



St Nicholas of Myra Catholic Parish



The Ascension of the Lord —Year C
28th / 29th May 2022

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PARISH PRIEST MESSAGE

Planned Giving Envelopes:

Dear friends in Christ,

Some of you have approached me about how the parish is doing regarding our finance. As you know our main source of income is via the Planned Giving Program. The 2022/2023 Planned Giving envelopes period will commence on the weekend of 2/3 August. We thank all those who give so generously through the envelopes and we also thank the many parishioners who have taken up the option to give to the St. Nicholas of Myra, Parish Planned Giving via Credit/Debit Card payments or Direct Debit/Credit.

Over the last 2 ½ years we have had a number of Planned Giving envelopes issued with many of them not being collected. A few of you shifted to direct debit/ direct credit to support which is also very good for the Stewardship of the parish and no longer use the Planned Giving Envelopes.

Every year we buy the Planned Giving Envelopes which is an expense to the Parish. If you have not collected your envelopes for this year but you wish to remain on the Planned Giving envelope system, please phone, or email the Parish office.

If we have not had any contact from you by the end of June no further envelopes will be issued and you will be removed from the Parish Planned Giving.

If you would like to alter your way of giving or join the Parish Planned Giving, please phone the Parish office to make arrangements.

Please continue to support your parish community through stewardship as this is the only way the parish can meet its expenses. You can see below how Covid affected our Planned Giving and other collections.

Before Covid-19 the average weekly collections

First collection \$ 2400.00

2nd collection Loose \$ 1800.00

2nd collection Envelopes- \$2200.00

Direct debit and direct credit monthly \$ 6500.00

Average weekly collections in the month of April & May 2022

First collection \$ 1600.00

2nd collection loose \$1500.00

2nd collection Envelopes \$ 1250.00

Tab & Go average \$450.00

Direct debit and direct credit monthly \$ 4500.00

Yours in Christ,
Fr. Joe Manjaly, PP



PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS



We congratulate Rodney Howard who has been appointed as our new Office Manager, he will also continue as our Sacramental Coordinator.



We wish Ina Heffernan a very happy 79th birthday for Thursday 26th May.

Thank you to all who participated in our outdoor Rosary and Mass in the celebration of Mary Help of Christians.

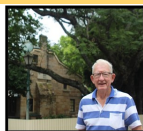
Thank you too to 'Tita's Cakes' for the delicious cupcakes shared after mass (<https://www.titascakespickup.com/>).



Memorial Mass: A Memorial Mass for the late Victoria Vella will be held at St Nicholas of Myra Penrith on Friday 3rd June at 7pm.

Divine Mercy Chaplet has resumed: Every 2nd Friday of the month after the 12.10 pm Mass.

RECENTLY DECESASED



Please pray for the repose of the soul of David Patrick Grant who was an active member of St Nicholas of Myra Catholic parish for over 35 years.

David was born on 3rd June 1944 passed away on 20th May 2022.

His funeral will be held on Wednesday 1st June at 10.45.

He will be sadly missed by his wife Carole and his three children, Cheryl, Annette and Michael.



Please pray for the repose of the soul of Lynnette Dorothy Hinshelwood who was a parishioner of St. Nicholas of Myra parish from 1969 to 2004 when she moved to Penrith from Gunnedah with her husband John. Both Lynette and John were dedicated regular churchgoers.

Her funeral will be held on Thursday 2nd June at 10.30am.

She will be sadly missed by her family and friends.

GOOD SHEPHERD APPEAL

Our Holy Spirit Seminary in Harris Park is preparing men who have been called by God to be good shepherds and beacons of Christ's light.

Will you be their extended formation community and support these faithful men to be formed as priests after the heart of Jesus

Please give generously to the Bishop's Good Shepherd Appeal at yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/appeal or in the envelopes on the pews on the weekend of 28th and 29th May.

Thank you for accompanying our seminarians on their journeys.



PRAYERS FOR OUR COMMUNITY

RECENTLY DECEASED: David Patrick Grant, Lynnette Hinshelwood, Andy Leonello, Nenad Fetahi, Vickie Vella and all who have died from COVID-19.

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES : Margaret Mary Sullivan, Edward Brock, Maurie McInerney, Patrick & Ann Heaton, James Gill, Wilfred Whitten, Kumaride Saipath, Tania Felice, Frank Felice, Melba Merlino, Roger Varca, Paul Chambers and all the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

DECEASED : Tania Felice, Margaret Donnelly, Margaret Mary Sullivan, John Nettar, Albert Goh, Leonila Varca, Ron Howe, Margarita Aspera, Narciso Aspera Snr, Helen Huang, Cheng Xu Huring & all the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

SICK : Sharon Agustin, Karen Cashel, Danielle Kazare, Georgia Sullivan, Sheryl Oszust, Ting Cecilia, Moises Millena, Olga Kiss, Ursula Gomez, Sydney Morris, Thanda Manjaly, Adelia Delapaz, David Wakeling, Jane McCann, Raymond Gale, Mel McSpadden, George and Lena Caruana and all who suffer from COVID-19.

Names submitted to the Parish for the sick list will show for 4 weeks at a time.

RCIA: NEXT WEEK GOSPEL REFLECTION

The Gospel – **PENTECOST Sunday**

John 14:15-16, 23-26. (*Mass of the Day Year C*)

Pentecost is a major feast in the Church and is considered by many as the birthday of the Church and celebrates the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on all of us. The Holy Spirit is the empowering and creative gift of God that shapes the inner life of the Catholic community. It is the catalyst for the community to reach outward in mission, and so forms a church that is inclusive and far-reaching. There are two qualities that always accompany the presence of Jesus in our lives - PEACE and LOVE, and from peace and love come KINDNESS and TRUTH, and kindness and truth meet in love. The Holy Spirit leads us to **love and hope**, and do not have a dark side, as **both begin with forgiveness**. The Spirit is also the source of the special gifts (or 'charisms') which each baptised member of the community receives. There are many different gifts, but they are **not given as personal grace for oneself**. They are a special ability or talent intended for use in service to the community. We are meant to work together, using our gifts, to build up the community to which we belong. The Spirit has come to us, perhaps not through a mighty wind or the breath of the risen Lord, but through the waters of baptism and the oils of anointing. Let us be thankful and rejoice in receiving the gifts Spirit, the third person of the Trinity.

OUR GOSPEL REFLECTION AND QUESTIONS:

With the sight of Jesus, fear turned into great joy. Anxiety turned into relief. Desperation turned into vindication. Most importantly, a lack of spiritual direction turned into a sense of deep spiritual grounding.

How does this make you feel?

For more information about joining the Catholic Church:

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PARISH ROSTER 4th / 5th June

If you are unable to attend Mass please find a replacement.

	Acolyte MATA	Altar Servers	Community Rep	Reader	Eucharistic Ministers	Music	AV
Vigil	D Wellfare R Limjap	L & A Perera	N Joseph	C Limjap	J Fullerton I Bentham	AMDG Kids Choir	T & M Perera
7.00am	C Clark D Wiggins		M Scicluna	Y Bacchan	R Bru L Davie		Volunteer Needed
8.30am	R Wood C Nepomuceno	G Borg	P Nematalla	O Plucinski	O Nugpo M Nyss	Jeffrey Mizzi	Tuckers
10.00am	J Relunia J Tabone	S Dias M Johnson	L Alimangohan	S Falleiro	A Alimangohan J Vella	Jane Chifley	Sharon Clarke
6.00pm	J Simone N Nepomuceno	E Moniz	K Smith	C D'Mello	K Wrightson D Streher	BNP Youth	Donnie

CALENDAR

Monday 30/5	Tuesday 31/5	Wednesday 1/6	Thursday 2/6	Friday 3/6	Saturday 4/6	Sunday 5/6
	The visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	St Justin (Martyr)		Charles Lwanga & Companions (Martyrs)		Pentecost Sunday
9.30am Mass	6.45am Mass 9.30am Mass	9.30am Mass 7.00pm Mass followed by Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena	9.30am Mass	6.45am Mass 12.10pm Mass	9.00am Healing Mass and Adoration 11.00 Filipino mass 6.00pm Vigil Mass	7.00am Mass 8.30am Mass 10.00am Mass 6.00pm Mass
7.30pm RCIA Mtg PMR1	7.00pm SNOM Prayer Group Hall 7.00pm PPC Mtg	10.30am Funeral David Patrick Grant 11.00am Legion of Mary PMR1 6.00pm St Vincent de Paul Mtg	10.30am Funeral Lynnette Hishelwood	7.00pm Memorial Mass for Vicki Vella	9.30am Reconciliation 4.30pm: Holy Communion Family S3 various rooms 5.00pm Reconciliation	8.30am: Holy Communion Family S3 various rooms

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM



Family Session 3
Saturday 4th June 4.30pm
or
Sunday 5th June 8.30am

PLANNED GIVING

We are grateful for your stewardship during these difficult times

FIRST COLLECTION goes to the Clergy Foundation

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Acct No 00004265
Acct Name Parramatta Diocesan Clergy
Reference 6029 [SURNAME DONATION]

SECOND COLLECTION goes to the support of the Parish

BSB 067 950
Acct No 00000487
Acct Name Penrith St Nicholas Catholic Church
Reference [ENVELOPE N# OR SURNAME]

PENTECOST CELEBRATIONS

Multi-cultural Mass and 'Welcome' to New Parishioners on ' Pentecost Sunday June 5th at 10.00am.

We invite all parishioners to wear your cultural attire or the colour red

New Parishioners We wish to welcome all new parishioners who have started attending Mass here within the last 2 years at our 10am Pentecost mass. Please call the parish office to give your name and details for us to prepare your welcome.

COVID-19 SAFETY



- ⇒ Our Church doors are open for all regardless of vaccination status.
- ⇒ Please do not attend Mass if you have any signs of cold or flu symptoms. Our 10am Mass is live streamed on our Facebook page.
- ⇒ Please socially distance whilst seated for your own safety
- ⇒ Please sanitise your hands as you enter the Church.
- ⇒ The wearing of a face mask, while not mandatory is strongly encouraged.

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