



The Catholic Community of HOLY TRINITY PARISH BLACKBUTT NORTH



St John the Evangelist Church
Dickson Street Lambton Est. 1873



Corpus Christi Church
Platt Street Waratah Est. 1917



St Therese's Church
Royal Street New Lambton Est. 1954

◆ FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ◆ YEAR A ◆ 9 FEBRUARY 2020 ◆

THIS WEEK'S LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Monday: 7:00AM Waratah
10:00AM New Lambton [School Mass]
Tuesday: 7:00AM New Lambton
Wednesday: 7:00AM Lambton
Thursday: 7:00AM Waratah
Friday: 7:00AM Lambton
Saturday: 8:00AM New Lambton

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday: 5:00PM Lambton
Sunday: 7:30AM Waratah
9:15AM New Lambton
11:00AM Lambton [Ordinariate Mass]
5:30PM Waratah

RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 8:30AM New Lambton
4:30PM Lambton

EXPOSITION AND BENEDICTION

Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament will follow 7:00AM Mass on 1st Friday of each month.

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION

Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA

We live in a world where appearances frequently matter more than they should. Contrary to this predominating tendency, Jesus teaches us that what we do flows from who and what we are. We can enlighten the world with the message of the gospel, because our lives have been transformed by that gospel and now we ourselves are light for others. We can serve others in various ways, only because we have been saved by God's grace and now we are agents of that grace in the lives of others. Our own renewal becomes the means through which God renews the world.



This may sound grandiose, but it isn't. It is the truth about the way God works. Extraordinary things are accomplished through ordinary people. Jesus grew up as the son of a carpenter; some of the apostles were fishermen; Paul was a tentmaker; we are clerks and teachers, bus drivers and doctors, bank tellers and engineers. Like Paul we come to ministry in weakness and fear and much trembling. It is the Spirit and power of God that work the wonders, and God works them through mundane elements of life such as light and salt.

As children, many of us learned the corporal and the spiritual works of mercy. We learned that we can practise them in every walk of life. Today's readings remind us of this. We may not be asked to perform extraordinary feats, but all disciples of Jesus are called upon to do the ordinary things of life in an extraordinary way.

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WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS

If you are new to our Parish, or have changed your contact details, we invite you to complete a 'Census Form' available from the Parish Office.

Thinking of becoming Catholic? Please speak with one of our Priests.

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

School Mass: St Therese's opening school Mass will be held on Monday 10 February, at 10:00AM in the School Hall. The parish community is most welcome to attend. Please enter through the Royal Street gates to avoid building works.

Bus Trip: If you are interested in joining a group of parishioners on a bus trip to St Patricks Church East Gosford on Sunday 8 March from 1:00PM till 3:30PM to visit the RELICS OF ST THERESE OF LISIEUX and her parents, Saints Louis and Zelig, please contact Alison on 4952 7302.

Lenten Program: As the main celebration of the Christian year approaches, Lent is a time of penance, the chance to change and dedicate ourselves again to the new life that Easter brings. From Wednesday 4 March until Friday 3 April, the parish is offering an opportunity to take time to study the Word of God and personally and communally reflect on your life according to the life of Jesus. This is done in a small group situation, where people come together in prayer and reflection. These meet on Wednesday 6:30PM at the Waratah Hall Meeting Room, and Friday 10:15AM at Parish House New Lambton, with another opportunity on Mondays or Tuesdays at 7:00PM if the demand arises. Sign up sheets are in the foyers of each church until Sunday 23 February. Booklets are \$10.00 each.

2020 Rosters: New Mass rosters are available from your roster contact person.

Volunteer Registrations: A reminder that registration is required for all volunteer positions. If you have not completed your registration, please contact the Parish Office. If you have not received a letter of confirmation, please contact the Parish Office.

Mater Bell Completion Appeal: Please see fliers at church entrance for information on the latest developments of the Mater Bell installation. We are seeking your help to raise \$15,000 of the \$50,000 in estimated costs. Donations can be either sent by cheque earmarked 'Mater Bell' to the Parish Office or placed by envelope marked 'Mater Bell' on the second collection.

Catholic Weekly: The Catholic Weekly is available from the church entrances every week for \$2.00.

Mercy Mission: Please collect and deposit your used postage stamps in the box provided in the foyer of St Therese's Church New Lambton.

Baptism: Flyers are available from Church entrances. Please feel free to pick one up and share with family and friends.

DIOCESAN NEWS AND EVENTS

Diocesan Website <https://www.mn.catholic.org.au>

Early Bird Extension: Early bird registration for the National Biennial Liturgy Conference has been extended to Monday 10 February. To register visit <https://bit.ly/nlc2020event>

Ordination: The Ordination of Deacon Graham Fullick will be celebrated on Saturday 22 February 2020 at 10:00AM in the Sacred Heart Cathedral Newcastle West. All welcome.

Cathedral Choir: An invitation is extended to singers of all types to join the Cathedral Choir for when the Church of Maitland-Newcastle gathers for significant liturgical events. Members from the whole diocese who would like to be part of the choir for any or all events should contact Sharon Murphy as soon as possible, P 4979 1134 or Esharon.murphy@mn.catholic.org.au. We are taking names now for the Project Compassion liturgy choir on 25 February.

Caritas Project Compassion: All are invited to celebrate the launch of Project Compassion 2020 on Tuesday 25 February from 10:30AM until 12:30PM at Sacred Heart Cathedral at 841 Hunter Street Newcastle West. Bishop William (Bill) Wright will be presiding. Followed by pancakes in the Victor Peters Suite.

Sacred @ Seven: The next Sacred@Seven will be held on Wednesday 26 February 2020 from 7:00PM until 8:00PM at Sacred Heart Cathedral 841 Hunter Street Newcastle West.

Change of Date for 2020 Catechists Mass: Please note that the annual Catechist Mass has been rescheduled for Saturday 21 March from 2:00PM, Sacred Heart Cathedral, Newcastle West. Watch this space for more details.

Christian Formation Course: This year's Christian Formation Course will be held at Catholic Care Mayfield and Corcoran Centre Morpeth, starting 28 April and 29 April respectively. For information see notice at back of church or contact Jenny P 4979 1334 or jenny.harris@mn.catholic.org.au

Pilgrimages: For information on various pilgrimages available see fliers at back of church.

Rite of Election: The Rite of Election on Sunday 1 March is an opportunity to welcome all the catechumens who will be baptised in their parishes at the Easter Vigil. A catechumen is an unbaptised person whose search for meaning has brought them to the Catholic Church. Join the People of God in witness and prayerful support of those who choose to become Catholic at 2:30PM, Sacred Heart Cathedral Newcastle West, followed by afternoon tea. Further details on noticeboard. Please RSVP for catering to Esharon.murphy@mn.catholic.org.au P 4979 1134.

PLENARY COUNCIL

<https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/>

Mobile Phones: For the convenience of all kindly turn off your mobile phones before entering the Church.

Notices for the Parish Bulletin: Notices need to be in writing [especially Mass requests for Deaths, Anniversaries and Sick List] including your name [as the person permitting the request] and they need to be lodged **by Tuesday** for publication. Please print clearly to avoid information being misrepresented.

Church Notice Boards: If you wish to place a notice on the church notice boards please contact the Parish Office.

WE REMEMBER

Please Pray for:

Sick: Gerard Harvey, Fred Stanwell, Sheila Bell, Robert Watson, Paul Mowbray, Maureen Ashlett, Gary Herschel, Shelley Smith.

Recently Deceased: Peter David Ryan, John James Crotty.

Anniversaries: Maria and Josephus Gyselhart, Dorothy Cecilia Petherbridge, Jean Belcher, Fr John Jensen, Fr James Kelly, Fr James Cosstellio, Fr Alexander McDonnell.

Mass Intention Envelopes: Envelopes for intentions are available from the churches and can be placed on the collection plates. Notifications for publication need to be in to the office early Tuesday morning.

SACRAMENTS IN HOLY TRINITY PARISH

Anointing of the Sick: For hospitalized and homebound parishioners, it is very important that you contact the Parish Office to receive Anointing of the Sick or Communion, otherwise, we might not know of your need.

Baptism: Baptisms take place on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Sundays of the month and are held between St John the Evangelist Lambton, Corpus Christi Waratah, and St Therese's New Lambton. Bookings are made through the Parish Office. Baptism Preparation Sessions are essential and are held on the last Thursday of each month at Parish House New Lambton. An Information leaflet is available at the Church entrance.

Note: Changes to the schedule may apply seasonally.

Communion for the Sick: Bringing Communion to a sick person links them with the community of the Church and nourishes them with the body of Christ. A parish minister or member of the parish family may be designated by the priest for this ministry.

Confirmation/Eucharist: In our Diocese, the Sacramental Program is Parish/Family based and enquiries are made via the Parish Office.

Marriage: By appointment. A minimum of 6 months' notice is required. For information, please contact Parish Office.

A Vocation View: Jesus speaks on Vocations: "You are the salt of the earth. You are the light of the world. Your light must shine before people so that they may see your goodness in your acts, giving praise to your heavenly Father." For more information regarding Vocations contact 02 4979 1112 or vocations@mn.catholic.org.au .



FEAST DAYS

22 Feb: The Chair of Saint Peter The Apostle

26 Feb: Ash Wednesday

17 Mar: Saint Patrick, Bishop

19 Mar: Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

25 Mar: The Annunciation of the Lord

5 Apr: Palm Sunday

PARISH GROUPS, TEAMS AND COUNCILS

Children's Liturgy: This is held every 9:15AM Sunday Mass at St Therese's Church New Lambton. Children between 4 (preschool) and 12 (primary school) years old are invited to attend.

Parish Finance Committee Meeting: The Committee meets on the 1st Thursday of the month from 7:00PM until 8:30PM in the Parish Hall at Lambton. Next meeting will be 5 March 2020.

Liturgy Team: The next meeting is to be advised.

New Lambton Caring Group: This group meets on the 1st Friday of every month (except January) at 10:00AM at New Lambton Parish House. The next meeting will be 6 March 2020. A 'Cards and Friendship Morning' is held on the 2nd Friday of every month (except January). The next meeting will be 14 February 2020.

Pureflame Youth: This is a High School Youth Ministry, which gathers fortnightly except school holidays, for music ministry. Enquiries: Ellen M 0407 513 813.

St John's Ladies Group: This group meets fortnightly for a cuppa and chat on a Monday (except January) in Lambton Parish Centre at 10:00AM. Next gathering is Monday 10 February 2020. Newcomers welcome.

St Vincent de Paul Society: The Waratah Conference meets every Monday from 5:30PM until 6:30PM; and New Lambton Conference meets on Thursdays at 10:30AM. New members welcome.

ROSTERS	LAMBTON	WARATAH	NEW LAMBTON	WARATAH
8/9 February 2020	Saturday 5:00PM	Sunday 7:30AM	Sunday 9:15AM	Sunday 5:30PM
Flowers / Sacristy	Diana Dolan	Monu Pifeleti	Ken & Robyn Gallagher	
Liturgical Assistant	Volunteer	Tim O'Brien Pat Campbell	Stephen & Alison Morris	Graham Alexander Laurel Movigliatti
Greeters	Pam Howland & Team	Pat Campbell	Derrell Ellevsen Melene Horton	Graham Alexander & team
Musician	Naomi Smith Suzanne Ryan	Anne Morris	Sr Janice Duggan	Marc Grimer
Readers	Teighan McKinnon Peter Michel	Teleisia Lolohea Joyce Norris	Joy Loas	Dennis Carroll Helen Clough
Prayer of the Faithful	Rachael Miller	Vili Pifeleti	Carmel Smart	Fiona Duque
Procession of the Gifts	Volunteers	Paul & Sonia Charlton	Volunteers	George & Joy Hatherall
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Gwen Fuge Mary Ann Seskus Volunteer	Tim O'Brien Karina Movigliatti Mary Nesbitt	Ben Frize Angela Hall Mark Horton	Marianna Nadalin Jenny Payne Johanna Soo
15/16 February 2020	Saturday 5:00PM	Sunday 7:30AM	Sunday 9:15AM	Sunday 5:30PM
Flowers / Sacristy	Diana Dolan	Elizabeth Buckles	Derrell Ellevsen	
Liturgical Assistant	Volunteer	Tim O'Brien Pat Campbell	Stephen & Alison Morris	Graham Alexander Laurel Movigliatti
Greeters	Pam Howland & Team	Pat Campbell	Melene Horton Clare Paff	Graham Alexander & team
Musician	Naomi Smith Suzanne Ryan	Judy Nolan	Bronwyn Melville & United in Song	Greg Smith
Readers	Anne Maree Mitchell Kath Sanders	Paul Rosser Mary Tobin	Kaylene Maretich	Joy Hatherall Anna Hill
Prayer of the Faithful	John Seskus	Paul Weber	Sr Maureen Torpey	John Hill
Procession of the Gifts	Teighan McKinnon Volunteer	Mariana Nadalin Maria Biruski	Volunteers	Johanna & Alison Soo
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Ann Gunn Peter Muchel Volunteer	Tim O'Brien Chris Capper Mary Montgomery	Joy Loas Deanne March Greg Ptolemy	Graham Alexander Anna Hill Laurie Movigliatti
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FIRST READING

Is 58:7-10

A reading from the prophet Isaiah
Your light will shine like the dawn.

Thus says the Lord:

Share your bread with the hungry,
 and shelter the homeless poor,
 clothe the man you see to be naked
 and turn not from your own kin.

Then will your light shine like the dawn
 and your wound be quickly healed over.
 Your integrity will go before you
 and the glory of the Lord behind you.
 Cry, and the Lord will answer;
 call, and he will say, 'I am here.'

If you do away with the yoke,
 the clenched fist, the wicked word,
 if you give your bread to the hungry,
 and relief to the oppressed,
 your light will rise in the darkness,
 and your shadows become like noon.

The Word of the Lord.



RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 111:4-9. R. v.4

(R.) A light rises in the darkness for the upright.

1. He is a light in the darkness for the upright:
 he is generous, merciful and just.
 The good man takes pity and lends,
 he conducts his affairs with honour. (R.)

2. The just man will never waver:
 he will be remembered for ever.
 He has no fear of evil news;
 with a firm heart he trusts in the Lord. (R.)

3. With a steadfast heart he will not fear;
 open-handed, he gives to the poor;
 his justice stands firm for ever.
 His head will be raised in glory. (R.)

SECOND READING

1 Cor 2:1-5

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

I came to you to proclaim Christ crucified.

When I came to you, brothers, it was not with any show of oratory or philosophy, but simply to tell you what God had guaranteed. During my stay with you, the only knowledge I claimed to have was about Jesus, and only about him as the crucified Christ. Far from relying on any power of my own, I came among you in great 'fear and trembling' and in my speeches and the sermons that I gave, there were none of the arguments that belong to philosophy; only a demonstration of the power of the Spirit. And I did this so that your faith should not depend on human philosophy but on the power of God.

The Word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jn 8:12

Alleluia, alleluia!
 I am the light of the world, says the Lord;
 the man who follows me
 will have the light of life.
 Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mt 5:13-16

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

You are the light of the world.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'You are the salt of the earth. But if salt becomes tasteless, what can make it salty again? It is good for nothing, and can only be thrown out to be trampled underfoot by men.'

'You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill-top cannot be hidden. No one lights a lamp to put it under a tub; they put it on the lamp-stand where it shines for everyone in the house. In the same way your light must shine in the sight of men, so that, seeing your good works, they may give the praise to your Father in heaven.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

