




# St Nicholas of Myra Catholic Parish

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A  
23rd August 2020



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### PARISH EMERGENCY NUMBER: 4732 3039

During this Pandemic time Craig Walsh is our Health & Safety Coordinator. Contact 0428 284 568

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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 sore 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.

#### 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 has started 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. Time 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.**

We are happy to inform you that a new campus of **Australian Catholic University (ACU)** has been opened in Blacktown. The annual Open Day for future students will be held virtually from 9 am to 3 pm on three consecutive Saturdays—29 August, 5 September and 12 September.  
W:acu.edu.au

### 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
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 Asterisk \* will be held simultaneously in the Church and Hall allowing for up to 50 people per location.**

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**24 August : Monday St Bartholomew**

Apoc 21:9-14; Jn 1:45-51

**25 August: Tuesday of the 21st week in Ordinary Time**

Thess 2:1-3, 14-17. Mt 23:23-26

**26 August :Wednesday of the 21st week in Ordinary time**

Thess 3:6-10, 16-18'Mt 23:27-32

**27 August :Thursday St Monica**

Cor 1:1-9; Mt 24:42-51

**28 August : Friday St Augustine**

Cor 1:17-25; Mt 25:1-13

**29 August : Saturday The Passion of St John the Baptist**

Jer 1:17-19; Mk 6:17-29

**30 August :Sunday of 22nd week in Ordinary Time**

Jer 20:7-9; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27

**MASS LIVE ON FACEBOOK @SNOMPENRITH**

### PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

*Please collect your Planned Giving Envelopes from the foyer of the church. These are to be used from August 2020 till July 2021. Many thanks.*

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE IN OUR COMMUNITY

**RECENTLY DECEASED** Kumari de Saipath, Kevin Samuels, Renato Rosales Sr., Robin Moynie Kane, Gunadi Aseng, Joseph James, Brian Eccleton & all who have died from COVID-19.

**DEATH ANNIVERSARIES** Charlie Galea, Antonio Rante, Magda Tatrai, Pearl Levinge, Benita Azores, Tony Traynor, George Attard, Lynette Moss, Tibor Kiss and Peggy Dowling.

**DECEASED** Margaret Mary Sullivan, Odette Bonnaire, Tania Felice, John Nettare, Bernard and Norah Wilding, Dennis Bryant, Sr Maria Alipia, George Chestnui and all the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

**SICK** Nympha Miller, Ken Beatson, Melanie Castle, Eva Gilmour, John Wakeling, Peter Gale, Charlie Tabone, Joanne Portelli, Daniel Varlow, Theresa Jordan, Jane McCann, Patrick McHugh and all who suffer from COVID-19.

## PARISH OUTREACH

### RCIA News

Last Saturday - 15<sup>th</sup> August - at the Vigil, mass, we celebrated the **Sacraments of Initiation** and welcomed as fully participating members of the Church.

**Jianwei Chen (Joe), Gabriele Townend-Fitter, Kaine Mannell and Erin Ball.**

*Hunter Mannell was also Baptised.*

*Your commitment, perseverance and patience during these challenging times has been inspirational.*



Thank you to the Parish Community for your prayerful support for the new members of our Parish family. Please continue to keep them in your prayers. Thank you to the Sponsors and Team members for their ongoing support and commitment.

Special thanks to everyone who contributed in making this celebration such a successful and memorable occasion. As a community we are truly blessed.

**With the recent NSW Health advice for places of worship, it is now compulsory that face masks are worn in Church. Your cooperation is appreciated.**

### PARISH ROSTER 29/30 AUGUST 2020

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

**[VIGIL] Acolytes :** A Sebastian  
**Reader :** S Falleiro **Comm. Rep :** K Smith  
**Eucharist Ministers:** A Caleb  
**Music:** Vic & Alana **AV:** Joshua  
**(VIGIL HALL) Acolyte :** J Buttigieg  
**Reader :** C Clark

**[7.00 A.M] Acolytes :** D Wiggins  
**Reader:** Alison Johnson **Comm. Rep :** S Paterson  
**Eucharist Ministers:** G Wiggins  
**AV :** Natasha

**[8.30 A.M] Acolytes :** C Walsh  
**Reader :** R Walsh **Comm. Rep :** P Nematalla  
**Eucharist Ministers :** P Wheeler  
**Music:** J Mizzi **AV:** Tuckers

**[10.00 A.M] Acolytes :** J Tabone  
**Reader :** P Sequeira **Comm. Rep :** S Sequeria  
**Eucharist Ministers :** P Samuelu  
**Music:** AMDG Adult **AV:** Zamanda

**(10.00 AM HALL) Acolyte :** H McCann  
**Reader :** O Kiss

**[6.00 P.M] Acolytes :** J Relunia  
**Reader:** F Jackson **Comm. Rep :** C D'Mello  
**Eucharist Ministers :** A Alimongoha  
**Music :** CFC Youth **AV :** Sarah Alimongoha



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20th August 2020

Dear Parishioners

It has been six months since all of us have made changes to how we worship. We thank you for the willingness and speed with which we have seen you embrace these changes, some of them difficult and possibly confusing. The positive response by the Catholic Community of Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains was recently reinforced by NSW Health who are working with us through our Diocese to make sure what we do at church keeps us safe.

Your efforts are noticed and appreciated.

We have witnessed how easily the virus can spread at churches, and we support the government's regulations and recommendations. Our Parish is a registered COVID-safe organization, and in order to remain so, we need to follow certain practices.

By now you will be used to parts of our plan such as setting maximum attendance, recording Mass attendees' contact details, sanitizing our hands, and sitting in the marked pews. Even the chat after Mass with our friends has sadly had to go for now.

We are also pleased to see so many of you wearing masks. This is a practical way you can show you care for the health of others, and we would like to see our entire parish to take up mask wearing whenever you come to church.

We have recently been advised by NSW Health that singing in groups has been found to be high risk. As such the Diocese is highly recommending we find other ways of including music in our Mass besides live music and congregational singing or choirs. Any singers must be 5 metres away from others.

Thank you for following the advice issued so far. I'm sure you will have heard this pandemic referred to as a marathon rather than a sprint. The bottom line is our concern for everyone's safety, and your compliance means you are all playing an important role in keeping the community safe.

### BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL FOR RETIRED PRIESTS - FATHER'S DAY APPEAL 2020

Owing to COVID19 pandemic and its social and financial impact on families, communities and Churches, the Clergy Support Foundation of the Diocese of Parramatta will not be holding its Annual Bishop's Collection for Retired Priests, i.e. the Father's Day appeal, this September. Like many other organisations, the CSF will use its own resources to support the retired priests in this financial year. Donations will always be accepted, however, via our BPOINT portal at [www.parracatholic.org/csf](http://www.parracatholic.org/csf) or electronic funds transfer to BSB 067950 Account No 00001691 Account Name CSF No 1 with Reference your name. IF you would like a tax deductible receipt for your donation, please send email to [csf@parracatholic.org](mailto:csf@parracatholic.org) with your name and address details.

The CSF Committee thanks you for your support of the Clergy Support Foundation over the last 15 years. May God bless you at this difficult time in all our lives.



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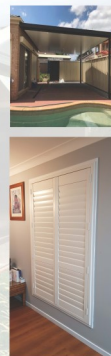
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