

Lakeside Pastoral Region Bulletin

The Catholic Parishes of Booragul Warners Bay, Toronto and Morisset

St Michael the Archangel - 46 Ranclaud Street, Booragul

St Mary's - 2 Bayview Street, Warners Bay

St Joseph's - 140 Wangi Road, Toronto

Sts Patrick & Brigid - 6 Martinsville Road, Cooranbong

St John Vianney - 60 Yambo Street, Morisset

We acknowledge the Awabakal & Darkinjung people - the traditional custodians of this place

SUNDAY, 21 JUNE 2026

TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A

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BAPTISMS & SACRAMENTS

Booking via Parish Website

Baptisms celebrated most Sundays.

UPCOMING MASS TIMES:

Sat 20 June

Mass 5:00pm Cooranbong

Mass 5:30pm Booragul

Sun 21 June

Mass 8:30am Toronto

Mass 9:00am Warners Bay

Mass 10:00am Morisset

Mass 6:00pm Warners Bay

Tue 23 Jun

Mass 9:30am Morisset

Wed 24 Jun

Mass 9:00am Booragul

Thu 25 Jun

Mass 9:30am Warners Bay

Fri 26 Jun

Mass 9:30am Toronto

Dear Parish Family,

Do not be afraid.....!

The statement in today's Gospel carries on from last weekend, where we were reminded that when our "stomach is in a knot," we shouldn't ignore it – we are called to respond. But responding takes courage.

"Do not be afraid" is one of the most repeated phrases in the Bible. It appears hundreds of times throughout both the Old and New Testaments. Clearly, God knows something about the human heart. A few years ago, I attended a seminar on fear. It is one of the greatest challenges in our world today. Fear can take hold of us and paralyse us. Our natural response is to fight, flee, or freeze. And fear shows up in so many ways: fear of rejection, fear of failure, fear of disappointment, fear of what others might think. The fear of speaking the truth. The fear of standing up for what is right. And sometimes, even the fear of trusting God.

This brings us back to the original listeners of Matthew's Gospel, who were being persecuted for following Christ. Jesus doesn't sugarcoat it. He tells the Twelve that the message they carry will not always be well received. There will be those who try to silence them through violence, opposition, and misunderstanding. Yet faith is not meant to be hidden. It is meant to be lived, preached, and witnessed. Often in simple ways: choosing honesty, showing kindness, standing for truth when it's unpopular, or living your faith when others criticise you.

Jesus says, "Do not be afraid." Not because life will be safe, but because God is greater than whatever we fear. He invites us to bring our fears to God. And then He gives us this beautiful image: not one sparrow falls to the ground apart from the Father. In other words, God accompanies even a tiny sparrow in its final moment. What a powerful image of God's loving presence.

And then the one that always brings a smile – "every hair on your head is counted." For some of us, that makes God's job a little easier! But the message is clear: you matter deeply to God.

As disciples, we will feel fear. But the question is: can we trust that God is with us in it? So perhaps something to ponder this week is this: What holds me back from living out my faith more openly? And can I place that fear into God's hands, and hear once again His words: **Do not be afraid.**

Stay warm and well!

Fr Darryl Mackie

Parish Priest



Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time A Sunday 21 Jun 2026

First Reading (Jeremiah 20:10-13)

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

Jeremiah said:

'I hear so many disparaging me,
"Terror from every side!
Denounce him! Let us denounce him!"
All those who used to be my friends
watched for my downfall,
"Perhaps he will be seduced into error.
Then we will master him
and take our revenge!"
But the Lord is at my side, a mighty hero;
my opponents will stumble, mastered,
confounded by their failure;
everlasting, unforgettable disgrace will be theirs.
But you, Lord of Hosts, you who probe with justice,
who scrutinise the loins and heart,
let me see the vengeance you will take on them,
for I have committed my cause to you.
Sing to the Lord,
praise the Lord,
for he has delivered the soul of the needy
from the hands of evil men.'

Responsorial Psalm

(Ps 68:8-10. 14. 17. 33-35. R. v.14)

(R.) Lord, in your great love, answer me.

1. It is for you that I suffer taunts,
that shame covers my face,
that I have become a stranger to my brothers,
an alien to my own mother's sons.
I burn with zeal for your house
and taunts against you fall on me. (R.)
2. This is my prayer to you,
my prayer for your favour.
In your great love, answer me, O God,
with your help that never fails:
Lord, answer, for your love is kind;
in your compassion, turn towards me. (R.)
3. The poor when they see it will be glad
and God-seeking hearts will revive;
for the Lord listens to the needy
and does not spurn his servants in their chains.
Let the heavens and the earth give him praise,
the sea and all its living creatures. (R.)

Second Reading (Romans 5:12-15)

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

Sin entered the world through one man, and through sin death, and thus death has spread through the whole human race because everyone has sinned. Sin existed in the world long before the Law was given. There was no law and so no one could be accused of the sin of 'law-breaking', yet death reigned over all from Adam to Moses, even though their sin, unlike that of Adam, was not a matter of breaking a law.

Adam prefigured the One to come, but the gift itself considerably outweighed the fall. If it is certain that through one man's fall so many died, it is even more certain that divine grace, coming through the one man, Jesus Christ, came to so many as an abundant free gift.

Gospel Acclamation (John 15:26. 27)

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Spirit of Truth will bear witness to me, says the Lord,
and you also will be my witnesses.

Alleluia!

Gospel (Matthew 10:26-33)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus instructed the Twelve as follows: 'Do not be afraid. For everything that is now covered will be uncovered, and everything now hidden will be made clear. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the daylight; what you hear in whispers, proclaim from the house-tops.

'Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; fear him rather who can destroy both body and soul in hell. Can you not buy two sparrows for a penny? And yet not one falls to the ground without your Father knowing. Why, every hair on your head has been counted. So there is no need to be afraid; you are worth more than hundreds of sparrows.

'So if anyone declares himself for me in the presence of men, I will declare myself for him in the presence of my Father in heaven. But the one who disowns me in the presence of men, I will disown in the presence of my Father in heaven.'

Come to Me, all who are
weary and burdened, and I will
give you rest. – Mt 11:28

Come and join us for prayer,
reflection, and adoration.

When: Thursdays, 6:30pm

Where: St Michael the Archangel, Booragul



Communion

Catholics who have made the proper spiritual and sacramental preparation may come forward in the procession to receive Holy Communion.

The sacred host must be consumed in the presence of the communion minister. Non-Catholic friends are invited to remain seated in silent prayer or may come forward to receive a blessing with arms crossed over the chest.



(CNS photo/Vatican Media)

Pope Leo's Prayer Intention for June 2026

For the values of sports.

Let us pray that sports be an instrument of peace, encounter, and dialogue among cultures and nations, and that they promote values such as respect, solidarity, and personal growth.

VINEYARDS CATHOLIC PARISHES PRESENTS

FAITH STORIES

of our newest Saints, Blessed Mother and more...

WITH PAUL & JULIANA ELARDE

10 & 11 JULY 2026

KURRI PARISH HALL,
102 BARTON STREET,
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FRI: 6:15PM - 9PM
SAT: 10AM - 4PM



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TALK 1: Our Newest Saints! Part 1 - St. Pier Giorgio Frassati
It may seem unusual to think of a saint as practical joker, who loved skiing, mountain climbing, the theatre, music and the arts. But this is the story of the young Italian, Pier Giorgio, whose body was found to be incorrupt after 66 years in the ground.

TALK 2: Our Newest Saints! Part 2 - St. Carlo Acutis
We usually don't connect saints with computer programmers - but Carlo Acutis is known as "God's influence". This English-born Italian achieved a lot in his short life. His love for the Holy Eucharist inspired him to create a website dedicated to Eucharistic miracles, making him the first millennial saint.

TALK 3: Why Mary Matters
Some mistake that Catholics worship Mary, but Mary is our spiritual Mother, given to us by Jesus at the Cross. This talk explains why the Catholic Church holds such a special love for Mary, by examining Scripture, Sacred Tradition and Marian apparitions.

TESTIMONY by Juliana: "I walked out of my wheelchair in Lourdes."
Juliana had been confined to a wheelchair for eight and a half years. She lived in constant pain. After seeing one Holy apparition doctor, they told her that she needed to prepare herself that her leg would be amputated. Her amazing story is one of spiritual conversion and physical healing.

PLEASE REGISTER YOUR RSVP FOR CATERING PURPOSES.



Got Questions?

Explore life, faith,
and meaning.

Fry Alpha.

Event details:
Running every Wednesday for 10
weeks starting 22nd
July 6:30pm
Address:
7 Milson St, Charlestown



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or call 0475 292 028

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NAIDOC Week 2026 Civic Flag Raising Ceremony & Community Festival

Monday 6 July 2026, 8:45am, Civic Park, Newcastle

Join us for the NAIDOC Week Flag Raising Ceremony as we celebrate this year's theme, "50 Years of Deadly" - marking five decades of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander excellence, strength, culture, and leadership. Following the ceremony, a community procession will make its way to Foreshore Park for the Awabakal Newcastle NAIDOC Community Festival. The Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle is proud to support this important event and invites all to come together to celebrate, listen, learn, and walk alongside First Nations peoples in the spirit of reconciliation. Show your support!

Register here: [NAIDOC Week Flag Raising Ceremony](#),
MONDAY 6 July 2025, 8:45 am at Civic Park, Newcastle -
[Fill out form](#)

JOIN US



Celebrate the Patronal Feast
of Our Lady of Perpetual Help

SATURDAY 27 JUNE | 10:00AM
SACRED HEART CATHEDRAL

Morning tea will follow the Mass, providing an opportunity to gather in fellowship and community.

Anointing Mass

Thursday 16th July at 9.30am
St Mary's Church 2 Bayview St
Warners Bay

An anointing with the "Oil of the Sick" for those who are sick, frail, elderly or in need of healing.



YOU'RE INVITED TO A

Soup, Damper and
Sing Along Night

Saturday
4th July
2026

MUSIC BY JOHN COLLINS

HELD IN ST MARY'S HALL,
2 BAYVIEW STREET WARNERS BAY
ENTRY IS A DONATION. ALL WELCOME.
RSVP BY PLACING YOUR NAME ON THE
SHEETS AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH BY
WEDNESDAY 1ST JULY 2026.

A CHANCE FOR NEW PARISHIONERS
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Let's Celebrate
Together

**WE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING
MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY:**

Sick List: Katherine McCarthy, Helen Martin, James Bennett, Silvi Bennett, Dakai Smith, Scott Massey, Peter Corcoran, Maya Kelly, Paul Whitelaw, Simon Morrice, Victor Andres Guerrero Luhing, Margaret Sheridan, Judy Blissett, Judy Fisher, Jenny Moles, Sarah Hill, Judith Kilburn, Kath Brooks, Brett Sulman, Richard Tooker, Roz Wood, Amanda Sevil, Ella Hammond, Theresa Shahinian, Dianna Close, and Monica LoCascio.

Recently Deceased: Marie "Lyn" Shields

Anniversaries: Christina Graf

If you would like a loved one remembered in the Anniversaries, please let the Parish Office know by Thursday morning.

DEAR LIVING PRAYER FAMILY

Our prayer for the month of June.

In the Old Testament, the Lord fed his people. In the Eucharist he feeds us with the food and drink for eternal life. We pray and are thankful for this great gift.

* God instructs us with the same message Christ instructed the twelve - "Do not be afraid!" We pray for all the prayer requests taken to the Eucharistic altar each Sunday.

* We pray that we are worthy witnesses of Christ.

* For we Christians, there can be no "foreigners". By welcoming each other, we welcome Christ. We pray that the welcoming spirit of Christ envelopes us.

* We pray for Father Peter and his continued healing and restoration and continued blessings for the years ahead.

During this time after Pentecost we are asked to regenerate our lives modelled on Christ under the direction of the spirit.

Don't forget the Living Prayer box at the back of the church - place your intentions in the box and they will be taken up and placed at the altar during the Prayers of the Faithful.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

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Principal: Nick Wickham

PARISH GROUPS

Finance Committee

Thursday 18 June 2026 - 6:00pm

St Michael's Booragul

Pastoral Council Meeting

Monday 22nd June 2026 - 6:30pm

St Michael's Booragul

Promotion of Safeguarding

Please contact the office

Mass Collection

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Donations to support our parish can also be made via the EFTPOS machine at the back of the church

Parish Soup and Cards Night

Friday 7th AUG

Parish Community Centre

All Welcome

More information coming soon

June Lottery Winners



Our winners for June 2026 Lottery were:

1st prize – Anonymous who has kindly donated their prize towards the AV System

2nd prize – Louise Mahon

St Joseph's Ministry Rosters

The next roster for 1st July to 31st October 2026 has been distributed. If you have not received yours via email, please contact Deb on dcgwynne000@gmail.com

There are a few hardcopies available on the back table of the church for those that may not be able to print them out.

Thank you all for your continuing commitment to our parish community.



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