



St. Brigid's Church
Raymond Terrace



St. Christopher's Oratory
Medowie



Our Lady Help of Christians Church
Mallabula

ST. BRIGID'S PARISH - RAYMOND TERRACE

Sunday 14th June 2026 ~ Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

"Our Parish will be a vital, caring and welcoming community, living the Gospel of Jesus in word and action."

PARISH INFORMATION

Parish Office:

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Office Hours: Monday: Office Closed
Tuesday to Friday: 9.30am - 2.30pm

Fr. Joyce Sebastian Victor

Administrator : St. Brigid's Parish
Parish Priest : Myall Coast Parish
Dean : Myall Deanery

Asst Priest: Fr. Peter Thoai (on Leave)

Asst Priest: Fr. Anton Perera

St. Brigid's Parish & Myall Coast Parish

Parish Secretary: Kate Allen

Financial Secretary: Phil Hickling

Sacramental Coordinator: Maryjane Malone

ST. BRIGID'S

69 William St, Raymond Terrace

Weekend Masses:

Saturday 5.00pm and Sunday 9.30am

Weekday Masses:

Tuesday and Wednesday 7.00am
Friday 9.15am

Reconciliation: Saturday 4.15pm

ST. CHRISTOPHER'S

507 Medowie Rd, Medowie

Weekend Mass:

Saturday 6.00pm

Weekday Masses:

Tuesday and Friday at 5.30pm

Reconciliation: Friday 5.00pm

OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS

1193 Lemon Tree Passage Rd, Mallabula

Weekend Mass:

Sunday 7.30am

Weekday Mass:

Thursday 9.15am

Reconciliation: Sunday 7.00am

Thoughts on the Gospel



The major themes today are call and discipleship. Most of us are rather insignificant in the eyes of the broader society. And even those who are well known or in some way famous are still just simple human beings with needs and fears and dreams like the rest of us. Yet we have been called by God. This is what makes us special.

Paul picks up this theme in his development of justification. He argues that we are special because when we were still sinners we were justified. All this has come to us as a pure gift from God. It is God who calls; it is God who chooses; it is God who justifies. If we are to boast, we must boast in God.

Paul further teaches that good works do not gain faith. It is the other way around. It is faith that manifests itself in works.

In the gospel we see that the disciples are sent out to give to others the gift of faith which had been given to them. They proclaim the gospel, the good news that the time of fulfilment has come, and then they perform mighty works that demonstrate what they preach. We too have been called to discipleship; we have been made God's special people. To us has been entrusted the good news of salvation to proclaim to others. We must be the healing touch of Christ in our world. We must comfort those who mourn, bring back to life those who are in despair, embrace those who have been ostracised by society, drive out anger and fear and hatred.

A reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA.

READINGS FOR THIS SUNDAY

FIRST READING: Exodus 19:2-6 ~ You will be a kingdom of priests, a consecrated nation.

SECOND READING: Romans 5:6-11 ~ We have been reconciled to God through the death of his Son; we are saved by his life.

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 9:36-10:8 ~ He summoned his twelve disciples, and sent them out.

Please remember the following people in your prayers:

The Sick

Lucy Went, Tony Murphy, Linda Birt, Peter Betwell, Alicia Proctor, Kevin McKinley, Dianna McKinley, David Ross, John Flynn, Michael Johnson, Hugo Rice, Robyn Turner, Yvonne Bailey, Christine Natson, Kylie Scott, Andrew Pelley, Lila Lineham, Keith Smith, Justen Bailey, Patricia Bowmaker, Kerrie, Christine, Johanne Kenning, Michael O'Halloran, Ted Lyons, Margaret Spooner, Jan, Carmel Walker, Eileen Mullen, Andrew Trivers, Elaine Margery, Bishop Michael Malone, Coral McCaull, Zeljka Woods, Jessica Byron, Judith Robbins, Elaine Roberts, Clare Lyons, Carol Bourke, Lisa Pritchard, Sue Dainton, Susan Munnery, Rae Blyton, Denis Cahill and Linda Fitzsimmons.



Rosters for St. Brigid's Raymond Terrace

Kate will begin preparing the ministry rosters for St. Brigid's Raymond Terrace for the period July - December 2026 in the coming weeks. If you are currently on a ministry roster and are happy with your current commitment then you do not need to do anything! However, if you would like join, be taken off or alter your commitment on a roster then please contact Kate in the Parish Office by email on or before Tuesday 16th June. Note: to volunteer you must be registered with the Diocese.



Rosters for Our Lady Help of Christians

Kate will begin preparing the ministry rosters for Our Lady Help of Christians Mallabula for the period July- December 2026 in the coming weeks. If you are currently on a ministry roster and are happy with your current commitment then you do not need to do anything! However, if you would like join, be taken off or alter your commitment on a roster then please contact Kate in the Parish Office by email by Tuesday 16th June. Note: to volunteer you must be registered with the Diocese.



Fr Anton Annual Leave

Fr Anton will take Annual Leave from 28th June to 28th July. Please keep him in your prayers for safe travels during his annual leave.

Bulletin Notices

Please see the back page of this Bulletin for more notices.

Tilligerry Ecumenical Service

The Tilligerry Ecumenical Service will be held at the Christian Reformed Church (corner of Peace Parade & Taniilba Avenue Taniilba Bay) on Sunday 28th June at 4.00pm. Please bring a plate to share.

Pilgrimage to Ireland - St Francis of Assisi Parish

St Francis of Assisi Parish Dungog Gresford are organising a 'Soul of Ireland' Pilgrimage departing 21st September 2026. A copy of the itinerary is available on the notice board at your Mass Centre or by visiting: www.dungoggresfordcatholic.org.au. All are welcome to join. Please contact Fr Andrew Doohan at: andrew.doohan@mn.catholic.org.au or on: 0412 405 671.

Caritas Australia End of Financial Year Appeal

As we approach the end of the financial year, Caritas Australia invites you to help families facing conflict, hunger and displacement. Your support is needed to get critical aid into countries like Sudan, which is facing the largest humanitarian crisis in the world today. Over 30 million people are in urgent need of assistance, the healthcare system has collapsed, and families are facing chronic food insecurity. Your tax-deductible gift this End of Financial Year can provide lifesaving essentials such as nutritious food, clean water and vital medicines to families in need. Make a donation today at <https://www.caritas.org.au/make-hunger-history>

SRE Gathering with Bishop Michael

You are invited to a special gathering for all SRE teachers- and those considering joining this ministry. Come spend a day with Bishop Michael Kennedy and fellow volunteers as we celebrate, reflect, and grow in our shared mission. Come listen, learn, and be inspired by the experience and dedication of others who serve with faith and love. This SRE Gathering will be held on Friday 17th July from 9:30am – 1pm at St. Stephens Parish Myall Coast.

Bishop's Staff Day

Bishop Michael Kennedy would like to thank the clergy, parish staff and parishioners who hosted Bishop's Staff Day on Tuesday 2nd June. He has received many positive comments from diocesan staff and he is grateful for the time, effort and hospitality that went into making the day a success. Staff have commented that it was encouraging to see the many ways in which the parishes are engaged in the mission of the Church.

Vinnies Winter Appeal 2026

The annual Vinnies Winter Appeal is being conducted from the weekend of 30th/31st May and into June. Envelopes will be on the seats in the hope that you will be generous to those who are doing it tough as temperatures drop. The needs in our region are great, and growing. Members of the local Conference ask that you take the envelope home, complete it and return the following weekend, or leave it at the parish office. Could all envelopes be returned on the weekend of 20th/21st June? And of course you can donate online, and learn more, at <https://donate.vinnies.org.au/> Thank You.

Fr Joyce Annual Leave

Fr Joyce will take Annual Leave from Monday 3rd August to Monday 10th August. The final phase of leave will be in November/December. Please keep Fr Joyce in your prayers for safe travels during his annual leave.

Mission & Evangelisation Upcoming Events ~ Save the Date!

- ALIVE Young Adults Retreat to be held in Forster from Friday 17th July to Sunday 19th July.
- Magdalene Awards to be held on Sunday 26th July at 9:30am at the Sacred Heart Cathedral, Newcastle West.
- The Travelling Exhibition of the Saint Carlo Acutis Pilgrim Relic to visit the Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle between Tuesday 8th September and Monday 14th September.
- ALIVE Youth Retreat will be held from Friday 25th September to Sunday 27th September at Lake Macquarie.

MASS AT HOME

Live stream Sunday Mass from the Sacred Heart Cathedral Newcastle

You can watch the live stream from the Sacred Heart Cathedral every Sunday at 9.30am by visiting the website: www.mn.catholic.org.au and clicking on "Sunday Mass Live Streams".

Watch Mass For You At Home on TV from the Diocese of Wollongong

You can watch *Mass for You at Home* on Channel Ten at 6am on Sundays or on Foxtel's Aurora Channel (173) at 10am on Sundays.

Watch Mass Online

Visit these websites: www.10play.com.au or www.massforyou.com.au to watch *Mass for You at Home* at a time convenient to you.

DIOCESE OF MAITLAND-NEWCASTLE

To find out 'What's On' in our Diocese visit their website www.mn.catholic.org.au or call them on 49 79 1111 (Monday to Friday).

SCAE ROSTER

First Weekend: 5.00pm Saturday
St. Brigid's Raymond Terrace

Second Weekend: 6.00pm Saturday
St. Christopher's Medowie

Third Weekend: 7.30am Sunday
Our Lady Help of Christians Mallabula

Fourth Weekend: 9.30am Sunday
St. Brigid's Raymond Terrace

Fifth Weekend: 5.00pm Saturday
St. Brigid's Raymond Terrace

ROSARY

The Rosary is prayed before Mass at St. Brigid's Raymond Terrace every Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

The Rosary is prayed at 7am Sunday and 8.45am Thursdays at Our Lady Help of Christians Mallabula.

The Rosary is prayed before Mass at St. Christopher's Medowie every Tuesday, Friday and Saturday.

PARISH BULLETIN

To have a name placed on the Death Anniversaries or Sick List please ensure that you phone or email Kate at the Parish Office before 11.30am on Thursdays.

ADORATION

First Friday of the Month at St. Brigid's Raymond Terrace at 8.30am.

Every Friday at 5.00pm at St. Christopher's Medowie.

SAFEGUARDING

The Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle Office of Safeguarding: 4979 1390

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Newcastle: 49 676 277
Mallabula: 0402 087 401 (Brian)

ST. BRIGID'S, RAYMOND TERRACE

	Welcomer	Ministers of the Word	Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Communion	Presentation of Gifts
13/6/26	Mary Thorpe	Maureen Smith Tracey Edstein	Clare Dawson Paul Edstein	Paul Edstein Barbara Edstein
14/6/26	Margaret Pryer	Christina Cutting Vinette Shrimpton	Laurie Feenan Robert Woolley	Helen Taylor Christina Cutting
20/6/26	Mary Thorpe	Claire Mannyx Clare Dawson	Volunteer Please Vannessa Tasker	Mannyx Family
21/6/26	Elenoa Cutmore	Robert Woolley Shane Giggins	Steve Hickling Sharon Blyton	Dalene Myers Vinette Shrimpton

OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS, MALLABULA

	Ministers of the Word	Commentator	Presentation of Gifts
14/6/26	Jo Nederlof	Anne Cheetham	Sue Dallas & Elizabeth Currie
21/6/26	Anne Cheetham	Cynthia Rogers	Anne Cheetham & Albert Went

ST. CHRISTOPHER'S, MEDOWIE

	Open, Close & Lock	Welcomer	Minsters of the Word	Presentation of Gifts/ Candle Bearers	Acolyte
13/6/26	Greg Hammond Nina Hammond	Mary L Sultana	Yvonne Carolan	Flynn Family	Andrew Chahoud
20/6/26	Greg Hammond Nina Hammond	Yvonne Carolan	Jessica Sarmento	Ingrid Cacciato Giovanni Cacciato	Noel Tucker

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: Oh Lord, hear my voice, for I have called to you; be my help. Do not abandon or forsake me, O God, my Saviour!

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: We are his people: the sheep of his flock.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! The kingdom of God is near: repent and believe the Good News. Alleluia!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: There is one thing I ask of the Lord, only this do I seek: to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

HYMNS FOR THIS WEEKEND AT ST. BRIGID'S RAYMOND TERRACE

Table of Plenty

We come to your Feast

Jesus, You are Bread for Us ~ *Hymn 42*

Companions on the Journey ~ *Hymn 188*

Invitation to Medowie Friendship

An invitation is extended to all parishioners from Medowie, Mallabula and Raymond Terrace to the following friendship events:

- First Monday of the Month: Cuppa at the Greenhouse (Pacific Dunes) at 10.00am. For more details please call Nina on 0428 848 033.
- First Thursday of the Month: Ladies' Dinner. For more details please call Leonie on 0418 456 072.
- First Thursday of the Month: Men's Dinner at the Bull n Bush Hotel Medowie. For more details please call Patrick on 0409 648 837.
- Second Tuesday of the Month: Craft and Cuppa at Nina's. For more details please call Nina on 0428 848 033.
- Third Weekend of the Month: Cuppa after the Saturday 6pm Mass at St. Christopher's Oratory Medowie.

Mission to Seafarers & Stella Maris Art Exhibition / Mass / Donations

ART EXHIBITION: Mission to Seafarers and Stella Maris would love to invite you to showcase your extraordinary artistic ability at our art show on 1st August 2026. Visit www.mtsnewcastle.org.au to see categories, prizes, terms and conditions and parental consent for independent children submissions.

MASS: The next Mass to be celebrated is at 5:30pm on Thursday 25th June at the Seafarers Chapel at 96 Hannel Street Wickham. All are welcome.

DONATIONS: The mission is calling on the following donations for their care packs for vessels entering our port: Beanies, Lolly Bags, Card Games/Jigsaw Puzzles, Combs, Magazines, Razors, Socks, Toothpaste & Brushes. Donations can be delivered to the Centre at 96 Hannel Street Wickham.

Parish Donations

Parishioners can make a financial donation to the Parish using their credit or debit card when attending St. Brigid's Raymond Terrace and St. Christopher's Medowie as both Mass Centres have an EFTPOS machine. Parishioners can also choose to make donations directly to the Parish bank accounts using their own online internet banking and the details below:

First Collection: money goes towards funding the Clergy

Account Name: CCF - Raymond Terrace Presbytery

BSB: 066739

Account No: 100007399

Reference/Description: Your Name

Second Collection: money goes towards the maintenance of the Parish

Account Name: Raymond Terrace Parish

BSB: 066739

Account No: 100007398

Reference/Description: Your Name

Zimmerman Service Healing and Support

Zimmerman Service Healing and Support provide support and assistance to anyone impacted by sexual assault perpetrated by an employee (paid or volunteer) of the Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle or in another religious institution and who now lives in our Diocese. If you are a survivor or a relative and need support please contact the confidential service on 49230636 or email: zimmerman-service@healingandsupport.org.au. Their hours are 9am to 4pm Monday to Friday. Reception is available Tuesday through Thursday. Feel free to leave a message at any time, and a team member will respond as soon as possible.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 20:10-13 ~ He has delivered the soul of the needy from the hands of those who are evil.

SECOND READING: Romans 5:12-15 ~ God's gift to us is nothing like our sin against him.

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 10: 26-33 ~ Do not fear those who can kill the body.