

Inner Newcastle Parish: Sacred Heart Cathedral, Newcastle West; St Joseph's Church, The Junction; St Mary, Star of the Sea Church, Newcastle; Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, Tighes Hill; St Laurence O'Toole Church, Broadmeadow. Mayfield Parish: Christ the King, Mayfield West. Stockton Parish: St Peter-in-Chains, Stockton.

## SUNDAY 13 FEBRUARY 2022 SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR C

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**Parish Bulletin:** Prayer requests and items for the Bulletin should be received at the Parish Office by 5pm on Wednesdays.

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.

#### THE PARISH DIARY...(for the week ahead)

Sixth Week in Ordinary Time, Year C

Monday—14th February

Memorial of Sts Cyril and Methodius

8:15am Mass @ The Cathedral

Tuesday—15th February

8:15am Mass @ The Cathedral

Wednesday—16th February

8:15am Mass @ The Cathedral

9:00am Mass @ Mayfield West

Requiem: Jeff Buckby

9:15am Mass @ Tighes Hill

Thursday—17th February

8:15am Mass @ The Cathedral

8:30am Mass @ Stockton

Friday—18th February

10:15am Mass @ The Junction

11:00am Exposition, Adoration & Reconciliation @

The Cathedral (until 12pm)

12:05pm Mass @ The Cathedral

Saturday—19th February

9:15am Mass @ The Cathedral, followed by the

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

(followed by Reconciliation)

5:30pm Mass @ The Cathedral

5:30pm Mass @ The Junction

6:00pm Mass @ Mayfield West

Sunday—20th February

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

7.30am Mass @ St Mary's

8:00am Mass @ Tighes Hill

9:00am Mass @ The Junction

9:00am Mass @ Stockton

9:30am Mass @ The Cathedral \*

11:00am Mass @ The Junction (Italian)

11:30am Mass @ The Cathedral (Polish)

5:00pm Mass @ The Cathedral

6:00pm Mass @ Mayfield West (Vietnamese)

\* Livestreamed on the Cathedral's YouTube channel www.youtube.com/c/SacredHeartCathedralHamilton

#### **NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:**

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

1 Sm 26:2. 7-9. 12-13. 22-23 1 Cor 15:45-49 Lk 6:27-38

#### **BOOK CLUB**

**Sunday, 6th March @ 6pm** to discuss *Devotion* by Hannah Kent. If you would like to participate in book club meetings, please email



newcparish@mn.catholic.org.au

### ENROLMENTS FOR 2022 SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

A child's catholic faith journey began with the Sacrament of Baptism and continues by the reception of the Sacraments of Initiation, Confirmation and First Eucharist.

The preparations for these sacraments in the Inner Newcastle Parish run between February and June of every year and is designed for children going into Year, 4, 5 or 6 in 2022. Preparations are done as a family with online activities and volunteer work within the community.

Enrolments are now open for the 2022 program. If you are interested in being a part of the program this year please visit the parish website and complete the online enrolment form.

https://www.newcastlecatholic.org.au/sacramentalenrolment-form/

For more information please contact the office on 49791101 or newcparish@mn.catholic.org.au

#### VIEW, CHEW, AND CHAT

Meets Feb 16 for Lectio Divina. The schedule for the year is:

Week 1 (no meeting)

Week 2: Bible Study

Weeks 3 and 4: Lectio Divina

All meetings are online via Zoom. All welcome to participate regularly or occasionally.

#### **PRAYER REQUESTS**



**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Connie Jennings

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Margaret Watt, Millicent O'Neill, Kate Booker, Sr Marguerite Chapman rsj, Joan Cubis, Bertha Roche,

**SICK:** Maree Halbert, Carlo Rossi, Kath Murray, Veronica McCann, Wayne Bishop, Peter Skinner, Carmel Blair, Peter Keddie

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

#### EILEEN O'CONNOR MASS (20/2)

A Celebration of Centenary of the Death of Servant of God and Co-Founder of <u>Our Lady's Nurses of the Poor</u>, Eileen O'Connor, will be part of the Sunday 9.30am Mass on 20<sup>th</sup> Feb in SHC.

It is a particularly appropriate day to honour and give thanks for the work of the 'Brown Sisters', who arrived in Newcastle 60 years ago, on 19<sup>th</sup> Feb 1962 and commenced ministry from their Merewether Beach convent. All those generous parishioners who supported the 'Brown Sisters' ministry for so many years are warmly invited to attend.

#### **SYNOD OF BISHOPS**

Have you taken up Pope Francis' invitation to participate in a global conversation about the Catholic Church? You still have three weeks to make a submission to your local consultation for the international Synod on Synodality, calling the People of God to walk together in our mission as Christians. Submissions close on February 27. Find out more at: <a href="https://catholic.org.au/synodalchurch">https://catholic.org.au/synodalchurch</a>

#### 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:

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## CONTINUING OUR JOURNEY... BUILDING THE KINGDOM OF GOD TOGETHER IN 2022 LENTEN REFLECTION

During Lent we are invited into prayer to renew and refocus our relationship with God, with ourselves and others, so we can fully celebrate the Paschal Mystery and live life to the full.

Continuing our synodal journey, you are invited to come together in parishes, schools and across the Diocese, both face-to-face and online, to remain connected during the season of Lent.

#### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

Sr Jeannine French is 80 on Saturday. We wish her the very happiest of birthdays. If you see her at Mass on Saturday at the Cathedral or Sunday at St Joseph's, please stick around to celebrate with her!

#### ART EXHIBITION:

## SOCIAL JUSTICE STATEMENT CRY OF THE EARTH, CRY OF THE POOR

In the 2021-2022 Social Justice Statement Cry of the Earth, Cry of the Poor, Pope Francis reminds us that encounter, dialogue, and listening with an open heart enable God's transforming love to move more powerfully in the world.

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 metres. Name, title of work, school, parish and phone number clearly labelled on the back. This information, plus a 150 word (maximum) artist statement, must accompany the work and be emailed before 29 April through to rose.mcallister@mn.catholic.org.au

Delivered to Catholic Schools Office reception, 841

Hunter St, Newcastle West 2302 Exhibition date: Saturday May 14

Location: TBA Time: 2pm-5pm

Categories Stage 3, Stage 4, Stage 5, Stage 6, Adult. \$150 prize for the winning entry in each Category

## gospel focus

#### Treated as the prophets

As part of his sermon, Jesus announces, 'Happy are you when people hate you, drive you out, abuse you, denounce your name as criminal, on account of the Son of Man... This was the way their ancestors treated the prophets.' The prophets of the Old Testament were the chosen spokesmen of God. Their message was often unpopular and they were often threatened and berated for challenging the social order. To be treated in this way is in fact something of an affirmation that one's words and actions are reflecting the message of God. The Word of God is confronting and challenging!

#### REFLECTION

by Richard Leonard SJ

The Pope had just finished a tour of the USA and was taking a limousine to San Francisco. Having never driven a limo, he asked the chauffeur if he could drive for a while.

Well, the chauffeur didn't have much choice, so he climbs in the back and the Pope takes the wheel.

The Pope starts accelerating to see what the limo could do. He gets to 130 kph and suddenly sees the lights of the highway patrol in his rear vision mirror. He pulls over, but the policeman, seeing who it is, says, 'Just a minute your Holiness, I'm going to have to call in about this one'.

The trooper asks for the chief. He tells the chief he's got someone really important pulled over.

It's not Ted Kennedy again is it?

No Chief, it's more important.

Is it the Governor?

No sir, it's more important.

Good God man, you haven't pulled over the President?

No sir, even more important.

Who the heck is more important than the President of the USA?

I don't know sir, but he's got the Pope as his chauffeur.

What you see is often not what you get.

What we have just heard in Luke's Gospel falls into this category.

When we hear the phrase 'Blessed are you' it can sound rather patronising. It can seem that Jesus glosses over all sorts of tough human realities with, 'Well done, keep it up, be happy and we'll fix it all up in heaven'.

But reading the beatitudes in this light is a direct contradiction of what Jesus says in this text and certainly how he lived it out.

The Hebrew concept of a blessing isn't about Divine pats on bowed human heads; it is about where the presence of God is to be found. In the Hebrew Scriptures, a blessing is the discovery that God is present and active in one's experience, right here and right now.

So the beatitudes are saying that we do not need to go past our own daily struggles to find the presence of God. Jesus tells us that when we see the poor, the compassionate, the mournful, those who campaign for a just society and suffer because of it, the gentle, the innocent, the peacemakers and the martyrs; we are encountering, in a special way, the presence of God.

Jesus teaches us that God is not impervious to our pain and happiness, or a great manipulator desiring terrible things to punish us or teach us something. No. The God of the beatitudes is a companion with us in every experience we go through either personally or as a community.

Luke goes on to give us the 'woes and warnings' and these are as important as the beatitudes. Luke highlights for us that every blessing carries with it a call, every gift contains a duty to share it, and every right houses within it a responsibility.

This is particularly true of our nation where the vast majority of our citizens are housed, educated, have clean drinking water, a long life span, a job and enjoy a stable democracy. This places us in the top fifteen percent of the world's population. We should discover God's presence in the midst of these blessings, but we must face up to the responsibilities they give us.

It is not good enough to be simply appalled at the widening gap between rich and poor in our own country and around the world. Today's Gospel places at our feet the challenge to do something about it, in our prayer, in our careful use of resources, in what we spend our money on and how we vote for governments which might affect international change.

The Beatitudes and warnings call us to become so transparently attentive to justice, development and peace for all people that what others see in the followers of Christ is precisely what they get.

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#### FAITH MATTERS | SHARE YOUR STORY

Each fortnight Faith Matters aims to explores individuals and communities rich experience of their faith.

We invite you to share your faith story.

Everyone has a story.

No matter how ordinary yours may seem, we all have a story to tell and you never know what it can mean to someone until you share it.

You could use the following questions as a guide.

- Who are the people who guided your faith journey? How did they do that?
- Describe some defining moments of your faith journey? What made them significant?
- How has your faith been reflected in your work, your hobbies, your values, your choices, and your priorities at various times in your life?
- In what ways has your faith guided and supported you over your lifetime? How has your church/faith community guided and supported you?

We hope to use the stories as part of a Faith Matters. For more information or if you would like to be interviewed, please contact

<u>rose.mcallister@mn.catholic.org.au</u> or send your story to <u>shareourstory@mn.catholic.org.au</u>.

#### **CANTEEN SUPERVISOR**

Holy Family Primary School at Merewether Beach are currently advertising for a Canteen Supervisor for one day a week with the possibility of increasing these hours for special events at the school that require hospitality. If this is something that may be of interest to you, you can view the advertisement at

https://www.mn.catholic.edu.au/careers/positions-vacant/job/?id=11894

or email your interest to the Principal, Ann Jackson, at <a href="mailto:ann.jackson1@mn.catholic.edu.au">ann.jackson1@mn.catholic.edu.au</a> The starting date has been extended until Term 2 - 26th April.

#### RESIGNATION OF FR ANDREW DOOHAN

After almost seven years appointed to the Cathedral and the surrounding parish(es), I have resigned from my appointments and will conclude my ministry here on Easter Sunday.

After that, I will be embarking on both sabbatical and annual leave as a time of refreshment. Upon my return, I will take up a new appointment in a yet unknown parish within the diocese.

The full video version of my announcement can be found on the Parish and Cathedral websites.

Fr Andrew

#### JUNIOR WORDSEARCH

#### Happy are the poor, God's kingdom belongs to you

Lk 6:17, 20-23

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## OUR LADY'S NURSES FOR THE POOR MARKS LANDMARK ANNIVERSARY IN NEWCASTLE

Source: https://www.catholicweekly.com.au/six-decades-of-serving-the-poorest-of-the-poor/

For two-thirds of its 60 year history in Newcastle, the softly-spoken Sr Margaret-Mary Birgan has been the public face of Our Lady's Nurses for the Poor in the proud industrial city, north of Sydney.

Inspired by the co-founder of the order and Australia's saint-in-waiting, Eileen O'Connor, Sr Margaret-Mary has spent close to 40 years caring for generations of sick and poor Novocastrians through not only nursing care in their homes, but delivering thousands of food parcels and financial help as well.

From the single storey brick bungalow convent with a wide verandah at 8 Janet Street Merewether looking out across the Pacific Ocean, Sr Margaret Mary reflects with an unfailing humility on her contribution to serving the poorest of the poor.

"As Eileen constantly reminded us, when we go into people's private homes to help them, their homes are really their castles and so you always treated your patients with great respect", Sr Margaret-Mary explained.

"I hope I've given a bit of hope, comfort and support and enabled people to have food on their table, money in their purse, to get to the hospital, to get to the doctors when they have to".

"To this day I probably do at least 2000 visits to local homes here every year and just last Christmas, I gave out financial help to around 30 people".

Our Lady's Nurses for the Poor or the Brown Nurses as they're affectionately known, began their mission in Newcastle on what would have been Eileen O'Connor's 70th birthday: 19 February 1962.

The four foundation nurses, Mother Superior Cissie McLaughlin and Sisters Marie Purcell, Greta Gabb and Patricia Davoren quickly realised how much demand there was in the city for their support. By 1969, seven years after the mission started, they were conducting more than 3000 visits to local homes every year, delivering food, clothing and nursing care to anyone who needed it.

Sr Greta, now based at our Lady's Nurses home in Coogee is the only surviving Sister from the founding mission in Newcastle and has fond memories from the three years she spent there before returning to Coogee to prepare to take her final vows.

"The Lions Club donated a little car for us and one of the big challenges we faced was an Asian flu epidemic in 1963 and a lot of our patients contracted that", Sr Greta explained. "We helped sick patients, often with no family to care for them and carried out all the duties that a district nurse would. But we went a bit further, by cleaning their houses and doing the shopping for them as well".

Sr Greta said one of the great traditions left by Eileen O'Connor has been the care of patients wherever they live.

"You always went to where the patient was.

"Whether they lived near the duck pond at Centennial Park or under a tree at Maroubra, that was their home and you always did what the patient wanted or needed", she said.

"We've never charged our patients and don't accept donations from them. Instead we rely upon providence through donations from benefactors".

Decades prior to the arrival of the Brown Nurses in Newcastle, it's clear that Eileen O'Connor herself had a special affection for the city and its people and would have been proud of the mission there.

At the height of World War One, in 1915, Eileen travelled on her own to Newcastle to support the miners during a strike over unfair working conditions.

Travelling on her own was a particularly courageous feat for Eileen given she had battled a painful spinal condition, transverse myelitis for most of her young life, which left her unable to walk and confined to a wheelchair.

During her week-long visit to Newcastle, Eileen stayed at the Grand Northern Hotel opposite the city's main railway station and attended Mass at the Redemptorist Monastery in Mayfield. One of the Redemptorists' priests, Fr Wally Williamson CSSR carried Eileen into the church and he later became well known to the Sisters, celebrating regular Mass at Our Lady's home in Merewether.

During Eileen's visit to Newcastle, a concert was held to honour her and raise money for Our Lady's Nurses for the Poor at St Joseph's Convent at Lochinvar.

"She must have been a significant figure in the Catholic community at that time to have been honoured in that way", explained Sr Margaret Mary Birgan.

In 2018, the Archdiocese of Sydney began examining the cause for Eileen O'Connor's beatification and canonisation and anyone with "useful information" is invited to come forward to assist Church authorities in Rome to consider Eileen's cause.

Eileen's legacy is today living on in Newcastle, not only through the day-to-day efforts of Sr Margaret-Mary, but through countless lay volunteers as well.

Primary school teacher, Ms Julianne Galbraith is a second generation volunteer who was raised from a very young age to support the mission of Our Lady's Nurses for the Poor in Newcastle through her parents Alan and Ruth.

Her nieces and nephews have continued to support the mission in Newcastle, with three generations committed to playing their part to help Our Lady's Nurses for the Poor.

"As far back as the mid 1960s, I remember as a young girl, seeing my father involved in the fundraisers for the Sisters, including calling the "housie" in the Holy Family Primary school hall in Merewether", she explained.

"He also played an important role in organising regular cabarets. He'd boast that he was responsible for discovering the legendary entertainer Colleen Hewitt who he enlisted as a performer at one of the cabarets!"

Over recent decades, Julianne and her family have played an integral role in planning the largest annual fundraiser for the Sisters: a fete day which was traditionally held on the last Sunday in October and only stopped being held around three years ago.

"My mum handmade girls' dresses and boys' pyjamas on Saturday afternoons leading up to the fete. My dad visited the fruit markets and the seafood markets gathering the food for the fete and alongside my four brothers and two sisters, we set up our own stall selling everything from sausage sandwiches and donuts through to books and fresh flowers", she said.

"At the end of the day we would pack up and limp home exhausted and wait for the news of how much money we had managed to raise for the Sisters that year and they were always extremely grateful for our efforts".

Alongside Julianne's father, Alan at the fetes was another stalwart volunteer, Alan Bailey, who organised the chocolate wheel at the event for 30 years.

"The St Vincent De Paul Society was very good to us in Newcastle and they would lend us a van for the weekend of the fete to cart around the tables, chairs and the goods for the fete", he said.

"Our Lady's Nurses for the Poor have been a wonderful asset to Newcastle. They have never knocked anyone back. The door is always open to anyone who needs help".

As the people of Newcastle reflect on the indelible mark Our Lady's Nurses has left on the city over the past six decades, there are growing calls for the mission to continue and to share it with future generations.

"As a Catholic school teacher, I've been fortunate to invite Sr Margaret-Mary into the classroom to speak with the children about her work and the legacy of Eileen O'Connor. I'd love to see more lay volunteers

come forward to continue this important work and I hope to do more of that work when I retire from teaching", Julianne said.

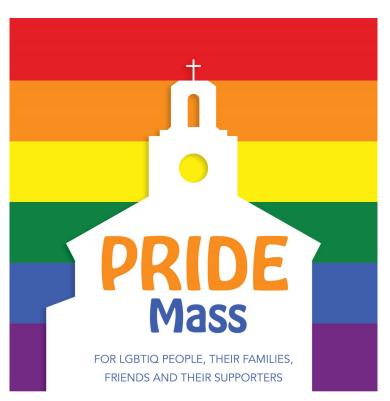
Aside from their unfailing support for the disadvantaged, Our Lady's Nurses for the Poor have supported local families in Newcastle through their pastoral care for everyone, she added.

"The nuns were like aunties to us. When my dad passed away, Sr Margaret-Mary was comforting us at the hospital and she was a reader at dad's funeral Mass and so we're very close to her.

"The Sisters are just very humble and generous regardless of a person's creed or financial status: they serve everybody".

A Mass marking the 60th Anniversary of Our Lady's Nurses for the Poor in Newcastle will be held on Sunday 20 February at 9.30am at Sacred Heart Cathedral in Newcastle.

The public is welcome to attend. If you're unable to attend in person, the Mass will be livestreamed on the Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle's You Tube channel.



#### FRIDAY 04th MARCH 2022 6.00PM

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY CHURCH, 16 Tighes Tce, Tighes Hill

For more information contact: LGBTIQ@mn.catholic.org.au

#### **TODAY'S LITURGY**

#### Entrance Antiphon Cf. Ps 30:3-4

Be my protector, O God, a mighty stronghold to save me. For you are my rock, my stronghold! Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name.

#### First Reading Jer 17:5-8

A curse on those who trust in humanity; a blessing on those who trust in the Lord.

#### Responsorial Psalm Ps 1:1-4. R. Ps 39:5

(R.) Happy are they who hope in the Lord.

- Happy indeed is the man who follows not the counsel of the wicked; nor lingers in the way of sinners nor sits in the company of scorners, but whose delight is the law of the Lord and who ponders his law day and night. (R.)
- 2. He is like a tree that is planted beside the flowing waters, that yields its fruit in due season and whose leaves shall never fade; and all that he does shall prosper. (R.)
- 3. Not so are the wicked, not so!
  For they like winnowed chaff
  shall be driven away by the wind.
  For the Lord guards the way of the just
  but the way of the wicked leads to doom. (R.)

**Second Reading** 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20

If Christ is not raised from the dead, your faith is in vain.

#### Gospel Acclamation Lk 6:23

Alleluia, alleluia! Rejoice and be glad; your reward is great in heaven. Alleluia!

Gospel Lk 6:17. 20-26

Happy are the poor. Woe to the rich!

Communion Antiphon Cf. Ps 77:29-30

They ate and had their fill, and what they craved the Lord gave them; they were not disappointed in what they craved.

#### PASTORAL LETTER FROM FR ANDREW

Fr Andrew's letter concerning the future of our Parishes has been available on the website for a few weeks:

https://www.newcastlecatholic.org.au/2021/12/09/pastoral-letter-future-challenges-and-directions/You are encouraged (implored) to please send feedback, which you can do in any one of three ways.

- 1. Via a dedicated email address for any feedback from the Pastoral Letter <u>CityRegionFeedback@outlook.com</u>
- 2. Via a form on the Cathedral website, which will automatically send to the above email address.
- 3. Communicate with members of the Pastoral Council directly, either before or after Mass, or via their contact information provided here:

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# SCPIPTUPAL CONTENT Message for all

Throughout the Gospel of Luke, the author is keen to demonstrate that the message of Jesus is for all people – not just the Jews, but for the Gentiles and Pagans as well. We can see this message revealed in the gathering of people who listened to Jesus' sermon on the plain. We're told there were people from all parts of Judea (all Jews) as well as people from the pagan lands of Tyre and Sidon. The first audiences of this gospel would immediately have recognised the significance of people from Tyre and Sidon standing alongside Jews from Judea.