



# St Nicholas of Myra Catholic Parish



22nd Sunday of Ordinary Time — Year C  
27th / 28th August 2022  
Social Justice Sunday

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Office Hours 9am - 5 pm

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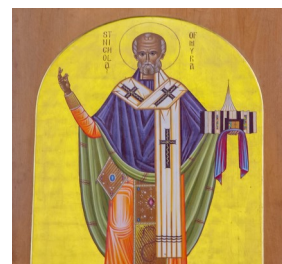
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## PARISH PRIEST MESSAGE

Dear Friends in Christ,

I have received a lot of good feedback from many of you after my presentation regarding the 'Church Offering'. I am pleased to know that it was very informative and helpful for many of you to know how the finances of the parish church operate. Some said, the presentation enlightened them to know the parish expenses for its ongoing ministry. I acknowledge and thank our Parish Finance and Pastoral Council team who support our community with their time and talents.

Thanks also to all of you for your love and commitment to the parish. Your responsible stewardship is very important for the ongoing ministry of our community. Many expressed their willingness to join the Parish Planned Giving Program via direct debit/ credit card and, a few of you have taken the credit card form to fill in. Please bring the forms back to the Parish Office or just drop them in one of the collection baskets. Your financial support and your commitment to the various parish groups and voluntary works are essential for the community to grow and thrive.

I thank God for your faith and love.

**Following are the future projects that I shared with you last week.**

I would like to hear from you especially if have some knowledge about building or roofing or, if you know someone who is knowledgeable in these fields. These projects are important for our parish to investigate within the next few years.

1. Repairing/ renovation of the church roof.
2. Parking lot repair
3. Memorial garden with the plaque for our deceased parishioners and friends
4. Covered patio near the church parking lot door.
5. Renovation of the Parish Office.

As a community let us pray together and dream together.

"A dream you dream alone is only a dream. A dream you dream together is reality" (John Lennon)

May God bless you all and Mother Mary protect us!

Fr. Joe Manjaly PP



## PARISH NOTICES



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**NO FOOD OR DRINK OTHER THAN WATER IS ALLOWED INSIDE OUR CHURCH AT ANY TIME.**



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**IN ACCORDANCE WITH NSW HEALTH RECOMMENDATION, WE STRONGLY ENCOURAGE YOU TO WEAR A FACE MASK IN OUR CHURCH.**

### **Pastoral Formation Mission and Evangelisation Short Course: Starts 8 September**

Looking for confidence to share your faith? Want to evangelise through life-giving faith conversations? On 3 Thursday nights (Sept 8, 15, 22) journey together with Maddy Forde, a life and faith leader in our Australian Church and representative to the Vatican in the area of youth. Face-to-face from 6.30pm to 8.30pm at Bishop Bede Heather Centre (1-5 Marion Street Blacktown). LIMITED SEATS. Register by August 21 via [met@parracatholic.org](mailto:met@parracatholic.org) OR via <https://pfparra.org.au/signup/>

## **SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM**

### **FAMILY SESSION 1**



Saturday 3rd September 4.30pm followed by 6.00pm mass

Sunday 4th September 8.30am followed by 10.00am mass

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,  
and let perpetual light shine upon them.  
May they rest in peace. Amen

## **RECENTLY DECEASED**

Please pray for the reposed soul of **Evaristo Ragusa**. May he rest in peace. His funeral will be held on Wednesday 31st August at 12.30pm

Please pray for the reposed soul of **Gloria Barrett**. May she rest in peace.

Her funeral will be held on Thursday 1st September at 11.00am

## **PRAYERS FOR OUR COMMUNITY**

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Maria Bugeja, Evaristo Ragusa, Gloria Barrett and all who have died from COVID-19.

**DEATH ANNIVERSARIES:** Rhyllis Micallef, Lucy Ramalho, Thio Im Nio, Fedrico Alcantara Snr, Helen Ross, Bruce Jackson, Gail Beevor, Joseph DCosta, Margaret (Peggy) Dowling, Dr Arcadio Boy Tandez Jnr, Benita Azores and all the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

**DECEASED:** Tania Felice, Margaret Donnelly, Margaret Mary Sullivan, John Nettar, George Attard, Glancy Gonsalves, Souls of the Moniz, DaCosta & Noronha family and all the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

**SICK:** John Wakeling, Nicholas Agius, Baby Capri Marshall, Melisa Maiseeh, Tracy Mulla, Lou Doyle, Charlie Camenzuli, Norm Heffernan, Robin Harkin, Lisa Sperineck, Anne Maree Geagea, Roger Wilkom, Margaret Bell, Ashley Sawaya, Antonio Malicdem, Jenet Arellano, Marianne Brigden, Cheryl Clark, John Sullivan, Nancy Galon, Peter Farrugia, Tadeus Gwiazda, Louise Goderie, Danielle Kazare, Georgia Sullivan, Sheryl Oszust, Ting Cecilia, Moises Millena, Olga Kiss, Sydney Morris, Thanda Manjaly, Adelia Delapaz, David Wakeling, Jane McCann, Mel McSpadden, George and Lena Caruana and all who suffer from COVID-19

## **SOCIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY**



This year's Social Justice Statement, **Respect: Confronting Violence and Abuse**, invites us to engage with a complex and confronting social reality. It explores the roots of violence and abuse,

honours the voices of victims, offers a social and theological exploration of the reality of violence, especially against women and children, and invites us to develop relationships in all parts of our lives 'marked by equality and reciprocity rather than domination and violence, respect and freedom rather than coercion and control.' We welcome this urgent call from our Church to deepen our faith through full and frank discussion and dialogue, advocacy and action.

If the content of the Statement raises issues or concerns for you, please refer to the Getting Help page in the Statement for a list of support channels, or speak to a trusted friend, your GP, your parish priest or parish pastoral worker.

Access the Statement <https://bit.ly/SJS22-23>

More information: ACBC Office for Justice, Ecology and Peace, [www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au](http://www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au) or Tel (02) 62019845.

Facebook | [www.facebook.com/socialjusticeACBC](http://www.facebook.com/socialjusticeACBC)

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## **OUR LADY OF PENAFRANCIA**

### **Our Lady of Penafrancia will visit three parishes in Diocese of Parramatta starting this Saturday 27th August 2022**

Our Lady of Penafrancia and El Divino Rostro will visit three parishes in the Diocese of Parramatta this Saturday 27th August for the triduum novena and masses. First Triduum will be at St Aidan's Church, Rooty Hill; Second Triduum Sat 3rd Sept will be at St Michael's Church, Baulkham Hills and Third Triduum will be Sat 10th Sept at St Bernadette Church, Lalor Park. Our Lady of Penafrancia and El Divino Rostro will stay for a week in each parish. Our Lady of Penafrancia will return to St Nicholas of Myra on Sat 17th Sept for her Feast Day Celebration. Viva El Divino Rostro Viva La Virgen

## **GOOD NEWS SHARING**

Dear friends, the celebration of the Eucharist is not a private devotion but rather a communal gathering much like a family meal. The actual partaking of the food is referred to as "communion," a joining together of the members of the community, not only with our God but also with each other. The Gospel itself is Good News. Too many of us, because of all the bad news, forget to share the Good News! So as a parish family we will resume our 'Good News' sharing after the announcement. It is important to share all that is good in our life. People need to hear, see, and experience the Good News. People need our witness and conviction in a world filled with doubt and suspicion. They need to see our joy in a world filled with sadness and numbness. Following Jesus is living live abundantly! By sharing the good news, we in fact thank our Lord, who is author of all that is good. This good news can be your birthday or your friend's birthday, marriage anniversary, a new job, a newborn child, a healing experience, a special faith experience, etc...

Fr Joe Manjaly

## PARISH ROSTER 3rd / 4th SEPTEMBER

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

	Acolyte MATA	Altar Servers	Community Rep	Reader	Eucharistic Ministers	Music	AV
Vigil	J Hogan D Wheelahan	L Perera A Perera	E Sicam	S Perera	R DeBono M Svehla	AMDG Youth	T & M Perera
7.00am	J French D Wiggins		C Bonus	Y Baccan	R Sajonia L Davie		Volunteer Needed
8.30am	M Cobden C Walsh	G Peters	R Walsh	O Plucinski	U Gomez C Wright	Jeffrey Mizzi	Ursula
10.00am	J Relunia C Clark	M Johnson	D Dawson	Alan Johnson	M Knox C Gillaus	Jane Chifley	Rachael Wilson
6.00pm	S Aish L Moniz	A Aish	N Joseph	D Whalen	C D'Mello D Streher	BNP Youth	Marve

## CALENDAR

Monday 29/8 The Passion of St John the Baptist Memorial	Tuesday 30/8	Wednesday 31/8	Thursday 1/9	Friday 2/9	Saturday 3/9 St Gregory the Great Memorial	Sunday 4/9 23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time
9.30am Mass	6.45am Mass 9.30am Mass 6.00pm Rosary for Evaristo Rugasa 7.00pm Prayer group Hall	9.30am Mass 11.00am Legion of Mary in PMR 12.30pm Funeral Evaristo Rugasa 4.00pm Altar Server Training 7.00pm Mass followed by Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena	9.30am Mass 11.00am Funeral Gloria Barrett	6.45am Mass 9.30am SNOM Primary Father's Day Mass 10.00am Mountainview Mass 12.10pm Mass	9.00am Healing Mass & Adoration 9.30am Reconciliation 4.30pm Confirmation Family Session 1 5.00pm Reconciliation 6.00pm Vigil Mass	7.00am Mass 8.30am Mass 8.30am Confirmation Family Session 1 10.00am Mass 11.45 Baptisms 6.00pm Mass Father's Day Breakfast 7.00am—11.00am PMR1

## PLANNED GIVING

*We are grateful for your stewardship during these difficult times*

### FIRST COLLECTION goes to the Clergy Foundation

BSB 067 950  
Acct No 00004265  
Acct Name Parramatta Diocesan Clergy  
Reference 6029 [SURNAME DONATION]

### SECOND COLLECTION goes to the support of the Parish

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

**If you wish to contribute via either Direct Debit or Credit Card please collect a form from the Parish office or the Church foyer, complete and return to the Parish office .**

## DIOCESAN NEWS

### The Diocese of Parramatta is heading to WYD23 in Lisbon



Bishop Vincent has announced a pilgrimage to the next World Youth Day in Lisbon, Portugal from July 21 – August 11, 2023. Young people 16-35 and their families are encouraged to learn more at [www.parrawyd.org](http://www.parrawyd.org) and register their expression of interest. For all enquiries contact James Camden, Head Mission Engagement – [james.camden@parracatholic.org](mailto:james.camden@parracatholic.org)



**Bishop's Father's Day Special Appeal caring for those who have cared for us will be held next weekend**



Our priests devote their lives in service to God and our faith community. This Father's Day, will you care for them in their retirement, as they have cared for us?

**Your kind-hearted donation will help our Clergy Support Foundation's health and wellbeing team to care for the 21 retired clergy in our Diocese and provide our priests with the practical and emotional support needed for a comfortable retirement.** Please give generously to the Bishop's Father's Day Appeal at [parracatholic.org/fathersdayappeal](http://parracatholic.org/fathersdayappeal) or use the envelopes on the pews. **Thank you.**

## Holy Land Pilgrimage

Fr. Joe's 2<sup>nd</sup> Holy Land & Jordan Pilgrimage together with La Salette Holy Mountain will be taking place next year in the middle of November 2023. This trip will give you a unique, unforgettable, and most memorable experience of your life. More information will come shortly. If you are interested please register at [joe@stnicholasofmyra.org.au](mailto:joe@stnicholasofmyra.org.au)




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