



St Nicholas of Myra Catholic Parish



31st Sunday of Ordinary Time 3rd November 2024

PARISH PRIEST MESSAGE

The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed

Dear friends in Christ,

As we step into the month of November, a month which holds a special significance in our Christian faith, we begin with the **Solemnity of All Saints on November 1st**, followed by the **Commemoration of All Souls on November 2nd** – a dedicated time to remember and pray for all departed souls.

While it's important to remember our loved ones who have passed away throughout the year, November calls us to devote daily in offering our prayers for them, whether they were close family or distant acquaintances, all souls deserve our thoughts and prayers.

This year, our church has held 49 Funerals. Among these 49 souls, we recall many who were dear to our hearts and vital to our parish community. Their presence was felt in so many ways—they prayed with us, laboured to build our spiritual home, and worked tirelessly to make our church a place of comfort and sanctuary. Their absence leaves a profound void yet, we are grateful for the legacy of faith, love, and dedication they have left behind. As we offer our prayers, we trust in the mercy of God to welcome them into eternal peace, remembering that their spirit and contributions live on within our Parish family.

We hold the belief that the Holy Souls we pray for will repay by praying for us from their place of eternal reward with our Master. This comforting thought should inspire us, especially in November, to extend our prayers for them.

In our Parish, there are two ways you can offer your prayers for the departed:

1. You can offer Masses for your loved ones by using the envelopes available in the church. Please include a donation and write the names clearly. You can also use Tap & Go and mark the donation in the envelope. These names will be entered in the **Book of Remembrance** every week, and **Masses will be dedicated** to them throughout November.

2. **For All Souls' Day**, prayer cards available in the church. Write the names of parishioners who have passed away, as well as your loved ones and friends, and place the cards in the provided basket.

A Plenary Indulgence may be gained for the dead, once only, by visiting a church on 2nd of November and praying the Lord's Prayer and the Creed.

Three conditions are required for gaining the indulgence:

- Sacramental Confession, Eucharistic Communion, and praying for the Pope's intentions.

**May the souls of all the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God,
Rest in Peace.**

With warm regards,
Fr. Joe Manjaly, PP



You must love the Lord your God
with all your heart,
with all your soul,
with all your mind,
and with all your strength.
Mark 12:30

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PARISH NEWS

THE NAMES OF OUR PARISHIONERS AND FAMILY MEMBERS OF PARISHIONERS WHO HAVE ENTERED INTO ETERNAL LIFE NOVEMBER 2023 - OCTOBER 2024



Dolores Alviola	Peter Cochrane
Pamela Armstrong	Zavier Conde
Winifred Bell	John Costa
Louis Berlecky	Michael Davis
Paul Borg	Jose De Borja
Bradley Carroll	Patrick Dine
Sydney Charleston	Thomas Doherty
Francis Choudhury	James Drinan
Cecilia Choudhury	Gladys Duck
Steven Christie	Witold Fogelsinger
John Clarke	Paul Gale
Michelle Clarke	Jose Gallego

Andita Gastock	Valerie Polkamp
Peter Genovese	Blazenka Posa
Alice Hackworthy	Quinn Potts
Antonino Iaria	Anthony Raymond
Paul James	Antonia Said
Daniel Jensen	Fe Macapinac Serna
Evy Jensen	Cveta Sestic
Sheena Keech	Dean Shahoud
Mike Kukac	Colleen Smith
Kyrus Macalalad	Charlie Spiteri
Bishop Kevin Manning	Doreen Stanslaus
Teresita Martinez-De Guzman	Berta Steiner
Jane McCann	Potenciana Sulvita
John McPhee	Joseph Trunzo
Teresa Mifsud	Victor Tuballa
Graham Murphy	Stephen Wells
Marie Murphy	Mary Wheller
Peter O'Connor	Denis Wiggins
Ruben Oringo	Daryle Young
Roland Peters	

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

10.00am Mass every Sunday.

HOLY COMMUNION

From this Sunday, 3rd of November we will be disturbing Holy Communion under both species at the 8.30am mass each Sunday.

PRAYERS FOR OUR COMMUNITY

RECENTLY DECEASED: Margaret Magee, Paul Gale

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES: Fred Galea, Margaret Ryan, Joe Melder, Jack Bertles, Margaret Donnelly.

DECEASED: Tania Felice, Margaret Mary Sullivan, John Nettar, Paul Borg,

SICK: Auguste Lambauer, George Try, Louise Godierie, Kyla Aggar, Manuel Hernandez, Teresita De Guzman, Joe Farrugia, Betty Keavy, Norman Samuelu, Theo Fitzgerald, Rome Michael Valentino Smiroleo, Ralph Beck, Carmel & Rex Stein, Bryan and Kay McInerney, John Cluney, Arren Samia, Cheryl Clark, Zeny Oringo, Noel Bernardo, Christine Court, Baby Harold Francis Eastman Reid, Michael Nolan, Bernadette Tecson, John Slater, Cliff, Carmela Talos, Venus and Shan Cabacar, Ursula Gomez, Michelle Zotz, Aiden Campbell, Mick C, Olive Gyford, Raymond D'Lima, Stanley Mascarenhas, Pam Pizzuto, Jose & Norma Calabetto, Claudia & Alfredo Cabrera, Ric Limjap, Elsie Pajeta, Karen Goderie, Connie Farrugia, Eneliko Tuliatu, Jim Fullerton, Nathan Martin, Wilfredo Alcantara, Susan Voros, Bob Wrightson, Roseanne Shirley, Fr David Catteral, AJ, Eric Nepomuceno, Sabbir Siddique, Thomas Zotz, Peter Gill, Isabella Agius, Karan Bradburn, Aiden Burke, Elwyn Geerin, Susan Wheelahan, Marios Pericleous, Ivan Bracar, Connie Xerri, Maria Nyss, Nympha Miller, Robert Galino, Theresa Jordan, Nad Coder, Herve Rochecousta, Ariane Robert, Billy Downes, Heather Whitborn, Michael Vella, Trevor Rowe, Nicholas Agius, Baby Capri Marshall, Melissa Maiseeh, Tracy Mulla, Lou Doyle, Norm Heffernan, Lisa Sperineck, Margaret Bell, Antonio Malicdem, Jenet Arellano, Marianne Brigden, Nancy Galon, Peter Farrugia, Tadeus Gwiazda, Danielle Kazare, Ting Cecilia, Moises Millena, Olga Kiss, Sydney Morris, Thanda Manjaly, Adelia Delapaz, David Wakeling, George and Lena Caruana.

Simbang Gabi: Nine-Day Dawn Masses

Our parish is excited to introduce **Simbang Gabi**, a beautiful tradition that began in the Philippines in 1660. This nine-day novena of dawn Masses, from **December 16th to 24th**, is celebrated to prepare our hearts for the coming of Jesus at Christmas. Originally held at 4 am, when the roosters crow to announce the new day, these Masses have since become a meaningful Advent tradition embraced by many around the world.

We will begin our **Simbang Gabi novena Masses at 5 am each morning, starting December 16th**. To plan and organise this special celebration, we invite all interested parishioners to attend a **planning meeting on November 5th at 7 pm**. Join us in bringing this joyful tradition to life and preparing for the season of Christmas!

Fr. Joe

PLANNED GIVING

We are grateful for your stewardship during these difficult times

FIRST COLLECTION goes to the Clergy Foundation

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SECOND COLLECTION goes to the support of the Parish

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All proceeds will go towards the construction of a Pavilion at the back of St Nicholas of Myra Parish. T&Cs apply. RaffleTix privacy policy <https://www.raffletix.com.au/privacy> Stripe privacy policy <https://stripe.com/au/privacy>

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PAVILION FUNDRAISING UPDATE

To date we have raised \$13,840
towards our \$25,000 target.

Thank you for your generous support!

Help us reach our goal by purchasing tickets for a chance to win a 7-day trip to a Bali resort. The draw will take place on 24th November. Every ticket brings us closer to building our Pavilion of Fellowship!

Artist's Impression

(as seen from Church Carpark)

Mass Readings for 9th / 10th November 32nd Sunday of Ordinary Time Year B	
1st Reading	1 Kings 17: 10 - 16
Responsorial Psalm	145: 7 - 10
2nd Reading	Hebrews 9: 24 - 28
Gospel	Mark 12: 38 - 44

MILESTONE WEDDING
ANNIVERSARIES MASS
24TH NOVEMBER 2024 AT 10.00AM

We celebrate all those couples who are celebrating their 1st, or quinquennial (i.e. 5th, 10th, 15th, every 5th year) wedding anniversary this year.

IF YOU WILL BE ATTENDING
PLEASE RSVP TO THE PARISH OFFICE



GOD'S WORD 2025

A limited number of copies are available from the Parish office, weekdays 9.00am - 5.00pm and the Piety shop on the weekends before the Vigil Mass and after the 7.00, 8.30 and 10.00am Masses. **Price: \$20.00**

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 4/11 St Charles Borromeo Memorial	Tue 5/11	Wed 6/11	Thu 7/11	Fri 8/11	Sat 9/11 Dedication of the Lateran Basilica Feast	Sun 10/11 32nd Sunday of Ordinary Time
9.30am Mass 7.00pm Baptism Preparation	9.30am Mass 7.00pm Mothers who Pray for their Children 7.00PM Volunteer Mtg for Simbang Gabi Novena Masses	9.30am Mass 11.00am Legion of Mary 2.00pm Mass: Governor Phillip 7.00pm Finance Mtg 7.00pm Mass & Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena	9.30am Mass 7.00pm Choir Mtg	6.45 am Mass 12.10pm Mass followed by Divine Mercy Adoration	9.00am Healing Mass, Adoration and Reconciliation 5.00pm Reconciliation 6.00pm Vigil Mass	7.00am Mass 8.30am Mass 10.00am Mass - Children's Liturgy 11.45am Baptisms 6.00pm Mass

PARISH ROSTER 9th / 10th NOVEMBER

IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO FULFIL YOUR MINISTRY PLEASE ORGANISE A REPLACEMENT.

	Acolyte MATA	Altar Servers	Community Rep	Reader	Eucharistic Ministers	Music	AV
Vigil	Joseph Buttigieg Jenny Hogan	Dominic Ear Matilda Ear Sreya Dias	Del Conejar	Freeda Fernandez	Jessica Couto Jim Fullerton	Sound of Worship	Samara Dias
7.00am	Anthony Ruzgas Robert Sajonia	<i>Not required</i>	Stuart Paterson	Margaret Scicluna	Louisa Davie Elenita Sajonia	No Music	Brian Reeves
8.30am	Michael Tolentino Craig Walsh	Jostick Joseph Jacob Barratto	Jennifer Letran	Rose Walsh	Margaret Cobden Peter Nematalla Orlan Nugpo Darlene Streher Carol Wright	Jeffrey Mizzi	Lesi Nagata
10.00am	Remy Wood Jun Relunia	Amelia Ross Andrew Johnson	Dominic Dawson	Margaret Wilson	Mary Knox Lillian Martinez	AMDG Adult	Sharon Clarke
6.00pm	Rachel Conth Rodney Howard	Angelo Aish Francis Obama	Marin Baltazar	Natasha Joseph	Nina Nepomuceno Emma Clark	CFC	CFC

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