



St Nicholas of Myra Catholic Parish



The Ascension of the Lord - Year C 31 May / 1 June 2025



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PARISH PRIEST MESSAGE

Ascension of the Lord – A Time to Reflect

“Why are you standing there looking at the sky?”

The Ascension of Jesus is not a farewell but a commissioning. As He returns to the Father, He sends us into the world - with hearts lifted and eyes fixed not on the clouds, but on the mission ahead. The Lord now lives in us and works through us. Let us go and be His witnesses, filled with hope and empowered by the Holy Spirit.

As we prepare for Pentecost next weekend, and beyond, here are some important events taking place in our parish:

Pentecost Multicultural Mass:

Join us on Pentecost Sunday for a joyful celebration of our cultural diversity. All are invited to come dressed in traditional attire and bring a plate of food from your tradition to share after mass as we enjoy fellowship of our diverse community.

Weekday Eucharistic Adoration:

Starting on *Pentecost Monday*, there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament each weekday from **9:00am until just before 9.30 am and 30 minutes before 12.10 Mass.**

Divine Mercy Devotion:

From July onward, the Divine Mercy prayers will be held on the **First Friday** of each month, **after the Noon Mass**, instead of the Second Friday.

Spiritual House Visits:

These will begin in the **second week of June**. Families wishing to receive a pastoral visit are invited to contact the parish office.

New Electronic Candle Stand:

A new electronic candle stand has been installed in the foyer. We are deeply grateful to an anonymous donor who generously covered its cost.

Memorial Board:

A new memorial board is also in place in the foyer near the prayer space. It will feature photos and details of recent funeral celebrations, allowing us to remember and pray for those who have gone before us.

Let us continue to walk together as a Spirit-filled community, looking not to the sky, but to the world Christ has asked us to serve.

Come, Holy Spirit!

With Love

Fr. Joe Manjaly MS, PP



PARISH NEWS

New Ministers

We congratulate the following parishioners who were commissioned into their ministry by Bishop Vincent on Tuesday 13 May at St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta.

Ministers at the Altar: Manuel Credo Jnr, Michelle Davis, Maryanto Josie, Johan Soertsz, Rebecca Spiteri

Lectors: Nonyw Amah-Ugochukwu, Estrella Cainglet, Mia Credo, Lauren Hasna, Lilliam Martinez, Angles Suluape, Bonita Thomas, Jacinta Wheelahan

Eucharist Ministers: Jessica Couto, Erik Deveza, Shane Didier Serre, Therese Didier Serre, Bradley McGregor, Jennifer Oringo, Catherine Ruff, Agnes Suluape, Bonita Thomas, Marcel Ugochukwu, Jacinta Wheelahan, Bradley Whitaker

RECENTLY DECEASED



Please pray for the repose of the soul of

Andrew Murdoch

and for his family

His funeral service will be held on

Tuesday 3 June at 11.00am

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Please pray for the repose of the soul of

Susan Wheelahan

and for her family

Her Requiem Mass will be held on

Friday 6 June at 10.00am

PRAYERS FOR OUR COMMUNITY

RECENTLY DECEASED: Andrew Murdoch, Sue Wheelahan, Jesse Jimenez

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES: Vicky & Laurie Vella, Thomas Manjaly, Francisca Osorio, Elizabeth Chamber, Paul Chambers, Faaiu, Ioane & Vilo Tuliatu, Arturo Capulso Delfin

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

SICK: Bernadette James

Kyla Aggar, Isabella Agius, Nicholas Agius, Jenet Arellano, Kimberley Balandra, Ralph Beck, Margaret Bell, Ingrid Bentham, Noel Bernardo, Br David, Ivan Brear, Karan Bradburn, Marianne Brigden, Aiden Burke, Joe Buttigieg Snr, Ting Cecila, Cliff, Mick C, Claudia & Alfredo Cabrera, Brenda & Ronald Cadandy, Jose & Norma Calabetto, Aiden Campbell, George & Lena Caruana, Fr David Catteral, John Cluney, Mark Cluney, Nad Coder, Christine Court, Adelia Delapaz, Raymond D'Lima, Diana Dooley, Lou Doyle, Helen Dowling, Debbie Dunn, Joe Farrugia, Peter Farrugia, Theo Fitzgerald, Cheyne Fynn, Robert Galino, Nancy Galon, John Gatt, Elwyn Geerin, Peter Gill, Ursula Gomez, Tadeusz Gwiazda, Olive Gyford, Theresa Jordan, Angelique Karamanolis, Danielle Kazare, Betty Keavy, Helen Lazarus, Ric Limjap, Josephine Magro, Melisa Maisseeh, Thanda Manjaly, Baby Capri Marshall, Nathan Martin, Stanley Mascarenhas, Bryan & Kay McInerney, Moises Millena, Nympha Miller, Sandra Miller, Sydney Morris, Tracy Mulla, Delia Nazal, Herminigilda & Donnel Nazel, Eric Nepomuceno, Maria Nyss, Alice O'Hare, Zeny Oringo, Joe Pace, Elsie Pajeta, Marios Pericleous, Pam Pizzuto, Baby Harold Francis Eastman Reid, Ariane Robert, Herve Rochecousta, Trevor Rowe, Daniel Solomon Rowlands, Arren Samia, Norman Samueltu, Jason Sanderson, Roseanne Shirley, Sabbir Siddique, Valentino Smiroleov, Lisa Sperneck, Carmel Stein, Brian Sullivan, Joe Tabone, Alan Tago, Carmela Talos, Bernadette Tecson, George Try, Robert Turner, Susan Voros, Michael Vella, David Wakeling, Heather Whitborn, Bob Wrightson, Connie Xerri, Michelle Zolt, Thomas Zolt

Mass Readings for 7 / 8 June 2025 Pentecost Sunday

1st Reading Genesis 11: 1 - 9

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 32: 10 - 15

2nd Reading Romans 8: 22 - 27

Gospel John 7: 37 - 39

ST NICK'S GROUPS

CHILDREN'S LITURGY
10.00am Mass Sunday

MOTHERS WHO PRAY FOR THEIR CHILDREN
7.00pm Tuesday in PMR1

PRAYER GROUP
6.30pm 2nd and last Tuesday of the month
in the Parish Hall.

YOUNG AT HEART - over 50's
10.15am 3rd Tuesday of month in PMR1

LEGION OF MARY
11.00am Wednesday in PMR1

ZUMBA CLASSES
7.00pm Thursday in Hall

YOUTH GROUP
4.30pm 31 May, 14, 28 June in PMR1

Jubilee Year House Visits A Pastoral Blessing for Your Home

As part of our Jubilee Year of Hope, Fr. Joe will be offering **house visits for blessings and prayers of deliverance** for families who desire it. In these challenging times, our homes need to be places of peace, healing, and God's presence. This is a beautiful opportunity to invite the Lord into your home in a special way, to pray for your family, and to seek His protection and grace.

If you or someone you know would like a visit, **please take the House Blessing booklet available at the doors of the church** for more information.

**Let us walk together in faith and hope,
bringing Christ's light into every home.**

Prayer Service for Christian Unity

Where: John Lees Centre of the Uniting Church
Evans Street Penrith

When: Next Tuesday 3 June at 7.00pm.

Everyone is welcome and we ask that those who are attending please bring a plate of food for refreshments afterwards.

PLANNED GIVING

We are grateful for your stewardship during these difficult times
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PARISH NEWS



Bishop's Good Shepherd Appeal for our Holy Spirit Seminarians

Thank You for Supporting the Bishop's Good Shepherd Appeal last weekend

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who supported the Bishop's Good Shepherd Appeal for our Holy Spirit Seminarians. Through your generosity, we have raised **\$3,321.00** so far toward our parish goal of **\$13,000.00**.

If you haven't yet had the opportunity to contribute, we warmly encourage you to support this special collection. Donations over \$2 are tax-deductible. Envelopes are available at the doors of the church.

Your support helps form our future priests. Thank you for your continued generosity and prayers.



Multi-cultural Mass and 'Welcome' to New Parishioners on Pentecost Sunday 8 June at 10.00am.

We invite all parishioners to wear your
cultural attire or the colour **red**

**Bring a plate of your tradition's food to
share after mass**

At this mass, we rejoice in welcoming new families and individuals who have joined our parish community within the last 12 months.

If you or your family have joined throughout this time, please call the Parish Office on 4721 2509 to give them your name and details for us to prepare your welcome to our community.

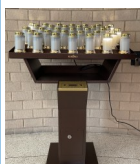
SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2025

Family Session 2

Saturday 7 June 4.30pm

Sunday 8 June 8.30pm

New Candle Stand and Memorial Board



These were installed this week in the Foyer. We especially thank our anonymous donor who covered the cost of the candle stand for us.

The Memorial Board, will contain the funeral booklets of our recently departed parishioners.



MON 7th TO WED 9th OF JULY

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EACH DAY THE CHILDREN WILL PARTICIPATE IN FUN ACTIVITIES AS WELL AS RECEIVE TALKS FROM THE LEADERS ON THE JUBILEE YEAR OF HOPE!

WHEN Mon 7th - Wed 9th July 2025

TIME 10:30 am - 3:30 pm

WHERE St Nicholas of Myra Parish Hall
326 High St Penrith NSW 2750

COST

No. Days Attending	Cost per Child
1	\$40
2	\$75
3	\$100

DON'T FORGET

- BYO lunch
- Water bottle
- Sunhat

Come join us at 2pm Wed 9th July for afternoon tea and a presentation for the parents!

REGISTRATION

[CLICK LINK](#)

OR scan code

Only a limited amount of spots so register now!

Lowana This camp is being lead by the volunteer leaders from Lowana Study Centre. For more information contact Eva Lay 0406 338 629. www.lowana.org.au

HEALING MASS

On the 1st Saturday of each month at the 9am Mass, we have an anointing of the sick and prayers for healing.

Please come and join us on **Saturday, 7 June**

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 2/6	Tue 3/6 St Charles Lwanga & Companions Memorial	Wed 4/6	Thu 5/6 St Boniface Memorial	Fri 6/6	Sat 7/6	Sun 8/6 Pentecost Sunday Solemnity
9.30am Mass 7.00pm Baptism Preparation	6.45am Mass 9.30am Mass 11.00am Funeral Andrew Murdoch 7.00pm Mother's who pray for their children	9.30am Mass 11.00am Legion of Mary 2.00pm Mass Governor Phillip Manor 7.00pm Mass followed by Novena of Our Lady of Perpetual Help	9.15 Mass SMM 9.30am Mass 7.00pm Zumba	6.45 Mass 10.00am Mass Mountainview 10.00am Funeral Susan Wheelahan 12.10pm Mass	9.00am Healing Mass, Adoration, Reconciliation 11.00am Mass Our Lady of Penafrancia 4.30pm Holy Communion Family S2 5.00pm Reconciliation 6.00pm Vigil Mass	7.00am Mass 8.30am Mass 8.30am Holy Communion Family S2 10.00am Mass - Children's Liturgy 11.45 Baptisms 6.00pm Mass

PARISH ROSTER 7 / 8 June

IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO FULFIL YOUR MINISTRY IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO ORGANISE A REPLACEMENT

	Acolyte MATA	Altar Servers	Community Rep	Reader	Eucharistic Ministers	Music	AV
Vigil	Margaret Cobden Joseph Buttigieg	Annie Naceva Siona Sebastian	Freda Fernandez	Sharon Falleiro	Lyn Olander Allan Linga	Sound of Worship	Josephine Linga
7.00am	Alan Barnes Anthony Ruzgas	<i>Not required</i>	Sherica Valladores	Stuart Paterson	Elenita Sajonia Robert Sajonia	No Music	Brian Rees
8.30am	Brian Scott Michael Tolentino	Jacob Barratto Michael Ostrea	Rose Walsh	Peter Nematalla	Kathleen Pemberton Deb Scott Helen Wakeling Peter Wheller Carol Wright	Jeffrey Mizzi	Phil Margerison
10.00am	Rodney Howard Remy Wood	Lucas Besa Zackary Christie	Christine Besa	Del Conejar	Evette Isaaks Mary Knox	AMDG Adult	Sharon Clarke
6.00pm	Aish Sebastian Jose-Elmer Simeon	Angelo Aish Francis Obama	Natasha Joseph	Maria Baltazar	Lynda D'Lima Kathryn Wrightson	CFC	CFC

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