



St Nicholas of Myra Catholic Parish



**24TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME
16th / 17th September 2023**

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PARISH PRIEST MESSAGE

Feast of Our Lady of La Salette, September 19th - A Celebration of Faith and Reconciliation

Dear Parishioners,

Happy Feast of Our Lady of La Salette!

As we approach the 177th Apparition Feast of Our Lady of La Salette, we come together in joy and gratitude for the profound significance this day holds for the Church and for all devoted La Salette missionaries. In the Parramatta Diocese, we are blessed to have five dedicated La Salette priests tirelessly serving our community.

It is with deep appreciation, that we recall Penrith Parish as being one of the first communities to receive the invaluable service of La Salette priests. Our heartfelt thanks goes out to the talented banner ladies who crafted the beautiful banner of Our Lady of La Salette, that now graces our church, a testament to their love and devotion.



I was so very privileged to take many of our parishioners on a pilgrimage to the sacred apparition site in France, experiencing firsthand the profound spiritual presence of La Salette. This pilgrimage has undoubtedly deepened your love for La Salette and your connection to the Blessed Mother.

In over 30 countries, La Salette missionaries selflessly serve as ambassadors of Christ's message of reconciliation, touching lives and hearts in diverse fields. Their unwavering dedication and the Charism of reconciliation they carry with them are a beacon of hope for those in need.

In today's world, the La Salette Charism of reconciliation is more vital than ever. It serves as a powerful reminder of the importance of healing, forgiveness, and unity in a world that often feels divided.

I extend my heartfelt gratitude to each one of you for your steadfast support of the La Salette Missionaries, especially the love and care you show to me as your Parish Priest and Fr. PJ as the hospital Chaplain.

As we celebrate this sacred feast, I entrust each of you to the maternal care of Our Lady of La Salette. May her guiding light continue to inspire and protect us all, as we strive for reconciliation and peace in our hearts and in the world.

In faith and gratitude

Fr. Joe Manjaly, PP



PARISH NEWS

Visit to Penafrancia Basilica, Philippines

Please continue to keep the following pilgrims in your prayer as they continue their journey.

Jun Relunia, Fr Joe Manjaly PP, Ernesto Aaron, Ding Alano, Susan Alamo, Ben Bongat, Edith Inton, Joy Guerrero, Jennifer Guerrero, Norma Evans, Evelyn Datoc.

CATECHIST THANKSGIVING MASS

A Thanksgiving mass to celebrate the special ministry of teaching about Jesus and understanding his message by all **past and present Catechists** in our parish, will be held on **Friday 20th October at the 12.10 mass.** This will be followed by a get together in PMR1.

Margaret, our Catechist Coordinator, is looking forward to having as many past Catechists to share their stories. Please contact Margaret at

catechist@stnicholasofmyra.org.au

before the **16th October** to register your name and the number of years you have served in this ministry.

SAVE THE DATE

The Parish will be holding a **BBQ** followed by a **COMPULSORY MEETING**

of all Acolytes, Ministers at the Altar, Readers, Commentators, Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion to the Sick,

on

Tuesday 24th October at the Church commencing at 6.00pm

MOTHER WHO PRAY FOR THEIR CHILDREN



The first meeting of this group will be held on **Tuesday 19th September at 7.00pm** in PMR1. All welcome.

Discover the Path to Catholic Faith with (RCIA)

Are you an adult who is curious about the Catholic faith? Have you been considering joining the Catholic Church and deepening your spiritual journey? We invite you to embark on this meaningful and enlightening journey through the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA).



What is RCIA?

RCIA is a guided process designed for adults who are interested in exploring and embracing the Catholic faith. Whether you are completely new to Catholicism or have some prior knowledge, RCIA offers a supportive and informative environment where you can learn, ask questions, and in grow in your spiritual understanding.

Why Choose RCIA?

- * **Learn about Catholic beliefs:** Explore into the core teachings and beliefs of the Catholic Church in a welcoming and open atmosphere.
- * **Connect with a Community:** Engage with like-minded individuals who are also on a journey of faith, fostering connections that can last a lifetime.
- * **Personal Growth:** RCIA isn't just about faith; it's about personal growth, self-discovery, and a deeper understanding of your spiritual belief.

How to Get Started:

To embark on this transformative journey, please reach out to our dedicated RCIA Coordinators, **Alan and Josephine- allan.linga@gmail.com**. They are here to guide you, answer your questions, and provide all the information you need to take the next step.

Don't miss out on this incredible opportunity to explore the Catholic faith and join our parish community. We look forward to welcoming you into our midst and sharing this meaningful journey together.

"Come and See!" - John 1:39

The Parish will be taking photos during major liturgical celebrations and other events to promote the Parish mission and may use these photos in the Parish Bulletin, Facebook page or web-

CALENDAR

Mon 18/9	Tue 19/9	Wed 20/9	Thu 21/9	Fri 22/9	Sat 23/9	Sun 24/9
		Sts Andrew Kim Taegon, Paul Chong Hasang & companions Memorial	St Matthew Feast		St Pius of Pietrelcina Memorial	25th Sunday of Ordinary time
9.30am Mass	6.45am Mass 9.30am Mass 11.00am Mass New-march House	9.30am Mass 10.30am Mass Summit Care 11.00am Legion of Mary in PMR1 7.00pm Mass & Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena	9.30am Mass 10.30 Mass The Royce	6.45am Mass 12.10pm Mass	9.00am Mass, Adoration and Reconciliation 5.00pm Reconciliation 6.00pm Vigil Mass	7.00am Mass 8.30am Mass 10.00am Mass - Milestone birthdays, Children's Liturgy 11.45 Baptisms 6.00pm Mass

PARISH ROSTER 23rd / 24th 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	Jenny Hogan Dennis Wellfare	Sreya Dias	Natasha Joseph	Sharon Falleiro	Arts Calub Nerissa Calub	Heart & Soul	Samara Dias
7.00am	Jacob French John Sweeney		Stuart Paterson	Margaret Scicluna	Luisa Davie Sue Sweeney	No Music	Volunteer Needed
8.30am	Michael Tolentino Remy Wood	Michael Ostrea	Carol Wright	Peter Nematalla	Elenita Sajonia Robert Sajonia	Jeffrey Mizzi	Carol Gillaus
10.00am	Cedric Geraldez Jun Relunia	Manuel Credo Marco Credo	Maria Varua	Dominic Dawson	Arnel Alimangohan Mary Knox	Br David & Marian Choir	Mark Johnson
6.00pm	Cheryl Clark Rey Esteban	Joshua Esteban Ram Esteban	Kathleen Smith	Daniel Whalen	Carolyn D'Mello Kathryn Wrightson	Sound of Worship	Jedd Kosman

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