Lord, is God. He made us, we belong to him, we are his people, the sheep of his flock. (R.)
- 3. Indeed, how good is the Lord, eternal his merciful love. He is faithful from age to age. (R.)

Second Reading

Revelation 7:9, 14-17

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse

The Lamb who is at the throne will be their shepherd and will lead them to springs of living water.

I, John, saw a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language; they were standing in front of the throne and in front of the Lamb, dressed in white robes and holding palms in their hands. One of the elders said to me, 'These are the people who have been through the great persecution, and because they have washed their robes white again in the blood of the Lamb, they now stand in front of God's throne and serve him day and night in his sanctuary; and the One who sits on the throne will spread his tent over them. They will never hunger or thirst again; neither the sun nor scorching wind will ever plague them, because the Lamb who is at the throne will be their shepherd and will lead them to springs of living water; and God will wipe away all tears from their eyes.'

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Gospel

Reader:

From the holy Gospel according to John.

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Glory to you, O Lord.

John 10:27-30

I give my sheep eternal life.

Jesus said:

'The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice;

I know them and they follow me.

I give them eternal life;

they will never be lost

and no one will ever steal them from me.

The Father who gave them to me is greater than anyone,

and no one can steal from the Father.

The Father and I are one.'

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: Brothers and sisters, in faith as the flock of the Lord, we turn to God with our prayers.

Reader: That the Church's bishops and religious everywhere will be faithful shepherds of Christ's flock. In your mercy:

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: That our mothers, grandmothers, godmothers and all motherfigures in our lives, will be blessed by God for the love and care they give to us. In your mercy:

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: That our parish community may always remember the love God has for us. In your mercy:

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: That those who have wandered from the flock will be returned with a strengthened spirit. In your mercy:

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: That all people may respond in faith to the call to vocation, whether it be lay or religious, married or single, and be encouraged by their families and faith communities. In your mercy:

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: That Pope Leo XIV , newly chosen to lead the people of God, will be always attentive to the voice of the Holy Spirit. In your

mercy:

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: That all the sick will be comforted through God's merciful love, especially our loved ones and community members. In your

mercy:

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: That all who have died will be granted eternal life, especially Pope Francis, our loved ones and those who belonged to this community. In your mercy:

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: God our Father, you lead your flock to the living water of eternal life. Hear our prayers and help us to trust in confidence that we are always in the care of our true

Shepherd. 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:

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Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come,

tny 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:

Through the resurrection of his Son God has redeemed us and made us his children. May the Lord bless us with joy

and fill us with fruits of the Spirit.

All make the sign of the cross during the blessing. All:

Amen.

Dismissal

Leader:

Let us go in peace. Alleluia.

All:

Thanks be to God.

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