



Sacred Heart of Jesus Cathedral

DIOCESE OF MAITLAND-NEWCASTLE

SUNDAY 17TH JANUARY 2021
2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR B

Sacred Heart Cathedral is the Cathedral Church of the Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle, a church of St Benedict's Parish, Inner Newcastle, and part of the City Pastoral Region.

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Sacred Heart Cathedral sits on the traditional country of the Awabakal and Worimi peoples.



We acknowledge their cultural heritage, beliefs and their continuing relationship with the land, pay respect to their Elders past, present and future, and commit ourselves to working together for reconciliation and justice.



CATHEDRAL DIARY...(for the week ahead)

2nd Week of Ordinary Time

Monday—18 January

8:15am Mass

Tuesday—19 January

8:15am Mass

Wednesday—20 January

8:15am Mass

Thursday—21 January

Memorial of St Agnes

8:15am Mass

Friday—22 January

11am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

11am Reconciliation (until midday)

12:05pm Mass

Saturday—23 January

8.50am Rosary

9.15am Mass, followed by Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help, and then Reconciliation until 11am

5:30pm Vigil Mass

Sunday—24 January

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30am Mass (Live streamed)

11:30am Polish Mass

5pm Mass

LIVE-STREAMING NOTICE

The 9.30am Mass from Sacred Heart Cathedral is live-streamed (and recorded) each week. The camera is located under the choir loft and faces towards the sanctuary, though it can be directed to various parts of the Cathedral if needed.

Parishioners should be aware that they may be filmed during the celebration of the 9.30am Mass. This filming will mostly capture their image from behind. We cannot guarantee, however, that their faces will not be featured on the live-stream or recording, particularly the case during the Communion Procession. The live-stream will make use of multiple camera angles to minimise the identification of individuals as much as possible, but this will not eliminate the possibility of being filmed.

Parishioners with concerns about being filmed or recorded should speak with the Cathedral's Rector in the first instance.

The Cathedral is served by a hearing loop—use the setting marked "T".

BACKGROUND ON THE GOSPEL READING

Although the liturgical season of Ordinary Time begins this week, today's reading continues with the celebration of the Baptism of the Lord, which concludes the Christmas season. Today's reading from the Gospel according to John immediately follows John the Baptist's testimony about Jesus and his identification of Jesus as the Lamb of God. Having been baptized by John, Jesus begins to gather followers. The first followers sought out Jesus because of the testimony and witness of John the Baptist.

We are familiar with the title that John the Baptist uses for Jesus—the Lamb of God. We hear it weekly at the fraction rite during Mass. For those who heard John the Baptist, however, this title recalled key themes from the Old Testament. It alludes to the paschal lamb offered as a sacrifice when God freed the Israelites from slavery in Egypt, the event that is commemorated by the Jewish Passover celebration. The designation also recalls the prophet Isaiah's description of the suffering servant of Israel. In using this name for Jesus, John the Baptist predicts Jesus' passion and death and the new interpretation of Passover that will begin with Jesus' Last Supper.

We learn in today's reading how Jesus' first followers were gathered. The first two, Andrew and another man, were followers of John the Baptist. After hearing John's testimony, they became followers of Jesus. During their time with Jesus, the details of which are not specified, Andrew and the other follower came to believe that Jesus was the Messiah. Andrew then brings his brother, Simon, to Jesus. Immediately, Jesus gave Simon a new name, calling him *Peter*, which means "rock" in Greek. The renaming of Simon to Peter is reported in all four of the Gospels.

In the exchange between Andrew, the other disciple, and Jesus, we see an example of the usual pattern for first-century Jewish rabbinical schools. Jews sought out rabbis and established themselves as disciples of a particular rabbi. Jesus appears to have been unique in that he sought out individuals, inviting them to be his followers. In the passage that follows, John's Gospel tells us how Jesus took the initiative in calling Philip and Nathanael.

Jesus asks Andrew and the other disciple, "What are you looking for?" This is a telling question, and one that we might often ask of ourselves. John the Baptist testified to Jesus' identity, the Lamb of God, using the framework of the Old Testament. Andrew, Simon, and the other first disciples were looking for the Messiah, whom they also came to know as the Son of God. What do we look for and what do we find in Jesus?

COVID-19-RELATED INFORMATION

Maximum Number of Persons in Cathedral

Under the current Public Health Order, the limit on the number of persons who can be present in a church is now calculated by allowing 2 square metres per person within the building (with no upper limit).

In the Cathedral, that limit is **221 persons**.

The limit applies to all Masses and other liturgical celebrations.

Provision of Contact Details

The Public Health Order requires the collection of contact details for those who attend any liturgical celebration in a church (e.g. Mass, weddings, funerals, Baptisms, etc.).

Every person must provide their contact details or have them provided by someone else (i.e. a parent for a child, a wife for a husband, etc.).

The contact details that are required are defined as a) name, b) phone number or email address, and c) the time of arrival.

NB: It is important that you write your FULL name, and print clearly so that it can be easily read by someone from outside the Parish (if necessary).

A Contact Details Form will be provided at the door to permit the collection of these details. It is also possible to use your mobile phone with either the Service NSW QR Code or the third-party QR Code which are accessible via the posters at the doors.

General Requirements

While in the Cathedral, you must observe physical distancing, refrain from physical acts of devotion, avoid unnecessary contact with other parishioners, and not gather with others unnecessarily.

We ask those who are particularly at risk – the elderly, those with compromised health, those who are sick – to refrain from returning to Mass for the sake of their own health. The dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass given by the Bishop remains in place in these circumstances.



REGIONAL NOTICES

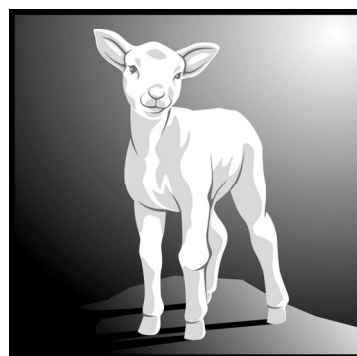
Bookclub: Our next meeting is at 6.00pm on **Sunday 7 February** to share thoughts on the book, *One Bright Moon*, by Andrew Kwong.

If you would like to participate in book club meetings, please send an email to the Regional Office, newcparish@mn.catholic.org.au

CHRISTIAN FORMATION COURSE 2021

The Christian Formation Course (CFC) is a face-to-face learning experience that allows participants to explore their life's journey and their faith within the Catholic Tradition. This one-year course introduces participants to scripture, theology, church history, sacramental life, and liturgy. The course runs across twelve months and comprises of eight units. Commencing on Tuesday, February 2, 2021, no prerequisite formation or qualification is required to enrol. All who complete the Course are awarded a diocesan Certificate in Christian Formation.

To enrol in the Christian Formation Course in 2021:
<https://www.mn.catholic.org.au/church-mission/catholic-life/adult-faith-formation/christian-formation-course/>



From the perspective of ...

The Disciples

We'd been following John the Baptist for nearly a year. He was a great man doing great work. He had called us to repent and baptised us in the river. We were so impressed with him that we began to follow him. There'd been plenty of other healers and preachers to follow, but John seemed to be something special – some had talked about him being the messiah! Then all of a sudden John pointed out Jesus and called him the lamb of God. There was something different about this man and it just seemed right to leave John behind and go with Jesus.

TODAY'S LITURGY

ENTRANCE HYMN

HERE I AM, LORD

Dan Schutte S. J.

I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin, My hand will save.
I who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord. Is it I Lord?

I have heard you calling in the night.

I will go Lord, if you lead me.

I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide,
Till their hearts be satisfied.

I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

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PENITENTIAL RITE

GLORIA

***Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.***

We praise You. We bless You. We adore you.

We glorify You.

We give You thanks for Your great glory.

Lord God, heavenly King, O God almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only-begotten Son.

Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father:

you take away the sins of the world,

have mercy on us.

You take away the sins of the world,

receive our prayer.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father,

have mercy on us.

For you alone are the holy one. You alone are the

Lord. You alone, are the most high Jesus Christ.

With the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING: 1 Samuel 3:3-10, 19

Speak, O Lord, your servant is listening.

We pause for silent reflection.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM 39: 2,4,7-10 S Warner

Here I am, O God, I come to do your will.

I waited for the Lord
and my Maker bent down to hear me.
My cry and my prayer
were heard in the heart of God.

A new song was put into my mouth,
A hymn to my Creator;
For the many shall see and trust in the Lord, our God.

How many, O Lord my God,
Are your wonders and your designs!
The marvels you work
are great beyond all praise.

It is written within the Holy word
That I should do your will.
In the depths of my heart
I sing before your word.

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SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 6: 13-15, 17-20

Your bodies are members of the body of Christ.

We pause for silent reflection.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Speak, Lord, your servant is listening.

You have the words of everlasting life!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

GOSPEL John 1: 35-42

They saw where Jesus lived and they stayed with him.

We pause for silent reflection.

THE NICENE CREED

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation he came down
from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of
the Virgin Mary, and became man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,



he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day in accordance with
the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and
glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
Creator of Heaven and earth;
and in Jesus Christ, His only Son Our Lord,
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 shall 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

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PREPARATION OF GIFTS

THEY'LL KNOW WE ARE CHRISTIANS P Scholtes

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord
We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord
And we pray that all unity may one day be restored

*And they'll know we are Christians
by our love, by our love*

Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love

We will walk with each other,
we will walk hand in hand
We will walk with each other,
we will walk hand in hand
And together we'll spread the news
that God is in our land

We will work with each other,
we will work side by side
We will work with each other,
we will work side by side
And we'll guard each one's dignity
and save each one's pride

All praise to the Father, from whom all things come
And all praise to Christ Jesus, his only Son,
And all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one.

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MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION A

We proclaim your death O Lord and profess your
resurrection, until you come again

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COMMUNION HYMN

BEHOLD THE LAMB:

Martin Willett

Those who were in the dark
are thankful for the sunlight;
we who live, we who die
are grateful for his gift.
thankful for his love.

***Behold, behold the Lamb of God,
All who eat, all who drink shall live;
and all, all who dwell in God
shall come to know his glory.***

Peaceful now, those whose hearts are blessed
with understanding, of the wheat, of the wine,
united with his word, and the love we share.

Gentle one, Child of God, join with us at this table.
Bless our lives; nourish all who hunger for this feast.
shelter them with peace.

Lord of all, give us light. Deliver us from evil.
Make us one; be our shield. Make still
the winds that blow; cradle us with love.

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RECESSIONAL HYMN

CELTIC ALLELUIA: SENDING FORTH

Fintan O'Carroll & Christopher Walker

Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia.

Now with the strength of your Word,
send us to be your disciples,
to bring all the world to the joy of your kingdom.

Fed with the Bread of new life,
filled with the wine of compassion,
send us out to serve all the world in your name.

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FIRST WE HAVE TO REMEMBER

Ted Wolgamot

“What are you looking for?” (John 1:38)

There’s a story that’s told about an only child, a 3-year-old girl, whose mother was pregnant again. The girl couldn’t wait until the baby was born. Soon after her parents brought a new baby boy home from the hospital, she excitedly made a request: Could she be alone with her new brother in his room all by herself for just a few minutes? Her parents were a bit uneasy about this idea, but, since they had installed an intercom system, they reluctantly granted her wish. So, once their daughter went into the baby’s room and shut the door, they raced to the intercom to listen to what she was doing. What they heard was their 3-year-old tiptoe across the room and whisper to her newborn brother: “Tell me about God — I’ve almost forgotten.”

This story makes us smile, but it also makes us uncomfortable. Because the story suggests that when we are young we clearly know that we come from God. But, in the process of growing up, we start to forget: We forget from whom we came and in whom we live.

This sense of increasing forgetfulness as we become more conscious of our own self-centeredness reminds us of the central meaning of the Genesis story in which Adam and Eve become estranged from God and begin to live in exile “east of Eden.”

Little by little, as we mature, each of us starts to descend into the world of self-concern. We begin to become blind to the needs of others and immersed in our self.

“What are you looking for?” This is the question Jesus is asking these two men in our Gospel reading today — and Jesus asks each one of us the same thing.

“Come and you will see.” This is the invitation Jesus offers to all who are looking for another way to live.

Come, he says, and I will show you a road that will lead you on a return from exile. Come and I will introduce you to a way in which you can recover your true self. Come and I will lead you on a journey in which you can begin living inside out, instead of outside in.

What Jesus is talking about is how we can be “born again,” not in some dramatic one-time event, but through a lifelong process that will involve developing within us a new heart, a new way of seeing and a new way of relating to the world around us.

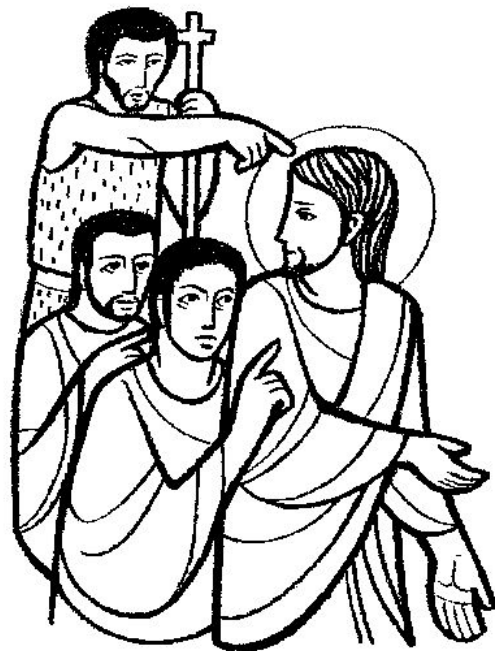
St. Paul speaks of this new way of being as a life “in Christ”. It will be one that is noticeable to everyone because it will be distinguished by four major qualities: freedom, joy, peace and compassion. We will begin living out of our hearts, not our compulsions.

The word “heart” appears over a thousand times in the Bible. It’s a word that stands for the deepest part of us, the part that still remembers — remembers from Whom we came and in Whom we live. It’s that part of us that desperately wants our blindness restored, our hunger fed, our sickness healed, our sinfulness forgiven.

In our first reading from the prophet Isaiah, we hear God continually calling out to Samuel. Here’s the good news: God is still calling out. And he’s still hoping to find us willing to say with Samuel, “Speak, for your servant is listening.”

But to do that, we, like the little girl in the story, have to remember, and then fall to our knees.

Come and see



NEXT WEEK’S READINGS

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

Jonah 3:1-5, 10
1 Corinthians 7:29-31
Mark 1:14-20



ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY Members Needed!

Our Members are the backbone of the St Vincent de Paul Society and live their faith in action by providing support and friendship through visitation in-home or within the community.

Along with visitation, Members will also have the opportunity to be a part of a variety of activities such as Mini Vinnies with local schools or Social Justice campaigns.

In the 2019-2020 Financial Year, the dedicated Members of the St Vincent de Paul in Maitland-Newcastle Diocese were responsible for assisting approximately 7500 people within the community.

Our Conferences provide a service in most regions within the Diocese and are currently seeking individuals to become Members who are passionate about providing a hand up to those that are disadvantaged.

If you can help in any way for any amount of time that suits you, please call Sarah Kemp on 02 4922 1801 or email on sarah.kemp@vinnies.org.au to discuss how

ART COMPETITION



The social justice 2020-2021 Statement, *To Live Life to the Full: Mental Health in Australia today*, provides the opportunity to better understand mental illness and how as social beings we need the bonds of family, friends, and the broader community to celebrate the joys and hopes of life. <https://socialjustice.catholic.org.au/2020/07/03/social-justice-statement-2020-21/>

Artists are invited to create a work based on the themes found in the Social Justice Statement. Works can be 2 or 3 dimensional no larger than 1 x 1 metre.

Entries close Friday 19 June. Exhibition Date: Saturday July 17 2-5pm The Veritas Centre: San Clemente High School, Mayfield. NSW.

Categories: Stage 3, Stage 4, Stage 5, Stage 6, Adult.

A MESSAGE FROM THE COUNCIL FOR CATHOLIC WOMEN (CACW)

As 2021 begins there is much to look forward to for the women of our Diocese.

Early in 2020 the Council of Catholic Women (CACW) was disbanded. As a result, members of the former Diocesan contact group have faced the challenge of keeping our diocesan women informed and included in future directions as new beginnings are sought.

As part of the ongoing efforts, some members of the former contact group have written to Bishop Bill suggesting the forming of a Diocesan Council for Women.

While waiting for Bishop Bill to respond, **a meeting has been scheduled for Thursday, 11 February 2021, at 4pm in the Toohey Room.** Please enter this date in your diary.

The vision of this small organising group is to include all Diocesan women through conversations, visits or Zoom in all parts of the Diocese and across all interest groups that are inclusive, reflective and fun.

The annual Magdalene Awards will take a break in 2021 but will be replaced by a celebration of Women in our Diocese. On International Women's Day—Sunday 7 March—Bishop Bill will mark the occasion at the 9.30am Mass in the Cathedral. It is hoped that it will be possible to come together afterwards for a morning tea, but this will depend on the prevailing COVID-19 restrictions.

Parishes will also be invited to recognise women in their local communities through prayer and, hopefully, hospitality.



IN YOUR CHARITY, PLEASE PRAY FOR:

RECENTLY DECEASED: Frank Schmuck, Dianne Gulliver, Rex Lewis

ANNIVERSARIES: Harry & Ian Collins

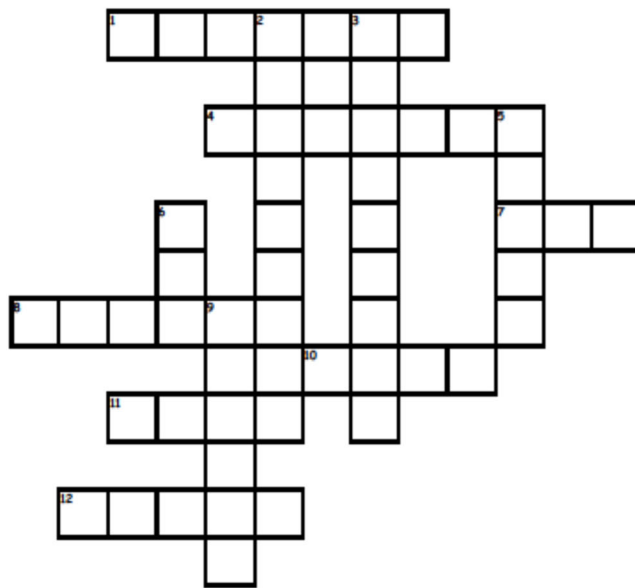
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Names may be placed here by contacting the Regional Office. Please refer to the Policy Document on the Regional website: www.newcastlecatholic.org.au/downloads

CROSSWORD

Here I am Lord

1 Sm 3-4-10. 19
Ps 40-1 & Job. 8 & 11. R. 8a & 9a
Jn 1-35-42



Across

- 1: the Saviour, God's chosen one
- 4: Andrew was Simon Peter's _____
- 7: where you sleep
- 8: this word means 'Messiah'
- 10: Samuel did not realise that the _____ was speaking to him
- 11: what we are called or known by
- 12: Jesus told Simon he would be known by this name

Down

- 2: one who serves
- 3: the time of day between noon and evening
- 5: this Hebrew word means 'teacher'
- 6: Samuel thought that this person was calling him
- 9: the Lord spoke to this person

JUNIOR WORDSEARCH

Here I am Lord

1 Sm 3-4-10. 19
Ps 40-1 & Job. 8 & 11. R. 8a & 9a
Jn 1-35-42

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Try to find these words:

- afternoon
- bed
- brother
- Christ
- Eli
- Lord
- Messiah
- name
- Peter
- Rabbi
- Samuel
- servant