

PARISHES IN PARTNERSHIP

St. Mary's Maffra [Newry & Dargo]

St. Michael's Heyfield-Cowwarr

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Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A — Year A – 22nd January, 2023.

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WEEKEND MASSES: Heyfield

Saturday Vigil: **6.00pm** 1st & 3rd Sunday Cowwarr: 11.00am

WEEKEND MASSES: Maffra

Sunday: 9.00am $2^{\text{nd}} \& 4^{\text{th}} \text{ Sunday - Newry:}$ 11.00am $5^{\text{th}} \text{ Sunday - Dargo}$: 12.Noon

WEEKDAY MASSES HEYFIELD

Tuesday: 9.30am

MAFFRA

Wednesday to Saturday: 9.30am

RECONCILIATION:

MAFFRA

Any time by request

HEYFIELD:

Saturday: Before Mass 5.20pm

OR any other time by request

DAILY EXPOSITION: Maffra – Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday – 8.20am –

9.20am followed by Mass

EXPOSITION AND RECONCILIATION: Maffra
Wednesday: After 9.30am Mass

BAPTISMS:

During or After the Vigil / Sunday Mass

MARRIAGE

At least six months' notice requested.

Parish Schools

ST. MICHAEL'S HEYFIELD

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To follow Jesus does not mean merely that one travels with him from place to place. It means that one learns from him, that one follows his manner of life and his way of thinking. To follow Jesus means to follow his example in the way he respects himself and other people, in his use of the things of the natural world. It means that one listens to what he says, and asks for an explanation when what he says is not understood. All of

this requires that the disciple be a learner, one who can learn from the life of Jesus as well as from his teaching.

The first lessons that the disciples must learn are found in the beatitudes. The same lessons are placed before us, the modern-day disciples. The setting of Jesus' teaching is so serene; a mountain apart, a teacher with his disciples gathered around him, simple statements that are coupled with glorious rewards. However, the reality of the lessons is in stark contrast with this tranquil scene. These beatitudes, these blessings call for profound inner transformation.

The gospel outlines the kind of person the disciple is to become; the psalm sketches the program to which the learner is called. The disciples of Jesus are not merely his followers; they also continue the work that he began. In whatever circumstance of life we find ourselves, as disciples of Jesus we work to sustain the good that is in the world and to transform whatever needs transformation.

MAFFRA PARISH LITURGICAL ROSTER (FEBRUARY)

LITURGY: Sun: 5th Office
READER: Sun. 5th Jasmine Munro
COMMENTATOR: Sun. 5th Maureen Moulton
EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTER Sun. 5th Sylvia Neaves
COMPUTER: Sun. 5th Mary Fjellner

COLLECTORS: Sun. 5th Roy Shelton and Dick Moulton.

ALTAR SERVERS: Sun. 5th N/A

FLORISTS: Sun. 5th Barbara Gordyn & Barbara Gray SACRISTANS: Sun. 5th Marianne & Chas Baggulety

HOLY VESSELS: Month Of FEBRUARY Donna Sebastian

HEYFIELD PARISH LITURGICAL ROSTER (FEBRUARY]

READER: Sat. 5th Joe Pittari

FLORISTS: Sat 5th Christine Donohue
ALTAR LINEN – MONTH OF FEBRUARY Carmel Pittari

ST. BRIGID'S COWWARR (FEBRUARY)READER Sun. 5th N/A

CHURCH CLEANING MONTH OF FEBRUARY Chris Johnson

While Father Edwin is away on holidays for any emergencies please contact Sale Cathedral:- details on this page.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Save us, O Lord our God! And gather us from the nations, to give thanks to your holy name, and make it our glory to praise you..

FIRST READING Zep 2:3; 3:12-13

In your midst I will leave a humble and a lowly people.

Seek the Lord all you, the humble of the earth, who obey his commands.

Seek integrity, seek humility: you may perhaps find shelter on the day of the anger of the Lord. In your midst I will leave a humble and lowly people, and those who are left in Israel will seek refuge in the name of the Lord. They will do no wrong, will tell no lies; and the perjured tongue will no longer be found in their mouths. But they will be able to graze and rest with no one to disturb them.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

(R.) Happy the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

- 1. It is the Lord who keeps faith forever, who is just to those who are oppressed. It is he who gives bread to the hungry, the Lord, who sets prisoners free. (R.)
- 2. It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind, who raises up those who are bowed down, the Lord, who protects the stranger and upholds the widow and orphan. (R.)
- 3. It is the Lord who loves the just but thwarts the path of the wicked. The Lord will reign forever, Zion's God, from age to age. (R.)

SECOND READING: 1 Cor 1:26-31 God has chosen what is weak by human reckoning.

Take yourselves, brothers, at the time when you were called: how many of you were wise in the ordinary sense of the word, how many were influential people, or came from noble families? No, it was to shame the wise that God chose what is foolish by human reckoning, and to shame what is strong that he chose what is weak by human reckoning; those whom the world thinks common and contemptible are the ones that God has chosen – those who are nothing at all to show up those who are everything. The human race has nothing to boast about to God, but you, God has made members of Christ Jesus and by God's doing he has become our wisdom, and our virtue, and our holiness, and our freedom. As scripture says: if anyone wants to boast, let him boast about the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Rejoice and be glad; Your reward will be great in heaven

Alleluia, alleluia!

GOSPEL Mt 5:1-12

Happy are the poor in spirit.

Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up the hill. There he sat down and was joined by his disciples. Then he began to speak. This is what he taught them: 'How happy are the poor in spirit: theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Happy the gentle: they shall have the earth for their heritage. Happy those who mourn: they shall be comforted. Happy those who hunger and thirst for what is right: they shall be satisfied. Happy the merciful: they shall have mercy shown them. Happy the pure in heart: they shall see God. Happy the peacemakers: they shall be called sons of God. Happy those who are persecuted in the cause of right: theirs is the kingdom of heaven. 'Happy are you when people abuse you and persecute you and speak all kinds of calumny against you on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.'

NEXT WEEKEND'S

READINGS:

First Reading:

Is 58:7-10

Second Reading:

1 Cor 2:1-5

Gospel:

Mt 5:13-16

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Let your face shine on your servant. Save me in your merciful love. O Lord, let me never be put to shame, for I call on you.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DEAD:-

Anniversaries:

Paul Donahoe, Thomas Justice, Margaret Fogarty, Greg Higgins Jnr., Ellen Osborn, Beatrice Waugh, Len Schubert, John Hoskings, John Morgan, Nell Phelan, Christina Donohue, Michael Carolan, Bill Quinn.

Frs. Maurice Carroll, Michael Patrick Callery, John Carley, E. G. Curran.

Care for the Sick: If you know of anyone who is unable to get to Mass and would like the Eucharist brought to them, please advise us on 5147 1921.

We pray for ALL who suffer (at present) in body, mind or spirit:

Kevin Bennett, Marge Canny, Coral Justice, Julie Frew, Peter Smyth, Fr. Brian O'Connor, John Phelan, Lyn McLindin, Ann Martin, Gerry Gray, and all those who seek our prayers.

WE ARE A CHILD SAFE PARISH PARISH SAFEGUARDING OFFICERS St. MARY'S: Terry Donahoe St. MICHAEL'S: Ed O'Brien Any children, young persons and vulnerable adults have a right to feel safe and be safe. If you are concerned about any form of abuse, or believe that someone is at significant risk, you should immediately raise your concerns with one of our Parish Safeguarding Officers. Contact Via the Parish Office: 03 5147 1921.

Parish Dinner Monday 5th February, at the Sporting Club Maffra 6pm. RSVP a Must, please ring 041143622 for bookings All Welcome!

The parish dinner is a monthly dinner who meet for fellowship as a parish community, they meet on the 1st Monday of every month. RSVP is essential.