

Lakeside Pastoral Region Bulletin

The Catholic Parishes of Booragul Warners Bay, Toronto and Morisset

St Michael the Archangel - 46 Ranclaud Street, Booragul

St Mary's - 2 Bayview Street, Warners Bay

St Joseph's - 140 Wangi Road, Toronto

Sts Patrick & Brigid - 6 Martinsville Road, Cooranbong

St John Vianney - 60 Yambo Street, Morisset

We acknowledge the Awabakal & Darkinjung people - the traditional custodians of this place

SUNDAY, 28 JUNE 2026

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A

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BAPTISMS & SACRAMENTS

Booking via Parish Website

Baptisms celebrated most Sundays.

UPCOMING MASS TIMES:

Sat 27 June

Mass	5:00pm	Cooranbong
Mass	5:30pm	Booragul

Sun 28 June

Mass	8:30am	Toronto
Mass	9:00am	Warners Bay
Mass	10:00am	Morisset
Mass	6:00pm	Warners Bay

Tue 30 Jun

Mass	9:30am	Morisset
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Wed 01 Jul

Mass	9:00am	Booragul
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Thu 02 Jul

Mass	9:30am	Warners Bay
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Fri 03 Jul

Mass	9:30am	Toronto
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Dear Parish Family,

Anyone who welcomes you welcomes me!

Over these past weeks, the theme in our readings have been about the spreading of the Kingdom and the call to discipleship. Last weekend and again this weekend, Jesus reminds us that following Him is not always easy and we reminded that there will be opposition along the way. Even from those closest to us. This means we will be asked to make difficult choices.

The Gospel of Matthew, written around the year 80, reflects a time of turmoil. After the fall of the Temple, Judaism was in upheaval and there was strong opposition to the Christian message. Families were divided, converts were excluded from synagogues, and even family members turned against one another. Many were forced to choose – family, faith, even religion.

When you think about life is full of choices. We choose where we live, what we like to drink – tea or coffee - what sport we follow, and which team we support. We make a choice about whom we marry, to marry or not. We probably made choices even today: “Will I go to Mass, or stay home where it’s warmer?” Can I say you made a good choice if you’re here tonight or this morning 😊 !

But our deepest choice – as St Paul reminds us – is shaped by our Baptism. Baptism changes us. At our Baptism, or through our families, a choice was made: a choice for life, a choice to be children of God, a choice to follow Christ.

In following Christ today, our readings challenge us with three key aspects of discipleship.

First, we are called to embrace the Cross. It requires a loving gift of ourselves so that others may have life. Second, we are called to be prophets of our own time, in a world that can often come across as hopeless. Third, we are called to be welcoming and supportive and in doing so, recognising the presence of God in others and supporting one another in faith. The woman of Shunem in the First Reading reminds us of the importance of hospitality and recognising the sacred in others.

Are we, as a community of disciples, welcoming? In our homes, in our church, in our parish – do we welcome those who are different, those who may not meet our expectations?

In the end, discipleship is about choices - choosing Christ and living that choice every day....not just on Sunday!

Stay warm and well!

Fr Darryl Mackie

Parish Priest

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A Sunday 28 Jun 2026

First Reading (2 Kings 4:8-11. 14-16)

A reading from the second book of the Kings

One day as Elisha was on his way to Shunem, a woman of rank who lived there pressed him to stay and eat there. After this he always broke his journey for a meal when he passed that way. She said to her husband, 'Look, I am sure the man who is constantly passing our way must be a holy man of God. Let us build him a small room on the roof, and put him a bed in it, and a table and chair and lamp; whenever he comes to us he can rest there.'

One day when he came, he retired to the upper room and lay down. 'What can be done for her?' he asked. Gehazi (his servant) answered, 'Well, she has no son and her husband is old.' Elisha said, 'Call her.' The servant called her and she stood at the door. 'This time next year,' Elisha said 'you will hold a son in your arms.'

Responsorial Psalm (Ps 88:2-3. 16-19. R. v.2)

(R.) Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

1. I will sing for ever of your love, O Lord;
through all ages my mouth will proclaim your truth.
Of this I am sure, that your love lasts for ever,
that your truth is firmly established as the heavens. (R.)
2. Happy the people who acclaim such a king,
who walk, O Lord, in the light of your face,
who find their joy every day in your name,
who make your justice the source of their bliss. (R.)
3. For it is you, O Lord, who are the glory of their strength;
it is by your favour that our might is exalted:
for our ruler is in the keeping of the Lord;
our king in the keeping of the Holy One of Israel. (R.)

Second Reading (Romans 6:3-4. 8-11)

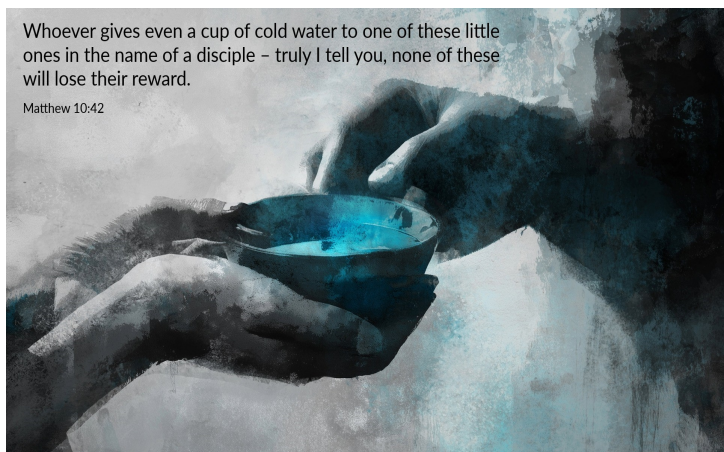
A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

When we were baptised in Christ Jesus we were baptised in his death; in other words, when we were baptised we went into the tomb with him and joined him in death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the Father's glory, we too might live a new life.

But we believe that having died with Christ we shall return to life with him: Christ, as we know, having been raised from the dead will never die again. Death has no power over him any more. When he died, he died, once for all, to sin, so his life now is life with God; and in that way, you too must consider yourselves to be dead to sin but alive for God in Christ Jesus.

Whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple - truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward.

Matthew 10:42



Gospel Acclamation (1 Peter 2:9)

Alleluia, alleluia!

You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy people. Praise God who called you out of darkness and into his marvellous light.

Alleluia!

Gospel (Matthew 10:37-42)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus instructed the Twelve as follows: 'Anyone who prefers father or mother to me is not worthy of me. Anyone who prefers son or daughter to me is not worthy of me. Anyone who does not take his cross and follow in my footsteps is not worthy of me. Anyone who finds his life will lose it; anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it.

'Anyone who welcomes you welcomes me; and those who welcome me welcome the one who sent me.

'Anyone who welcomes a prophet because he is a prophet will have a prophet's reward; and anyone who welcomes a holy man because he is a holy man will have a holy man's reward.

'If anyone gives so much as a cup of cold water to one of these little ones because he is a disciple, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward.'

Come to Me, all who are
weary and burdened, and I will
give you rest. - Mt 11:28

Come and join us for prayer,
reflection, and adoration.

When: Thursdays, 6:30pm

Where: St Michael the Archangel, Booragui



Communion

Catholics who have made the proper spiritual and sacramental preparation may come forward in the procession to receive Holy Communion.

The sacred host must be consumed in the presence of the communion minister. Non-Catholic friends are invited to remain seated in silent prayer or may come forward to receive a blessing with arms crossed over the chest.

Pope Leo's Prayer Intention for June 2026

For the values of sports.

Let us pray that sports be an instrument of peace, encounter, and dialogue among cultures and nations, and that they promote values such as respect, solidarity, and personal growth.



(CNS photo/Vatican Media)

Planned Giving

At the beginning of the last financial year, you may recall a notice in the bulletin regarding legislative changes affecting the Diocese's Trust Fund, of which parish accounts were a part.

For many years, parishes were able to pay school expenses from the Trust Fund, allowing contributors to claim a partial tax deduction through the Planned Giving program. However, due to changes in government legislation, tax deductibility now applies only to organisations classified as Public Benevolent Institutions. Within our Diocese, the only entity that meets this classification is Catholic Care.

Following advice from both finance and legal advisors, the Diocese was required to close all parish Trust Fund accounts. Any remaining funds were transferred to Catholic Care in compliance with the new regulations.

What does this mean for you?

From the start of this financial year, contributions made through Planned Giving are no longer tax-deductible. We understand this may be disappointing, as it was when first announced. However, we are obliged to comply with current legislation.

We sincerely hope you will continue your generous support, which is vital in maintaining our parish buildings, covering insurance, and sustaining the programs that keep our parish communities strong and vibrant.



NAIDOC Week 2026 Civic Flag Raising Ceremony & Community Festival

Monday 6 July 2026, 8:45am, Civic Park, Newcastle

Join us for the NAIDOC Week Flag Raising Ceremony as we celebrate this year's theme, "50 Years of Deadly"—marking five decades of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander excellence, strength, culture, and leadership. Following the ceremony, a community procession will make its way to Foreshore Park for the Awabakal Newcastle NAIDOC Community Festival. The Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle is proud to support this important event and invites all to come together to celebrate, listen, learn, and walk alongside First Nations peoples in the spirit of reconciliation. Show your support!

Register here: [NAIDOC Week Flag Raising Ceremony, MONDAY 6 July 2025, 8:45 am at Civic Park, Newcastle – Fill out form](#)

Called to Know More: Ministry to Seafarers

Thursday 9 July from 11.15am–1.30pm.

Join us for the next *Called to Know More* gathering as Port Chaplain Mark Spencer shares stories of the lives of seafarers and the Church's ministry among them ahead of Sea Sunday on 12 July. More than 90% of the goods we rely on arrive by sea, carried by people who often spend months away from home facing isolation and challenging conditions. Enjoy a guided bus tour of Port Waratah, the Port of Newcastle, and the Stella Maris Centre at Wickham. Seats are limited, so bookings are essential: [Called to Know More - Stories from our Stella Maris Port Chaplain - Catholic Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle](#)

2026 Magdalene Awards

Sunday 26 July, 9:30am, Sacred Heart Cathedral

We warmly invite you to join us as we celebrate and recognise these remarkable women and their contribution to our diocesan community.

Register: [The 2026 Magdalene Award Celebration - Catholic Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle](#)

Sea Sunday 12 July 2026

Sea Sunday is a time to pray for and support the men and women who work at sea, often far from home in difficult and isolating conditions. The 2026 theme is *Harbours of Hope: The Church Alongside Seafarers*. Through the Ministry of The Mission to Seafarers and Stella Maris, churches offer care, welcome, and hope to seafarers visiting our ports. In 2025 alone, more than 48,000 ship visits and 150,000 shore leave transports were provided.

Please consider supporting this vital ministry through prayer, hospitality, or a financial donation. Donations over \$2 are tax deductible.

Account Name: The Apostleship of the Sea
BSB: 062 784 Account Number: 1000 12583

Anointing Mass

Thursday 16th July at 9.30am

St Mary's Church 2 Bayview St
Warners Bay

An anointing with the "Oil of the Sick" for those who are sick, frail, elderly or in need of healing.



COME JOIN US FOR... Ladies Day Luncheon

MONDAY
6 JULY 2026

When: From 11:30 am
Where: Boolaroo Sports Club,
31 Eighth Street,
Speers Point
RSVP: June 0407 010 663
Gwen 4956 9596

ALL WELCOME



REAL
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The next REAL WOMEN CAFE NIGHT

Monday, 10 August 2026
7.30 pm – 9.15 pm

St Mary's Catholic Church Hall

Booking will open at St Mary's Hall, Warners Bay
on Saturday 11 July 2026 10am to 12pm

Donation of \$15 per person

If you would like to do a direct deposit
please contact Sue or Marie.

Bookings may also be made by phone

Phone: Sue – 0417 091 255 or
Marie – 0429 191 245

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Recently Deceased:

Anniversaries: Kas Panek, Kathleen Shelley, Fr Paul Campbell OFM, Jack Dangarfield

We remember and pray for those who are ill at home and in hospital at this time, may they know the healing presence of Christ: Jane Farrugia, Guillermo Gomez, Maria Angelica Ansoldo, Penny Lamb, Ali Ford, Steven, Jo Turner, Robyn Williams, Helen Sligar, Terry Clancy, Leslie Henry, Andrew Regan, Eileen Brooks, Vince Abdilla, J, Margaret Ryan, John Osborne, Andrew Garvie, Ariane Hampton, Bernadette Gill, Patricia Neilson, Peter O'Neil, Eoin O'Connor, Pat Casey, Ann Moore, Rianna MacKaway, Joan Bain, Eva Newton, Billy Eckersley, Andrew Carr, Lewis Carr, Leah Scott, Darren Heaton, Glenda Noble, Keely Heaton, Marie Ryan, Graham Taylor, Joy Dixon, Pat, Enid, Rebecca, Riley, Dot, Suzan Aslin, Michael, Patrick Grew, John, Adrian Van Bellan, Franis Parsons, Kurt Heaton, Ross Redgrove, Cathy Quinlan and Robyn

Please contact the office if there are any changes.

Rosters

	Reading	Welcoming	Communion
Saturday 27 June 5:30pm	Joan Wilson Maggie Hughes Sallyanne Stanbridge	June Fava Maggie Hughes	Marie Osbourne Sallyanne Stanbridge Louise Stanbridge
Sunday 28 June 9:00am	Stephen Bartlett Cheryl Thomas Penny Bannister	Kath Caset Carol Geyl	Les Brooks Bal Gato Stephen Collins Kim Smith
Sunday 28 June 6:00pm	Carmen Zuhair Andrea Matulova Mary Sacco	Jane Barnett Stephen Barnett	Jane Barnette Helen Beath Ralph Asquith



BAPTISMS

This weekend we will witness the baptism of

**Millie Elizabeth Edwards
Teddy Gavin Neal
Bohdi Alexander Gelfius
Darcy Alexander Chilvers**

May the gift of baptism they will receive strengthen them
For their journey of life and faith they will share with us.

Please remember the Edwards, Neal Gelfius and Chilvers
families in your prayers.

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Principal: Nick Wickham

PARISH GROUPS

Finance Committee

Thursday 02 July 2026 - 6:00pm

St Michael's Booragul

Pastoral Council Meeting

TBA

St Michael's Booragul

Promotion of Safeguarding

Please contact the office

St Vincent de Paul

Membership enquiries

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Booragul - Steve Barnett: 0409 917 995

Mass Collection - Thank you

First Collection supports our priests:

BSB: 066 739

Account Number: 100014920

Account Name: CBA

Reference: *Your Surname.*

Second Collection supports our parish:

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