



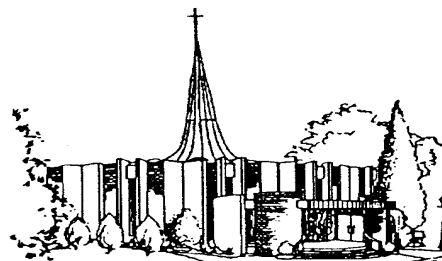
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**Office Hours 9am - 5 pm**  
(Lunch 1pm - 1.30 pm Office closed)

### Schools

**Mary MacKillop Primary**  
Mrs Anne Corrigan,  
Principal Phone : 4736 3466  
**St Nicholas of Myra Primary**  
Mrs Anne Hines,  
Principal Phone : 4721 2623

### Weekend Mass:

Saturday 6.00pm Vigil  
Sunday 7.00am, 8.30am,  
10.00am, 6.00pm

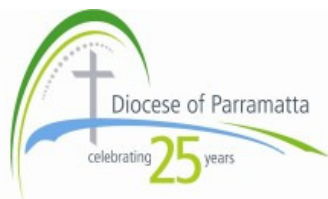
### Reconciliation:

Saturday 9.30am - 10.30am  
5.00pm - 5.45pm

**Adoration:** After Sat Morning Mass

### Weekday Mass :

Monday 9.30 am  
**Tuesday 6.45 am & 7 pm**  
Wednesday 6.45 am & 9.30 am  
Thursday 9.30 am  
Friday 6.45 am & 12.10 pm  
Saturday 9.00 am



*Passion (Palm) Sunday 17th April 2011*



**Entrance Antiphon:** Hosanna to the Son of David, the King of Israel. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

**First Reading :** *Isaiah 50:4-7 Jesus is the Suffering Servant, beloved of God and despised by those who do not see him as their promised salvation.*

**Response to the Psalm :** My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

**Second Reading :** *Philippians 2:6-11 Jesus' greatness was in his humility and self-emptying. Even though he was God, he became fully human in order to show us the way to his Father.*

**Gospel Acclamation :** Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! Christ became obedient for us even to death, dying on the cross. Therefore God raised him on high and gave him a name above all other names. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

**Gospel:** *Matthew 26:14-27 : 66 Jesus shows himself to be a very different king from the one that the crowds had anticipated.*

**Communion Antiphon :** Father, if this cup may not pass, but I must drink it, then your will be done.

*Please note : There will be NO Mass on Tuesday 19th April at 7 pm.  
2nd Rite of Reconciliation at 7 pm*

## PARISH OUTREACH

*Reminder for the different ministries for the week end 23/24 April, 2011. If you cannot fulfill this commitment, please arrange for someone to take your place. Thanks.*

Time	Acolytes	Altar Servers	Community Rep.	Reader	Eucharist Ministers		
6 pm							
7 am	J Sweeney		A Johnston	K Masters	S Sweeney	A Pace	M Viswasam
8.30 am	H McCann B Doughan	Jordan & Joshua Lay Jeremiah Dowling	J Dowling	C Lay	M Doughan P Morson	A Fletcher C Fletcher	C Bullock D Bullock U Gomez
10 am	D Welfare R Gotzman	Scott Goodwin Ethan Klanert	L Walsh	M Varua	C Gotzman	M Rivet	J Spillane
6 pm	R Kroon B Wrightson	Benjamin & Thomas Kroon	J Laffan		R Marsh	D Lee	M Herrick

### *Please pray for those who are sick*

Terry Scully, Sharon Gorrell, Michelle Kay, Leonor Defino, Kath Shipway, Trish Smith, Mary Dallat, Max Sedl, Gwen Robinson, Martha Dierick, Sr Madeleine, OCD, Lesley Malicki, Anisty Hewitt, Franis Riodan, Marianne Goc-ong, Thomas Meehan, Gwen Robinson, Noeleen Morris, Millie Bugden, Linda Moran, Marie Rivet, Gwen Witton, Norma Addison, Geraldine and Matthew Lowe, Kevin Armstrong, Marie Orth, Mary Howland, Alf Armstrong, Esmee White, Josie Newman, Paul Landrigan, Keith Gordyn, Alice Massey and Katelyn Reid.

### *Please pray for*

Patrick Bourke, George Peter Richards, Luke Collins, Emily Vidillini, Eric Anderson, Antonio DeMunno and Balbino Porteria **who died recently** and Marcin Partynski and Rillie Hennessey **whose anniversaries occur at this time and also for** Mary Rose Guillaumier, Nora and Bernard Wilding, Mary Armstrong, Reg Levinge, Tania Felice and deceased members of the Trad family

*Congratulations : Maddison Barham, Brooklyn Blattman, Aleigha Dorakay, Riley McDonnell, Lucas Tom and Astin Tyndall-Kook* who were baptised on the 10th April, 2011.

**Piety Stall** : We are urgently looking for volunteers to help out in our Piety Stall before and after all Masses on the weekend. Please contact Mrs Mary Ryan on 4721 5871

**Rosary Statue** : If any family would like to have the Rosary Statue for a week in their home, could you please contact Mrs Mary Ryan on 4721 5871.

### *Parish Prayer*

*Father, pour out your spirit upon the people of this parish  
so that inspired by your Word,  
nourished at your table  
and graced by your empowering love  
our lives may be devoted  
to the service of our brothers and sisters  
and the building up of your Kingdom.  
May our parish community truly be for  
this place and time the body of Christ your Son,  
through whom we make this prayer.*



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**  
**Maria Partynski**

*PARISH OUTREACH*

*Josephite Associates* : Next meeting will be held on Wednesday 20th April at 10 am in PMR1. Enquiries please contact 4732 6732.



**DIVINE MERCY  
CELEBRATIONS AT 2.30pm  
Sunday 1st May 2011 at St Nicholas  
of Myra**  
\* Blessing of Divine Mercy Image  
\* The Chaplet of Divine Mercy  
\* Homily and Benediction  
\* Stations of the Cross  
\* Reconciliation  
\* DIVINE MERCY MASS AT 6PM  
Afternoon tea 4.30pm-5.15pm

*World Youth Day expenses*

Parishioners are holding a cake stall on Saturday 30th April and Sunday 1st May, 2011 after all Masses. This is to raise funds for the youth in our parish to help meet World Youth Day expenses. Please help us as we would appreciate if you would like to donate a cake, slices or scones for sale.



We need your support to make this a success, and in return we hope you can enjoy a delicious home baked Cake, Slices and Scones.

**NOMINATION FOR MEMBERSHIP TO THE  
PENRITH PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL**

As the two year term for five members of the Parish Pastoral Council is shortly due to expire, parishioners are invited to recommend members of the parish community whom they consider would be suitable to serve as members of the Pastoral Council. You may recommend more than one person.

The aim is that the Council will be representative of the whole Parish and therefore it is hoped that the recommendation will include parishioners of all ages, lifestyles, gender and ethnic origin.

Recommended candidates will be contacted by the Parish Priest.

**Recommendations close 30<sup>th</sup> April**

This form can be returned by:

Placing it in the Recommendation Box at each entrance to the Church.

OR

Placing it in the letterbox at the door of the Parish Office.



I wish to recommend the following member/s of our parish community as a possible candidate for our Parish Pastoral Council.

**RECOMMENDED CANDIDATE/S**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

<b>RECOMMENDED</b> by:	
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**St Nicholas of Myra, Penrith**  
*Easter Programme*

*Holy Week*

**Monday (18<sup>th</sup> April 2011)**

**9.30 am Mass**

Individual reconciliation 10.00 am – 11.00 am

**Tuesday (19<sup>th</sup> April 2011)**

6.45 am Mass

Individual reconciliation 10.00 am – 11.00 am

2<sup>nd</sup> rite reconciliation 7.00 pm **NO 7 pm Mass**

**Wednesday (20<sup>th</sup> April 2011)**

6.45 am and 9.30 am Mass

Individual reconciliation 10.00 am – 11.00 am

**HOLY THURSDAY (21<sup>st</sup> April 2011)**

Individual reconciliation 10.00 am – 11.00 am

**7.00pm** (only) Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper & Adoration  
(until 10.30 pm)

**GOOD FRIDAY (22<sup>nd</sup> April 2011)**

**10.00am** Stations of the Cross

**3.00pm** Celebration of the Lord's Passion

individual reconciliation after 3.00 pm service for 1 hr

**HOLY SATURDAY (23<sup>rd</sup> April 2011)**

**NO reconciliation and NO Mass**

**7.00 pm** Easter Vigil Mass

**EASTER SUNDAY (24<sup>th</sup> April 2011)**

7.00 am, 8.30 am, 10.00 am and 6.00 pm Mass

## YOUNG ADULTS

### flock99

Given the 'busy-ness' of this time of year, the flockers are taking a break from weekly parish meetings over the Easter period. A number of us are involved in other parish and diocesan activities including Stations of the Cross, the Diocesan Palm Sunday celebrations and the Good Friday all night walk. If you would like to join us for any of these activities then just let us know or come along!

Thank you to all those parishioners who have already and continue to support the WYD fundraising efforts. We hope you are enjoying the sausages and sweet treats! We feel very blessed by the generosity of the parish and thank you for your prayers and encouragement.

Upcoming events include:

Sun, April 17, 6pm	Diocesan Palm Sunday youth celebrations (Parramatta)
Fri, April 22, 10am	Stations of the Cross (Penrith)
Fri, April 22, 11pm	Diocesan Good Friday walk (Blacktown to Parramatta)
Sun, May 1, 7.15	Formation with DA
Fri, May 6 – Sun, May 8	flock99 retreat (Katoomba)
Sat, May 7	Vinnies Van training (Greystanes)

The next Vinnies Van training day will be Saturday, May 7. If you are interested in participating in this ministry then let us know – it is a great way to reach out into the community and is always an experience!

Unless otherwise stated, all events are held in not the Upper Room. Newcomers are always welcome! Come along to as many or as few of the sessions as you like. Contact us at [99flockers@gmail.com](mailto:99flockers@gmail.com), on 0423 257 580 or check out our facebook page (flock99).

## DIOCESAN OUTREACH

### *Australian Red Cross : Blood Service*

The need for blood never takes a break, particularly at Easter. With one in three Australians needing blood or a blood treatment during their lifetime, it is likely that many in have already been helped through blood donation. Yet only one in 30 Australians donates.

- Australia needs over 27,000 donations every week
- One in three people will need blood yet only one in 30 donates
- Blood donations are needed all year round, particularly just before or after holidays like Easter.

Call 13 14 95 or visit [donateblood.com.au](http://donateblood.com.au)



## PARISH OUTREACH

### *Wanted! Wanted! Wanted!*

Alms giving, along with prayer and fasting, is an ancient tradition in the Lenten practice of the Church. In many cultures, including the Australian bush, this practice has been embedded in the custom of sharing food and produce with the poor especially during Lent which in our climate is often our harvest time.



If you have a garden full of vegetables and produce and are able to provide some for the **Procession of the Gifts on Holy Thursday** we would be very happy to receive these. These include such vegetables as potatoes, tomatoes, lettuce, celery, cucumber, corn, cabbage, zucchini, and fruit such as peaches, nectarines, lemons, oranges, grapes etc.

If you are not a gardener but wish to give alms to the local poor you may wish to make up a small hamper of cans and non-perishable food.

We hope to incorporate this practical evidence of your generosity into our Offertory Procession on Holy Thursday's **Solemnity of the Lord's Supper**.

**Please drop your contribution at the Church on the Afternoon of Holy Thursday.**

These will be given to the St. Vincent De Paul Society to distribute to the needy of our community on Good Friday morning.

Please ring Marie Prendeville 47212592 for further information.

## DIOCESAN OUTREACH

### **MARY MACKILLOP PLACE**

**7-11 MOUNT STREET, NORTH SYDNEY**

MUSEUM SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME  
18TH – 21ST APRIL 2011, 10.30 AM – 12.30 PM  
Suitable for children 5 - 12 years

Cost is \$8.00 per child per session, which includes morning tea.

For bookings please contact the Museum Education Officer, 02 8912 4883,

OR email [mackillop@sosj.org.au](mailto:mackillop@sosj.org.au)

**MARY MACKILLOP PLACE OPEN DAY**  
7-11 MOUNT ST, NORTH SYDNEY  
SUNDAY 1ST MAY 2011, 10 AM – 4 PM

- FREE Museum Admission
- Kids' Space
- Sausage Sizzle & Devonshire Tea
- Arts & Crafts Market
- Roving Musicians
- Gift Shop & Café

For more information about programs and events at Mary MacKillop Place, please visit our Website [www.marymackillopplace.org.au](http://www.marymackillopplace.org.au).

## DIOCESAN OUTREACH

### Inside 'Catholic Weekly' 17 April 2011

- St Mary's focus for John Paul II beatification celebrations
- CEO hopes for 'better deal for all students'
- WYD pilgrims dedicate their trip to Bishop Jo
- Good guys and bad – Why we need an open Internet dialogue
- The Bailey Beat – with Mike Bailey

### Schoenstatt Family Days 2011 "Strengthening the Family bond in the light of Christian values"

9.30 am - 4 pm 4 Part series :

April 17th : Intimacy in Marriage

July 3rd : Time Management for Quality Family Life

September 25th : Love and Forgiveness

November 13th : The Challenge to be Family today

Bookings essential for catering and planning purposes.

To book: email:alex\_de\_la\_harpe@amp.com.au or call Sr M Rebecca 0417 738 339

More details on Noticeboard in foyer.

### ENROLMENTS FOR 2012

#### St Nicholas of Myra Primary School

Please phone 47212623 for an enrolment form or call at the school between 9am and 3:30pm Monday to Friday.

**OPEN DAY: FRIDAY MAY 6, 12PM – 1:30PM**

#### St Dominic's College

Year 7 2012 Enrolments are now open.

For any enquiries please contact Fran Tyrrell on 0247311933 ext 125.

#### Xavier College

**ENROLMENTS FOR YEAR 7 2012**

**Closing Date for Applications 29th April 2011**

Enquiries please contact Mrs Heterick on 4777 0900.

#### Caroline Chisholm College

Glenmore Park provides Catholic education for girls in Years 7 - 12

Enrolments are now being accepted for 2012. For further information contact the College on 4737 5506.

#### McCarthy Catholic College

Incorporating the Trade Training Centre  
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## Spirituality in the Pub

*"Sin cannot be undone only forgiven.*

*What we do to ourselves and others stays in the soul like dust in the air.*

*We cannot undo it. We can only begin again. For that reason, God has no memory."*

**Joan Chittister: God's Tender Mercy. Reflections on Forgiveness.**

### Being a Chaplain

*to those in the prison system*

Please join us for an interesting evening of conversation.

Speakers:

**BRO BERNARD BULFIN** has a varied career in his vocation as a Patrician Brother, including Principal of Patrician Brothers College, Fairfield. Currently he is Chaplain at Parklea Correctional facility, a position he shares with the other speaker

**SR MARCIA COX** who is a Josephite sister. For many years she was involved in education, then trained in pastoral care. The ministries in which she worked were at Nepean and St Vincent's hospitals, and a nursing home, until her present position working with people in the prison system.



Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> April  
Penrith Bowling Club  
cnr Derby & Woodriff St  
Penrith (centre of town)  
7.30pm – 9.00pm



*SIP is an initiative of Catalyst for Renewal (Inc) and provides a forum for conversation for believers and seekers of all persuasions.*

For further information contact  
Sue Winkworth 9760 2324 (h) 9835 1583 (w)  
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## DIOCESAN OUTREACH



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### Sharing the life of Christ

*Sacraments of Initiation and Canon Law.*

*Presenter: Very Rev Robert McGuckin VG EV*

The Office of Sanctifying in the Church (cc 840-1165)

The sacraments of the New Testament were instituted by Christ the Lord and entrusted to the Church. As actions of Christ and of the Church, they are signs and means by which faith is expressed and strengthened, worship is offered to God and our sanctification is brought about. (cc 840)

**Day time session : Monday 9 May 2011, Time: 10am – 12pm**

Or

**Night time session: Tuesday 10 May 2011, Time: 7pm – 9pm**

Venue: Institute for Mission

1-5 Marion St Blacktown

**Booking Essential: 9831 4911 or [mh@instituteformission.com.au](mailto:mh@instituteformission.com.au)**

### GLOBAL MISSION VOLUNTEERS

#### Information session



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All expenses, including travel, insurance and health will be covered.

**Thursday 28 April, 6 – 8 pm**

**Aquinas Academy, level 5, 141 Harrington Street, Sydney**

**enquire on line:** <http://www.palms.org.au/news/2011-information-sessions/>

or Marie Gilbert tel: (02) 9518 9551; email: [marie@palms.org.au](mailto:marie@palms.org.au)

### *The Maltese Language School of NSW*, a division of The Maltese

Community Council of NSW, invites new students to join one of its classes for Term 2 held on Saturday mornings at Horsley Park and Wednesday evenings at Seven Hills for fast learning of the Maltese language and culture. Teachers also required. For all enquiries please contact Maria 0416 119 100 or Marthese 0422 665 922 [malteselanguageschoolnsw@hotmail.com](mailto:malteselanguageschoolnsw@hotmail.com).



#### Are you interested in becoming a Catholic?

*If you are an adult considering becoming a Catholic, interested in revisiting your faith, or a baptised Christian wanting to be received into the Catholic Church, to find out more.*

Contact: Ina & Norman Heffernan  
4732 1751 ([inanorm@optusnet.com.au](mailto:inanorm@optusnet.com.au))

## This week at

### St Nic's

#### Monday 18 April

10 am Legion of Mary Meeting - PMR1

5 pm Tae Kwon Do - Hall

#### Tuesday 19 April

11 am AA Meeting - Hall1

#### Wednesday 20 April

7.30 pm RCIA Meeting - PMR1

7.30 pm St Vincent de Paul Meeting - Hall2

#### Thursday 21 April

5 pm Tae Kwon Do - Hall

#### Friday 22 April

7 pm AA Meeting - Hall1

7 pm Fijian Youth Group - Hall

#### Saturday 23 April

#### Sunday 24 April

*Easter Sunday*

**Warning** Parishioners are warned while in the church to ensure their personal belongings/handbags are secured, and that they cannot be reached from behind. Please carry your handbag when going to communion.

*Following proclamation of the Privacy Act 1988(Cth) at the end of 2001, this parish reviewed its records and methods for holding and collecting information about parishioners. A privacy policy has been developed in accordance with Diocesan norms and has been approved by the Parish Priest. A copy is available from the parish Office.*

#### **1st & 2nd Collection**

The first collection pays for the priests of the parish and any surplus money from this collection helps fund our retired and sick priests.

The second collection (planned giving envelopes) pays for the running costs of our parish.