St Nicholas of Myra Catholic Parish

30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—YEAR A
25TH OCTOBER 2020

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Easing of restrictions announced 23/10 means that we are able to accommodate 150-175 people at Mass this weekend. Please remember to bring your masks to Mass and observe social distancing. Read our Covid-19 Safety guidelines on Page 3.

ROSARY TRIDUUM | ALL SAINTS & ALL SOULS

Dear friends in Christ,

As we approach the end of October, I invite you all to the **Rosary Triduum** to culminate the month of the Rosary on the **28th, 29th and the 30th of October at 7pm** starting from the Grotto of our 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 during the Pandemic.

The month of November is very important in the life of every faithful person. The month begins with the solemnity of **ALL SAINTS** on Sunday November 1 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 all 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. Last year over 33 of our parish members entered eternal life.

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 throughout 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)

CATHOLIC MISSON 31 OCT & 1 NOV

Love one another. Just as I have loved you…. (John 13:34)
As the Pope's international mission agency, Catholic Mission plays a vital role in responding to the call to love God and our neighbour by forming individuals and communities as missionary disciples of Jesus, sharing their faith in action and prayer. Every October, during World Mission Month, Catholic Mission focus their appeal on one particular program. **This year they are partnering with The Arrupe Centre in north-western Cambodia.** Started in 2001 by the compassionate Bishop Enrique 'Kike' Figaredo Alvargonzalez, the Centre supports young residents with disabilities due to landmine incidents or other illnesses. Offering children the potential to live a full life by providing education, healthcare and opportunities for many, including a young man called Chen, whose life (and that of his family) was impacted so suddenly by a landmine incident which took both of his legs at the age of 16.
Find out more about Chen and this year's appeal at catholicmission.org.au/Cambodia and discover how much these young people's lives have been turned around by the love and compassion of the Church, providing them with hope, joy, happiness and support they would otherwise not have access to, in order to help them live a fulfilling life. **Please complete an envelope and return it next weekend during our Appeal weekend. Or donate online through www.catholicmission.org.au**

SOLAR PANEL—UPDATE

The installation of Solar Panels continues this week with the Panels arriving for installation on the presbytery and the Parish Office. The total cost of the project is just over $50,000 after the government rebate and we are still looking for donations to power the Church. Please contact the parish office if you can do so. We once again offer a huge thanks to each parishioner who has made this project a reality. ***Thank you!***

PRAYERS

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.

Hail Holy Queen

Hail, holy Queen, Mother of mercy, hail, our life, our sweetness and our hope. To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve: to thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this vale of tears. Turn then, most gracious Advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us, and after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus, O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary! Pray for us O holy Mother of God. That we may be worthy of the promises of Christ.

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

•Mass marked with an Asterix * will be held simultaneously in the Church and Hall allowing for up to 50 people in the Hall.
•October is Rosary month, please join us 30 minutes before each Mass to pray the Holy Rosary.

THERE WILL BE NO MASS AT 6.45AM THIS FRI 30TH OCT. *Feel free to attend the 7pm Rosary at the Grotto followed by Mass.*

SPECIAL FEASTS THIS WEEK

OCT 28 WED **STS SIMON & JUDE, APOSTLES**

HSC STUDENTS & THANKSGIVING

Please pray for all HSC students, especially; **Thalini Perera, Jinuki Kasturi, Moufid Sukkar, David Dawson, Alec Joseph Linga, Puluno Lufe, Timothy Allen, Aryel Santiago, Jacob Grech, Michaela Compora-Kaal, Kayla Fenech, Marianne Caburian, Krystal Maguire, Zoe & Sarah Whitfield** and all students in the Penrith area as they prepare and undertake their exams.
Happy birthday to: **Kostka Newham** who is 96 years old today. Wishing you the best!

COMMUNITY PRAYERS

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE IN OUR COMMUNITY
RECENTLY DECEASED Mr Thomas, Leelamma Thomas Margaret Mary Sullivan, Elizabeth Anne Davis, Teresa Limbaga, A. John Christy & all who have died from COVID-19.
DEATH ANNIVERSARIES Albert Goh, Ethan Caburian, Edwardo Limjap, Clare Gale, Wal Wheller, Members of Dugue & Mudie families, Janos Valaz, Sr Marion O'Shannessy, Bev Ferry, Ioane, Faaie & Vilo Tuliatu.
DECEASED Albert Palmer, Dora & Rudy Fonseca, The Scully, Wilkinson, Locke, Wilson, Cocksedge, Sheard & Fisher families, Frank Custer, Salvador & Sean Villanuera, Aproniano Estoque, Sr Maria Alipia, Tania Felice, John Nettar, Bernard & Norah Wilding, Dennis Bryant and all the Holy Souls in Purgatory.
SICK Charlene Mikhael, Thomas P J, Annamma Thomas, Mildred Fitzgerald, Jaime Calero, Raymond J Keuana, Moveen Stewart, Mercedes Ramos, Ronilo Galido, Fab Chavez, Nympha Miller, Ken Beatson, Melanie Castle, Eva Gilmour, John Wakeling, Peter Gale, Joanne Portelli, Daniel Varlow, Theresa Jordan, Jane McCann, Mark McSpadden and all who suffer from COVID-19.

RCIA NEWS

Is God giving you a nudge? Do you have questions about the Catholic Faith? If you answered YES to these questions, and would like them answered, we invite you to contact us and we will explore the answers together. Meet others who have been part of the RCIA and they will share their experience with you.

For more info: Ina & Norman Heffernan 4732 1750 inanorm@optusnet.com.au

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 veranda of the Presbytery.

ALL SOULS—NOV 2

November 2nd is All Souls Day and our Remembrance Mass is at 7pm, this is where we remember in a special way all those who celebrated their Funeral Mass here at St Nic's from Nov 2019—Nov 2020. We have sent invitation letters to all families of these loved ones, if you have not received one, please contact the Parish office. We also wish to remember any of your siblings or parents who have died recently – outside of this Church in the past year. The Parish requests for each loved one; (1) A photograph to be displayed on the screens (2) The full name and anniversary date (3) To RSVP the number of people attending the Mass . Please contact Jacinta at the Parish Office before Wed 28th Oct.

ROSTER 31ST/1ST NOVEMBER 2020

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

[VIGIL] Acolytes :	B Scott
Reader : J Hogan	**Comm. Rep** : S Falleiro
Eucharist Minister:	A Linga
Music: AMDG Youth	**AV:** J Linga
([7.00 A.M] Acolytes :	J Sweeney
Reader: S Paterson	**Comm.Rep**: J French
Eucharist Ministers:	S Sweeney
AV : N Davie	
[8.30 A.M] Acolytes :	J Simeon
Reader : R Walsh	**Comm. Rep:** P Nematalla
Eucharist Ministers :	P Wheller
Music: J Mizzi	**AV:** V Rodrigues
[10.00 A.M] Acolytes :	J Jordan
Reader : O Kiss	**Comm. Rep:** M Varua
Eucharist Ministers :	J Vella
Music: Br David	**AV:** S Clark
(10.00 AM HALL)	**Acolyte :** H McCann
	Reader : E Sicam
[6.00 P.M] Acolytes :	J Relunia
Reader: K Smith	**Comm. Rep :** C Clark
Eucharist Minsters :	D Streher
Music : BNP Youth	**AV :** Donnie

COVID-19 SAFETY

•New easing of restrictions allows places of worship to have up to 300 people, however funerals are still 100 and weddings 150.

•The number of people inside the church are limited to 150- 175, which allows for social distancing of 4 sm. This number excludes essential persons to the Liturgy

•There is now only one extra Mass in the Parish Hall with maximum of 50 parishioners on Sundays at 10 am.

•The aisles and pews are marked to facilitate the observance of social distancing practices. Please only sit where it is marked with a number on the pews.

•Please leave your name and contact details on the sign on sheet - 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.

PLANNED GIVING & DONATIONS

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

BSB	067 950 (Commonwealth Bank)
Acct No	00004265
Acct Name	Parramatta Diocesan Clergy
Reference	6029 [SURNAME]

SECOND COLLECTION goes to the Parish Support

BSB	067 950 (Commonwealth Bank)
Acct No	00000487
Acct Name	Penrith St Nicholas Catholic Church
Reference	[ENVELOPE N# OR SURNAME] ***or*** Solar Panels [Surname]' to contribute to our Solar Panel Project.

•***IF YOU WISH TO CHANGE YOUR DIRECT DEBIT*** *please contact Jacinta for a form.*

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