



# City Pastoral REGION

CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF MAITLAND-NEWCASTLE

**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 2 OCTOBER 2022

### 27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR C

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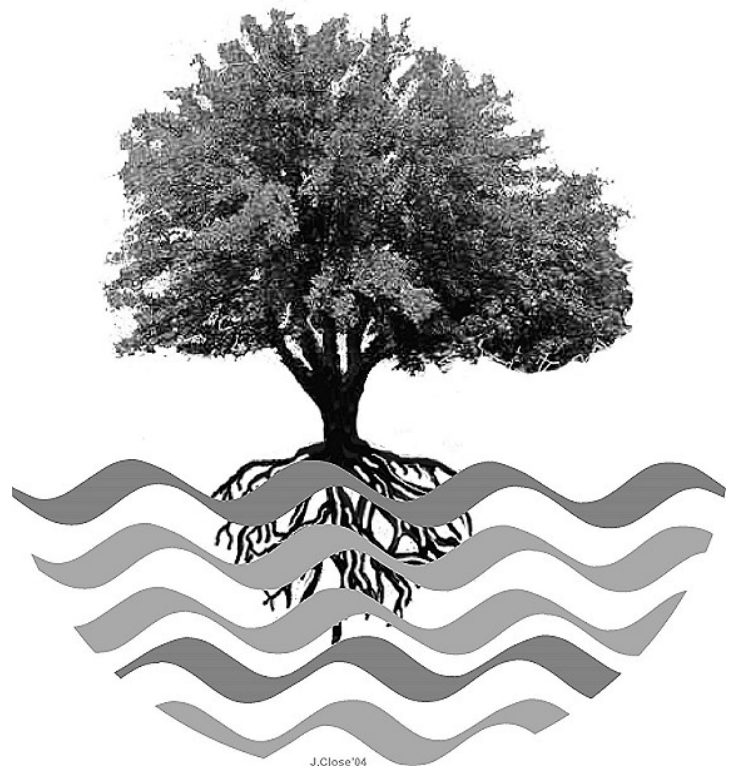
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Jesus suggests that even with a modest faith we can do great things. He uses an uprooted mulberry tree planted in the ocean as a paradoxical example of what faith can achieve.

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

*Our Parishes incorporate suburbs located on the traditional country of the Awabakal and Worimi peoples. We acknowledge their cultural heritage, beliefs and continuing relationship with the land, pay respect to their Elders past and present, and commit ourselves to work together for reconciliation and justice.*

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

Twenty-Seventh Week in Ordinary Time, Year C

Monday—3rd October

8:15am Mass @ The Cathedral

Tuesday—4th October

*Memorial of St Francis of Assisi*

8:15am Mass @ The Cathedral

8.30am Mass @ Stockton

Wednesday—5th October

8:15am Mass @ The Cathedral

9:00am Mass @ Mayfield West

Thursday—6th October

8:15am Mass @ The Cathedral

8:30am Mass @ Stockton

Friday—7th October

*Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary*

9:50am Rosary for Ukraine @ The Junction

10:15am Mass @ The Junction \*\* Cancelled this week

11:00am Exposition, Adoration & Reconciliation @ The Cathedral (until 12pm)

12:05pm Mass @ The Cathedral

Saturday—8th October

*Memorial of St Therese of the Child Jesus*

9:15am Mass @ The Cathedral, followed by the Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help (followed by Reconciliation)

5:00pm Mass @ Mayfield West

5:30pm Mass @ The Cathedral

5:30pm Mass @ The Junction

Sunday—9th October

*28th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C*

7:30am Mass @ St Mary's

8:00am Mass @ Tighes Hill

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

5.30pm Mass @ Mayfield West (*Vietnamese*)

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

## FROM THE MODERATOR

Dear friends,



I hope you will join me in welcoming Anton Perera to our City Pastoral Region. Anton, who is 38 years old, has just arrived from Sri Lanka and will be living with Fr Paul and myself in the Cathedral presbytery for some time while he undertakes a pastoral placement in preparation for ordination to the diaconate and then the priesthood. Anton has completed his seminary studies and we hope he will have a long and fruitful ministry in our diocese. Please keep him in your prayers.

On another matter, I can advise that Fr Peter Thoai, who has been away on annual leave and then sick leave since July this year, will not be returning to the City Pastoral Region due to ongoing health issues. We thank Fr Peter for his ministry, and I ask that you keep him in your prayers. In view of this, Fr Paul Chackanikunnel will be remaining with us for an extended period, and we thank him for his ongoing generosity and service.

This coming week Fr Bob Searle is going on annual leave until late October, so there will be no 10.15 am Friday morning Mass at the Junction for the next 3 weeks. Those who regularly attend this Mass would be most welcome to join the congregation at the Cathedral for the midday Mass there on those Fridays. We thank Fr Bob for his wonderful ministering to our inner city Mass communities and wish him a very happy holiday.

Finally, don't forget daylight saving commences this weekend and therefore to put your clocks forward one hour if you haven't already done so.

Thank you,  
Fr John

## FAITHS FOR CLIMATE JUSTICE MULTI-FAITH SERVICE

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church,  
16 Tighes Terrace, Tighes Hill  
Thursday 13 October 2022, 10.00AM  
More information at: <https://www.arrcc.org.au/f4ci2022>

## BEYOND THE WALL: STORIES OF LGBTIQ+ SPIRITUALITY & TRANSFORMATION

Saturday 29 Oct. 2022, 10:30AM - 12:30PM  
Hunter Wetlands Centre, Shortland  
Bookings essential: [www.trybooking.com/CBWHI](http://www.trybooking.com/CBWHI)  
For more information contact:  
[LGBTIQ@mn.catholic.org.au](mailto:LGBTIQ@mn.catholic.org.au)

## NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:

2 Kg 5:14-17

2 Tim 2:8-13

Lk 17:11-19



## PRAYER REQUESTS

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Lolita Brittain, Angela Crawford, Bob Keys

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Domenica Rossi, Ken & Chris Hill, Pat Francis, Kathleen Bashford, Tess O'Kane, Mary Tobin, Frank Roche, Laura Casey

**SICK:** Madge Humphries, Karen Varnum, Ronnie Jennings, Eileen Howard, Eva Grant, Colin Bryant; Maureen Sunman, Maree Halbert, Carlo Rossi, Kath Murray, Veronica McCann, Peter Skinner, Tiani Bishop, Tom Parker, Max Williamson, Sam and Margaret Broad, Ronald Watt

*Names may be placed here by contacting the Parish Office. Please refer to the Policy Document on the Parish website—visit*

## BOOK CLUB

**Sunday, 2nd October @ 6:15pm:** Bookclub meets to discuss *The Island of Sea Women* by Lisa See. If you would like to participate in book club meetings, please email [newcparish@mn.catholic.org.au](mailto:newcparish@mn.catholic.org.au)



## VIEW, CHEW, AND CHAT

All meetings in September are cancelled. Our next meeting is October 12 for Bible Study: Son of God

## FOOD BASKET FOR THE NEEDY

Items of dry goods or tin food e.g. (Vegemite, cornflakes or breakfast foods, sugar, packet or tin soup, sardines, tea, coffee, tin fruit etc but NOT PEANUT BUTTER), can be placed in the basket at the back of St Joseph's Church. St Vincent de Paul members will pick up for distribution to the needy who are very grateful to receive the items. When donating please check expiry dates. Thank you  
Questions to Sr Carol Woodland rsj (mob) 0423 700 523/4967 2998  
Collection baskets also at Tighes Hill.

## 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)

## WORLD YOUTH DAY LAUNCH EVENT

Are you a young person interested in travelling across the globe?

The Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle is inviting any young person who is over 18 years old to join us on a 3-week pilgrimage to the Holy Land and then Lisbon for World Youth Day.

World Youth Day (WYD) is the gathering of young people from all over the world with the Pope. It is also a pilgrimage, a celebration of youth, an expression of the universal Church and an intense moment of evangelisation for the youth world. This pilgrimage will take place in July/August 2023. For now, we are taking expressions of interest until we have specific information on dates, times, and prices. We have limited space so signing up is essential. Please express your interest on the diocesan website at [www.mn.catholic.org.au](http://www.mn.catholic.org.au)

The official WYD launch will be hosted on Sunday 9 October at 4pm at the Murray Room (841 Hunter Street, Newcastle West). To register your attendance, please visit the WYD page on the Diocesan website. If you have any questions regarding this pilgrimage, please email Ryan Gato, Diocesan World Youth Day Coordinator at: [ryan.gato@mn.catholic.edu.au](mailto:ryan.gato@mn.catholic.edu.au)

## ROSARY FOR UKRAINE

Pray the Rosary from 9.50am on Fridays (before Friday Mass) at St Joseph's Church, The Junction.



## IN NOVEMBER

## WE REMEMBER



In November, we take time to pray in a special way for those who have died.

### On Wednesday—All Souls' Day (2nd November):

5pm Remembrance Mass & Columbarium Liturgy @ Sacred Heart Cathedral.

We offer Mass to remember those whose funerals were celebrated in Sacred Heart Cathedral this year. After Mass, we will move to the Columbarium to remember and pray for all those whose mortal remains rest in the Columbarium area.

### On Friday (4th November):

10.15am @ St Joseph's. Remembrance Mass for family members of those whose mortal remains rest in the St Joseph's Columbarium

## CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENTS

**Reconciliation** is available at **Sacred Heart Cathedral**: **Usually Fridays** from **11am** until **11.55am** and on Saturdays from **about 10.30am** until **11am**. Other times available by appointment.

**Baptisms** are celebrated on Sundays, either during or after any of our Sunday Masses. Please contact the Regional Office for more details, or visit the website.

A **Sacramental Preparation** process runs each year in the parishes for children wishing to complete the celebration of the Sacraments of Initiation as part of the community of the parishes of the Region. Please contact the Regional Office for more details, or visit the website.

For adults who wish to become part of the Church, the **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults** for those who have not been baptised, and the process of **Reception into Full Communion** for those who have been baptised in other churches. Please contact the Regional Office for more details, or visit the website.

**Weddings** are celebrated by arrangement with at least three (and preferably more) months notice. Please contact the Regional Office for more details, or visit the website.

## 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 Suite, 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)

## SETTLEMENT SERVICES INTERNATIONAL SEARCHES FOR RENTAL PROPERTIES

Over the coming month, more than 60 people from refugee backgrounds are arriving in Newcastle, and Settlement Services International (SSI) are struggling to secure enough on-arrival accommodation to house them. The regional housing crisis that is affecting our whole community is having a significant impact on their ability to welcome people into our community. At this stage it looks like they may need to redirect families to Sydney. Can you help?

SSI is looking for houses or units that can fit families of two to seven people, or some single bedroom units. Some of these rental properties will be "head leased" by SSI Group and used as on-arrival accommodation. Others may be rented directly to families from refugee backgrounds already here, and free up some of our existing on-arrival accommodation. Unfortunately, generous offers of a room in someone's home can't be used for on-arrival accommodation for these families. Email Helen Larkin [hlarkin@ssi.org.au](mailto:hlarkin@ssi.org.au) if you can help.

## FIRST FRIDAY FISH AND CHIPS

It's time again to start First Friday fish and chips. Friday 7 October from 5pm at Bar Beach (under cover on lower level) All welcome. BYO everything. Enquires to Chris 0419 265194

## SCRIPTURAL CONTEXT

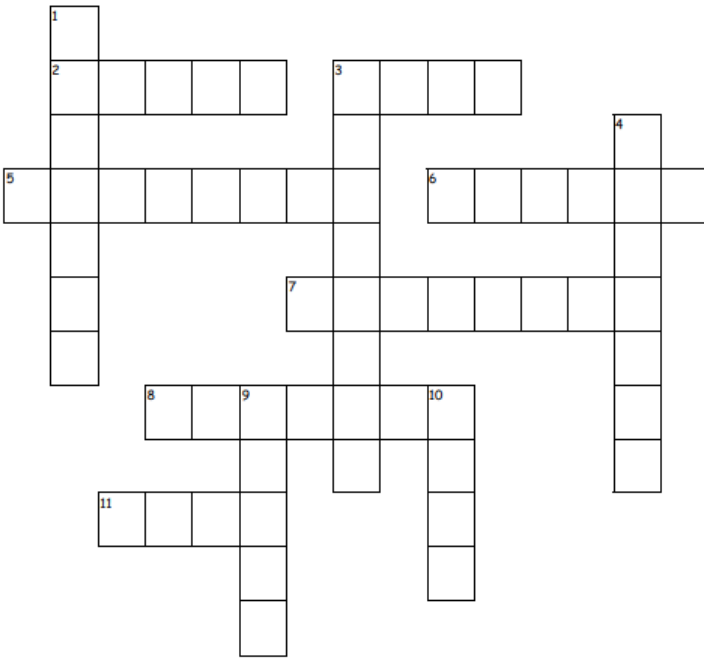
### A lesson for the disciples

*For the last few months, in the Sunday gospel readings, we have been working our way through the second half of the gospel of Luke. From the end of chapter 9 onwards, the gospel charts the journey of Jesus towards Jerusalem. Throughout this journey, Jesus teaches his disciples and attempts to prepare them for his departure and their need to step up and take on his ministry. Today's passage is an example of this instruction to the disciples. Jesus makes clear that they are being called to give their lives to faith in service of others without expecting any return – just as Jesus does!*

# CROSSWORD

## Show your faithfulness to the Lord

Hab 1:2-3, 2:2-4  
Ps 95:1-2, 6-7abcd, 7e-9  
Tm 1:6-8  
Lk 17:5-10



### Across

- 2: the animals that shepherds look after
- 3: a serving of food
- 5: to be filled with faith
- 6: larger
- 7: people who serve
- 8: people who are not brave
- 11: a present that is given to another

### Down

- 1: embarrassed at our own actions
- 3: the type of tree that Jesus mentions in this Gospel
- 4: information that is passed on to someone else
- 9: to look
- 10: trees and other plants grow from this small thing

# JUNIOR WORDSEARCH

## Make our faith stronger

Lk 17:5-10

D O Q W M U P D H K Q Y J X O  
 B N R G C E O P X G B L L N C  
 I S E E D U M U L B E R R Y E  
 G H S N N R R O O T S D J J A  
 G N H T R E E K Q W Y W Q S N  
 E D E B R C W X O U O M W S F  
 R U E S C K B L F O D G H Y A  
 L T P R Q Z A Y I J S O S J I  
 B Y W E L C O M E V G G M P T  
 H P M C V Z L Y Q R O O E M H  
 R M A S S E R V A N T S A D M  
 N X Q D W E C I G Y T L L P M

Try to find these words:

- bigger
- duty
- faith
- meal
- mulberry
- ocean
- roots
- seed
- servants
- sheep
- tree
- welcome

## REFLECTION

by Richard Leonard

Today's Gospel highlights what a different world Jesus and the earliest Christians lived in by comparison with us today. Jesus and Luke's community unquestionably believed in slavery. In all the Gospels Jesus regularly draws on the image of a slave to make points about duty, respect or responsibility. In other passages Jesus and St Paul advocate for the just treatment of slaves or servants, but it was an institution in their world that they never questioned. They never told the slaves to make a bid for freedom. They never told Christian slave owners to set their slaves free.

Like society generally, the Church, for most of its history, followed this line. Much to our shame, when the tide rightly turned against slavery in the 18th and 19th centuries, the Church was, generally, very slow to be converted to the emancipation movement and take a stand against the colonialism and racism that slavery enshrined.

Our movement on the question of slavery is a wonderful study in the development of doctrine. Not all social realities that Jesus assumed in his day continue to be relevant to our world. It took Society 1800 years, and the Church a bit longer still, to see slavery for what it is – an assault on the children of God – both servant and master. It shows how we have to keep carefully discerning the movement of the Holy Spirit and God's guidance in the light of new thinking.

The image of the slave in today's Gospel is invoked to underline our response to God's goodness. Our work for God is seen to be totally disproportionate to the gifts we have been given. Holding, as we do, that life, creation, all talents, gifts, and, in our case, security and peace are fruits of God's love, Jesus is right to highlight which side of the ledger is more generous.

To serve God in the world, in response to his invitation, is a privilege. We share in his creativity, compassion, hospitality and care. And often, through us, others come to know God and judge if Christian faith is sincere. As respondents to many surveys tell us, they may like who Jesus is and his teaching in the Gospel, but the stumbling block for their joining us is the way they see that faith lived out in the Church.

Many of us, however, struggle on heroically to serve God as best we can. Our faith gives purpose and meaning to our work in the world. As difficult as it can be to love others and live peacefully, we know this is God's desire and intention for the world. Every act of kindness that we perform extends God's kingdom, nothing is too small, nothing is insignificant. If all of us

lived out Christian teaching, the world would be transformed overnight. It is not that our virtues and values have been found wanting, it's more that they are not fully tried out.

May this Eucharist, then, give us a sense of the dignity we have by being called as servants or slaves, friends and family of Jesus Christ the Lord.

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## OUR BELOVED DEAD

We remember those in our Sacred Heart Cathedral Columbarium whose anniversaries occur in October:

Nash Azzopardi

Gwen Burke

Bernard Francis Callaghan

Leslie John Dodds

Reginald Gilbert

James Haggerty

Kevin Hittit Hinitt

Mark (Walter) Kearney

Anthony Keelan

Andrew Mainey

Aleksander Maliszewski

Sandra Martin

Thelma Martin

Terence Murray

Ivy Petherbridge

Hilda May Pilgrim

Ian Ray

Kathleen (Mardi) Rooney

Judith Sphiris

Brian Trenaman

Peter Tynan

*Eternal rest grant unto them and may perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace, Amen.*

## THE CHUCKLE

What do dentists call their X-Rays?

Tooth pics



## MENTAL HEALTH BREAKFAST

The Diocesan Social Justice Council, invites you to its annual Mental Health Breakfast. The event celebrates National Mental Health Month. This year's theme is BUILDING RESILIENCE: COMMUNITIES AND CONNECTIONS. Guest speakers from the State Emergency Service (SES) and The Rosewood Centre, will share their experiences working in our community to support people going through difficult times. Hear how these connections with others have helped build them up and keep them mentally strong. For more information or to book your spot, visit: [www.eventbrite.com.au/e/diocesan-social-justice-council-mental-health-breakfast-2022-tickets-413804058077](http://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/diocesan-social-justice-council-mental-health-breakfast-2022-tickets-413804058077)

## DIOCESAN COUNCIL OF MINISTRY WITH YOUNG PEOPLE: BR. DAMIAN PRICE RETREAT

The Diocesan Council for Ministry with Young People is hosting a retreat on Saturday 29 October 2022 with Br Damian Price. Attending guests will have the option to attend a second Strategic Vision Planning Day on Sunday 30 October from 10am-3pm at the Newcastle Diocese Meeting Rooms. Br Damian Price is a Christian Brother of the Oceania Province; he has worked in youth ministry for years. The retreat will be based on the following words from Pope Francis:

*"An evangelising community gets involved by word and deed in people's daily lives; it bridges distances, it is willing to abase itself if necessary and it embraces human life, touching the suffering flesh of Christ in others. Evangelisers thus take on the "smell of the sheep" and the sheep are willing to hear their voice. An evangelising community is also supportive, standing by people at every step of the way, no matter how difficult or lengthy this may prove to be."*

For more info or to register, visit: [www.eventbrite.com.au/e/diocesan-council-for-ministry-with-young-people-br-damian-price-retreat-tickets-418380706957](http://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/diocesan-council-for-ministry-with-young-people-br-damian-price-retreat-tickets-418380706957)

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

The Parish Office hours are 9.30am to 4pm; we are closed between 1 and 2pm for lunch. Those who visit the office outside the new opening hours can leave written messages, forms, and paperwork in a secure wall-mounted box (at the front door), or communicate via email or a phone message.

# GOSPEL FOCUS

## Faith

*The disciples ask Jesus to increase their faith, but their question – and the reply given by Jesus – does not make clear the faith that they want increased. Is it their faith in God; their faith in themselves; or their faith in the people they are called to serve? The response by Jesus suggests that, in fact, it is faith in all these things. Faith in God and faith in self are intrinsically linked and Jesus makes plain to the disciples that this faith must find its expression in selfless service to others.*

## 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.

## TODAY'S LITURGY

### Entrance Antiphon: Cf. Est 4:17

Within your will, O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist your will. For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven; you are the Lord of all.

### First Reading: Hab 1:2-3; 2:2-4

*The just will live by faithfulness.*

### Responsorial Psalm: Ps 94:1-2. 6-9. R. v.8

(R.) If today you hear his voice,  
harden not your hearts.

1. Come, ring out our joy to the Lord;  
hail the rock who saves us.  
Let us come before him, giving thanks,  
with songs let us hail the Lord. (R.)
2. Come in; let us bow and bend low;  
let us kneel before the God who made us  
for he is our God and we  
the people who belong to his pasture,  
the flock that is led by his hand. (R.)
3. O that today you would listen to his voice!  
'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah,  
as on that day at Massah in the desert  
when your fathers put me to the test;  
when they tried me, though they saw my  
work.' (R.)

### Second Reading: 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14

*Never be ashamed of witnessing the Lord.*

### Gospel Acclamation: 1 Pt 1:25

Alleluia, alleluia!  
The word of the Lord stands for ever;  
it is the word given to you, the Good News.  
Alleluia!

### Gospel: Lk 17:5-10

*If you had faith!*

### Communion Antiphon: Lam 3:25

The Lord is good to those who hope in him,  
to the soul that seeks him.

## SEASON OF CREATION SHORT FILM SCREENING

Join us to view the winners of the short film competition and to listen to the voices of those who recognise injustices in our world and have a desire to be heard.

During Season of Creation 2022 we are being urged to care for planet earth and care for our brothers and sisters. Whose voices have been muted? Whose voices need to be heard?

We are excited to showcase these winning 2022 Season of Creation short films that recognise the voices of those who hold generational wisdom about how to live gratefully within the limits of the land.

These films help us to consider our call to action. Where do we feel the calling to act for those who are voiceless? How can these films help us to feel equipped for the call to action?

**Date:** Saturday 15 October

**Time:** 2:00PM – 4:00PM

**Venue:** St Pius X High School, Park Ave, Adamstown

**To register:** [www.eventbrite.com.au/e/season-of-creation-short-film-screening-tickets-415042472207](http://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/season-of-creation-short-film-screening-tickets-415042472207)

### THE CHOSEN EXPERIENCE – SEASON ONE

We invite you to join us in soaking up to the sights, smells, and tastes of 1st Century Palestine.

We welcome you to join us to view the first-ever multi-season series about the life of Christ.

The Chosen is a series which brings to life an interpretation of what life might have been like for Jesus starting his ministry. The series has been creatively produced and includes the backstories for each of the disciples that were individually chosen by Jesus. We are first invited into each of their lives, into their struggles and baggage. But once introduced to Jesus and the invitation to spend time with him, we are invited to witness such a transformation of each of his first followers.

Each Thursday evening during October and November join us to share a meal, watch and discuss the episode.

The Chosen Experience commences on October 6 at 6pm in the Murray Room, 841 Hunter Street, Newcastle West, we hope to see you there.

To register to go: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/the-chosen-experience-tickets-413816475217>

### DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION

Sunday October 2 @ 3pm, Christ the King Church, Mayfield West. All welcome.

### MEDITATION GROUPS AT LIVING WATERS CENTRE

34 Kenrick Street, The Junction, on Wednesday at 7.30am and Friday at 11.00am. All are welcome, including new meditators.