

#### PARISH PRIEST CORNER

Dear friends in Christ,

As we are coming towards the end of October, I invite you all to the **Rosary Procession** to culminate the month of the Rosary on the **30th of October at 6.30 pm** starting from our grotto of Blessed Mother Mary and followed by the Eucharistic celebration. This would be a great opportunity for us as a parish community to entrust our families and community to the maternal care of our Bl. Mother.

The month of November is very important in the life of every faithful person. The month begins with the solemnity of **ALL SAINTS** and **ALL SOULS** feast which is celebrated on **November 2**. This Month is especially dedicated to remembering and praying for all the SOULS. I am of an opinion that we should pray for the dead throughout the year, especially on the anniversary of their death, but in this month of the Holy Souls, we should devote some time every day to pray for the dead. I am sure we love them immensely even though they are no longer with us. Maybe we should start with ones who are closest to us; our parents, siblings and grandparents, but we should also offer prayers for all souls, especially for those most forsaken.

We believe that those Holy Souls for whom we pray will continue to pray for us as they enjoy the eternal reward with their and our Master. I believe that our acts of charity toward the Holy Souls will ensure that they remember us before the throne of God when we are most in need of prayer. It's a comforting thought and one that should encourage us, especially in November, to offer our prayers for the Holy Souls.

In our parish you can do two things to pray for your loved ones who are deceased:

- \* An offering of Masses for your loved ones for November. The envelopes are at the doors of the church. Please write the names of your loved ones clearly with a donation in it and they will be entered in the book of remembrance and prayed thoughout all the Masses in November.
- \* There is also a prayer card that you can write, the names of your loved ones, friends and deceased parishioners that you know and place it in the basket that is provided.

A plenary indulgence may be gained for the dead, once only, by visiting a church on 2nd November and praying the Lord's prayer and the Creed. Three conditions are required for gaining the indulgence: Sacramental Confession, Eucharistic communion, and prayer for the pope's intentions.

Fr. Joe Manjaly Parish Priest

## PARISH OUTREACH / DIOCESAN OUTREACH

# This message was given to the visionary for the world from Medjugorje by Our Lady.

"Abandon yourselves completely to His will and do not be afraid.

Everything that is best for you, everything that leads you to eternal life, will be given to you. You will comprehend that the purpose of life is not always to want and take, but to love and give. You will have true peace and true love. You will be apostles of love."

#### Trip Fall Hazards

To all Ministers and those involved in the Altar Society. Please be aware that the steps on the altar become narrower as they taper off to the end. Please exercise caution when standing or working near this area. There are bricks that have sunken near the cemetery and soil that is sinking in the garden. Please exercise caution when visiting these areas and supervise children to ensure their safety.

#### **Tissues and rubbish**

We have observed tissues and rubbish in our gardens after Mass, kindly use the bin provided in the foyer or take rubbish with you.

Thank you for supporting this year's **Catholic Mission Church** Appeal through your kind gifts and prayers and for reaching out to children and communities in need in Ghana and throughout the world.

**St Nicholas Church, Plumpton** will be selling Raffle tickets at our church on 26th/27th October, 2019.

Please pray for Charlie Attard, Peter Floor, Deacon Bob Carroll, Tony Iannacone and Clem Serra who died recently and for Benita Azores, Jean Bannon, Clare Gale, Menezes family, Herbert Merz, Frank Mintoff, Joseph Mintoff, Margaret Ryan, Anita Sequeira, Paul Vella, Wal Wheller and Julia Wnek whose anniversaries occur at this time and for K Abbott, Mary Armstrong, Dennis Bryant, Ethan Andrew Caburian, Raymundo Caburian, Peggy Dowling, Enrique Esmayor, Tania Felice, Peter & Frances Hendry, Maria Kukac, Pearl & Reg Levinge, Eduardo Limjap, Ester Limjap, John Nettar, Mario Vella, Beryl Wakefield, Bernard & Norah Wilding, Tamieka Woodburn, John Xiberras and Holy Souls in Purgatory.

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

	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

#### St Vincent de Paul - 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 7th Dec or Sunday 8th December.** Approximately 1 hour before or after each Mass.

Hamper Deliveries: Once again, we ask for your generous help in the distribution of hampers. If you can spare and hour on: Saturday the 14th Dec, between 8.30am and11.00am in PMR 1. Your help would be greatly appreciated.

#### Hamper categories:

Individual Male, - Individual Female, - Adult Couples Small Families (1 or 2 Parents, Plus 1 Child) -Medium Families (1 or 2 Parents, Plus 2 Children): Large Families (1 or 2 Parents, Plus 3 or more Children)

Stickers : To identify the hamper size we will have a series of stickers that will help in an efficient distribution of hampers. The Stickers are available in the Front foyer & Car park entrance of the church. Suggested items to include in the hamper: Christmas decorations (erg. Bon Bons, tinsol), tins of

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.

### PARISH OUTREACH

On Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> November at the 6 pm Mass, Fr Joe will be formally installed as the Parish Priest of St Nicholas by the Very Rev. Bishop Vincent Long. Please keep this date free to join us on this special occasion of our Parish Community and in the life of Fr Joe.

#### **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 33427(John&Helen).
- Divine Mercy, Holy Rosary & Scripture PMR1 Room Sunday 20th October 2019, 3PM All backgrounds - most welcome to unite and pray with Mother Mary Contact Steffi Sequeira - 0436 395 763 or email steffi.parry.sequeira@gmail.com
- Rosary Statue will be in the home John & Deanna Soertsz at 15 Nerang Circuit, Penrith.

#### Parish Roster 2/3 November 2019

Vigil : Acolytes : Altar Servers : Comm. Rep : J Hogan **Eucharist Ministers:** Music : AMDG Youth

7 am : Acolytes : Altar Server : Comm.Rep : Alison Johnson **Eucharist Ministers :** 

G Grady Reader: S Paterson L Davie, G Wiggins AV: N Davie

D Wellfare, B Scott

Reader : M Prenderville

D & J Lestal

8.30 am : Acolytes :

Altar Servers : Comm. Rep : R Walsh **Eucharist Ministers :** G Burns, E Isaaks, B Keavy, J Wakeling Music : J Mizzi

10 am : Acolytes : Altar Servers : Comm. Rep: L Gal **Eucharist Ministers :** Music : Youth Choir

6 pm : Acolytes : Altar Servers : Comm. Rep : N Joseph Eucharist Minsters : Music : BNP Youth

I Bentham, A Linga, K Pemberton AV: J Linga **D** Wiggins

C Walsh, R Wood

Reader : S Von Bock Y Baccan, B Brainwood, R Bryan, AV: V Rodrigues

I Tabone A Joseph, J & L Wheelahan Reader : P Samuelu A Alimangoha, M Gutierrez, J Vella AV: S Clarke

S Aish, M Tolentino Δ Δish Reader : F Jackson C D'Mello. D Lee, K Wrightson AV: Donnie

COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED (All Souls' Day) on Saturday 2nd November at 9.30 am



#### NOVEMBER MASS OFFERING ENVELOPES

The envelopes for the masses for holy souls in November are now available. Please print names clearly with a donation, so that they can be transferred to our Book of Remembrance, which will be kept on the Sanctuary throughout the month of November and updated each week. Envelopes may be put on either plate or in the office mail box on front verandah of the

Presbytery.

All masses celebrated at St Nicholas in the month of November will be offered for all those who have died, especially for those whom our parishioners have asked to be remembered.

#### **Plenary Council:** The Conversation is not over yet

The suggestions that many of you submitted were gratefully acknowledged by the Diocese but more of your input is now needed for the Plenary Council to continue towards completion. We need any interested parishioners to come along to the next level of the discussions. We will meet in PMR1 on Sunday 27th October at 2 pm. For more information contact Craig or Rose

on 0428 284 568.

#### THIS WEEK AT ST NICHOLAS Monday 28th Sts Simon and Jude **Tuesday 29th** 10.30 am : Legion of Mary (PMR1) 11.30 am : AA Meeting (Hall) 7 pm Prayer Meeting (Hall) (2nd & last Tuesdays) Friday 1st November All Saints Saturday 2nd All Souls' Day Mass at 9.30 am

#### **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



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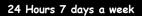
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