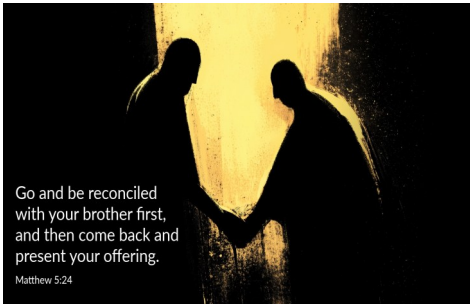




# St Nicholas of Myra Catholic Parish



## Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time - Year A 14 / 15 February 2026



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### PARISH PRIEST MESSAGE

#### Lent in the Light of the Jubilee Year of Saint Francis

Dear Friends, this coming Wednesday the 18th, we begin our Lenten journey - a sacred season of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, a time of spiritual renewal and a renewed commitment to reach out in love to others.

This year, our Lenten observance is especially meaningful as it coincides with the **Special Jubilee Year of Saint Francis of Assisi**, proclaimed by **Pope Leo XIV**, from **10 January 2026 to 10 January 2027**, marking, the **800th anniversary of the death of Saint Francis**.

**Saint Francis** continues to speak powerfully to our world today. By renouncing wealth and social prestige, he witnessed that true freedom of heart is born from simplicity, humility, and detachment from material possessions. In a culture shaped by consumerism, his life is a timely invitation to moderation, responsible use of goods, and placing God and neighbour above all else - reminding us that **life is about *being* more than *having***.

**During this Holy season of Lent**, our parish offers many opportunities to nourish our spiritual life:

- **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** will take place 30 minutes before 9.30 am weekday Masses, 12.10 noon Friday, followed by the praying of the Divine Office.
- **Stations of the Cross** will be prayed every Friday at 7pm.
- **Adoration and Confession** are held every Saturday after the 9am Mass and before the Vigil Mass on Saturdays.
- **Divine Mercy Devotions** are celebrated on the first Friday of each month after the 12.10 pm Mass.
- **On Friday, 27 March**, a week before Holy Week, we will hold a Night Vigil after the Stations of the Cross, praying especially for cancer survivors and all those affected by cancer.

We also warmly encourage parishioners to attend **daily Mass as often as possible during Lent**. For those who are working, early and evening Masses are available as follows:

**6.45 am Mass on Tuesdays and Fridays**  
**7pm Mass on Wednesdays**

**Lent is a precious gift** - a time to slow down, to listen, to pray, and to reach out through acts of charity and compassion. I invite you to make use of these spiritual opportunities so that, inspired by the example of Saint Francis, we may grow in love of God and neighbour during this sacred season.

Let us walk this Lenten journey together with humble hearts, renewed faith, and generous love.

Fr. Joe Manjaly, PP



## PARISH NEWS

### SAFEGUARDING RENEWAL TRAINING FOR VOLUNTEERS

Safeguarding training is **mandatory for all volunteers** involved in Parish ministry and must be completed every 2 years.

For those who have completed Cycle 1 (Modules 1, 2, 3) and need to renew we are providing in-person training for Cycle 2 (Modules 4, 5) on

• **Tuesday 17 February (Module 5)**  
from 7pm – 8:30pm each night in the Parish Hall

Each sessions will cover the required renewal content.

Alternatively, you may choose to complete the renewal training **online** at your convenience on:

[learning.safeguarding.org.au](http://learning.safeguarding.org.au).

If you have any questions, concerns, or need assistance with registration or access to the online modules, please do not hesitate to contact Rodney Howard, Parish Safeguarding Champion.

### St Vincent de Paul - Penrith Conference

The St Vincent de Paul Society is looking for people in the Penrith area who are interested in joining our local conference.

#### What we do

- Provide immediate assistance, such as food vouchers and help with essential bills.
- Build trusting relationships with the people we assist, offering a “helping hand”
- Live out practical compassion as part of a global network of charities.

#### Volunteer Opportunities

We are seeking people who can

- assist once a week during the daytime
- attend meetings on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays from 6 - 7pm.

Basic computer and numeracy skills are helpful. This role is ideal for a retiree wanting to make a meaningful contribution to the community.

#### Requirements (provided free to volunteers)

- National Criminal Check History
- Working with Children Check

If this opportunity inspires you we would love to hear from you. Please contact **Norman 0418 244 135** (leave a message if not answered)

### RECENTLY DECEASED

Please pray for the repose of the soul of

**Michael Camenzuli**

and for his family

His Requiem Mass will be held on

**Monday 16 February at 11am**



### PRAYERS FOR OUR COMMUNITY

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Neill Staggs, Marilyn Rutter

**DEATH ANNIVERSARIES:** M J Varghese, Irene Anjela, Frank Barglik, Bruce Hardiman, Consolacion Lopez, Carlito Jimenez

**DECEASED:** Tania Felice, Margaret Mary Sullivan, John Nettar, Margaret Donnelly, Paul Borg, Angeline Laborte, Virginia Fortich

#### SICK:

Luisa Emily Rosales, Isabella Agius, Nicholas Agius, Jenet Arellano, Kimberley Balandra, Zig Barglik, Ralph Beck, Margaret Bell, Ingrid Bentham, Vicenta Bernante Noel Bernardo, Ivan Brcar, Karan Bradburn, Marianne Brigden, Aiden Burke, Ting Cecilia, Cliff, Mick C, Claudia & Alfredo Cabrera, Brenda & Ronwald Cadandy, Jose & Norma Calabetto, Aiden Campbell, George & Lena Caruana, Steven Clauser, John Cluney, Mark Cluney, Nad Coder, Dylan Conway, Christine Court, Elizabeth Dawson, Adelia Delapaz, Raymond D’Lima, Diana Dooley, Lou Doyle, Helen Dowling, Holland D’Souza, Debbie Dunn, Joe Farrugia, Peter Farrugia, Theo Fitzgerald, Sister Theresa Formosa, Cheyne Fynn, Robert Galino, Nancy Galon, Elwyn Geerin, Peter Gill, Tim Green, Tadeus Gwiazda, Olive Gyford, Kellie Huggett, Kelly Ibram, Kellie Imray, Theresa Jordan, Danielle Kazare, Baby Yuri Pavon Lara, Helen Lazarus, Ric Limjap, Nikola Ljubic, Mary & Steve Kukac, Josephine Magro, Melisa Maiseeh, Baby Capri Marshall, Nathan Martin, Sue Martin, Stanley Mascarenhas, Bryan & Kay McInerney, Moises Millena, Nympha Miller, Sandra Miller, Angelique Kara Manolis, Sydney Morris, Tracy Mulla, Jacek Nawrot, Delia Nazal, Herminigilda & Donnel Nazel, Dianne Nelson, Eric Nepomuceno, Bruce Newham, Colleen Nolan, Maria Nyss, Zeny Oringo, Elsie Pajeta, Marios Pericleous, Pam Pizzuto, Baby Harold Francis Eastman Reid, Ariane Robert, Herve Rochecousta, Luisa Emily Rosales, Trevor Rowe, Daniel Solomon Rowlands, Arren Samia, Norman Samuelu, Jason Sanderson, Brian Scott, Roseanne Shirley, Sabbir Siddique, Valentino Smiroleo, Lisa Sperneck, Brian Sullivan, Joe Tabone, Lorie Tabone, Alan Tago, Carmela Talos, Theresa M Taylor, George Try, Robert Turner, Baby Charlotte Vella, Michael Vella, Susan Voros, Ron Vukovic, Edward Wagner, Milton Watts, David Wakeling, Heather Whitborn, Bob Wrightson, Connie Xerri, Michelle Zotz, Thomas Zotz.

### ST NICK’S GROUPS

#### CHILDREN’S LITURGY

10am Mass Sunday

#### MOTHERS WHO PRAY FOR THEIR CHILDREN

10.30am and 7pm Tuesday in PMR2

#### PRAYER GROUP

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

#### YOUNG AT HEART - over 50’s

10.15am 3rd Tuesday of month in PMR1

#### LEGION OF MARY

11am Wednesday in PMR 2

#### ZUMBA CLASSES

7pm Thursday in the Hall

#### ST NICK’S FLICKS MOVIE NIGHT

7pm last Friday of the month in Hall

#### RESUMES IN APRIL

#### YOUTH GROUP

4.30pm 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month in PMR2

### PLANNED GIVING

*We are grateful for your stewardship*

#### FIRST COLLECTION goes to the Clergy Foundation

<b>BSB</b>	067 950
<b>Acct No</b>	100003570
<b>Acct Name</b>	Parramatta Diocesan Clergy
<b>Reference</b>	6029 [SURNAME DONATION]

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

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

PARISH NEWS



18 February 2026

Mass times

6.45am, 9.30am and 7.00pm



Please come and join us to pray the Stations of the Cross every **Friday during Lent commencing 20 February at 7.00pm**  
This week's theme is **Peace in the World.**

**Pilgrimage to Egypt, Malta & Jordan**

**27 January – 15 February 2027**

Dear Friends

I would like to invite you join us on a deeply enriching pilgrimage of faith, history, and culture to Egypt, Malta, and Jordan from **27 January to 15 February 2027**. The Egypt pilgrimage highlights include the **Pyramids of Giza** and the **Great Sphinx**, a visit to the **Grand Egyptian Museum**, the **Hanging Church**, the **Holy Family Crypt**, and the **Church of the Virgin Mary, Zeitoun**.

Pilgrims will enjoy a peaceful Nile Cruise, explore the **Temple of Karnak** and the temples of the Pharaohs, experience a traditional Felucca sailing boat on the Nile, and visit the **Monastery of Saint Anthony the Great** and the **Monastery of Saint Simon the Tanner**.

More information will be provided at an **information meeting on Saturday 21 March at 10.30 am in PMR 1**. Those interested are invited to email Fr. Joe at [joe@stnicholasofmyra.org.au](mailto:joe@stnicholasofmyra.org.au) to reserve a place.

Fr Joe



Parishioners and visitors are reminded that the carpark off Higgins Lane is a private carpark for patrons of the New Fortune Palace Chinese restaurant and **SHOULD NOT** be used for parking during mass times.

Mass Readings for 21 / 22 February  
1st Sunday of Lent

1st Reading	Genesis 2: 7 - 9, 3: 1 - 7
Responsorial Psalm	Psalm 50: 3 - 6, 12 - 14, 17
2nd Reading	Romans 5: 12 - 19
Gospel	Matthew 4: 1 - 11



This Lent, we are called to *Unite Against Poverty* through Caritas Australia's Project Compassion.



Your generous support this Lenten Season will enable Caritas Australia to provide life-changing support to vulnerable communities in need.

Project Compassion Box will be available in the Church from **Ash Wednesday**.



Please take one home for your family.

Thank you for standing with us, as we *Unite Against Poverty this Lent*.



**YOUNG AT HEART GATHERING**  
(For over 50s)  
**Tuesday 17 February**  
**at 10.15am in PMR1**

Please come along with your friends to enjoy some light refreshments and to have a chat.



**Please come and join us.**

**SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM CONFIRMATION 2026**

Enrolments for the Sacrament of Confirmation are **OPEN** on our website, [stnicholasofmyra.org.au](http://stnicholasofmyra.org.au) **And CLOSE ON WEDNESDAY 18 FEBRUARY**

The website contains the requirements and commitments for parents and children and the all the other dates

**The Parent Information Night is on TUESDAY 24 FEBRUARY AT 7pm**

*All enquiries to Rodney Howard  
Ph: 4721 2509*

*Email: [sacramental@stnicholasofmyra.org.au](mailto:sacramental@stnicholasofmyra.org.au)*

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 16/2	Tue 17/2	Wed 18/2 Ash Wednesday	Thu 19/2 Thursday after Ash Wednesday	Fri 20/2 Friday after Ash Wednesday	Sat 21/2 Saturday after Ash Wednesday	Sun 22/2 1st Sunday of Lent
9am Exposition of Blessed Sacrament and Rosary 9.30am Mass 11am Funeral Michael Camenzuli	6.45am Mass 9am Exposition of Blessed Sacrament 9.30am Mass 10am - 1pm Clergy Gathering 10.30am Mother's who Pray for their Children 7pm Safeguarding Training - Module 5	6.45am Mass 9.30am Mass 11am Legion of Mary 7pm Mass	9am Exposition of Blessed Sacrament and Divine Office 9.30am Mass 10.30am Mass The Royce 7pm Liturgical Ministry Course in PMR1 7pm Zumba	6.45am Mass 11.40am Exposition of Blessed Sacrament and Divine Office 12.10pm Mass 7pm Stations of the Cross 8pm Mass BNP	9am Mass, Adoration and Reconciliation 5pm Reconciliation 6pm Vigil Mass - RCIA Enrolment of Names	7am Mass 8.30am Mass 10am Mass - Children's Liturgy 11.45am Baptisms 6pm Mass

## PARISH ROSTER 21 / 22 FEBRUARY 2026

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

	Acolyte <b>MATA</b>	Altar Servers	Community Rep	Reader	Eucharistic Ministers	Music	AV
Vigil	Jenny Hogan Rodney Howard	Nathan Couto Dominic & Lucy Lenihan	Margaret Wilson	Joan Torres	Jessica Couto Lee Scully	Heart & Soul	Sheldon Couto
7.00am	Alan Barnes	<i>Not required</i>	Nonye Amah	Sherica Valladores	Luisa Davie Mary-Stella Sultana	No Music	Jose Valladores
8.30am	Maryanto Josio Michael Tolentino	Claire, Vincent & Collette George	Rose Walsh	Peter Nematalla	Erik Deveza Monica Gutierrez Lyn Olander Peter Spiteri Rebecca Spiteri	Jeffrey Mizzi	Lesi Nagata
10.00am	Manuel Credo Jr Jun Relunia	Marco & Manuel Credo Andrew Johnson Amelia Ross	Allan Johnson	Hanna Evangelista	Arnel Alimangohan Lilian Martinez	Br David & Marian Choir	Mark Johnson
6.00pm	Rey Esteban Jose-Elmer Simeon	Joshua Esteban Ram Esteban	Janet Esteban	Janell Ilagan	Emma Clark Ninea Nepomuceno	JY Family Choir	Sharon Clarke

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