



St Nicholas of Myra Catholic Parish



33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B
18th November 2018

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Weekend Mass

Saturday 6.00pm Vigil

Sunday 7.00am 8.30am 10.00am 6.00pm

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

Office Hours 9am - 5 pm

Lunch 1pm - 1.30 pm (Office closed)

Reconciliation:

Saturday 9.30am - 10.30am

5.00pm - 5.45pm

Adoration: After Saturday Morning Mass

Baptisms & Marriages by appointment only

Marriage Prep courses can be booked at Parish Office.

Schools

St Nicholas Primary

4752 3300

Principal

Ms Anita Knezevic

St Mary Mackillop Primary

4724 3200

Principal

Mr Scott Buchan

Plenary Council Prayer

Come, Holy Spirit of Pentecost.

Come, Holy Spirit of the great South Land.

*O God, bless and unite all your people in Australia
and*

guide us on the pilgrim way of the Plenary Council.

*Give us the grace to see your face in one another
and to*

recognise Jesus, our companion on the road.

*Give us the courage to tell our stories and to speak
boldly of your truth.*

*Give us ears to listen humbly to each other and a
discerning heart to hear what you are saying.*

*Lead your Church into a hope-filled future,
that we may live the joy of the Gospel.*

*Through Jesus Christ our Lord, bread for the
journey from age to age. Amen.*

Our Lady Help of Christians, pray for us.

St Mary MacKillop, pray for us.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark
He shall gather his elect from the four winds.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'In those days, after the time of distress, the sun will be darkened, the moon will lose its brightness, the stars will come falling from heaven and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in the clouds with great power and glory; then too he will send the angels to gather his chosen from the four winds, from the ends of the world to the ends of heaven.

'Take the fig tree as a parable: as soon as its twigs grow supple and its leaves come out, you know that summer is near. So with you, when you see these things happening: know that he is near, at the very gates. I tell you solemnly, before this generation has passed away all these things will have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

'But as for that day or hour, nobody knows it, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son; no one but the Father.'

"God never tires of forgiving us; we are the ones who tire of seeking his mercy."

Pope Francis



PARISH OUTREACH / DIOCESAN OUTREACH

Please pray for Michael Norman, (*Funeral on Tuesday 20th at 1 pm*) and Margaret Simon (*Funeral on Monday 19th at 11 am*), Gordon Worldon and Oswald Wrightson **who died recently** and for David Fidler and Stanislaw Gwiazda **whose anniversaries occur at this time and for all those whose names have been entered in the Book of Remembrance.** May they hear words of forgiveness and welcome in the glory of heaven.

Please pray for those who are sick Julian Attard, Richard Barrett, Charlie Camenzuli, Lin Fah Chen, Romnick Estores, Marion Engsmyr, Darren Gallagher, Yanka Garan, Mark Herrick, Maria James, Mercia Jacobs, Melissa Maseeh, Jane McCann, Dorcas Nettar, Christy Porral, Chris Tabone and Alarna Tuffrey.

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.

*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.*



There will be a **Morning Tea** after the 10 am Mass on the 18th November. Please bring a plate to share.

Memorial Mass for those bereaved by suicide: 20 November

CatholicCare Western Sydney and Blue Mountains together with the Diocese of Parramatta invite those bereaved by suicide to a Mass to honour loved ones who have taken their lives. Mass will be celebrated by Fr Chris de Souza VG PP. St Oliver Plunkett Church, 35 Wigram Street, Harris Park. 6.45pm for 7pm start. Ph: 02 8843 2530 or rita.chater@ccss.org.au

Ministers of Holy Communion to the sick in Nursing Homes/Private Homes

If you are involved in the ministry of taking Holy Communion to people in nursing homes or in their private homes, please forward to Lyn at the Parish House the contact details of each patient i.e. patients' names and full addresses. If a patient dies, please inform the Parish Office as soon as possible. This is necessary to meet the requirement of the Office of Worship, Parramatta Diocese.

Ordination to the Priesthood: 30 November 7:30pm

Diocese of Parramatta deacons Jessie Balorio, Jack Green, Chris del Rosario and Galbert Albino will be ordained to the priesthood by Most Rev Vincent Long OFM Conv at St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta. All are welcome, however, due to the anticipated size of the celebration, an outside broadcast with seating will be provided in the Cathedral cloister for those wishing to attend. Parking options may be available in the carpark next to Western Sydney (Parramatta) Stadium, O'Connell Street and streets surrounding the Cathedral.

Details of each ordinand's Mass of Thanksgiving ('First Masses') are as follows:

Galbert - Saturday 1st December at 5.30pm at St Anthony's, Toongabbie
Jessie – Sunday 2nd December 10:30 at St Aidan's, Rooty Hill, Saturday 8 December at 5:30pm at Holy Family, Luddenham
Chris - Saturday 1st December at 10.00am at Our Lady of the Angels, Rouse Hill
Jack – Saturday 1st December, 12pm at St John Vianney's, Doonside

THIS WEEK AT ST NICHOLAS

Tuesday 20th

10.30 am Legion of Mary

11.30 am AA Meeting (Hall)

Wednesday 21st Presentation of Blessed Virgin Mary

6 pm SVDP Meeting

Thursday 22nd St Cecilia

7 pm Ministry Course (PMR1)

Saturday 24th Sts Andrew Dung-Lac & companions

Next Week's Readings

*Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the
Universe*

Daniel 7:13-14

Apocalypse 1:5-8

John 18: 33-37

Prayer Group

- * **Prayer Meeting** please see church notice boards for dates and times
- * **Divine Mercy Holy Hour** please see church notice boards for dates and times
information 47 334274 (John & Helen).

PARISH / DIOCESAN OUTREACH

Fr Mathew's Farewell

Farewell Gift

It was felt that because Father is flying home he would not need any extra luggage and he would no doubt appreciate the opportunity to purchase something beneficial to him that reminds him of the sense of gratitude and love parishioners from St Nicholas have for him.

Over the coming weeks there will be labelled envelopes on the pews in which offerings may be inserted and placed on one of the collections plates at each Mass or left in at the Parish House during normal office hours.

You are asked to ensure offerings are in an envelope before placing on the collection plate.

Farewell Mass

Fr Mathew will be concelebrating his farewell Mass with Fr Peter Williams at the 10 am Mass on 6th January, 2019 followed by a morning tea.

Christmas Hampers

The Penrith Conference of the St Vincent de Paul Society invites parishioners to prepare Christmas hampers for the poor and disadvantaged families in the Penrith Area. Hampers will need to be returned to the Parish Meeting Room 1 on: Saturday 8th Dec or Sunday 9th Dec.



Hamper Deliveries: If you can spare an hour on: Saturday the 15th Dec, between 8.30am and 11.00am in PMR 1. Your help would be greatly appreciated.

Hamper categories: See Notice Board

Suggested items to include in the hamper:

Christmas decorations (eg. Bon Bons, tinsel), tins of shoulder ham, Christmas cake/pudding, long life custard/cream/milk, tins of fruit, lollies, chips, biscuits (assorted), salsa, drinks (eg soft drink, fruit juice, cordial), rice, jellies, jam/honey/vegemite, coffee, tea, sugar, hot chocolate/milo, gravox, tins of vegetables (eg. carrots, peas, corn, potatoes), pasta, Christmas plates/ napkins.

Please note not to include food items containing nuts or perishable items.

Please ensure that food items are WELL within the expiry date and NO liquor is included in the hamper.

If you have any enquiries, please contact Brian Brainwood 0433256518 or Joe Tabone 0412234651.

Thank you and God bless.

24/25 November	Vigil	Parish Roster				
		7 am	8.30 am	10 am	6 pm	
Acolytes	R Howard D Wellfare	J Sweeney	M Tolentino C Walsh	J Relunia J Tabone	A Sebastian	
Servers	L & R Smee		A & L Joseph	R Idris E Moniz	X Whalen	
Comm. Rep.		Alison Johnson	P Nematalla	S Faleiro	C D'Mello	
Reader	M Prenderville	Y Bacchan	R Walsh	O Kiss	F Jackson	
E.M.	N Calub F Keuneman M Svehla	J McSpadden M Sultana	B Brainwood R Bryan P Morson P Wheller	L Lufe G Burns H O'Connor	M Gutierrez L Kochappu D Streher	D Lee M Nyss K Smith



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