



# St Nicholas of Myra Catholic Parish



*Pentecost Sunday*

**4 June 2017**

**Grounded in Faith**

**Growing in Love**

**Living in Hope**

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## Office Hours 9am - 5 pm

**Lunch 1pm - 1.30 pm (Office closed)**

## Weekend Mass

**Saturday** 6.00pm Vigil  
**Sunday** 7.00am 8.30am  
10.00am 6.00pm

## Reconciliation:

**Saturday** 9.30am - 10.30am  
5.00pm - 5.45pm

**Adoration:** After Saturday Morning Mass

## Weekday Mass

**Monday** 9.30 am  
**Tuesday** 6.45 am & 9.30 am  
**Wednesday** 9.30 am & 7.00 pm  
**Thursday** 9.30 am  
**Friday** 6.45 am & 12.10 pm  
**Saturday** 9.00 am  
**Healing Mass** 9.00am 1st Saturday of month  
**Filipino:** 11.00am 1st Saturday of month

**Baptisms & Marriages by appointment only**  
Marriage Prep courses can be booked at  
Parish Office.

## Schools

**St Nicholas Primary** 4721 2623  
Principal - Ms Anita Knezevic

**St Mary Mackillop Primary** 4736 3466  
Principal - Mr Scott Buchan

## **Gospel Reflection: John 20:19-23**

**Jesus appears to his disciples and gives them the gift of the Holy Spirit.**

The Season of Easter concludes with today's celebration, the Feast of Pentecost. On Pentecost we celebrate the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the apostles gathered in the upper room in Jerusalem; this event marks the beginning of the Church. The story of Pentecost is found in the Acts of the Apostles, today's first reading. The account in today's Gospel, John 20:19-23, also recounts how Jesus gave the gift of the Holy Spirit to his disciples. Yet the event in John's Gospel takes place on Easter Sunday. There is no need to try to reconcile these two accounts. It is enough that we know that after his death, Jesus fulfilled his promise to send to his disciples a helper, an advocate, who would enable them to be his witnesses throughout the world.

In the context of the Feast of Pentecost, John 20:19-23 reminds us about the integral connection between the gifts of peace and forgiveness and the action of the Holy Spirit. Jesus greets his disciples with the gift of peace. Jesus then commissions his disciples to continue the work that he has begun, "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." He breathes the Holy Spirit upon the disciples and sends them to continue his work of reconciliation through the forgiveness of sins. Jesus' act of breathing the Holy Spirit mirrors God's act of breathing life into Adam at the time of Creation. In fact, both the Greek and Hebrew words for "spirit" can also be translated as "breath."

This Gospel reminds us that the Church is called to be a reconciling presence in the world. The reconciling presence of Christ is celebrated in the Church's sacramental life. In the Sacrament of Baptism, we are cleansed of sin and become a new creation in Christ. In the Sacrament of Penance, the Church celebrates the mercy of God through the forgiving of sins. This reconciling presence is also to be a way of life for Christians. In situations of conflict, we are to be agents of peace and harmony among people.



**Pentecost**

From Loyola Press

## **Diocesan Works Fund (DWF) Appeal**

**Our quota for this appeal is \$16, 512.00**

**All donations over \$2 are 100% tax deductible.**

However large or small, any donation you can make to the DWF is gratefully received and helps our ministries to continue their important work.

**Funding the good works of The Church**

**If this quota isn't reached the Parish will have to contribute the rest to cover the amount, to date we have a shortfall of \$11,000.00.**

**Please give generously, as you always do.**

**Please pray for** *Nathan Balzano, Agnes Goh, June Lenehan, Alwyn O'Neill, Anthony Sarcia and Theresa Tan* **who died recently** *Bob Cassidy, Lily & Paul Chambers, John Clifton, Mary Elizabeth Duncan, Louise Henry, Anthony McAleenan, Lance Munday, Francisca Osorio, Michael Scerri, Gus Thomas, Faaiu, Loane & Vilo Tuliatu and Norah Wilding* **whose anniversaries occur at this time and for** *Mary Armstrong, Dennis Bryant, Tania Felice, Peter & Frances Hendry, John Lee, Reg Levinge & Bernard Wilding.*

**Please pray for those who are sick** *Dianne Constable, Allen Eyles, Marion Engsmyr, Enrique Esmayor, Romnick Estores, Olga Fam, Anna Gal, Darren Gallagher, Rosemary Matthews, Jane McCann, Lisa McDeed, Daniel McEntee, Jenny and James Ng, Lynn O'Hare, Baby Phoenix, Chris Tabone, Sr Teresa Woe and Margaret Wright .*

### Hospital Masses Parishioners are welcome

- ◆ **Nepean Hospital** every Friday at Middyay
- ◆ **Edenglassie Lodge (Lemongrove)** 1st Tuesday of each month at 11 am
- ◆ **Governor Phillip Manor** 1st Wednesday of each month at 2pm
- ◆ **Mt View Village** 1st Friday of each month at 10am

*If in need of a Catholic Priest whilst a patient is in hospital phone 47343150 or requiring a Priest urgently for an anointing phone 47342000 and request switch board or the nurse on duty to contact the Catholic Priest.*

**Rosary Statue** is in the home of Michael & Vicky Taylor 81 Elizabeth Cres Kingswood.

**Young at Heart** Morning tea will be held Wednesday 7 June at 10am. Please bring a plate of food to share.

**Divine Mercy Holy Hour** will be celebrated 12th June directly after 12.10pm Mass. Also prayer meeting 4th Friday of the month 7pm in PMR1.

**Prayer Meeting** We warmly invite all parishioners, families and friends to join us here at St Nicholas on the **SECOND AND LAST TUESDAYS of every month at 7pm in the Hall** to celebrate in Song, Prayer and the Sharing of God's Word.

**Wool Wanted :** If you have any spare wool, it would be appreciated, if you could drop this into the Parish Office. Many thanks.

#### Pope Quote

*Jesus is more than a friend. He is a teacher of truth and life who shows us the way that leads to happiness.*

**Pope Francis**



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### This Week at St Nicholas

<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>6 June</b>	
11.30am	AA Meeting	(Hall)
12.30pm	Legion of Mary	(Piety store)
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>7 June</b>	
6pm	St Vincent de Paul Meeting	

### Next Week's Readings

#### The Most Holy Trinity

*Exodus 34:4-6.8-9*  
*2 Corinthians 13:11-13*  
*John 3:16-18*

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## St Nicholas Parish Family Fun Day



Come and join in the fun this Sunday to celebrate

### Pentecost

after 10am Mass until 1.30pm.

at St Nicholas School grounds  
for a fun filled time.

Lots of games.

There will be a sausage sizzle available with  
compliments of Outback Steakhouse .

**\$2 donation**

**It is suggested to wear something RED.**

Look forward to seeing you there. Frs Mathew, Pio & PJ  
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### Sacramental: Sacrament of First Holy Communion

Children in our parish will be making their First Holy Communion during the following two weekends. Please keep these children and their families in your prayers as they continue their faith journey.

**Adult Confirmation 2017** The Office for Worship will host a Catechesis and Formation Day for those candidates interested in receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation this year. This will be on Saturday 2nd September, 9.30am – 2.00pm at the Institute for Mission Hall, 1-5 Marion St Blacktown. A light lunch will be provided on the day. It is recommended that all sponsors attend the catechesis.



**The Guru and students of Abirami Natya Shestra** cordially invite you to their third year dance concert in the presence of honourable Deputy Mayor Tricia Hitchen. **Venue:** St Marys Memorial Hall on 1 July at 5.30pm. For bookings contact Meera Joy 0425210985.



### OLMC Parramatta Open Morning Tour

Our Lady of Mercy College Parramatta warmly invites you to attend our Open Morning Tour on June 7, 2017. Tour the College and discover why a Mercy Education is treasured for life and enjoy a 'comfortable cup of tea' with the College Leadership Team. The College is now enrolling for 2019. Visit [www.olmc.nsw.edu.au](http://www.olmc.nsw.edu.au) or phone 8838 1222 to reserve your place or obtain further information.

### Australian Catholic Youth Festival (ACYF)

Early-bird registration has now opened for the largest gathering of young Catholics since World Youth Day Sydney in 2008! Bishop Vincent & Catholic Youth Parramatta invite young people from Year 9 to 30 years of age to celebrate the young heart of the Church, with 15,000 others, at this year's triennial ACYF being hosted by the Archdiocese of Sydney (December 7-9) at Sydney Olympic Park. Here's how to register:

- Student in our Catholic System – speak to your REC
- Student in State School System – contact Catholic Youth Parramatta
- Over 18 years of age – register as an individual Visit [www.acyf.org.au](http://www.acyf.org.au) now to secure the \$250 early bird rate before August.

For all enquiries contact James Camden, 02 8838 3428, [jcamden@parra.catholic.org.au](mailto:jcamden@parra.catholic.org.au)

#### 1st & 2nd Collection

**1st** collection pays for the priests of the parish and any surplus money from this collection helps fund our retired and sick priests.

**2nd** collection (planned giving envelopes and cash) pays for the running costs of our parish.





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**"BACK TO THE 80's" - TRIVIA NIGHT**  
**FRIDAY, 28 JULY 2017 at 6.30PM**  
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The first round commences at 7.00pm.

**SEMINAR - DEALING WITH THE LEGAL SYSTEM**

Each year Solo Parent Services offer a Seminar for anyone interested in gaining a greater understanding on how the Legal system works. Questions addressed on the night include: How to choose the best lawyer for your situation, how best to deal with Lawyers so as to minimize your legal fees, how to protect your rights regarding family assets and Estates/ Wills. **This seminar will be held on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> June. Venue:** 38 Prince St, Blacktown (cnr First Ave). **Presenter:** Mr Richard Brading, (Solicitor) **Time:** 6.45pm for a 7pm Start to 9pm. **Registration Essential:** Rita Ph. 8822 2222 or email: [soloparentservices@ccss.org.au](mailto:soloparentservices@ccss.org.au)

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Servers	Ellie& Alicia Loughman Bethany & Violet Neal		Daniel Cilia Bensen Payyappilly	L&J Wheelahan R Idris S Dias D Dawson	Xavier Whalen David Pletkan
Comm. Rep.	I Bentham	Y Baccan	S Von Bock	D Dawson	P Margerison
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