



St Nicholas of Myra Catholic Parish



Third Sunday of Easter - Year C
5th May 2019

Grounded in Faith

Growing in Love

Living in Hope

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Parish Emergency Number 4732 3039

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

Office Hours 9am - 5 pm

Lunch 1pm - 1.30 pm (*Office closed*)

Reconciliation:

Saturday 9.30am - 10.30am and 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

A commemorative one month Mass will be concelebrated on the 19th May at 10 am, in remembrance of the victims of the Sri Lanka bombings which took place on Easter Sunday 21st April.

The main celebrant will be Fr Chris de Souza.

More information will be given in the following weeks.

THANK YOU for supporting the Institution of the priesthood on Holy Thursday. We collected \$1290 which will be used to support the studies of seminarians to priesthood in the Missionaries of Our Lady of La Salette.

Good Friday Collection as encouraged by Pope Francis. We collected \$2670. Through this collection, we join the Catholics around the world to stand in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. When you contributed to the Good Friday Collection, you became an instrument of peace in a troubled land.

PARISH OUTREACH / DIOCESAN OUTREACH

Raising Lazarus Retreat Day: 7 May

The Marist Association of St Marcellin Champagnat and the IFM present a retreat day on 7 May with Dr Bonnie Thurston on *Raising Lazarus: Contemplative Living & Our Inner Journey from Death to New Life*. Held at the IFM Blacktown from 10am to 2pm.

BYO Lunch. To register, please contact

mark.oconnor@parracatholic.org

Mt Schoenstatt, 230 Fairlight Road, Mulgoa

Reflection day for Women : Mary, mother and Educator.

On **Saturday 11th May, 2019** at 9.30 am - 3 pm

Register by 7th May. info@schoenstatt.org.au

Phone 4773 8338. Cost \$25/BYO lunch - tea & coffee provided.

Flyer in church foyer

Annual Marian Pilgrimage Sunday 19th May, 2019 at Mt Schoenstatt, 230 Fairlight Road, Mulgoa

Starting at 9.30 am and concluding after 2 pm with Eucharist procession and final benediction.

Lunch : Food stalls available or BYO Phone 4773 8338

Flyer in church foyer

Mary in my life Retreat: 17-19 May

The Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth are running a retreat for women aged 18 to 35 who want to deepen their relationship with Jesus and Mary at the Holy Spirit Convent, Plumpton, from 17 May at 6pm to 19 May at 1.30pm. This retreat is meant to help participants slow down, collect and centre themselves, and explore the peace available in each and every moment. RSVP to Sr Paula – vocationscfn@gmail.com or 0449 656 406.

CHOSEN CONFERENCE

Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened or dismayed, for the Lord, your God is with you wherever you go. - Joshua 1:9

The Chosen Conference is a national conference for youth and young adults between 18 - 30 years old, organised by Jesus Youth, an International Catholic Association with a focus on evangelising young people and nurturing their missionary initiatives. We invite you to join us from the **4th - 7th July 2019** at Sacred Heart Girl's College Melbourne for 4 power-packed days of youth rallies, uplifting talks, workshops, theatre, Eucharistic celebrations, vocation & mission expo and live music. For registrations please visit www.chosenconference.org.au. For further information, queries or group registration please

contact info@chosenconference.org.au or call us at 0491 002 081.

Divine Mercy Sunday We thank everyone who collaborated in making the Divine Mercy celebrations so prayerful and meaningful.

Solo Parent Services Seminar: 7 May

Solo Parent Services, part of CatholicCare Western Sydney and Blue Mountains, is holding a seminar on "Annulments in the Catholic Church" at St Patrick's Cathedral Hall, Parramatta on 7 May from 7pm to 9pm. Registrations are essential – contact Rita on 02 8843 2575 or soloparentservices@ccss.org.au

Permanent Diaconate Information Session: 11 May

The discernment program for those who are interested in finding out more about this Vocation will be held at the IFM Blacktown on 11 May 2019 from 10am to 12pm. For further information, visit www.parracatholic.org/permanent-diaconate or contact Deacon Willy Limjap 0428 332 619 or Deacon George Bryan 0408 440 769.

Springwood East Timor Support Group : Invitation 20th Anniversary Trivia Night to aid educational and medical initiatives in Timor Leste

Saturday 18th May from 7 pm at St Thomas Aquinas School Hall, 168 Hawkesbury Road, Springwood.

Contact Pam Gorman 47 54 1160.

Flyer in church foyer.

Penrith Hospital Auxiliary Fashion Parade

Thursday 16th May at 10.30 am at St Stephen's Church Hall, 252 High Street, Penrith. Entry \$10. Light Lunch will be served. Contact June: 4721 2237 or Helen 4572 5244. Flyer in church foyer.

Hospital & Nursing Home Masses

- ◆ **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
- ◆ **Lemongrove Gardens** 10.30 am 1st Tuesday in May, July, September, November.
- ◆ **Edinglassie Lodge** 10.30 am 1st Tuesday in June, August, October, December

THIS WEEK AT ST NICHOLAS

Monday 6th May

7.30 pm Parish Pastoral Council (PMR 1)

Tuesday 7th May

10.30 am : Legion of Mary (PMR1)

11.30 am : AA Meeting (Hall)

7 pm Prayer Meeting (Hall) (2nd & last Tuesdays)

Thursday 9th

7 pm Liturgical Ministry Formation Course (PMR1)

Saturday 11th is there a Fatima Mass

Sunday 12th

4 pm **Series** on the Bible and the Virgin Mary (PMR1)

PARISH OUTREACH

Sacramental Program : First Holy Communion 2019

*Parents wishing to enrol their children in the program **must attend an information session**, which will be at St Nicholas of Myra Church on **Tuesday 7th May 2019 at 7.00pm**.
Further information regarding the program will be given at this meeting.*

*To be eligible for First Holy Communion, **children must be in year 4 or above. They must be baptised and have made their First Reconciliation.***

The Bible and the Virgin Mary

Join us for this exciting Journey through Holy Scripture

There will be video presentations followed by discussion, questions and prayer.

When : Starts on Sunday **5th May** at 4 pm at St Nicholas of Myra in PMR1

The series will be on each Sunday for six weeks.

For more information contact Craig or Rose Walsh on 0428 284 568

Please pray for Edna D'Souza, Daniel & Emelie Linsey, Agnes Ramos, and Rosselier Tolentino **who died recently** and for Josefina Aytona, Robert Elliott, Rita Patricia Fernando, Kelvin Ogilvie-Mitchell, Allison Ratcliff and Vilo, Faaiu and Ioane Tuliatu **whose anniversaries occur at this time and for** Mary Armstrong, Alexander Bunders, Dennis Bryant, Peggy Dowling, Tania Felice, Pat Fegan, Kevin Fisher, Godfrey Gomez, Peter & Frances Hendry, Mathai Kaniyamkunnel, Maria Kukac, Michael Lawrence, Kerry Lowe, Reg Levinge, John Nettare, Maria Theresa Saguin, Norah & Bernard Wilding and Souls in Purgatory.

Please pray for sick : John Daniel, Darren Gallagher, Milly Gallagher, Louise Goderic, Jane McCann, Rita O'Malley, Amani Nemattala and Anthony Pace.

Please note : *If you want a family member's name to be entered in the sick list for 2019, could you please contact the office after permission has been given by the person.*

*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.*

Prayer Groups

- * **Prayer Meeting** please see church notice boards for dates and times
- * **Divine Mercy Holy Hour** see church notice boards for dates and times 47 334274 (John & Helen).
- * **Rosary Statue** will be in the home of John & Joan McSpadden at 3 Timgalen Avenue, Penrith

Parish ROSTER for July to December is being compiled. Please contact the Church office at your **earliest convenience**, if there are any changes and could the **NEW** ministers please also contact the office with your name, mobile number, email address and Mass preference so that these could be added to the existing roster. Many thanks.

Parish Roster 11/12 May 2019

Vigil : Acolytes : J Buttigieg, H McCann

Altar Servers : L & A Perera

Comm. Rep : P Sequeira **Reader :** E Sicam

Eucharist Ministers: I Bentham, M Gutierrez, A Linga

7 am : Acolytes : D Wiggins

Altar Server :

Comm.Rep : S Paterson **Reader:** A Johnson

Eucharist Ministers : L Lufe, G Wiggins

8.30 am : Acolytes : J Jordan, C Walsh

Altar Servers : B Payyappilly, V & V Rodrigues

Comm. Rep : N Joseph **Reader :** R Walsh

Eucharist Ministers : Y Baccan, B Brainwood, G Burns, U Gomez, S McCormack, P Morson, H O'Connor

10 am : Acolytes : J Tabone

Altar Servers : S Dias, D Dawson

Comm. Rep : L Gal **Reader :** D Dawson

Eucharist Ministers : M Knox, M Nyss, D Streher

6 pm : Acolytes : D Cocksedge, S Aish

Altar Servers : A Aish

Comm. Rep : F Jackson **Reader :** C Clark

Eucharist Ministers : A Alimangoha, C D'Mello, C Vagg

Dear friends in Christ,
As you know that deacon Willy Limjap is appointed to our parish by Bishop Vincent to serve our community. He was serving at the Cathedral of Parramatta after his ordination to diaconate until now. He and his family are long term parishioners of our community. I am sure that his time here will be very fruitful and enriching. I have no doubt that he will be a great addition to our pastoral team. Please do make him feel welcomed into our community.

Next weekend on 'Mother's Day', the Parish youth will be selling beautiful special flowers for all the Masses. Please do support them buying a bouquet of flowers for your mum or spouse.

Fr Joe Manjaly MS
Parish Priest

