

St Nicholas of Myra Catholic Parish

5th Sunday of Easter 6th / 7th May 2023



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Lunch: 1pm - 1.30pm (Office closed)

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PARISH PRIEST MESSAGE

May: The Month of Mary.

The month of May is often called Mary's month in popular devotion. There are a few important Marian feasts that take place in May:

- The Feast of our Lady of Fatima is on 13th May.
- *Our Lady, Help of Christians'* Feast is on 24th May.
- The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church is on 29th May
- and, the month concludes on 31st May with the Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary.



During this month many Catholics express their love and devotion for the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Two big celebrations are planned for this month of May in our community so to foster our devotion to Mary.

- On 13th of May at 11.30am our Filipino brothers and sisters are celebrating 36 years of 'Fatima Devotion' with Rosary, Mass, and a procession.
- On 24th of May, our Parish is celebrating *the Feast of 'Our Lady, Help of Christians'* in our grotto with 6.30 pm Rosary and 7.00 pm Mass with floral offerings to Mary.

I would like you to join in these two special celebrations to seek Mary's maternal protection for our families and for our parish community. The Pope urges the faithful to pray the Rosary more than ever during the month of May. Growing up I remember my family fostered a special devotion to Mary every day in May from May $1^{\rm st}$ to $31^{\rm st}$. I think it was such a devotion and prayers that helped us to endure our daily trials and enabled us to be united in the family.

I would like to encourage everyone to rediscover the beauty of praying the Rosary at home in the month of May. Our Parish community is praying the Rosary every day before each Mass, so it is nice if we can come a little bit early before Mass and join in saying the Rosary. During this month, there is also an opportunity for you to come to our grotto as a family/ group, or individual on one of the evenings of every week, to pray the Rosary.

Pope Francis is encouraging all the faithful to contemplate the face of Christ with the heart of Mary our Mother during this month. Such devotion will enable us to be united as a spiritual family and will help us overcome our daily trials.

I keep all of you in my prayers, especially those who are sick in our community and please continue to pray for your priests as well.

I thank you for all your love, support, and affection.



DIOCESAN COURSES / EVENTS

CPR COURSE

You are invited to attend an accredited CPR training session hosted by the Diocese of Parramatta on behalf of FirstCPR. The training will be conducted by Surf Life Saving NSW.

Details of the session are as follows:
Time: 10:00am - 12:30nm

Time: 10:00am - 12:30pm Date: Saturday, 13 May 2023

Venue: St Thomas Aquinas Parish, 168 Hawkesbury Rd,

Springwood NSW

or

Time: **4:00pm - 6:30pm**Date: **Monday, 5 June 2023**

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

RECENTLY DCECEASED

Please pray for the repose of the soul of

Hermann Hofmann

and for his family

His funeral will be held on Monday 8th May at 11.00am

Please pray for the repose of the soul of

Dennis Hahn

and for his family

His funeral will be held on Wednesday 10th May at 11.00am

Please pray for the repose of the soul of

Antonio Ciulli

and for his family

His funeral will be held on Thursday 11th May at 11.00am

PRAYERS FOR OUR COMMUNITY

RECENTLY DECEASED: Mercedita Catalan, Hermann Hofmann, Joseph Bugeja, Jim Clarke, Lesleigh Crowther, Antonio Ciulli, Dennis Hahn and all who have died from COVID-19.

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES: Felisa Zurbano, Vicki Vella, John Donnolley, Kevin Samuels, Enid Hayward, Efren T Fabros, Roger Hill, Josefina Aytona and all the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

DECEASED: Tania Felice, Margaret Mary Sullivan, Margaret Donnolley, John Nettar, families and all the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

SICK: Helen Hili, Daryle Young, Todd Soden, Connie Xerri, Maria Nyss, Ivan Topic, Michelle Zotz, Lyn De Vos-Brocktoff, Ricardo Limjap, Nympha Miller, Robert Galino, Theresa Jordan, Michael Nolan, Nad Coder, Herve Rochecousta, Ariane Robert, Bob Hardy, Charles Tabone, Billy Downes, Sue Wheelahan, Heather Whitborn, Phil Thatcher, Michael Vella, Stanley Mascarenhas, Trevor Rowe, John Wakeling, Nicholas Agius, Baby Capri Marshall, Melisa Maiseeh, Tracy Mulla, Lou Doyle, Norm Heffernan, Robin Harkin, Lisa Sperineck, Roger Wilkom, Margaret Bell, Antonio Malicdem, Jenet Arellano, Marianne Brigden, Nancy Galon, Peter Farrugia, Tadeus Gwiazda, Danielle Kazare, Ting Cecila, Moises Millena, Olga Kiss, Sydney Morris, Thanda Manjaly, Adelia Delapaz, David Wakeling, Jane McCann, George and Lena Caruana and all who suffer from COVID-19.

Venue: Bishop Bede Heather Centre, 1-5 Marion St, Blacktown NSW

Please arrive at least 15 minutes earlier. Places are limited, if you wish to attend kindly register your interest here, https://redcap.sydney.edu.au/surveys/?s=CA84KKR7PLE83WNE

Faith in Marriage Seminar: 19 May

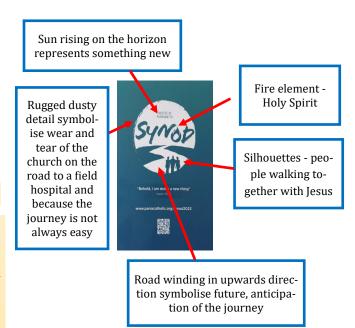
The annual Diocesan Faith in Marriage Seminar returns in 2023 with Chris Padgett, American Speaker, Musician, Author and Professor of Theology. This free event will be held on Friday 19 May at 7:30pm at St Paul the Apostle Church, 40 Buckleys Road, Winston Hills. Please register your attendance at marriage@parracatholic.org

DIOCESAN SYNOD

Our Diocesan Synod will be held from 12-15th October

Meaning of the Synod Symbol

The inspiration for the symbol is the Road to Emmaus



PLANNED GIVING

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PARISH NEWS

Mass Readings for 13th / 14th May 6th Sunday of Easter

 1st Reading
 Acts 68: 5-8, 14 - 17

 Responsorial Psalm
 Psalm 65: 1 - 7, 16, 20

2nd Reading 1 Peter 3: 15 - 18

Gospel John 14: 15 - 21

We are cordially inviting you in celebrating



36 Years of Fatima
Devotion in the
Penrith and
Windsor Areas

Date: 13 May 2023, Saturday

Time: 11.30am Rosary followed by 12pm Mass, procession and then Flower offering before Lunch at the Parish Hall

Where: St Nicholas of Myra, Penrith 326 High Street, Penrith

Parking via Higgins Street, Penrith

RSVP by 6th May 2023

FATIMA COORDINATORS:

Fatima Devotion

WINDSOR: sis Babe Jones (0412 104 558) ST MARYS: sis Jet Ramos (0430 274 927) PENRITH: sis Chin Bravo (0425 380 025) KINGSWOOD: sis Rose <u>Geraldez</u> (0410 068 946)

RSVP for catering purposes



The Fatima Prayer (Decade Prayer)

O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell, lead all souls to Heaven, especially those most in need of Thy mercy. Amen.

The Pardon Prayer

My God, I believe, I adore, I hope and I love Thee. I beg pardon for all those that do not believe, do not adore, do not hope and do not love Thee. Amen.

Sacramental Program

Holy Communion

The Parent Information will be held on **Tuesday 9th May at 7.00pm** in the Church. Attendance for parents is **mandatory**.

The Commitment Masses will be held on Saturday 13th May at 6.00pm
Sunday 14th May at 8.30am, 10.00am & 6.00pm

Mother's Day Flowers

On the weekend of the 13th / 14th May we will be selling flowers after all the masses to celebrate Mother's Day and to support our youth who are going to World Youth day.

Ministers Roster

The Roster for May to July have been emailed. If you did not receive the email there are copies available in the sacristy.



We wish a very happy 91st birthday to

Auguste Lambauer

for the 7th May.

New Parishioners

We wish to welcome all new parishioners who have started attending Mass here within the last 12 months on Pentecost Sunday the 28th of May at our 10.00am mass. Please call the parish office to give your name and details for us to prepare your welcome.

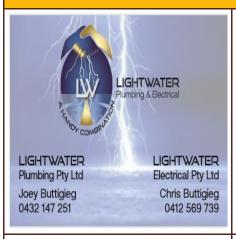
The Bishop's Good Samaritan Appeal

The appeal will take place on the weekend of the 20th and 21st of May. This year the appeal is supporting the Aboriginal Catholic Care Drop-in centre in Emerton.

CALENDAR											
Monday 8/5	Tuesday 9/3	Wednesday 10/5	Thursday 11/5	Friday 12/5	Saturday 13/5 Our Lady of Fatima 1st Holy Communion	Sunday 14/5 6th Sunday of Easter Commitment masses					
9.30am Mass 11.00am Funeral Hermann Hofmann	6.45am Mass 9.30am Mass 7.00pm 1st Holy Communion Parent Meeting - Church 7.00pm Prayer Group Mtg - Hall	9.30am Mass 11.00am Legion of Mary in Hall 11.00 Funeral Dennis Hahn 7.00pm Mass followed by Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena	9.00am SMM Primary Mothers Day mass at school 9.30am Mass 11.00am Funeral Antonio Ciulli 7.00pm SVDP Regional Mtg - PMR1	6.45am Mass 9.30am SNOM Primary Mother's day Mass 12.10pm Mass followed by Divine Mercy Adoration	9.00am Mass, Adoration and Reconciliation 11.30am Rosary & Mass for Our Lady of Fatima 5.00pm Reconciliation 6.00pm Vigil Mass	7.00am Mass 8.30am Mass 11.45 Baptisms 10.00am Mass 6.00pm Mass					

Parish Roster 13th / 14th May											
If you are unable to attend the Mass please find a replacement.											
	Acolyte MATA	Altar Servers	Community Rep	Reader	Eucharistic Ministers	Music	AV				
Vigil	Jenny Hogan Dennis Wellfare	Sreya Dias	Sharon Falleiro	Connie Limjap	Ray DeBono Allan Linga	CD	Samara Dias				
7.00am	Elenita Sajonia Robert Sajonia		Stuart Paterson	Evette Isaaks	Ramon Bru Luisa Davie	No Music	Brian Rees				
8.30am	Michael Tolentino Remy Wood	Grace Peters	Marie Prendeville	Sue Von Bock	Yvonne Baccan Helen Wakeling	Jeffrey Mizzi	Carol Gill				
10.00am	John Jordan Joe Tabone	Manuel Credo Marco Credo	Dominic Dawson	Cheryl Clark	Puleiala Samuelu Carmen Vella	AMDG Adult Christine	Mark Johnson				
6.00pm	Rey Esteban Cedric Geraldez	Ram Esteban Joshua Esteban	Daniel Whalen	Kathleen Smith	Carolyn D'Mello Darlene Streher	CFC Janet	CFC				

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