



# St Nicholas of Myra Catholic Parish



**5TH SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR B**  
**17th March 2024**

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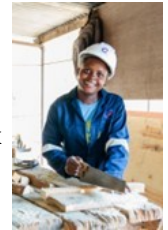
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## PROJECT COMPASSION

**Memory** is 26 years old and lives in rural Malawi. As the eldest child in a low-income farming family, Memory had to take on many household chores and farming activities to support her parents. They struggled to pay for Memory's school fees and school supplies, and Memory often had to walk to school barefooted.



With the support of Caritas Australia and its partner the Catholic Development Commission in Malawi (CADECOM), Memory was able to enrol at a technical college where she learnt technical skills in carpentry. She undertook a three-year carpentry course, with CADECOM supporting part of her tuition and boarding fees.

Memory became the first female carpenter from her village. Today, she works as a carpenter at one of Malawi's largest hydroelectric power stations. With the income from her job, she can provide financial support to her family and inspire other young women in her community so that they may have the opportunity to succeed in a male-dominated industry

### Partnership in action

The work of Caritas Australia is only possible with the dedication, passion and tenacity of our local partners who implement the programs. They are the heroes on the ground, working tirelessly behind-the-scenes every day to create a better future for their communities.



Caritas Australia partners with the Faithful Companions of Jesus (FCJ) to support communities living in urban slums in the Philippines. FCJ runs a number of programs that include house renovating, food processing, basic literacy skills, urban gardening, upcycling and income generating activities. They also have a clinic visited weekly by a doctor and community nurse.

Caritas Australia partners with Caritas Samoa to assist communities to have increased access to clean water, sanitation and hygiene to ensure human health and well-being by providing water tanks and sanitation facilities.

Caritas Australia partners with the Catholic Development Commission in Malawi through the A+ program. Since 2016, the A+ program has helped 7,397 families across Malawi improve their food security, access to basic water and sanitation, boost women's income generation and strengthen child protection.

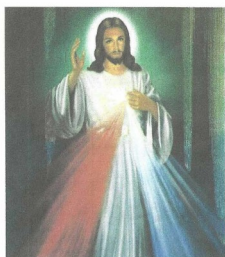
### Please donate to Project Compassion.

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow *for all future generations*.

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting [caritas.org.au/project-compassion](http://caritas.org.au/project-compassion) or by calling 1800 024 413.



## PARISH NEWS



**JESUS | TRUST IN YOU**

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*

### DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

COME & CELEBRATE THE FEAST OF DIVINE MERCY WITH OUR PARISH AT

ST NICHOLAS OF MYRA CHURCH,  
326 HIGH ST, PENRITH

**2:30PM on 7th APRIL 2024**

- ✦ Blessing of Divine Mercy Image
- ✦ Chaplet of Divine Mercy
- ✦ Stations of the Cross
- ✦ Homily and Benediction
- ✦ Reconciliation till 5PM
- ✦ Afternoon Tea from 4:15PM-5:15PM
- ✦ Divine Mercy Mass 6PM

### LOST AND FOUND

The following item was found in our Church.

⇒ A key

⇒ 3 umbrellas

If you have lost this please come to the Parish office to claim.

### RECENTLY DECEASED

Please pray for the repose of the soul of

**Patrick Dine**

and for his family

His Funeral Service will be held on  
**Tuesday 19th March at 11.00am**

### PRAYERS FOR OUR COMMUNITY

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Patrick Dine, Maria Teresa, Virginia Fortich, Esperanza Alhamra Bernardo, Siegfried Pimm, Graham Murphy

**DEATH ANNIVERSARIES:** Francisio Sarmiento, Lilly Francis, Matthew Jacka, Joseph and Carmel Bugeja, Gerald Sultana, Evelyn and Claude Fernandez, Mercedes Ragaza and Vareed Manjaly and all the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

**DECEASED:** Tania Felice, Margaret Mary Sullivan, Margaret Donnelly, John Nettare, and all the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

**SICK:** Raymond D'Lima, Stanley Mascarenhas, Genaro Chan, Pam Pizzuto, Jennifer McPhee, Lyn O'Hare, Jose & Norma Calabetto, Claudia & Alfredo Cabrera, Ric Limjap, Elsie Pajeta, Karen Goderie, Christine Dagworthy, Connie Farrugia, Eneliko Tuliati, Jim Fullerton, Nathan Martin, Georgia Eleftheriades, Wilfredo Alcantara, Susan Voros, Bob Wrightson, Roseanne Shirley, Fr David Catteral, Kyla Aggar, George Try, AJ, Charlie Spiteri, Eric Nepomuceno, Janice Cannon, Sabbir Siddique, Thomas Zotz, Peter Gill, Isabella Agius, Karan Bradburn, Aiden Burke, Elwyn Geerin, Helen Wakeling, Susan Wheelahan, Gregory Hurney, Marios Pericleous, Ivan Bracar, Daryle Young, Todd Soden, Connie Xerri, Maria Nyss, Lyn De Vos-Brocktoff, Nympha Miller, Robert Galino, Theresa Jordan, Nad Coder, Herve Rochecousta, Ariane Robert, Charles Tabone, Billy Downes, Heather Whitborn, Michael Vella, Trevor Rowe, Nicholas Agius, Baby Capri Marshall, Melisa Maiseeh, Tracy Mulla, Lou Doyle, Norm Heffernan, 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.

### Join Us for Outdoor Stations of the Cross: A Tribute to Cancer Survivors and Families

Dear Parishioners,

In reverence and solidarity, we invite you to a special Outdoor Stations of the Cross dedicated to cancer survivors, patients, and families who have lost loved ones to this challenging journey.



**Date: March 22nd Time: 7:00 PM**

This solemn occasion offers a moment of reflection and remembrance, honouring the resilience of those affected by cancer. We welcome you to participate in this meaningful event.

If you wish to contribute by reading a prayer for one or two stations, or if you would like to carry the symbolic cross with your family, please add your names to the sheet in the foyer. Your involvement will add depth and compassion to our gathering.

Let us come together as a community, offering support, hope, and prayers for all those touched by cancer.  
Fr. Joe

### PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD Blessing of the Palms

This will take place at the very beginning  
of the mass.

Vigil: on the lawn outside the Parish Office

7.00am: in the foyer of the Church

8.30am: in the foyer of the Church

10.00am :on the lawn outside the Parish Office

6.00pm: in the foyer of the Church

**The Parish will provide the Palms.**

Please come early to the Church to collect your palms before mass begins.



### PLANNED GIVING

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

**FIRST COLLECTION goes to the Clergy Foundation**

**BSB** 067 950  
**Acct No** 100003570  
**Acct Name** Parramatta Diocesan Clergy  
**Reference** 6029 [SURNAME DONATION]

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

**BSB** 067 950  
**Acct No** 100001692  
**Acct Name** Penrith St Nicholas Catholic Church  
**Reference** [ENVELOPE N# OR SURNAME]

## PARISH NEWS

### Mass Readings for 23rd / 24th March Palm Sunday Year B

<b>1st Reading</b>	Isaiah 50: 4 - 7
<b>Responsorial Psalm</b>	Psalm 21: 8 - 9, 17 - 20, 23 - 24
<b>2nd Reading</b>	Philippians 2: 6 - 11
<b>Gospel</b>	Mark 14: 1 - 15: 47

### Lenten Prayers

During the weekdays of Lent on Monday to Thursday we will pray the Morning Prayer (Lauds) at 9.10am before the 9.30am mass and on Fridays we will pray the Midday Prayer (Sext) at 11.40am before the 12.10pm mass. Please come and join us at these times.



Project Compassion Boxes are available in the Church. Please take one home for your family for our Lenten sacrifice.

### Altar Servers and Junior Choir Picnic

This will be held on the **6th April** in St Nicholas of Myra school grounds **from 10.30 - 1.30pm**, lunch will be provided. Please advise the Parish office ASAP whether you will be attending or not.

### MOTHERS WHO PRAY FOR THEIR CHILDREN

This group meets **every Tuesday night at 7.00pm in PMR1**, all welcome. There will be no meeting on 26th March.



### Sacramental Program

#### Holy Communion

Enrolments open on our Website  
[stnicholasofmyra.org.au](http://stnicholasofmyra.org.au)  
on

**Wednesday 20th March.**

**Children must be in Year 4 or above, been Baptised and have made their Reconciliation.**

### HOLY WEEK LITURGIES 2024

Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>PALM (PASSION) SUNDAY</b> Vigil (6.00pm Sat), 7.00 am, 8.30 am, 10.00 am, 6.00 pm
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	Mass 9.30am
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> March	Mass 6.45 and 9.30 am <b>2nd Rite of Reconciliation</b> 7.00pm
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Mass 9.30 am <b>Individual Reconciliation</b> 10.00 am - 11.00 am <b>NO 7.00 pm MASS</b>

### THE SACRED PASCAL TRIDUUM

Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>HOLY THURSDAY</b> <b>No Morning Services</b> <b>Mass of the Lord's Supper</b> 7.00 pm
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>GOOD FRIDAY</b> <b>Enactment of the Stations of the Cross</b> 10.00 am <b>The Passion of the Lord</b> 3.00 pm
Saturday 30 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>No Morning Services</b> <b>EASTER VIGIL MASS</b> 7.00 pm
Sunday 31 <sup>st</sup> March	<b>EASTER SUNDAY</b> 7.00 am, 8.30 am, 10.00 am, 6.00 pm

### CHILDREN'S LITURGY



This Sunday is the last Children's Liturgy for this term. It will resume on **Sunday 5th May**

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 website. If you have any concerns please contact the Parish Office.

## CALENDAR

Mon 18/3 St Patrick Solemnity	Tue 19/3 St Joseph Solemnity	Wed 20/3	Thu 21/3	Fri 22/3	Sat 23/3	Sun 24/3 Palm Sunday
9.30am Mass	6.45am Mass 9.30am Mass 11.00am Mass Newmarch House 11.00am Funeral: Patrick Dine 7.00pm PPC Mtg 7.00pm Mother's who Pray for their Children	9.30am Mass 10.30am Mass Summit Care 11.00am Legion of Mary PMR1 6.30pm RCIA PMR1 <b>7.00pm Mass &amp; Lady of Perpetual Help Novena</b> 7.45 pm Hours of Grace	9.30am Mass 10.30: Mass The Royce 7.00pm Liturgical Ministry Course PMR1	6.45am Mass 12.10pm Mass 7.00pm Stations of the Cross	9.00am Mass. <b>Adoration and Reconciliation</b> 5.00pm <b>Reconciliation</b> 6.00pm Vigil Mass	7.00am Mass 8.30am Mass 10.00am Mass: 6.00pm Mass

## PARISH ROSTER 23rd / 24th MARCH 2024

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

	Acolyte MATA	Altar Servers	Community Rep	Reader	Eucharistic Ministers	Music	AV
Vigil	Joe Buttigieg Dennis Wellfare	Lucas Besa	Natasha Joseph	Sharon Fallerio	Lyn Olander Lee Scully	Heart & Soul	<b>Volunteer Needed</b>
7.00am	Alan Barnes		Stuart Paterson	Margaret Scicluna	Louisa Davie Evette Isaaks	No Music	Brian Rees
8.30am	John Jordan Caitlin Nepomuceno	Michael Ostrea Isaac Spiteri	Carol Wright	Peter Nematalla	Jim Fullerton Helen Wakeling	Jeffrey Mizzi	Carol Gill
10.00am	Jun Relunia Remy Wood	Manuel Credo Marco Credo	Maria Varua	Dominic Dawson	Arnel Alimangohan Mary Knox	Br David & Marian Choir	Mark Johnson
6.00pm	Aish Sebastian Rey Esteban	Angelo Aish Sreya Dias	Janet Esteban	Daniel Whalen	Darlene Streher Kathryn Wrightson	Sound of Worship	Samara Dias

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