



St Nicholas of Myra Catholic Parish



Fourth Sunday in Advent - Year C
23rd December 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

Welcome Bishop Vincent

Who will celebrate the 6pm Vigil Mass to farewell Fr Mathew

URGENT

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CHRISTMAS DAY MASSES**

&

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Are located in the Sacristy.

Please assist by placing your

name against a time slot

appropriate for you .

Thank you

Fr Mathew

CHRISTMAS TIMETABLE

Christmas Eve - Monday 24 December

6.00pm (Family Mass)

9.00pm Mass

11.30pm (Carols)

Midnight Mass



Christmas Day - Tuesday 25 December

7.00am

8.30am

10.00am

6.00pm

Christmas Masses across

Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains

can be found by visiting: www.parracatholic.org.au

PARISH OUTREACH / DIOCESAN OUTREACH

Please pray for Ezequiel Caceres, Yanka Garan, Syd Goode and Mary Harnett (Funeral on 3rd January at 11 am) **who died recently** and for George Attard, Anne Bedding, Dennis Bryant, Jean Cobden, Arthur Cram, Duncan Crozier, Jean & Joe Culhane, Mr & Mrs K W Duckworth, Matthew Edmunds, Connie & Darrel Enright, Grant McLean, Estela Racelis, Col Williams and Jonathan Xerri **whose anniversaries occur at this time and for** Elizabeth Aplacados, Mary Armstrong, Mary Browne, Eamonn Browne, Annie Cafferty, Tania Felice, Peter & Frances Hendry, Paul Landrigan, Annie Kate, Sonnie & Noel Langan, Reg Levinge, John Nettare, Romualdo Santos, Jaime Tuite, and Norah & Bernard Wilding.

Please pray for those who are sick Julian Attard, Richard Barrett, Ted Brock, Charlie Camenzuli, Lin Fah Chen, Edward, Romnick Estores, Marion Engsmyr, Darren Gallagher, Mark Herrick, Maria James, Mercia Jacobs, Melissa Maseeh, Jane McCann, Gerry O'Farrell, Anthony Pace, Christy Porral, Stella Porter, Alarna Tuffrey, Manel Viswasam and Bob Wrightson.

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 NO 9.30 am Mass on
24th December—Christmas Eve**



Christmas Eve Family Mass 6pm Children and Families

All children of our parish are invited to dress as angels, shepherds (wise men) or Wear Christmas colors, to celebrate our Family Mass on Christmas Eve at 6pm.

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**Happy 50th Birthday
Martin Farrugia**



Children's Liturgy

Sessions will resume Sunday 10th February 2019.

Thank you to the children who attended throughout the year.

Thank you to the parents who supported this ministry.

A special thank you to the team for their generosity in giving their time and commitment throughout the year.

Thank you for sharing your faith!

Wishing you all blessings at Christmas and throughout 2019.

God bless you. Fran Jackson

Hospital & Nursing Home Masses

Parishioners are welcome

- ◆ **Governor Phillip Manor** 1st Wednesday of each month at 2pm
- ◆ **Mountain View Village** 1st Friday of each month at 10am
- ◆ **Nepean Hospital** 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

These masses will resume in March 2019

THIS WEEK AT ST NICHOLAS

Wednesday 26th St Stephen
Thursday 27th St John Apostle
Friday 28th Holy Innocents

Next Week's Readings

Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph—Year C
Samuel 1:20-22. 24-28
John 3:1-2. 21-24
Luke 2: 41-52

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 1: 39-44

Why should it happen that I am honoured with a visit from the mother of my Lord?

Mary set out at that time and went as quickly as she could to a town in the hill country of Judah. She went into Zechariah's house and greeted

Elizabeth. Now as soon as Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb and

Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. She gave a loud cry and said, 'Of all women you are the most blessed, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. Why should I be honoured with a visit from the mother of my Lord? For the moment your greeting reached my ears, the child in my womb leapt for joy. Yes, blessed is she who

believed that the promise made her by the Lord would be fulfilled.'

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 on the front lawn

**Sacramental Program
First Reconciliation 2019**

*Preparation for the Sacrament of First Reconciliation at St Nicholas of Myra Parish will be in
Term 1 next year.*

*To be eligible for First Reconciliation, **children must be in year 3 or above and must be baptised.**
Parents wishing to enrol their children in the program must attend an information meeting, which will
be at St Nicholas of Myra Church on
Tuesday 26th February 2019 at 7.00pm.*

*Further information regarding the program will be given at this meeting.
If your child has not been baptised, and you wish to enrol them in the program, please contact our
Sacramental Coordinator,
Colleen Nicholas, as soon as possible.*

PLEASE NOTE

Starting January 2019

Change in Mass Timetable : Monday—Friday 9.30 am ONLY

Saturday 9 am

Weekend Masses : Saturday 6 pm

Sunday 7 am, 8.30 am, 10 am and 6 pm

NORMAL WEEKDAY MASS TIMES WILL RESUME ON 11TH FEBRUARY 2019.

**Parish Office will be closed on Friday 21st December, 2018
and will re-open on Monday 7th January, 2019.**

29/30 December	Vigil	Parish Roster				
		7 am	8.30 am	10 am	6 pm	
Acolytes	H McCann A Sebastian	A Ruzgas	J Jordan R Kroon	J Relunia R Wood	D Cocksedge	
Servers	G Nemadic		L & E Loughland-Larsen	E Moniz V Sebi K Ross		
Comm. Rep.	J Hogan	S Paterson	Lesley Walsh	M Varua		
Reader	M Prenderville	Y Bacchan		E Marshall	F Jackson	
E.M.	C Coyte A Linga N Calub	J McSpadden G Wiggins	B Rainwood E Isaaks P Morson H O'Connor	G Burns L Lufe M Nyss	M Gutierrez P Samuelu M Knox	C Clark D Lee C Vagg



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