

# St Nicholas of Myra **Catholic Parish**



# **Pentecost Sunday - Year C** 7 / 8 June 2025



"Peace be with vou."

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# PARISH PRIEST MESSAGE

# Pentecost Sunday – A New Beginning in the Spirit

Dear Parishioners,

As we joyfully celebrate the Feast of Pentecost, let us pause and give thanks for the beautiful gift of our parish community. For decades, our parish has been a beacon of light and hope in Penrith — a place where people of every race, language, and culture have come to experience God's love, compassion, and mercy. Many of you have called this place your second home, and rightly so. It is your love, faith, and commitment that have kept the flame of faith burning brightly.

We honour our forebears who, with courage and openness, built this church not only in brick and stone, but in the spirit of welcome and inclusiveness. They opened these doors to all who love God and one another — and we continue their legacy.

Every time I celebrate Mass here, I am deeply moved to see such diversity united in prayer — a living image of Pentecost itself. As the Scriptures remind us (John 7:37–39), Jesus stood up and cried out, "Let anyone who is thirsty come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as Scripture has said, rivers of living water will flow from within them." On that first Pentecost, the Holy Spirit was poured out upon people of every nation and tongue — and they were united in praise and purpose.

This Pentecost Sunday at the 10:00 am Mass, we will celebrate a Multicultural Mass, proclaim the Word of God and offering prayers in different languages. It will be a visible sign of the unity we share in the Holy Spirit, despite our many differences. Let this celebration rekindle our faith and remind us that we are one Body in Christ.

In these times, more than ever, the world needs the healing breath of the Holy Spirit — especially through the gift of reconciliation. The Spirit empowers us to mend broken relationships, to forgive from the heart, and to build peace in our homes and communities. Pentecost is not just a memory — it is a **new beginning** for each of us, and for our Church.

After 10 am Mass, please join us in the parish hall for tea, coffee, and finger foods. You are encouraged to bring a plate representing your culture and to wear either your traditional dress or something red — the colour of the Holy Spirit.

Thank you, each one of you, for your faithful presence, for your love for God, and for your commitment to our Church. May the Holy Spirit fill your hearts, renew our parish, and bless our journey together.

> With prayerful gratitude, Fr. Joe Manjaly, PP

# PARISH NEWS

# Jubilee Year Logo



The logo shows four stylized figures, representing all of humanity, coming from the four corners of the earth. They embrace each other to indicate the solidarity and fraternity which should unite all peoples. The figure at the front is holding onto the cross. It is not only the sign of the faith

which this lead figure embraces, but also of hope, which can never be abandoned, because we are always in need of hope, especially in our moments of greatest need. There are the rough waves under the figures, symbolising the fact that life's pilgrimage does not always go smoothly in calm waters. Often the circumstances of daily life and events in the wider world require a greater call to hope. That's why we should pay special attention to the lower part of the cross which has been elongated and turned into the shape of an anchor which is let down into the waves. The anchor is well known as a symbol of hope. In maritime jargon the 'anchor of hope' refers to the reserve anchor used by vessels involved in emergency manoeuvres to stabilise the ship during storms. It is worth noting that the image illustrates the pilgrim's journey not as an individual undertaking, but rather as something communal, marked by an increasing dynamism leading one ever closer to the cross. The cross in the logo is by no means static, but it is also dynamic. It bends down towards humanity, not leaving human beings alone, but stretching out to them to offer the certainty of its presence and the security of hope. At the bottom of the logo is the motto of the 2025 Jubilee Year: Peregrinantes in Spem (Pilgrims in hope), represented in green letters.

# PRAYERS FOR OUR COMMUNITY

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Michael Moore, Jerry Simotas, Andrew Gorjup

**DEATH ANNIVERSARIES**: Bert Burborough, Rosalinda Viernes, Marie Kershaw, J A Emmanual, Mabel Silva, Jim Fullerton Snr, Margaret Condon, Fe Macapinlac Serna

**DECEASED:** Tania Felice, Margaret Mary Sullivan, John Nettar, Margaret Donnolley, Paul Borg, Paula Correia, Tess Verbesey, Maria Corazon Elizalde

#### SICK: Anne Hardy

Kyla Aggar, Isabella Agius, Nicholas Agius, Jenet Arellano, Kimberley Balandra, Ralph Beck, Margaret Bell, Ingrid Bentham, Noel Bernardo, Br David, Ivan Brcar, Karan Bradburn, Marianne Brigden, Aiden Burke, Joe Buttigieg Snr, Ting Cecila, Cliff, Mick C, Claudia & Alfredo Cabrera, Brenda & Ronwald 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, Tadeus Gwiazda, Olive Gyford, Bernadette James, Theresa Jordan, Angelique Karamanolis, Danielle Kazare, Betty Keavy, Helen Lazarus, Ric Limjap, Josephine Magro, Melisa Maiseeh, 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 Samuelu, Jason Sanderson, Roseanne Shirley, Sabbir Siddique, Valentino Smiroleo, Lisa Sperineck, 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 Zotz, Thomas Zotz

#### Mass Readings for 14 / 15 June 2025 The Most Holy Trinity

1st Reading Proverbs 8: 22 - 31

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 8: 4 - 9

**2nd Reading** Romans 5: 1 - 5

**Gospel** John 16: 12 - 15

# 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 **14, 28 June** in PMR1

# PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY



A number of our parishioner attend the prayer for Christian Unity on Tuesday 3 June at the Uniting Church, Penrith

# SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2025

**Family Session 3** 

Saturday 14 June 4.30pm

Sunday 15 June 8.30pm

# YOUNG AT HEART GATHERING



(over 50s)

Tuesday 17 June at 10.15am in PMR1

# 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

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 \$3,811.00 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.



#### WEEKDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Starting this Monday, there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament prior to each weekday mass

- For the 9.30am mass this will be from 9.00 to 9.20am
- For the 12.10pm mass this will be from11.40am to 12.00 noon

# Pilgrimage to India

# A Journey of Faith, Culture & Wonder 15-Day Pilgrimage & Cultural Tour to India led by Fr Joe our Parish Priest

Fr Joe is hosting our Church's 5th Indian Pilgrimage, from November 19 to December 5th, 2025.

There are **5 places still available**, please contact Fr Joe at joe@stnicholasofmyra.org.au, if you are interested.

# 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.

#### **Parish Office Closure**

The Parish office will be closed on Monday 9 June. In an emergency please ring 4732 3039 or contact the priests.



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 9/6 The Blessed Virgi Mary, Mother of the Church Memorial		Wed 11/6 St Barnabas Memorial	Thu 12/6	Fri 13/6 St Anthony of Padua Memorial	Sat 14/6	Sun 15/6 The Most Holy Trinity Solemnity					
9.30am Mass	6.45am Mass 9.30am Mass 6.30pm Prayer Group 7.00pm Mother's who pray for their children	9.30am Mass 11.00am Legion of Mary 7.00pm Mass followed by Novena of Our Lady of Perpetual Help	9.15 Liturgy SMM Y3 9.30am Mass 7.00pm Zumba	6.45 Mass 12.10pm Mass followed by Divine Mercy Adoration	9.00am Mass, Adoration, Reconciliation 4.30pm Holy Communion Family S3 5.00pm Reconciliation 6.00pm Vigil Mass	7.00am Mass 8.30am Mass 8.30am Holy Communion Family S3 10.00am Mass - Children's Liturgy 11.45 Baptisms 6.00pm Mass					

# PARISH ROSTER 14 / 15 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	Joseph Buttigieg Jenny Hogan	Annie Naceva Llyla Tiamson	Freeda Fernandez	Sharon Falliero	Arts Calub Nerissa Calub	AMEN Choir	Sharon Clarke			
7.00am	Anthony Ruzgas John Sweeney	Not required	Margaret Scicluna	Yvonne Baccan	Louise Davie Sue Sweeney	No Music	Vinta Jobin			
8.30am	Elenita Sajonia Robert Sajonia	Jostick Joseph Jacob Barratto	Peter Nematalla	Victoria Sebi	Ramon Bru Evette Isaaks Kathleen Pemberton Peter Wheller Carol Wright	Victoria Sebi	Carol Gill			
10.00am	Margaret Cobden Remy Wood	Siona Sebastian Zackary Christie	Olga Kiss	Liza Alimangohan	Lillian Martinez Arnel Alimangohan	BNP Chapter	BNP			
6.00pm	Rodney Howard Rachel Conteh	Angelo Aish Francis Obama	Daniel Whalen	Carolyn D'Mello	Emma Clark Nina Nepomuceno	CFC Youth	CFC			

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