



City Pastoral REGION

CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF MAITLAND-NEWCASTLE

St Benedict's 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 23RD JUNE 2024

12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR B

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THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Life is full of storms. They are in many forms physical: psychological, emotional, or spiritual. Just as no one can cross the sea without being touched by the water, so without the cross there is no resurrection. Amidst of all the storms and difficulties sometimes we feel the absence of God in our journey of life. Yet God is always with us. When we call upon him, he is ready to answer because he is the creator and has authority over everything.

Fr Anil

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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)

12th Week of Ordinary Time, Year B

Monday 24th June

Solemnity of The Nativity of St John the Baptist

8:15am Mass @ The Cathedral

Tuesday 25th June

8:15am Mass @ The Cathedral

9:15am Mass @ Stockton (School Mass)

Wednesday 26th June

8:15am Mass @ The Cathedral

9:00am Mass @ Christ the King, Mayfield West

Thursday 27th June

Solemnity of Our Lady of Perpetual Help

8:15am Mass @ The Cathedral

9:00am Mass @ Stockton

9:30am Mass @ St Columban's School

5:30pm Mass @ Seafarers

Friday 28th June

Memorial of St Irenaeus

10:15am Mass @ St Joseph's

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

12:05pm Mass @ The Cathedral

Saturday 29th June

Solemnity of Sts Peter and Paul

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

5:30pm Mass @ Mayfield West

Sunday 30th June

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

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) **
No Mass this week!

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

** The Vietnamese Mass is now celebrated fortnightly

PRAYER REQUESTS



RECENTLY DECEASED: Brian Walker, Dazelle
Duma, Victor Lupish.

ANNIVERSARIES: Mick Rabbitt, Roy & Olwyn Johns
Valda Cathcart, Betty Holley, Bob Reed, Bev Orrett,
John Michael Turner, Velta Stevens, Catherine O'Neill,
Christopher O'Donohue

SICK: Neil McGoldrick, John Woodward, Loreta
Habulan, Peter & Bev Woods Leeton, Lisa Woodland,
Maria Therese Perera, Tui Innes, Marko Kefecsek, Jolina
Joyce Saranillo, Maureen Dwyer, Angela Cottier,
Joshua Zalanardo, Rosa Silivinec, Harry Melville,
Doreen Mason, Elaine Johnson, Mark Caesar, Peter
Kefecsek, Carlo Rossi, Neil Thomas, Kathryn Gray,
Emilie Tseronis, Josephine Diwa, Ronoel Diwa, Loreta
Diwa

*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.*

OUR BELOVED DEAD

Speak the name of the dead and they will live forever.

We remember those in our Columbaria whose
anniversaries occur in June:

At Sacred Heart

Reginald Bennett

Coral Dawn (Diri) Cooke

Joy Doran

Clifford Ellicott

Barry (Appo) Garside

Leo Ireland

Helen Elizabeth McLachlan

Basil O'Brien

Moira O'Brien

Herbert Presland

Michael (Mick) Rabbitt

Colleen Ray

Clyde Henry Rowley

John Ruggero

John Shearer

Stanley Wenman

Noela Margaret Yazbeck

At St Joseph's:

Vaudrey BRUYN

Paul BYRON

John CAVENAGH

Robert CRAIG

Yvette DAVIS

Christine DOWLING

Elaine GROOMBRIDGE

Ethna HARVEY

Ena HAWKINS

Helen Margaret HUMPHRY

Ronald John JAMES

Kenneth George LANE

John Augustus LARKIN

Mark Joseph LEWIS

Eileen MOORE

Dolly O'MALLEY

Eric & Coralie PARKINSON

Lynette PUNSHON

Greg RADECKI

Richard Joseph WAKELY

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

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

Wis 1:13-15, 2:23-24; 2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15;

Mark 5:21-24, 35-43



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

FROM THE PARISH PRIEST

Farewell to Fr. Paul and Welcome Deacon Solomon!

Just late last week we were advised that Fr Paul Chackanikunnel was being transferred from our City Pastoral Region to serve in the Maitland Catholic Region. Fr Paul has been with us since July 2022 and has been a wonderful support to us with



his diligence and warm pastoral style. His leaving will be a great loss to us, but our loss will be Maitland's gain. Please join me in wishing Paul every grace and blessing in his new role, and continue to support him with your prayers.

At the same time, on behalf of us all, I'd like to welcome Deacon Solomon Okovido, from Nigeria, who has been assisting with liturgies around parishes in our diocese over the past couple of years, and more recently in Dungog and the Maitland Region. Aged 33, Solomon is a Transitional Deacon preparing for ordination to the priesthood of our diocese, so please join me in warmly welcoming Solomon and keep him in your prayers.

Love, Fr John

CHRISTIAN FORMATION COURSE

Expressions of Interest for 2024/2025 Christian Formation Course are now open.

Are you wanting to know more about Christianity and develop a deeper understanding of the Catholic Church? The Christian Formation Course (CFC) is a learning experience that allows participants to explore the foundational elements of the Catholic Faith Tradition. This one-year course introduces participants to scripture, theology, church history, sacramental life and liturgy.

- The Course runs across twelve (12) months and comprises eight (8) units

- All who complete the Course are awarded a diocesan Certificate in Christian Formation

By engaging in the course, it is hoped participants will:

- become more confident in understanding the Catholic faith
- grow in their capacity to reflect on their life's journey
- realise that Christian faith is nurtured in community
- be affirmed in their gifts for participating in the life of the faith community
- grow in awareness of what it means to be a responsive member of the faith community

Commencing on Tuesday 23 July, no prerequisite formation or qualification is required to enrol. To find out more, go to www.mn.catholic.org.au/church-mission/catholic-life/fait-h-formation/christian-formation-course/

FROM FR. PAUL

Dear friends,

As I farewell after two blessed years of ministry among you, I am filled with gratitude. Your warmth, faith, and unwavering support have touched my heart deeply.

Together, we celebrated Mass, shared joys and sorrows, and grew in faith. Your kindness, prayers, and commitment to our parish mission have been a source of inspiration. I am humbled by the friendships forged and the lives we've touched together.

I would like to take this opportunity to extend my gratitude to Fr John Lovell for his efficient leadership and amiable friendship. I thank other priests, deacons and religious in the city pastoral region for your evangelical love and care. And I thank our parish staff and the pastoral team for your kind support in my ministry. Also, I thank each of you in this pastoral region for your genuine concern and support. It was a shame that I didn't get time to announce my transfer in advance in each community and thank you personally. However, I am sure that you will take such functional snags in Christian Spirit and continue to pray for me.

Though I leave physically to Maitland Pastoral Region, know that you remain in my prayers. May God continue to guide and bless each one of you. Our paths may diverge, but our shared faith unites us forever.

Thank you for being my parish family. May the love of Christ continue to shine brightly in your lives.

With heartfelt blessings,
Fr Paul Chackanikunnel



Clinical Pastoral Education – Introductory Course July 2024

This course will be held at Mackillop Parish Centre, Milson Street, Charlestown from 9.00am to 4.00pm, commencing Monday 15 July.

The course is conducted over six consecutive Mondays concluding on 19 August. Cost: \$500 For further information contact Fr. Roger Zohrab. Phone: 0408 151 481

Email: rzohrab@bigpond.com OR roger.zohrab@health.nsw.gov.au



VINNIES WINTER APPEAL

ENVELOPES AVAILABLE IN THE CHURCHES NOW

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION AT TIGHES HILL

This is non-denominational and everyone is very welcome. Please come.

WHEN: Monday afternoon 3.30 for 3.45 start

WHERE: Mercy Offices, 20 Union Street (Next door to Mercy Services) Off street parking available

The Meditation session begins with short guided relaxation exercises then we have a reading from Fr. John Main which leads into 20 minutes of silent meditation

MEDITATION GROUPS AT LIVING WATERS CENTRE

LIVING WATERS CHRISTIAN MEDITATION CENTRE, 34 Kenrick Street, The Junction, offers meditation sessions on Wednesdays at 7.30am and Fridays at 11.00am – and has done so for the last 25 years, in which time many hundreds of people have taken up this prayer form. After meditation on Fridays Lectio Divina, a personal interaction with Sacred Scripture, is offered. Through both practices we open ourselves to the fullness of life; we come to know ourselves by knowing that we are known and loved by God. For more information: Carmel Moore rsj -0412122297 - or just come.

MEN'S ROSARY GROUP

The Men's Rosary will be held on the first Saturday of each month @ 1pm at Sacred Heart Cathedral, 841 Hunter St, Newcastle West. For more Information contact Jason on 0499 854 928.



WEDNESDAY ROSARY

Pray the Rosary each Wednesday immediately after 8:15am Mass in Sacred Heart Cathedral, 841 Hunter St, Newcastle West.

EPIC (EVERYTHING POSSIBLE IN CHRIST) YOUNG ADULT GROUP

Meet Thursdays @ 7pm in the Cathedral precinct. Join us June 27, to view episode 2 of the series *The Chosen*. Anyone aged between 20 and 40 is cordially invited to join the group.

Email Elul.tecle@mn.catholic.org.au to find out more.

VIEW, CHEW, CHAT, AND LECTIO

View, Chew, and Chat meets June 26 for Lectio. To participate, please email the parish office.

PRAYER GROUP

Junction Prayer/Discussion Group Monthly meetings occur on the last Thursday of each month at 9:30am in Parish meeting room.

TAIZE SERVICE

Sunday 7th July Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church Tighes Hill 5.00pm – 6pm *followed by a shared supper.*

You can read about it in the Aurora article "A spirit of joy, simplicity and reconciliation" available in the Diocesan website: <http://mnnews.today>



BOOK CLUB

Sunday, 7th July @ 6:15pm: Bookclub meets to discuss *What Happened to Nina?* by Dervla McTiernan. If you would like to participate in book club meetings, please email newcparish@mn.catholic.org.au



COMMUNITY KITCHEN OPENING HOURS

As we enter winter, more people in our community will need help. CatholicCare's Community Kitchens can be accessed by anyone who needs a warm meal or support. Five locations operate across the Hunter and Mid-North Coast. including:

- Hamilton South: Every Wednesday, 12pm to 1pm at 29 Fowler Street, Hamilton South
- Newcastle: Every Saturday, 5.30pm to 6.30pm (6.30pm to 7.30pm during Daylight Savings) at Civic Park, King Street, Newcastle
- Toronto: Every Thursday, 5pm to 6.30pm at 97 The Boulevard, Toronto

STAY UP-TO-DATE WITH DIOCESAN RESOURCE CENTRE EVENTS

The Diocesan Resource Centre and Library were officially opened and blessed by Bishop Michael Kennedy at the end of May. The library is open three days a week and offers several events each month. Find out what is on offer by regularly checking the Catholic Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle website: www.mn.catholic.org.au/places/library

The opening hours are as follows:

- Mondays and Fridays – 10am to 6pm
- Saturday – 10am to 2pm

NAIDOC WEEK COMMUNITY EVENT

MONDAY 8 JULY, 9AM TO 3PM

During NAIDOC Week (7 – 14 July) the Catholic Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle and CatholicCare Social Services Hunter-Manning will be participating in a community event in Newcastle.

Hosted by Awabakal Ltd, the event starts at Civic Park, with a flag raising at 9 am before a united procession to Foreshore Park.

The Diocese and CatholicCare are sponsors of this event and will provide information and activities in a marquee, along with other community groups, to engage with and share the wealth of programs and offerings of the diocese with the local community.

NAIDOC WEEK

ECUMENICAL PRAYER SERVICE

Coinciding with National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday, all are welcome to attend this year's NAIDOC Week 2024 Ecumenical Prayer Service.

The theme this year is "Keep the Fire Burning. Blak, Loud and Proud!"

Celebrate and honour the rich cultural heritage and contributions of our First Nations people:

Venue: Christ Church Anglican Cathedral, Church Street, Newcastle

Time: 1:45pm for 2pm

Date: Sunday 7 July 2024

All Welcome

A REFLECTION DAY WITH

FR KEVIN DANCE CP

TUESDAY 9 JULY 2024

All are invited to a day of reflection and Mass in Jesus, the Good Shepherd Parish, at Belmont Church Hall -

40 Ernest Street Belmont. On-site parking is available.

Arrive from 8.30am to sign in and enjoy a cuppa.

Starts at 9am and finishes at 4.30pm.

Cost is by donation. Enquiries and registrations to Jan on 0438 252 657

or Email elmparish@mn.catholic.org.au RSVP

2/7/2024. BYO lunch. Morning tea provided.

THE CHUCKLE

What lies at the bottom of the ocean and shivers?

A nervous wreck!



NOTICE TO PLANNED GIVERS

USING ENVELOPES

**PLEASE COLLECT YOUR SETS
FOR THE NEW FINANCIAL YEAR**

Planned Giving Envelopes will be available in all Churches from the weekend 15/16 June 2024.

We've placed your envelopes at the Mass Centre you usually attend. If you find they're not available, please contact the Parish Office on 4979 1101, or email new-cparish@mn.catholic.org.au, and we will locate them for you.

NOTICE TO PLANNED GIVERS - THE END OF FINANCIAL YEAR IS COMING!

Planned Giving Tax Receipts: Parishioners who require a tax receipt for planned giving for the 2023/2024 financial year must notify the Parish Office **by Friday, 28 June 2024.**

Please submit requests in writing by one of the following methods:

Email to newcparish@mn.catholic.org.au: Use the wording, "Please provide me with a Planned Giving tax receipt" and include your name and envelope number.

Planned Giving Envelope: Write on your weekly envelope, "Tax receipt required".

Tax receipt data will be processed immediately following 30 June 2024. If you make a request after that date you will not be eligible for a receipt, nor for a tax deduction in relation to your planned giving contributions. This is because there is a designated sum that can be attributed to planned giving receipts and, once this distribution has occurred, no further allocations are possible.

The 'designated sum' provision also means that the claimable amount for each giver decreases when more people request a receipt. We therefore request that if you do not intend to claim a tax deduction, please do not request a receipt.

SAFEGUARDING

The Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle has an abiding commitment to promote the safety, welfare and well-being of children and vulnerable adults. Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility if you have any concerns for a child or vulnerable adult please contact the Office of Safeguarding: P 4979 1390, E childprotection@mn.catholic.org.au or www.officeofsafeguarding.org.au

STILL WATER

A REFLECTION BY ANNE MILLARD

Over the course of four years, from 2009 to 2012, I had the incredible privilege to serve as leader for five pilgrimages with parishioners from my Parish, Sacred Heart, in Shawnee, Kansas. We toured the Holy Land in 2009, Italy (twice) in 2010, New Mexico in 2011, and Ireland in 2012.

The trip to the Holy Land was incredible—as we visited the sites and saw the sights, the Gospels came to life in front of my eyes. Of all the places we visited, I remember the Sea of Galilee with particular fondness.

Our group had different travel itineraries; most of the travellers got to Israel exactly on time and enjoyed a lovely night's rest prior to the start of the tour. Four of us were delayed out of Kansas City and then stuck in Chicago due to storms. By the time we landed in Tel Aviv, it was 4am local time and we were over 13 hours delayed. A two-hour minibus ride finally got us to our accommodation in Galilee. In general, I have two speeds—a million miles an hour and sound asleep. When I saw my bed in Galilee, I hit the pillow and slept for around 10 minutes until our lovely local guide called me to say the bus was loading. Then she banged on my door incessantly until I got on the bus. Off we went to Cana, where I was to sing *Ave Maria* at the wedding chapel. A cat would have meowed it better.

After a wonderful day of touring (which I am glad I experienced), I took my tired, hot, miserable body and threw it into the Sea of Galilee. I will never forget just how good it felt. My roommate on that trip was a lovely woman named Dianne. We didn't know each other very well, so as we floated around in the Sea of Galilee, we told each other our stories. I remember it to this day.

Dianne and I remained very close friends after that trip. Two years later, after a week-long retreat at Christ in the Desert Monastery in New Mexico, we went white water rafting down the Rio Grande. It was exhilarating! Dianne and I were in the front of the raft and things were going along smoothly, until suddenly they weren't. I began to slip out of the boat, just as we veered very close to a jagged rock face. I felt myself falling and I saw those rocks coming at me fast. Although I didn't have time to react, I thought I was going to die. There was nothing I could do, my weight was pushing me overboard into that water, right against those rocks. Suddenly, Dianne reached across the raft and yanked me back to safety. She saved my life. Dianne is a small woman; I am not. I wondered at her strength. Later in the day, Dianne told me that it was my guardian angel who took her hand and

reached across to save me from falling.

Sadly, Diane died in 2017, losing her battle with cancer. I learned so much from her. We formed our friendship in the Sea of Galilee. And on another body of water, she saved my life. Dianne battled cancer for many years, but always with a grace I couldn't fathom. She never showed fear. She accepted what the good Lord brought her way.



*The white-water rafting group from Sacred Heart, Shawnee, on the Rio Grande, July 2011.
Dianne is front left; I am front right.*

HISTORICAL CONTEXT

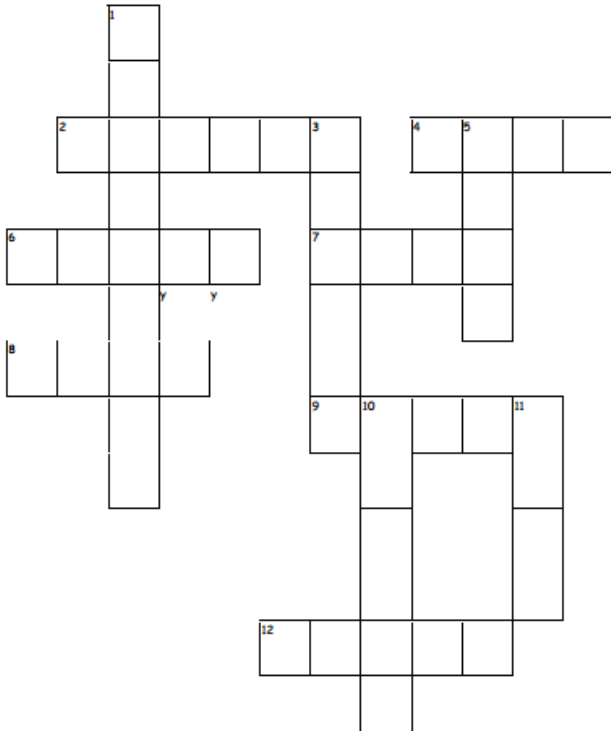
Mark's audience

Scripture scholars are now convinced that the Gospel of Mark was the first of the four New Testament gospels to be written. It is probable that it was written at about 70 – 75 C.E. – approximately 40 years after the death of Jesus. The intended community was probably based in or around Rome and so were mostly gentile (non-Jewish) Christians. The destruction of the Jerusalem Temple by Roman forces in 70 C.E. was one of the signs that led this community to believe that the world was coming to an end and that the Messiah was about to return.

CROSSWORD

Jesus calms the storm

Mk 4:35-41



Across

- 2: the opposite of awake
- 4: a vessel for travelling on water
- 6: belief
- 7: an inland body of water
- 8: still
- 9: oceans and lakes make these shapes in the water
- 12: when there is little or no noise

Down

- 1: Jesus' followers
- 3: you rest your head on one of these when you sleep
- 5: to do what you are told to do
- 10: scared
- 11: to be submerged in water



ENROLMENTS OPEN FOR 2025

FOR ENROLMENT PACK INFORMATION

Contact the office on 4963 3009 or
email admin@merewetherbeach.catholic.edu.au

Mk 4:35-41

SENIOR WORDSEARCH

Jesus calms the storm

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

Try to find these words:

afraid
asleep
boat
calm
disciples
faith
lake
obey
pillow
quiet
sink
waves

TODAY'S LITURGY

Entrance Antiphon Cf. Ps 27:8-9

The Lord is the strength of his people,
a saving refuge for the one he has anointed.
Save your people, Lord, and bless your heritage,
and govern them for ever.

First Reading Jb 38:1. 8-11

Here I have set the boundaries of the sea.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 106:23-26. 28-31. R. v.1

**(R.) Give thanks to the Lord,
his love is everlasting.**

1. Some sailed to the sea in ships
to trade on the mighty waters.
These men have seen the Lord's deeds,
the wonders he does in the deep. **(R.)**
2. For he spoke; he summoned the gale,
tossing the waves of the sea
up to heaven and back into the deep;
their soul melted away in their distress. **(R.)**
3. Then they cried to the Lord in their need
and he rescued them from their distress.
He stilled the storm to a whisper:
all the waves of the sea were hushed. **(R.)**
4. They rejoiced because of the calm
and he led them to the haven they desired.
Let them thank the Lord for his love,
the wonders he does for men. **(R.)**

Second Reading 2 Cor 5:14-17

All things are made new.

Gospel Acclamation Lk 7:16

Alleluia, alleluia!

A great prophet has appeared among us;

God has visited his people.

Alleluia!

Gospel Mk 4:35-41

*Who can this be? Even the wind and the sea
obey him.*

Communion Antiphon Ps 144:15

The eyes of all look to you, Lord,
and you give them their food in due season.

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SCRIPTURAL CONTEXT

Miracle stories

The miracle stories of the three synoptic gospels (Mark, Matthew and Luke) generally fall into four categories of miracle: healing miracles (healing of physical ailments and disease); exorcism miracles (driving out evil spirits – often associated with a form of healing); resuscitation miracles (bringing people back to life); and nature miracles (Jesus appears to contradict the laws of nature – walking on water, multiplying food and calming a storm). Each type of miracle story tends to have its own literary structure and being able to recognise the type of miracle being described assists the interpretation of the gospel account.

BEQUESTS

To help our Catholic Pastoral Region of Parishes continue its important mission of proclaiming the Good News of Jesus, you might consider including us in your Will. You would just need to specify which parish or parishes you would like to help with your bequest.

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