



St Nicholas of Myra Catholic Parish



*Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe -
Year B
25th 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 John
You say that I am a king.

'Are you the king of the Jews?' Pilate asked. Jesus replied, 'Do you ask this of your own accord, or have others spoken to you about me?' Pilate answered, 'Am I a Jew? It is your own people and the chief priests who have handed you over to me: what have you done?' Jesus replied, 'Mine is not a kingdom of this world; if my kingdom were of this world, my men would have fought to prevent my being surrendered to the Jews. But my kingdom is not of this kind.' 'So you are a king then?' said Pilate. 'It is you who say it' answered Jesus. 'Yes, I am a king. I was born for this, I came into the world for this: to bear witness to the truth; and all who are on the side of truth listen to my voice.'

Before all else, the Gospel invites us to respond to the God of love who saves us, to see God in others and to go forth from ourselves to seek the good of others.

Pope Francis



PARISH OUTREACH / DIOCESAN OUTREACH

Please pray for Dorothy Gudgeon who died recently and for Nicholas Contestabile, Grace McInerney, Augustine & Mariam Puthussery, Ruth Traynor and Peg Williams **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, 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.*

If you or any family member is homebound and would want to receive communion in your home please contact the parish office.

Summer Camp for Girls @ Mount Schoenstatt: 15-17 January 2019. See Notice Board in foyer for details.

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.

1st Saturday Novena and Mass - Our Lady of Penafrancia on 1st Dec 2018

11:00 am Novena 11:30 am Mass

After the mass, there will be fellowship, thanksgiving lunch for Fr Mathew and ADOLP Christmas Party. All invited and please RSVP by text to Jun Relunia (0419-233-643) by 28th Nov for catering purposes.



All senior and junior youth and their families are welcome to celebrate Christmas with a Christmas lunch at

St Nicholas of Myra church.

Date: **2nd December, 11am** (after 10 am mass) at Parish Hall. There will be games and some food provided but you're welcome to bring a plate to share.

Bishop Vincent's Christmas Appeal 1st/2nd December

This year Bishop Vincent will be inviting our community to generously donate to Parramatta Catholic Foundation to help CatholicCare's Houses to Homes service care for vulnerable women who are pregnant and young mothers fleeing domestic violence and dealing with homelessness and poverty.

Each year Houses to Homes helps over 100 disadvantaged and abused young mums or mothers-to-be in greater western Sydney to gain safety, shelter, parenting and life skills to build a better, more secure life for themselves and their children and find independence, improved wellbeing and joy.

Our quota for this appeal is \$ 13,811. This is a very large amount and if not met we need to dip into our church running account.

THIS WEEK AT ST NICHOLAS

Tuesday 27th

10.30 am Legion of Mary
11.30 am AA Meeting (Hall)

Wednesday 28th

6 pm SVDP Meeting

Thursday 29th

7 pm Ministry Course (PMR1)

Friday 30th St Andrew

Next Week's Readings

First Sunday in Advent—Year C

Jeremiah 33:14-16

Thessalonians 3:12—4:2

Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

Prayer Groups

- * **Rosary Statue** is in the home of Alice O'Hare at 17 Nerang Circuit Penrith
- * **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

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.

Congratulations, best wishes and our prayers go to our couples who have recently completed our Nov 2018 St Nicholas of Myra Pre-marriage Seminar (L-R) Khanh and Andrew, Nichole and Brent, Rutendo and Tafara.



CLC Western Cluster Annual Mass will be celebrated by Fr Pat Mullin SJ 7.30pm Tuesday 27 November 2018 in PMR1. Current and former CLC groups, their families and friends are invited to attend the Mass and gathering.

Offertory Gifts: You are invited to bring non-perishable food or a gift to be donated to the St Vincent de Paul Christmas Hamper Drive. **RSVP:** Jenny Hogan 4731 5268 or 0419 496 072.

SRE VOLUNTEER TEACHERS

Wanted urgently Scripture Teachers to teach Kindy/Year 6 in our Public primary schools in Penrith in the new year, 2019. All training with Manuals and other resources will be available and experienced staff to guide you. Please do consider what you can do to support our catholic children in the Primary state schools, by giving approximately 1 hour per week. Please contact our Catechist Co-ordinator Fred Keuneman at the parish office on 4721 2509 or email catechist@stnicholasofmyra.org.au to arrange a brief meeting.

A recruitment drive will take place on the 9/10 December after all Masses.

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.



1st/2nd December	Parish Roster				
	Vigil	7 am	8.30 am	10 am	6 pm
Acolytes	J Buttigieg H McCann	A Ruzgas	R Kroon J Tabone	J Jordan J Simeon	M Tolentino
Servers	D & J Lestal	J Grady	L & E Loughland-Larsen M Tickner	S Perera B Powell K Ross	
Comm. Rep.	E Sicam	S Paterson	L Gal	P Samuelu	
Reader	C Limjap	H Ryan	J Doman	D Dawson	L Alimangoha
E.M.	I Bentham C Clark R DeBono	L Davie G Wiggins	Y Baccan B Brainwood R Bryan E Isaaks B Keavy P Morson H O'Connor	L Lufe M Nyss J Vella	A Alimangoha M Herrick K Smith



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