



# St Nicholas of Myra Catholic Parish



29th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)  
22nd October 2017

Grounded in Faith Live in Hope Grow in Love

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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: Matthew 22:15-21

*'Give to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's.'*

Significant people opposed Jesus. They seemed unwilling to hear the Good News he brought them, or to acknowledge his miracles or his compassionate dealings with needy people.

This encounter may cause us as members of God's people to think once again of our duties as citizens.



However, for prayer today, we may be helped more by Paul's words to the people of Thessalonica which draw us to gratitude for the faith in action we see daily in good people and for our awareness of God's love for us.

from Madonna : Jesuit Publication

**Masses for All Souls Day  
will be celebrated  
on Thursday 2nd November at  
6.45am, 9.30am & 7pm**



November is traditionally the month in which we remember our deceased family members and friends. All names received will be placed in the Book of Remembrance for the duration of November.

Mass Intention Envelopes are available at all church entrances.  
Please write names and return to parish office or place on collection plates.

**Please write clearly.**

All Masses throughout November will be in remembrance of all the departed.

## PARISH OUTREACH

**Please pray for** Anna Gal and Jack Mullane **who died recently** George Attard, Mr Augusthy, Bev Ferry, Rudy Lessaps-Fonseca, Patrick Gale, John Lee, Darrel Lovegrove, Frank & Joe Mintoff, John Penlington, Jill & Francis Spillane and Wal Wheller **whose anniversaries occur at this time and for** Mary Armstrong, Dennis Bryant, Tania Felice, Andrew Harnett, Frances & Peter Hendry, John Nettar, Norah & Bernard Wilding & Charles Zammit.

**Please pray for those who are sick** Brett Beath, Dianne Constable, Vera Costello, Canute D'Souza, Allen Eyles, Marion Engsmyr, Enrique Esmayor, Romnick Estores, Darren Gallagher, Pamela Gold, Patricia Hansan, Rose Kenny, Sue Herbert, Nathan King, Annie Langan, Joanne Lonard, Pearl Levinge, Marya, Rosemary Matthews, Jane McCann, Daniel McEntee, Lynn O'Hare, Fr George O'Mara, Baby Phoenix, Barbara Sawyer, Isabella Savage, Chris Tabone, Elizabeth Terrones and Margarit Youssef.

### Hospital Masses Parishioners are welcome

- ◆ **Nepean Hospital** every Friday at Midday
- ◆ **Governor Phillip Manor** 1st Wednesday of each month at 2pm

If in need of a Catholic Chaplain 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.

**Divine Mercy** prayer meeting will be held on Friday 27 October 7pm in PMR1.

**Prayer Meeting** We warmly invite all parishioners, families and friends to join us here at St Nicholas on **TUESDAY 31 October at 7pm in the Hall** to celebrate in Song, Prayer and the Sharing of God's Word.

**Young at Heart** Morning tea will be held Wednesday 1st November at 10am.

Please bring a plate of food to share.

**Save the date:** The blessing for Fr Geoff's Tombstone will be held on **Saturday 25th November at 11am at Kingswood cemetery**

### Welcome

A very warm welcome to anyone who is new to the parish. So that we can get to know you better, it would be great if you would please fill out a Census Card available in the foyer.

### This Week at St Nicholas

<b>Monday</b>	<b>23 October</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>27 October</b>
6.30pm	Alpha Course (PMR1)	7pm	Divine Mercy prayer meeting (PMR1)
7pm	Professional Standards Mtg (Hall)		

<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>24 October</b>	
10.15am	Alpha Course	(PMR1)
11.30am	AA Meeting	(Hall)
12.30pm	Legion of Mary	(PMR1)

<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>25 October</b>
6pm	St Vincent de Paul Meeting

**Next Week's Readings**  
**30th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 Exodus 22:20-26  
 1 Thessalonians 1:5-10  
 Matthew 22:34-40



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## PARISH OUTREACH

### The Office of Safeguarding and Professional Standards

**A REMINDER** the meeting for all liturgical Ministers on Monday 23rd October 2017 at 7pm. Two members of the Diocese office of Professional Standards will address the meeting.

It is imperative that this meeting be attended by ALL Ministers especially Acolytes, Catechist and Children's Liturgy facilitators.

From the Diocesan Office of Safeguarding

### Attention: ALL MINISTRY MEMBERS OF THE PARISH!

Diocesan Liturgy Conference will be held at St Andrews parish Marayong, in the hall on **Saturday November 4 from 9:30 am until 3 pm.** Registration is \$20 which includes lunch. For more information go to: [parracatholic.org/ofw](http://parracatholic.org/ofw) or Office for Worship [ivergano@parra.catholic.org.au](mailto:ivergano@parra.catholic.org.au)

**RCIA News... More information:** Roderick Pirotta 4721 2509 (Parish Office)

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is the process that makes it possible for adults to be received into the Catholic Church.

**UNDERSTANDING THE RCIA a journey for the entire parish.**

### The Rite of Acceptance

Join us in praying for our Catechumens on : **SUNDAY 29TH OCTOBER , 8.30AM MASS.**



### St Nicks Movie Night presents ... Sunshine on Leith PG

Based on the sensational stage hit of the same name, featuring music by pop-folk band the proclaimers. The film follows the stories of Davy and Ally, who have to re-learn how to live life in Edinburgh after coming home from serving in Afghanistan. Both struggle to learn to live a life outside the army and to deal with the everyday struggles of family, jobs and relationships.

**When: Friday 27 October at 7pm**

**Where: Parish Hall on the BIG SCREEN**

**Soft drinks and popcorn will be available or feel free to bring something to eat / and or drink before or during the movie and a comfy chair if you wish.**

Friday night Hollywood



<b>Collections;</b> Fathers day appeal -	\$ 5,543.00
Catholic Missions -	\$ 10,464.00
La Salette -	\$ 6,170.00

Thank you very much for your generosity and continued support towards these appeals.

Fr Mathew

### Happy Birthday

Kostka Newham (93yrs)



### Popes Quote;

"Protect your families... Be sanctuaries of respect for life."  
**Pope Francis**



## PARISH / DIOCESAN OUTREACH

### The Alpha Course : next session

- Monday 23 October at 6.30pm in PMR1
- or
- Tuesday 24 October at 10.15am in PMR1.

If you wish to attend either session please let us know for catering purposes.  
Contact Craig or Lesley Walsh by SMS or 0428 284 568 or mamreintaid@gmail.com

### Represent our Diocese: Share your Wisdom

Bishop Vincent Long OFM Conv is calling for greater participation of lay people through new advisory councils. Please consider nominating or encourage someone you know.

Details, including the nomination kit, are available from parracatholic.org/advisorycouncils or by contacting Tanya from the Diocesan Ministry Centre on 02 8838 3460. Nominations close on Sunday, 5 November 2017.

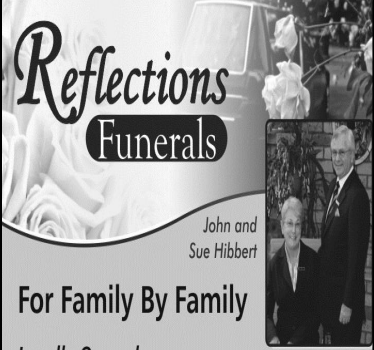
### Citizen Action Penrith Affordable Housing (CAPAH)

The lack of affordable housing affects us all – children, young people, families, single adults and seniors. The commitment of the Affordable Housing Discussion group at St Nicholas of Myra Parish has resulted in the formation of Citizen Action Penrith Affordable Housing (CAPAH). CAPAH has developed their strategic plan and are now looking for a logo to officially launch their group. CAPAH would like to invite all parishioners to participate in the 'Design a Logo Competition'. There will be three prizes and the winning design will be used as the official logo of CAPAH.

The 'Design a Logo' competition guidelines, specifications and official Entry Form are on the yellow insert inside the Bulletin and can be found on our Facebook Page at <https://m.facebook.com/groups/1916795371878601>.

All entries must comply with the guidelines and specifications. Entries close on Sunday 19 Nov 2017 at 11:59pm. Winners will be announced at the launch of CAPAH on Sun 26 Nov 2017 at 11:15am. For more info please contact Carolyn on 0448 443 619.

28th/29th October	Vigil	Parish 7am	Roster 8.30am	10am	6pm
Acolytes	J Buttigieg A Sebastian	D Wiggins	J Jordan J Simeon	R Wood J Jacobs	M Pletkan B Wrightson
Servers	J Emerson G Nematic		M & P Lufe	S Perera B Powell R Idris	X Whalen
Comm. Rep.	S Falleiro		N Joseph	Alan Johnson	C D'Mello
Reader	C Limjap	Y Baccan	E Isaaks	E Sicam	AM Pletkan
E.M.	I Bentham A Calub N Calub	L Lufe J McSpadden G Wiggins	B Brainwood R Bryan G Burns B Keavy B Oxlade P Wheller A Yuzon	D Streher M Stynes J Vella	M Herrick K Smith K Wrightson



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