

St Nícholas of Myra Catholic Parish

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C 29th September 2019

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Parish Emergency Number 4732 3039

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.

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Gospel Reading

Luke 16:19-31

Jesus tells the parable of the reversal of fortunes between the rich man and the poor man, Lazarus.

Background on the Gospel Reading

A major theme in the Gospel of Luke is the importance of the care of the poor in the life of discipleship. In the parable found in today's Gospel, Jesus contrasts the life of a rich man and the poor man, Lazarus, who lives in the shadow of the rich man and his wealth. Both die. Lazarus finds himself in heaven; the rich man in the netherworld. The rich man asks for assistance from Lazarus in his torment. But Abraham reminds the rich man of the good things he had in his life and describes the current situation as a reversal of fortunes. The rich man then asks that Lazarus be sent to warn his family, but this is denied with the reminder that Moses and the prophets have warned of judgment for those who neglect the care of the poor.

In the context of Luke's Gospel, this parable, delivered in the presence of a crowd of listeners, is part of Jesus' response to some Pharisees. These Pharisees are described in Luke's Gospel as "loving money." (Note: The Pharisees were followers of a sect of Judaism active before, during, and after Jesus' lifetime. They taught an oral interpretation of the Law of Moses as the basis for popular Jewish piety. They put less emphasis on Temple worship and more on applying the law to everyday life. Though they are often portrayed negatively in the Gospels, they shared many of Jesus' and the early Church's concerns about the law.) Jesus observed that the actions of some Pharisees betrayed misplaced priorities: they spoke one way, but acted in another. The story of the rich man and Lazarus demonstrates the importance of the care for the poor.

"We must restore hope to young people, help the old, be open to the future, spread love. Be poor among the poor. We need to include the excluded and preach peace."



Pope Francis

PARISH OUTREACH / DIOCESAN OUTREACH

St.John Paul II on the power of the Rosary

On October 16,2002 just a couple of years before his death, St.John Paul wrote his Apostolic letter on the Rosary of the Virgin Mary. October is the month the Church devotes to the Holy Rosary and the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary falls on October 7. He explains that it is a prayer and devotion that has changed the lives of many who walk the life of Christ through the eyes of his Mother whom he gave us on the Cross to be our heavenly Mother.

He referred to devotion to the Rosary as a "genuine training in holiness" that guided Christians in the contemplation of the great mysteries of our Faith.

Padre Pio called the Rosary beads a weapon of extraordinary power against Satan. This prayer is so effective because it is both prayer and meditation. It is addressed to the Father, to the Blessed Virgin, to the Holy Trinity and is a meditation centred on Christ.

Today more than ever, the world is in need of prayer and meditation.



During the Month of October we will be praying the Rosary every day 15 minutes before Mass. You are most welcome to join in.

Please pray for Martha Tebbs who died recently and for Peter Donnolley, May Gale, Lorna (Polly) Melder, Terence O'Connor, Jose P Osorio, Lesni Pinto and Zig Rutkowski whose anniversaries occur at this time and for Mary Armstrong, Dennis Bryant, Rosalio Cayanan, Inocencia Cruz, Peggy Dowling, Tania Felice, Peter & Frances Hendry, Maria Kukac, Reg Levinge, John Nettar, Janet Pearson, Genaro Suratos, Betty Tabone, Bernard & Norah Wilding and Holy Souls in Purgatory.

Please pray for sick: Maya Betar, Charlie Camenzuli, John Daniel, Darren Gallagher, Milly Gallagher, Maria James, Jane McCann, Amani Nemattala, Fr Peter Njau, C.S.Sp, Anthony Pace, Chris Pemberton, Joan Renshaw, Terry Ryan, Denise Ryman, Michael Sealy, Harry Slaughter, Elizabeth Sutherland and Denis Woodward.

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

Daylight saving time 2019 in New South Wales will begin at 2:00 am on Sunday 6th October. Please remember to put your clocks forward by one hour.

Holy Hour for Vocations: 3 October

Youth aged 18 to 35 and families are invited to join The Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth for the Holy Hour for Vocations at the Holy Spirit Convent, Plumpton, on Thursday 3 October at 7pm. Dinner will be served afterwards. RSVP to Sr Paula – vocationscsfn@gmail.com or 0449 656 406.

Annual Wedding Anniversary Mass: 27 October

All married couples and their families are warmly invited to the Diocese of Parramatta's Annual Wedding Anniversary Mass at St Patrick's Cathedral on 27 October at 11am. Bishop Vincent will celebrate Mass and will join couples and their families for a light lunch in the Cathedral Hall afterwards. Please register your names and numbers of years married, and the numbers attending the lunch by contacting the Life, Marriage & Family Office on 02 8838 3460 or email Imf@parracatholic.org.

Seeking nominations for the Diocesan Honours and Awards

These recognitions seek to encourage and recognise outstanding contribution and service by members of the Parramatta Diocesan community to work on behalf of the Catholic Church and Society.

If you have someone in mind, please contact the Parish office. Nominations should remain confidential.

PARISH OUTREACH



On Friday the 4th October, the feast day of St Francis of Assisi, at 11 am we will be having the blessing of pets. The blessing will take place in front of the Parish office(the grass area). Please bring your pets for this blessing.

On Sunday 6th October Fr Sayed will be saying his "Farewell Mass" at 10 am followed by morning tea.

Please bring a plate to share.



Young at Heart Morning Tea is on Wednesday 2nd October after the 9.30 am Mass.

Please bring a plate to share.



HAPPY 98TH BRITHDAY
ALICE O'HARE
HAPPY 97TH BIRTHDAY
ANNE POTTS
with all God's blessings.

Parish Roster 5/6 October 2019

Vigil: Acolytes: J Buttigieg, D Wellfare

Altar Servers : D & L Lestal
Comm. Rep : E Sicam Reader : J Hogan

Eucharist Ministers: I Bentham, F Keuneman, A Linga

Music: AMDG Youth Alex AV: Josephine Linga

7 am: Acolytes: J Sweeney Altar Server: G Grady

Comm.Rep : J French
Eucharist Ministers : L Davie, S Sweeney
AV : Natasha Davie

8.30 am : Acolytes : C Walsh, R Wood
Altar Servers : A & L Joseph
Comm. Rep : R Walsh Reader : P Nematalla

Eucharist Ministers : Y Baccan, B Brainwood, U Gomez,

E Isaaks, B Keavy, H O'Connor, P Wheller **Music**: Jeffrey Mizzi **AV**: Joshua

10 am: Acolytes: M Tolentino

Altar Servers: J & H Jacobs, B Powell Comm. Rep: D Dawson Reader: O Kiss

Eucharist Ministers : M Gutierrez, M Knox, P Samuelu

Music : Sheridan AV: Sharon Clarke

6 pm : Acolytes : D Cocksedge
Altar Servers : E Moniz

Comm. Rep : C Clark Reader : F Jackson

Eucharist Minsters : C D'Mello, D Lee, K Wrightson

Music: BNP Youth Donnie AV: Donnie

Young at Heart Bus Trip

Visiting Blackheath Catholic Church
Mass with Bob Sheridan at 11.30am
Lunch, coffee and tea included Cost: \$30
Please contact the Parish Office to put your name down as we need to book a bus according to numbers going.

THIS WEEK AT ST NICHOLAS

Monday 30th St Jerome

Tuesday 1st October St Therese of the Child Jesus

10.30 am : Legion of Mary (PMR1) 11.30 am : AA Meeting (Hall)

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

Wednesday 2nd Holy Guardian Angels

7.00 pm Legion of Mary (2nd Presidium) (PMR1)

Friday 4th St Francis of Assisi

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4

Timothy 1: 6-8, 13-14 Luke 17: 5-10

The Legion of Mary is an association in the Church which endeavours to take the love of Christ in a personal way with our Mother Mary, to the lonely, the elderly, the sick and the young.

You are welcome to join us.

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 January, March, May, July, Sept, November

♦ Edinglassie Lodge 10.30 am 1st Tuesday in Feb, April, June, August, October, December

Prayer Groups

- **Prayer Meetings** please see the Church Notice boards for dates and times.
- * **Divine Mercy Holy Hour** see Church Notice Board for dates and times *47 334274* (John & Helen).
- Community of Risen Christ Prayer Meetings Please phone Steffi and Parry 0436 395 763 or 4736 2311.



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