

St Nícholas of Myra Catholic Parish



Fifth Sunday of Lent Year B 18th March 2018

Grounded in Faith

Living in Hope

Growing 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

* Tel: (02) 4721 2509

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

Fifth Sunday of Lent - SUNDAY 18th March, 2018

Dear Parishioners,

Before I submit a brief update from **Parish Pastoral Council** I would like to thank Phil Margerison and Michael Vella for their valued contributions over their time on the Council and to welcome two new councillors, Fran Jackson and Gabby Issaks.

Council's activities during 2017.

- Established the Constitution of the Council.
- + Created the position of Youth Representative on the Council [Gabby Issaks]
- + Invited our two Primary school Principals to join the Council.
- + Facilitated the National Life Survey.
- + Renewed focus on Children's Liturgy [Alpha Course]
- + Ongoing discussions for social gatherings to share faith, culture and sense of belonging.

We continue to focus on the spiritual growth of our Parish Family and as such we value positive input, suggestions and volunteering from our Parishioners.

There are currently two positions to be filled on the Council and any parishioner interested should talk to Fr. Mathew or myself. [This can be arranged by contacting the Parish Office].

Finally I wish to thank my fellow councillors for their commitment to the work of the Council and the work they do in supporting Fr. Mathew, Fr. Pio and the Parish Team.

God Bless.

Dominic Dawson

* Website: www.stnicholasofmyra.org.au

PARISH OUTREACH

Please pray for Christine O'Brien, Anne Drayton, Fr Geoff Dickinson, Evelyn Fernandez, Francis Masny, Ken Minney, Gertrudes Pangilinan, Balbino Porteria, Robert Ross, Abraham Vella, Mary Agnes Vella, Josephine White whose anniversaries occur at this time and for Mary Armstrong, Dennis Bryant, Mary Cuttell, Tania Felice, Peter & Evelyn Fisher, Ken Foy, Godfrey Gomez, Peter & Frances Hendry, Reg Levinge, John Nettar, Gerald Sultana, Bernard & Norah Wilding, Holy Souls in Purgatory.

Please pray for those who are sick Paul Bagasina, Charlie Camenzuli, Marion Engsmyr, Darren Gallagher, Sue Herbert, Bianca Iddles, Nathan King, Melissa Masecha, Jane McCann, Stuart Paterson.

Note: If you would like a family member or friend's name to be included in sick list please gain permission from that person before you make request at parish office.

Lenten Program continues on Mondays at 7pm in PMR1. You are invited to join for Prayer & Reflection during the weeks of Lent.



Follow Jesus through fourteen stations — fourteen moments — on His journey with the cross. This ancient devotion guides us to ask for God's strength and forgiveness to praise and thank Jesus for giving His life for us, to find great hope in Jesus, who was crucified and died, overcame death and is here with us now.

Rosary Statue will be in the home of Dorcas Nettar at 12 York Road, Penrith.



Hospital Masses Parishioners are welcome

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

Summit Care (Jamison Gardens) 3rd Wednesday of each month at 10.30am
Newmarch Nursing Home 3rd Tuesday of each month at 10.30am

Happy Birthday

Gwen Nunn



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St Nicholas Primary

This Week at St Nicholas

7pm

Monday	19th March	St Joseph	
7 pm	Lenten Program	(PMR1)	
Tuesday	20th March		
10.30am	Legion of Mary	(PMR1)	
11.30am	AA Meeting	(Hall)	
Wednesday	21st March		
6pm	SVDP meting		
Thursday	22nd March		
7pm	Ministry Course	(PMR 1)	
Friday	23rd March		

Way of the Cross

Next Week's Readings

Palm Sunday Isaiah 50:4-7 Philippians 2:6-11 Mark 14:1-15:47



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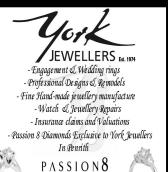
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PARISH / DIOCESAN OUTREACH

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY DEVOTIONS

2:30pm on 8th April

ST NICHOLAS OF MYRA PENRITH 326 HIGH STREET

- Blessing of Divine Mercy Image
- Chaplet of Divine Mercy
- ♦ Stations of the Cross
- ♦ Homily and Benediction
- ♦ Reconciliation till 4pm

Afternoon tea from 4.15pm-5.15pm.

Divine Mercy Mass at 6pm.



YOUNG AT HEART OUTING WILDWOOD GARDEN, BILPIN On Monday 23rd April, 2018 Bus leaving 9.30 am

Cost: \$ 8 entry fee to the gardens
\$ 15 for lunch at Richmond Club
Bus charge (depends on the number going on this trip) will be
given at a later date.

ST MARY MACKILLOP PRIMARY SCHOOL

Calling all gardeners: Students from the Environmental Team at St Mary Mackillop Primary School would really appreciate some cuttings from your garden.

Trash or Treasure: Are you embracing minimalism? Or would you like to get rid of some clutter? Now's your chance! The Trash & Treasure stall would love your donations of saleable seconds goods. (Sorry, we can not accept electrical goods). **Craft Lovers**: Attention all those who are good with their hands... we need your skills! The St Mary Mackillop Primary Craft Stall Team are seeking knitted, crochet and handmade craft items to sell at their Fete. Donations of ribbon, buttons, beads, material, wool, pom poms, goggly eyes, shells, fishing line, timber pegs, pipe cleaners, craft kits, wash tape, tulle and card stock paper would also be appreciated.

All donations can be dropped off at the front office at St Mary Mackillop Primary, 150 Fragar Road, South Penrith, during school hours.

Penrith City Council together with the **Penrith Multicultural Interagency** will host a **Harmony Day** event on Wednesday 21 March at the Mondo greenspace (located between Westfield Penrith and The Joan).

The walk will commence at 12:30pm and once completed will be followed by a light lunch and entertainment back at the Mondo.

Harmony Day is a celebration of our cultural diversity - a day of cultural respect for everyone who calls Australia home. The Day is a national initiative, which coincides with the United Nations International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination.

Orange is the colour of Harmony Day, as it represents meaningful conversation, freedom of ideas and mutual respect. We encourage everyone to put on something orange and head to the Mondo for a wonderful afternoon of celebration.

PARISH OUTREACH

EASTER TIMETABLE

MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY 26th, 27th, 28th March 10 am—11 am Individual Reconciliation

> WEDNESDAY 28th March NO 7 pm Mass

HOLY THURSDAY 29th March NO Morning Mass

7 pm (only) Mass of the Lord's Supper followed by Adoration (until 10.30 pm PMR1)

GOOD FRIDAY 30th March
10 am Station of the Cross
3 pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion

HOLY SATURDAY 31st March
NO Reconciliation and NO 9 am Mass
7 pm Easter Vigil Mass

EASTER SUNDAY 1st April 7 am, 8.30 am, 10 am and 6 pm

PLEASE NOTE DAY LIGHT SAVING ENDS ON 1ST APRIL.

CLOCKS NEED TO BE TURNED BACK.

Everybody's Home: Penrith Speaks! - Affordable Housing Listening

Citizen Action Penrith Affordable Housing (CAPAH) would like to thank all the volunteers, over 40 who responded to our call & are registered for the event under the CAPAH banner. You have joined the largest face-to-face housing campaign event in Penrith's history. We have around 155 volunteers statewide who will be coming to Penrith, the New West, to conduct the survey to listen to the people of Penrith on affordable and secure rental housing. Thank you.

24/25 March	Vigil	<u>Parish</u> 7am	Roster 8.30am	10am	6pm
Acolytes	J Buttigieg D Wellfare	D Wiggins	J Jordan J Tabone	J Simeon R Wood	C Pemberton M Pletkan
Servers	G Nemadic L & R Smee		A & J Joseph B Payyappilly	S Dias B Powell	X Whalen
Comm. Rep.	S Falleiro	Alison Johnson	S Von Bock	M Varua	C D'Mello
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