




St Nicholas of Myra Catholic Parish

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A
2nd August 2020



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New COVID-19 restrictions

As announced by the NSW Premier further restrictions are in place. As a result, Masses and funerals will be limited to 100 people. The one person per four square metre rule still applies. Therefore, we wish to advise the following guidelines that are in place at St Nicholas of Myra Catholic Church :

- ◆ The number of people inside the church are limited to 100, which excludes door volunteers and those who are assisting for the celebration of the Mass, such as acolyte, lector, commentator and choir maximum 3 people in 3 metre distance. Everyone is encouraged to wear face mask.
- ◆ There are two extra Masses in the Parish Hall with maximum of 50 parishioners per Mass: Saturday 6 pm and Sunday 10 am.
- ◆ The aisles and pews are marked to facilitate the observance of social distancing practices. Seating is marked with a number on the pews and please sit only in those areas that are marked.
- ◆ At the doors of the church there are sign on sheets for you to leave your details, name, contact details etc- these will be kept confidential- but are necessary in case anyone contracts the virus.
- ◆ Please sanitize your hands as soon as you enter the church.
- ◆ Please occupy the central seat of pews first, starting from the front pews of the church, so that others who come after you will be able to occupy the aisles while observing social distancing.
- ◆ Please continue to refrain from singing throughout liturgy.
- ◆ There will neither be a solemn entrance procession nor a recessional by the celebrant and ministers.
- ◆ No altar servers will be needed and there will be no procession of gifts, gifts will be kept at the credence table near the altar.
- ◆ The sign of peace will be exchanged without physical contact.
- ◆ During the communion, the social distancing will be observed and therefore communion will be brought to your seat. Communion should be received only in the hand.
- ◆ Only one acolyte/ senior server and one Extra-ordinary minister of communion would be required other than priests/ deacon to serve during the Mass.
- ◆ The collection baskets are kept at the entrances of the church and hall rather than passed during the Mass.
- ◆ As you prepare to exit the church please exit starting with the rows that are closest to the entrances.
- ◆ The obligation to participate in Sunday Mass is still lifted.

It is important for everyone to maintain physical distancing and follow all health and safety guidelines. Our utmost concern is the health and well being of our parishioners. Therefore, those who are feeling ill, or who have symptoms of fever, cold, dry cough or soar throat should not come out to attend Mass but watch our live stream Mass at 10am on Sundays.

PARISH OUTREACH



SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

O my divine Jesus, how great is my desire to receive your sacred body! Oh, come now into my soul, at least, by a spiritual communion! O Jesus, my divine Saviour, save me. O my God, hiding myself with a humble confidence in your dear wounds, I give up my soul into your divine hands. Oh, receive it into the bosom of your mercy. Amen.

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

Please collect your Planned Giving Envelopes from the foyer of the church.
The starting date is 2nd August, 2020. Many thanks.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

First Reconciliation Ceremony
Thursday 6th August at 5pm OR 7pm
Confirmation 2020



There will be a meeting for parents who wish to enrol their children for the Sacrament of Confirmation. The meeting will be held in the Church on **Tuesday 13th October at 7.00pm**. Please note that you must attend this meeting in order to enrol your child in the program.

Further information will be provided at the meeting.
To be eligible to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, children must be baptised and made their First Holy Communion. They must also be in Year 5 or above.

PLANNED GIVING/DONATIONS

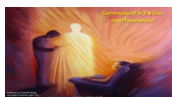
After considering your own needs at this difficult time, if you wish to make a direct deposit of your Planned Giving envelopes or a donation to the Parish, you can give through credit card by contacting the Parish office or through your bank account with the following details.

- **FIRST COLLECTION goes to the Clergy Support**
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Reference [ENVELOPE N# OR SURNAME]
- **IF YOU WISH TO CHANGE YOUR DIRECT DEBIT** please contact Jacinta for a form.

Pastoral Care of the Sick and Housebound

Extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion are now able to visit the housebound and those who are unable to attend a parish for Mass or Holy Communion.

These ministers will need to observe social distancing and ensure at least 1.5 metres is maintained between them and those in their care.



Ministers will also need to use hand sanitiser, prior to the distribution of Communion.
Only Communion on the hand is permitted at this time.

OUR MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday

Monday	9.30am	
Tuesday	6.45am	9.30am
Wednesday	9.30 am	
	7.00pm	(followed by Our Lady of Perpetual help Novena)
Thursday	9.30am	
Friday	6.45am	12.10pm

Saturday

Mass	9.00am
Healing Mass	9.00am (1st Sat of the month)
Reconciliation	9.30am-10.30am & 5pm-5.45pm
Adoration	After Saturday Morning Mass
Filipino Mass	11.00am (1st Sat of the month)
Vigil Mass	6.00pm*

Sunday

Mass	7.00am, 8.30am
	10.00am *(no Children's Liturgy)
	6.00pm

Masses marked with an Asterix * will be held simultaneously in the Church and Hall allowing for up to 50 people per location.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

3 August : Monday St Dominic

Jer 28:1-17; Mt 14:22-36

4 August: Tuesday St John Vianney

Jer:30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22; Mt 15:1-2, 10-14

5 August :Wednesday of the 18th week in Ordinary time

Jer 31:1-7; Mt 15:21-28

6 August :Thursday Transfiguration of the Lord

Dan 7:9-10, 13-14, Mt 17:1-9

7 August : Friday of the 18th week in Ordinary time

Nahum 2:1, 3, 3:1-3, 6-7; Mt 16:24-28

8 August : Saturday St Mary of the Cross

Kg 17:8-16; Col 3:12-17; Mt 6:25-34

9 August :Sunday of 19th week in Ordinary Time

Kg 19:9, 11-13; Rom 9:1-5; Mt 14:22-33

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PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE IN OUR COMMUNITY

RECENTLY DECEASED Rita Cloran, Margaret Mary Sullivan, Joan Gwendolyn McSwan, Patricia Dickson, Alfredo Genova & all who have died from COVID-19.

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES Federico Racelis, Theresa & Emmanuel Mifsud, Joseph Said, Joseph Goh, Andre Faydherbe, Sam Rees, Sophie Hollis, Grant McLean, Jean & Joe Culhane and Mauro Mariano.

DECEASED Tania Felice, John Nettar, Bernard and Norah Wilding, Dennis Bryant, Sr Maria Alipia, Kumari de Saipath, Tess Verbese, Albert Al Palmer, Manuela Lopez and all the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

SICK Nympha Miller, Eva Gilmour, John Wakeling, Peter Gale, Charlie Tabone, Joanne Portelli, Daniel Varlow, Theresa Jordan, Joseph James, Jane McCann, Patrick McHugh, Tony Bishop and all who suffer from COVID-19.

PARISH OUTREACH

RCIA News

Over the next three weeks we are planning to complete the remaining RCIA ceremonies and welcome into our community the candidates below who are in the final stages of preparation for initiation.

The remaining ceremonies are scheduled to take place as follows:

This weekend :

Saturday 1st August 6pm:

THIRD RCIA Scrutiny and Presentation of The Lord's Prayer.

Saturday 8th August 6pm:

Ephphetha Rite and Anointing with the Oil of Catechumens

Saturday 15th August 6pm:

Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation & Eucharist)



Gabriele



Kaine



Joe



Erin

PLEASE NOTE:

As there will be 4 Baptisms and 4 adults being Confirmed, mass on 15th August. will take approx.30 minutes longer than usual.

Please keep our Elect and Candidate in your prayers

PARISH ROSTER 8/9 AUGUST 2020

Please Note: If you are unable to attend Mass as rostered below, please find a replacement. Thanks

[VIGIL] Acolytes : D Wellfare
Reader : I Heffernan **Comm. Rep :** J Hogan
Eucharist Ministers: F Keuneman
Music: Billy **AV:** S Dias
(VIGIL HALL) Acolyte : B Scott
Reader : P Sequeira

[7.00 A.M] Acolytes : J Sweeney
Reader: Alison Johnson **Comm.Rep :** F Jackson
Eucharist Ministers: S Sweeney
AV : B Rees

[8.30 A.M] Acolytes : C Walsh
Reader : E Isaaks **Comm. Rep :** R Walsh
Eucharist Ministers : M Stynes
Music: J Mizzi **AV:** Tuckers

[10.00 A.M] Acolytes : J Tabone
Reader : O Kiss **Comm. Rep:** P Samuelu
Eucharist Ministers : D Dawson
Music: AMDG Adult **AV:** Zamanda
(10.00 AM HALL) Acolyte : R Wood
Reader : ??

[6.00 P.M] Acolytes : J Relunia
Reader: C Clark **Comm. Rep :** I Bentham
Eucharist Minsters : D Streher
Music : CFC **AV :** S Shahoud

August 15th : Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Day of Obligation



As part of the commemoration of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, there will be extra Masses at :

Friday 14th Vigil at 7 pm

Saturday 15th at 7.30 am and 9 am.

Next Saturday 8th of August, at the 9am Mass, we celebrate the Solemnity of St. Mary of the Cross Mackillop, the first Saint of Australia.



Please come and join us for our national Patronal Feast.

Prayer Meetings in our Parish

- ◆ **Christ Christian Community Prayer meeting are held at 7 pm in Parish Hall on second and last Tuesdays of the month.**
- ◆ **Divine Mercy Holy Hour are held on 2nd Fridays of the month after the 12.10 Mass.**
- ◆ **The Parish of St. Nicholas is starting a Junior Legion of Mary Conference. The aim is to get closer to Jesus with our Mother Mary and learn to be of service to others. When do we start? SUNDAY 16th August at 11.00 a.m to 12.00 noon in PMR1. All children are welcome.**
- ◆ **Community of Risen Christ continue to meet online for Divine Mercy prayer every Saturday at 8PM. All Welcome. Zoom Meeting: <https://zoom.us/j/4399152776> Meeting ID: 439 915 2776, Password : 124622. Contact: Steffi Sequeira on 0436 395 763.**

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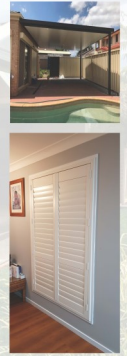
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