



St Nicholas of Myra Catholic Parish



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28 MARCH 2021

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PARISH EMERGENCY NUMBER: 4732 3039

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PARISH SCHOOLS

St Nicholas Primary Principal : Ms Anita Knezevic Ph; 4752 3300

St Mary Mackillop Primary Principal : Mr Scott Buchan Ph; 4724 3200



No bookings required to attend Mass. We are able to accommodate 1 person per 2 square meters in the Church. We encourage you to bring your Mass and observe social distancing. Read our Covid-19 Safety guidelines on Page 3.

HOLY WEEK 2021 LITURGIES

No bookings required. No extra Masses.

Please arrive early to sign in with QR Code and secure a seat.

Tuesday 30th March: Second Rite of Reconciliation **7pm**

Wednesday 31st March: Mass **9.30 am**, First Rite of Reconciliation **10am—12nn**, No 7pm Mass
Chrism Mass at St Patrick's Cathedral **7 pm**



Holy Thursday 1st April: No 9.30 am Mass, First Rite of Reconciliation **9.30am**

Mass **7pm** followed by Vigil until **10pm** *La Salette Seminarian Appeal*

Good Friday 2nd April: Stations of the Cross led by Youth **10 am (School grounds)**

Passion of the Lord **3 pm (School grounds)** *Good Friday Appeal for the Church in the Holy Land, envelopes available at the Church doors.*

Easter Vigil 3rd April: Vigil Mass **7 pm**

Easter Sunday 4th April: Masses **7 am, 8.30 am, 10 am and 6 pm**



For Liturgies in the **School grounds**, please bring a chair. In the event of wet weather it will be held in the Church.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

First Reconciliation | We congratulate the 107 children of our Parish who received their First Reconciliation on Thursday the 25th March. We thank the parents and families of these children who committed their time and effort into preparing their child so well for the Sacrament. We especially thank to our volunteers Sharon Clark, Cheryl Clarke, Eugene Inbaraj and Marie Prendeville who facilitated the program along with our Sacramental Coordinator Rodney Howard. Thank you to all!

Holy Communion / Preparation for the Sacrament of First Holy Communion will be in Term 2. To be eligible for First Holy Communion children must be in Year 4 or above and must be baptised and have received 1st Reconciliation. Parents wishing to enrol their children in the program must attend an information meeting, here on **Tuesday 27th April 2021 at 7.00pm**. Further information regarding the program will be given at this meeting. Any further enquires to Rodney Howard at sacramental@stnicholasofmyra.org.au



Help bring comfort, faith and hope to the sick and isolated

Good Samaritan Appeal | Any envelopes can be returned via the collection. We thank you for your wonderful generosity.

PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN OUR COMMUNITY

RECENTLY DECEASED : Sr Mary Joseph, Arthur Flowers, Fr Mick O'Callaghan, Ann Chambers, Ernesto Benedicto, Mitchell Gale, Clarel Dumas, William Warrick-Smith, Mr & Mrs Oldfield & all those who have died from COVID-19.

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES : Romano Garofali, Gerald Sultana, Sheila Tavares, Dora Lesseps-Fonseca, Mary Cuttell, Alfred Da-Costa, Da Costa and Moniz families, Agnes Whitten, Tony Farrugia & all the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

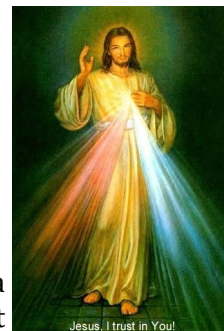
DECEASED : John Hoare, Margaret Mary Sullivan, John Xiberras, Dennis Bryant, John Nettare, Odette Bonnaire, Sr Maria Alipia Vella, Tania Felice, John Hoare & all the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

SICK : Soniya Wright, Virgilio Cruz, Helena Armstrong, Alexander Diana, Suzan K. Ferreira, Bernadette Garcia, Danilo Monilla, Max Talbot, Jim Gable, Judy Clapham, Henry Duffy, Filippa Borg, Nina Muscat, George Bell, Magi Gahli, Carmela Dimunno, Mildred Fitzgerald, Jaime Calero, Theresa Jordan, Jane McCann and all who suffer from COVID-19.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Divine Mercy Sunday | Come and celebrate the Feast of Divine Mercy with our parish on the 11th of **April at 2.30pm**. The Feast Day celebrations will include:

- ✠ Blessing of Divine Mercy images
- ✠ Chaplet of Divine Mercy
- ✠ Stations of the Cross
- ✠ Homily and Benediction
- ✠ Reconciliation until 5pm
- ✠ Afternoon Tea from 4.15pm
- ✠ Divine Mercy Mass at 6pm.



Jesus promised "I want to grant a complete pardon to the souls that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion on the Feast of My mercy" Diary 1109

Project Compassion | Thank you for your donations during Lent. Please return these boxes to the Parish Office.

Second Rite of Reconciliation | Reconciliation before Easter will be available on Tuesday the 30th March at 7.00pm.

Position Vacant | We are seeking a Housekeeper for an immediate start, 2 days a week. Please email Jacinta (manager@stnicholasofmyra.org.au) for a position description or call the Parish Office to learn more.

Happy Birthday to Anna Dissanayake (7yo on 25 Mar), Hugh McCann (28 Mar), Dorcas Nettare (26 Mar) & Beth Limjap (26 Mar) Gods blessings you on your special day!



Happy Retirement to Vickie Ryan the Presbytery Housekeeper. You will be sadly missed!

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 accommodate any overflow in the Parish Hall allowing for additional people to attend Mass. Mass is also live streamed through our Facebook @SNOMPEnrith

WHAT IS HAPPENING IN RCIA THIS WEEK?

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Our focus this week will be on the **EASTER TRIDUUM**
HEART OF THE CHURCH'S LITURGY –
HIGHLIGHT OF THE YEAR.

The Latin word Triduum refers to a period of three days usually accompanying a church festival or holy days that are devoted to special prayer and observance. The Triduum begins a **three-day liturgy** which includes the **Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday night, The Passion of The Lord on Good Friday, and The Easter Vigil on Saturday evening**. The Church considers the Easter Vigil **"the mother of all vigils - and is the climax of the Triduum"**. The Easter Triduum constitutes the highpoint of the liturgical year: The Church's most powerful expression of the paschal mystery, *that is*, the revelation of Jesus' rising from death into new life as the source and model of our lives. During these three days of reflection and expectation, the liturgies - *through liturgy, symbols, and sacrament* - highlight the events of the life of Christ: The Last Supper, His trial and crucifixion, His time in the tomb, and His Resurrection from the dead.

Our reflection will look back on the journey we have taken during RCIA and in what ways we look forward to further developing our relationship with God in the future:

For more information about joining the Catholic Church

Ina & Norman Heffernan 4732 1751 inanorm@optusnet.com.au

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)
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Acct Name Parramatta Diocesan Clergy
Reference 6029 [SURNAME]

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Please contact Jacinta if you wish to change your direct debit.

Unrecognised deposits from Reference Hely Hely. Please call the Parish Office

ROSTER

ROSTER 3/4 APRIL 2021

Please Note: A printed copy for March & April are available in the Sacristy. If you are unable to attend Mass please find a replacement. Thankyou

[VIGIL] RCIA TEAM	Altar Server:
Reader:	Comm. Rep:
Eucharist Minister :	AV:
Music:	
[7.00 A.M] Acolyte : A Ruzgas	Altar Server:
Reader: S Paterson	Comm. Rep: J French
Eucharist Minister : L Davie, J McSpadden	
AV : N Davie	
[8.30 A.M] Acolyte: G Isaaks	Altar Servers: E Benny
Reader: P Nematalla	Comm. Rep: J Hollier
Eucharist Minister : H Wakeling	
Music: J Mizzi	AV: Tuckers
[10.00 A.M] Acolyte : J Jordan	Altar Server: A Joseph, W Ezekiel
Reader: P Samuelu	Comm. Rep: Alan Johnson
Eucharist Minister : D Streher, M Stynes	
Music: BNP Chapter	AV: U Gomez
[HALL] Acolyte: R Wood	Reader: O Kiss
[6.00 P.M] Acolyte : S Aish	Altar Server: A Aish
Reader: M Prenderville	Comm. Rep: C Clarke
Eucharist Minister : A Aiimangohan	

COVID-19 SAFETY

We are now able to accommodate more people in the Church using the social distance of 2square meters. Please follow the markings on the pews.

- Please use the Service NSW QR Code located outside the Church to sign in and show the door volunteer that you have signed in this way before entering the Church. If you are unable to use the QR Code please see the door volunteer to sign in electronically.

- Ministers/volunteers who are essential to the Liturgy must arrive and sign on at least 15 minutes prior to Mass starting.

- Please sanitize your hands as soon as you enter the church.

- There will no longer be extra Masses in the Hall from the 4th of April.

- 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. Groups to sit in smaller pews. There is no standing permitted.

- 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.

- The congregation can now participate in singing

- The sign of peace will be exchanged without physical contact.

- Only one acolyte/ senior server and one extra-ordinary minister of communion is required other than priests/ deacon to serve during the Mass.

- Money Wardens will use collection baskets that have long handles to minimise contact. Thank you for your stewardship.

- As you prepare to exit the church please exit starting with the rows that are closest to the entrances.

- 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.



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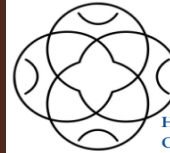
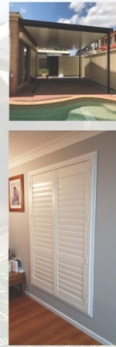


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