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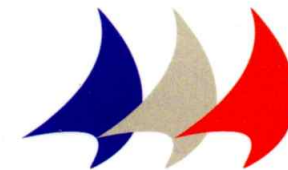
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CELEBRATING 100 YEARS

Three Sails, Three schools, Remis Velisque.

All stand as the Procession enters the Cathedral.

HYMN (TIS 28) –

*God is our strength and refuge,
our present help in trouble;
and we therefore will not fear,
though the earth should change,
though mountains shake and tremble,
though swirling waters are raging:
God the Lord of Hosts is with us evermore.*

*There is a flowing river
within God's holy city;
God is in the midst of her,
she shall not be moved.
God's help is swiftly given,
thrones vanish at his presence;
God the Lord of Hosts is with us evermore.*

*Come, see the works of our maker,
learn of his deeds all-powerful:
wars will cease across the world
when he shatters the spear.
Be still and know your creator,
uplift him in the nations;
God the Lord of Hosts is with us evermore.*

(All sit.)

A WELCOME

The Very Rev'd Graeme Lawrence OAM
Dean of Newcastle

(All stand.)

THE GREETING

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

And also with you.

OPENING PRAYER –

Gracious God, we humbly thank you for all your gifts so freely bestowed on us, for life and health and safety, for freedom to work and leisure to rest, and for all that is beautiful in creation and in human life. But, especially, we thank you for all the blessings we have received as part of Newcastle High School. Fill our hearts with your Spirit so that we may continue to love and serve you and each other and bear much fruit in our lives through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

(All sit.)

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WHY ARE WE HERE?

John Beach
Robin Gordon (nee Ewing)

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MUSIC ITEM

“With a voice of Singing” by Martin Shaw

With a voice of singing declare ye this and let it be heard, Alleluia.

Utter it even unto the ends of the world.

The Lord hath delivered his people, Alleluia.

O be joyful in God, all ye lands,

*O sing praises to the honour of his name,
make his praise to be glorious.*

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(Please remain seated.)

THE FIRST READING

(Sirach 44: 1-15)

Read by **Tom Warner**, School Captain, Newcastle High School

HYMN IN HONOUR OF OUR ANCESTORS

Let us now sing the praises of famous men,
our ancestors in their generations.

The Lord apportioned to them great glory,
his majesty from the beginning.

There were those who ruled in their kingdoms,
and made a name for themselves by their valour;
those who gave counsel because they were
intelligent;

those who spoke in prophetic oracles;
those who led the people by their counsels
and by their knowledge of the people's lore;
they were wise in their words of instruction;

I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another."

*After the Gospel, the reader says -
For the Gospel of the Lord,*

ALL: praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

(All sit.)

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THE ADDRESS

The Rt Rev'd Dr Brian Farran
Bishop of Newcastle

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MUSICAL ITEM

"Hallelujah Chorus" from "The Messiah" by Handel
Sung by the Choir

*Hallelujah. For the Lord God Omnipotent reigneth, Hallelujah.
The kingdom of this world is become the kingdom of our Lord and
of his Christ.*

*And He shall reign for ever and ever, Hallelujah.
King of Kings and Lord of Lords, Hallelujah.*

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(All stand.)

NEWCASTLE GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL SONG

words by Lila (Sue) McKenna

tune "When Britain Really Ruled the Waves" - Iolanthe

To us the School holds out the torch
Of Learning, keen and clear;
She lights the golden way that leads
To where Achievements crown the deeds
Of Industry sincere;

repeat In Knowledge she would make us strong:
To her we dedicate our song

In fields of sport she trains us well,
To play with might and main,
To set the team above renown,
To win ourselves a better crown -
True fellowship to gain.

repeat In Service she would make us strong:
To her we dedicate our song.

With Courtesy and Kindliness
She paves the path we tread;
And in our hearts her light will shine,
With Understanding's grace divine,
When days of youth have fled.

repeat twice In Wisdom she would make us strong:
To her we dedicate our song.

(All sit.)

THE OFFERING OF SYMBOLS

ACADEMIC

Presented by **Peter Scaife**

God of Wisdom, we give thanks for the blessings and inspiration we have received through our High School years. We give thanks for all opportunities for education and learning.

ALL: **We give you thanks, good Lord.**

SPORT

Presented by **Joan Cobb (nee Elvin)**

For the gift of life and being. For leisure sport and the joy of being part of a team.

ALL: **We give you thanks, good Lord.**

CULTURE

Presented by **Jan Poetschka (nee Boyd)**

For the gifts of music, literature, dance, drama, art and for the creative spirit which connects us to you.

ALL: **We give you thanks, good Lord.**

SOCIAL

Presented by **Trevor Dunn**

God of all peoples and nations, we give thanks for the riches of our nation and society. For the indigenous peoples of the land and all who have come across the seas and have enriched our lives.

ALL: **We give you thanks, good Lord.**

(All stand.)

All say together -

**Teach us, gracious Lord,
to begin our works with reverence,
to go on in obedience,
and finish them with love;
and then to wait patiently in hope,
looking joyfully to you
whose promises are faithful and rewards infinite;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

(Please remain standing.)

NEWCASTLE BOYS HIGH SCHOOL SONG

words by R.G. Henderson and Hodge

tune: "D'ye ken John Peel?"

Smith House boys, here's a song for you
Hunter and Hannell and Shortland too,
Sing it as our father said it loud and true
As they climbed up the hill in the morning.

CHORUS:

Yes when we are gone in the years far ahead
When the last game's played and the last lesson said
The name of the school will awake from the dead
The memories of many a morning.

Serving straight in a hard-fought match
Sprinting for the tape or a puzzling catch.
The 'blues' from the limit man to the scratch
Will still do their best night and morning. *(CHORUS)*

Remis Velisque's the motto for all
And our hearts yet again will still hear it call
When the muscles are stiff that once toed the ball,
Or climbed up the hill in the morning. (CHORUS)

HYMN (TIS 416) –

*During the singing of this hymn, an offering is received
for the continuing life and work of the Cathedral.*

1.
***Great God, your Spirit like the wind
unseen but shaking things we see —
will never leave us undisturbed
fulfil our dreams, or set us free,
until we turn from faithless fear
and prove the promise of your grace
in justice, peace and daily bread
with joy for all the human race.***

2.
***Lord, shake us with the force of love,
to rouse us from our dreadful sleep;
remove our hearts of stone, and give
new hearts of flesh, to break and weep
for all your children in distress
and dying for the wealth we keep.
Help us prevent, while we have time,
the blighted harvest greed must reap.***

3.
***And then, in your compassion give
your Spirit like the gentle rain,
creating fertile ground from which
your peace and justice spring like grain;
until your love is satisfied,
with all creation freed from pain,
and all your children live to praise
your will fulfilled, your presence plain.***

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL
The Bishop of Newcastle

*Please remain standing as the Procession leaves the
Cathedral.*

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*Please join us after the Service for School Visits, from
1pm to 4pm, at the original sites of
Newcastle Girls' High (Hamilton South) and Newcastle
Boys' High (Waratah),
and 1:30pm to 4pm at "The School on The Hill", Tyrrell
Street.*

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