



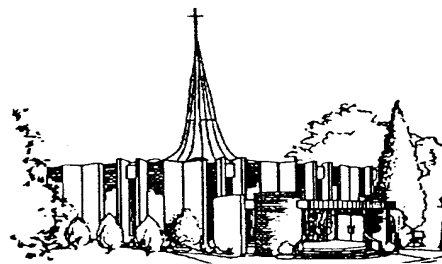
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Weekend Mass:

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

1st Sunday of Advent, Year B : 27th November 2011

Entrance Antiphon: To you, my God, I lift my soul, I trust in you; let me never come to shame. Do not let my enemies laugh at me. No one who waits for you is ever put to shame.

First Reading : *Isaiah 63:16-17, 64:3-8 The prophet proclaims the Lord as Father and Redeemer and longs for him to reveal himself.*

Response to the Psalm : Lord, make us turn to you, let us see your face and we shall be saved.

Second Reading : *Corinthians 1:3-9 Paul expresses thanks for the Christian witness and help of the Spirit as the faithful wait for the return of Jesus.*

Gospel Acclamation : Alleluia, alleluia! Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation. Alleluia!

Gospel : *Mark 13:33-37 Jesus encourages us to have a watchful expectancy and readiness for his return.*

Communion Antiphon : The Lord will shower his gifts, and our land will yield its fruit.

Catholic Diocese Parramatta

Sunday 27 November at 6 pm

*Bishop Anthony Fisher OP will be the principal celebrant for Mass at St Nicholas of Myra Parish, Penrith and install seminarian **John Paul Escarlan** as an acolyte.
Everyone is welcome*

Next Week's Readings :

Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11 Peter 3:8-14 Mark 1:1-8

PARISH OUTREACH

Reminder for the different ministries for the week end 3/4 December, 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	Gordan D'Mello W Limjap	William Attard Jordan & Joshua Lay	S Falleiro	A Smith	C Coyte	N Calub	A Calub
7 am	J Sweeney		R Powell	G Nunn	J McSpadden	A Sciberras	M Edmunds
8.30 am	B Doughan D Wheelahan	Ben, Luke & Jacinta Wheelahan	M Prendeville	D Scully	M Doughan B Keavy	D Streher L Streher	A Fletcher C Fletcher P Morson
10 am	J Relunia D Cocksedge	Luke & Samuel Bourke Diego Gutierrez	M Varua	Alan Johnson	J Dumas	B Hansen	J Spillane
6 pm	V Graham B Wrightson	Alec Linga	A Falleiro	B Beath	K Wrightson	D Lee	

Attention all SRF teachers

The Annual Christmas mass will be held on
29th November, 2011
commencing at 11.30 am, followed by lunch in PMR 1,
Thank you
Regards, Fred Keuneman-Catechist Co-ordinator

Please pray for all those who died recently at the Quakers Hill Nursing Home and also for all those whose names have been entered in the Book of Remembrance.

Please pray for those who are sick

Jenny Burdzy, Ben and Max Kroon, Joseph Farrugia, Maria Kukac, Edward Goh, Sharon Littlejohn, Maddison, Charlene Stiles, Gemma Morin, Maria Lawton, Paul Mullins, Lorraine Phibbs, Alan Newman, Evelyn Gray, Alister Bout, Paul Williams, Patrick & Cathy Clarke, Karen Titheradge, Hilda Murray, Ivana Secolo, Angela Zecick, Bill Rohan (Junior), Margaret Goldrick, Rebecca Vinci, Vanessa Jacobs, Ben Slaughter, Connie Faba, Sr Carole Gibbons, Sr Margaret Keane, Tymika, Mary Dallat, John Ryan, Therese Fitzgerald, Paul Fitzgerald, Cheryl Davie, Baby William Marr, Peter Francis, Paul Rodgers, Noelene Lilley, Baby Mia, Sharon Gorrell, Michelle Kay, Trish Smith, Max Sedl, Martha Dierick, Lesley Malicki, Marianne Goc-ong, Thomas Meehan, Gwen Robinson, Millie Bugden, Linda Moran, Marie Rivet, 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.

Rosary Statue will be at the home of Michael & Vicki Taylor at 81 Elizabeth Drive, Kingswood and the Rosary will be said at 7 pm. All welcome.



RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR CHILDREN - RCIC

Congratulations to Bianca Rownski, Shania-Rose Moran and Matilda McCall who were baptised last Sunday 20th November during the 10.00am Mass.

These young people together with their families have spent the past eight weeks preparing for their Baptism. They participated in family sessions and some special rites associated with the RCIC. Firstly they were Welcomed into the parish community, the second rite was anointing with the Oil of Catechumens and lastly they declared their commitment by publically signing the St Nicholas Parish "Book of Elect".



We also welcomed into our church family through Baptism, Matilda's sister Isabella. May all these children be blessed and know that God loves them unconditionally.

Julie Jones & Sharon Clarke
RCIC Coordinators

Congratulations : Samuel Formosa, Ava, Isabella and Sienna Harris, and Liam Sulsters who were baptized on 20 November 2011.

**Congratulations LYN OLANDER
on attaining a
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CARE
through the Australian Qualifications Framework
at Catholic Holy Family Services.**

PARISH OUTREACH



VOLUNTEER CHRISTMAS INVITATION

To all our helpful and dedicated volunteers who have kept the different ministries and services in our parish alive and vital. We the Priests and staff at St Nicholas would like to invite you for Christmas drinks

on **Thursday 15th December** between **4 pm and 6 pm** in PMR1.

It is our way of thanking you for your kind and generous help throughout the year and it is an opportunity for us to share a drink and laugh together. For catering purposes could you kindly phone the office on 4721 2509 if you will be attending. *Frs Chris and John*

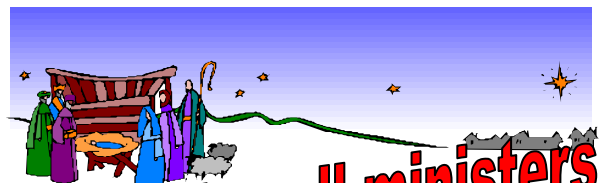


Wanted



Angels & Shepherds

All children of the Parish are invited to come dressed as angels or shepherds to take part in the Children's Mass at 6pm on Christmas Eve. (NO practice required)



Attention all ministers

Acolytes, Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Servers, Readers & Community Reps

are needed to serve at the Masses on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.

Please add your name to the Roster located in the Sacristy.

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- The Chaplet of Divine Mercy prayer
- The Stations of the Cross

ALL WELCOME

Hey! If you regularly attend mass at St. Nicholas of Myra, have the support of your parents, are Baptised and have received the sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Eucharist and would like to become an Altar Server, have a wee chat with Fr. Chris or Fr. John. I promise you, the only two answers they'll give you are: "Yes, please" or "Yes, soon."
Rodger Kroon

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In welcoming you all to Advent on this the first Sunday we are encouraged to continue our preparation to receive the Christ child. Amongst the shopping, organizing and planning we are all busy with, pray that by God's Spirit and grace working within us, we may be reminded of the true meaning of this festive season and to enable us to be even more ready on Christmas Day.

Thanks to Inflame for providing the venue and music for the prayer, praise and worship night last Sunday. Also for those who came to Paintball skirmish, hope you all had a great time and are not too bruised! Those who would be keen next time should keep their ears to the ground!!

Upcoming Events:

This Sunday at 6pm: Join the Parramatta Community at St Nicholas of Myra as our Bishop the Most Rev Anthony Fisher installs Seminarian John Paul Escarlan as an Acolyte. John Paul has served the community at Penrith many times as part of his Pastoral ministry during his formation at Holy Spirit Seminary. Let us then come out in force and support JP as he takes this significant step on the way to priesthood.

This Sunday at 7:30pm: Come and Spend time in the shrine at Mount Schoenstatt (Mulgoa) in a time of Adoration, praise and worship (provided by Seth Harsh and Nicole Fallerio) and quiet contemplation before the Blessed Sacrament.

Sunday the 5th of December at 7pm: What and why with Watkins: Fr John Watkins will be talking to us about faith and formation on a yet to be organised topic. Previous topics have included the church's teaching on women priests, the sacraments and meaning of the mass. Come to be challenged and enriched by the faith.

If you are aged between 21 and 35 and you want to hang out with fun, loving people who love God and want to explore their faith, then you are more than welcome to come and join us.

Contact us on 99flockers@gmail.com on 0407 064 872 or check our facebook page (flock99).

INFLAME YOUTH

SUNDAYS | 7PM-9PM | PMR4

Thanks to everyone who came to our Prayer Meeting last week. It was a wonderful hour of prayer and reflection.

Upcoming

Sunday 27th November – **John Paul become an Acolyte**

Sunday 5th December – **'The Making of a Priest' – Theology on the Couch with Fr Suresh Kumar.**

Sunday 11th December – **Exploring the Christmas Gospel: A Bible Study on John 1**

Contact – inflame@stnicholasofmyra.org.au or 0430230458. We are the rowdy (but friendly!) characters that hang out near the car park after 6pm mass, you can't miss us!

Australian Christian Lobby on Same-sex marriage debate

As you are no doubt aware, the Australian Labor Party's National Conference will be meeting the first weekend of December. There, the ALP will be considering whether to support same-sex marriage in their party platform.

We are doing all we can to encourage Labor to retain its election commitment to the current definition of marriage.

We commend to your attention the petition at www.australianmarriage.org/petition.

Marriage Rally: Saturday, 3 December 2011

All are warmly invited to attend a "Stand 4 Marriage" rally at Martin Place, Sydney, on Saturday,

3 December at 10 am. This ecumenical event will be a wonderful opportunity to come together to support marriage and encourage our political representatives to uphold the meaning of marriage.

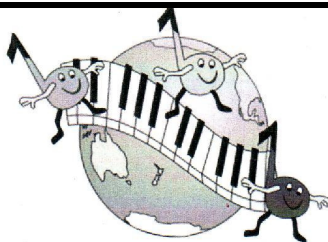
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RCIA News... More information: Ina & Norman Heffernan 47 321 751
Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is the process that makes it possible for adults to be received into the Catholic Church.



UNDERSTANDING THE RCIA a journey for the entire parish

What has the RCIA got to do with me?

Discipleship and mission

RCIA is the Church's way of forming new disciples of Jesus Christ. It's the process through which the Catholic Church welcomes its newest members, but even more important than membership in the Catholic Church is discipleship in Christ Jesus.

Through experiencing the Church's liturgical year those seeking to become members of the Church are exposed to a gradual, complete, comprehensive preparation and instruction in the Christian way of life. The unbaptised come to know Jesus Christ through the Catholic Christian community and they learn to live as Jesus' disciples. Then, as disciples, they are empowered to continue the mission of Jesus Christ in the world today.

Some people who participate in the RCIA are already disciples of Jesus Christ by virtue of their Baptism in another religious denomination. Although the RCIA is designed primarily for the unbaptised, it is also for adults and children over seven years of age who are already baptised in another faith recognised by the Catholic Church.

Participating in the RCIA is much more than attending classes on Catholicism. It's undergoing conversion to a new way of life in Christ. Although doctrinal instruction is a part of the formation process, the formation of disciples is more like an apprenticeship. The "apprentices" learn the Catholic Christian way of life by being embraced by the parish community.

The entire community is called to help form the apprentice in the Christian way of life.

In the next RCIA meeting we will talk about: Mary and the Saints

(8th December—our last meeting for this year)

RCIA is a way of renewing the life of the Church - we are each called to play our part

The Origin of the Celebration of Advent

The liturgical season of Advent - from the Latin 'adventus', meaning 'coming' - is a time of spiritual preparation by the faithful leading up to Christmas. Advent begins on the Sunday closest to the Feast of St. Andrew the Apostle - 30th November. It extends over four Sundays and four weeks and ends on Christmas Eve - 24th December. If Christmas Eve is a Sunday, it is counted as the fourth Sunday of Advent, with Christmas Eve proper beginning at sundown.



The historical origins of Advent are not easy to establish. The earliest form appears to originate in France, where Advent was a time of preparation for the Feast of the Epiphany, in early January, and was a day when converts were baptised. In 380 AD, the Council of Saragossa, in Spain, introduced the observance of a three week fast before Epiphany. In 581 AD, in Macon, France, fasting on Monday, Wednesday and Friday - from 11th November - the Feast of St. Martin of Tours - until the Feast of the Epiphany, was instigated. Eventually, similar observances spread to England.

The Advent preparation did not appear in Rome until the sixth century, and was viewed as a preparation for Christmas with less of the penitential element. The formalisation of the period of Advent by the Church was gradual. Pope St. Gelasius I (d. 496), introduced Advent liturgies for five Sundays: Pope St. Gregory I (d. 604) added prayers, antiphons, readings and responses, and Pope St. Gregory VII (d. 1095) reduced the number of Sundays in Advent to four.

Around the ninth century the Church determined the **first Sunday of Advent** as **the beginning of the Church year**.

Regardless of the vague history behind Advent, the substance of the season is our focus on the coming of our Lord.

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DIOCESAN OUTREACH

Vocations Reflection Afternoon for Young Women

at Mt Schoenstatt 4 December A vocation is an 'adventure of love' with God. We would like to invite all young women interested in finding out about a vocation to the consecrated life to attend a Vocations Reflection Afternoon at Mt Schoenstatt. This will be a time of listening to vocation testimonies, discussion, impulses for discernment and prayer with the Schoenstatt Sisters of Mary. Sunday 4 December at 230 Fairlight Rd, Mulgoa. Starts 3pm and concludes with a light meal at 6pm. RSVP: Thursday 1 December 2011. Please contact Sr M Luka 0439 537 843, (02) 4773 8338, sr.m.luka@bigpond.com<<mailto:sr.m.luka@bigpond.com>>

Compeer

Can you offer the hand of friendship to someone who is lonely?

Did you know that over 45% of Australians, almost 1 in 2 Australian adults, will experience a mental illness at some point in their life? The social perception and stigma surrounding mental illness, along with symptoms of the illness, can lead to social isolation and loneliness.

Compeer within the St Vincent de Paul Society aims to improve the quality of life and self-esteem of adults with a diagnosed mental illness through one-to-one friendship with a caring volunteer. Compeer promotes social inclusion and the reduction of stigma through friendship which is built around mutual trust, respect and understanding.

We are seeking friendly, open-minded and non-judgmental volunteers to be matched with someone living with a mental illness in their area, for the purposes of enjoying social activities together. It's a flexible and rewarding program, where you will meet your friend for an hour a week for a minimum commitment of 12 months.

If you are male or female, over the age of 40 years and would like further information about this opportunity, please phone Vanessa on 9622 2411 or email compeer.blacktown@vinnies.org.au.

Compeer: What a difference a friend makes.

Youth Ministry Formation Opportunities

If you have a strong passion for youth ministry and a desire to serve God and his people, then these opportunities below are just for you. They will allow you to be formed or strengthened as a leader in Youth Ministry. There is always more to learn and build upon. Both are opportunities to learn or develop your skills and knowledge, while providing the formation that is essential in effectively ministering to young people.

Scholarship – Graduate Certificate in Youth and Campus Ministry

The Bishops Commission for Pastoral Life in partnership with The Broken Bay Institute (BBI) is offering a collection of **scholarships to the value of \$10,000** for study in Catholic Youth and Campus Ministry in 2012-2013. Three scholarships are being offered (1 full and 2 part funded) and can be completed online. Details and applications for the scholarship can be found at www.youthministry.catholic.org.au Course details can be found at <http://www.bbi.catholic.edu.au/uploads/rsfil/00046.pdf>. **Applications close December 2nd, 2011.**

Australian Catholic Youth Ministry Convention 2012 - Friday September 21st – Sunday 23rd September, 2012

After the highly successful Australian Catholic Youth Ministry Convention (ACYMC) in Melbourne 2010 which hosted over 400 youth ministers from parishes, diocese, schools and communities around Australia, the Bishops Commission for Pastoral Life is preparing to host another in 2012. The next ACYMC will be at the **Campbelltown Catholic Club** from **Friday September 21st – Sunday 23rd September, 2012**. It's a great opportunity to network with other youth leaders from around Australia, receive high quality formation and training given by qualified speakers and much more! The Convention also provides a space for youth ministers seeking spiritual reflection and nourishment!

More detailed program and information will be available in March 2012.

Please spread the word about these two great opportunities!

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CHRISTMAS NOVENA Christmas is fast approaching - Padre Pio Parish 34-38 William Howell Drive, Glenmore Park will be celebrating Mass every evening at 9pm commencing on Thursday 16th December concluding on Christmas Eve. Everyone is welcome to attend. For more information please contact the Parish Office on 4737 9735.

From Craig and Rose Walsh

Craig is an Acolyte and a Chaplain while Rose is a Reader here at St Nicholas and we thought you might like to know a little bit about our most recent Indian Mission Trip. We were prayed over by Father Chris in September and we returned home at the end of October. Our reason for going is to check up on how our orphanages, widow's hostel, children's literacy clubs, adult literacy programs and the 3 entire villages that we care for are all going. We have been travelling to India now for 12 years and our organization is a registered charity. This trip was the shortest trip of all as we normally go for 3 months and whilst there we live with the villagers.

Mamre International Aid Incorporated India Mission Trip 2011 Summary

As we all set off for India, having travelled there many times over the last 12 years, my wife, Rose, and I are joined by Betty Graver and Irene D' Arienzo.

On looking back it has been a trip of discovery because no matter how many times we have been here we learn new things and experience new things each time.

But the incredible poverty that we see is heart -renching, yet with the little our dear village Indians have, they are swift to offer to us what they cannot afford to give.

We have prayed with many and heard many testimonies of healing and we keep reminding ourselves and those we pray with that it is God alone who can heal.

One of the most touching moments was when we visited one of our eleven Children's Clubs in a Guni tribal village where the children live in the bushland away from the towns. They are from the gypsy tribes and are shunned by normal society and when we gave them gifts of soap, talcum powder and pens it caused great excitement as these kids have nothing. Their village of slapped together huts has no power, there are no bathrooms and they do not eat every day.

We were joined by Alison Chilton and her sister, Maria Richardson, after the first week. Alison and her husband, Jeff, are Mamre International Aid's main sponsors through their company "Our Town Fencing". Through their donations and that of others we were able to purchase an 8 seater van for the ministry work and Alison officially opened the new Mamre Orphanage building in Rajura.

Another very moving moment during our ministry was when we visited a leprosy village where many of them were without fingers, toes and sometimes even feet. Leprosy in India is still considered a curse and they are shunned by normal society, but what a joy it was to give some of them new reading glasses and a nourishing hot meal, their joy was infectious.

As we are now accustomed to it I, Craig, am expected to teach from the Holy Scripture everywhere that we travel to, from the smallest villages to small and intimate home churches, while on a few occasions I was teaching up to 4 times a day

When we travelled on to a new area on the East Coast we were ministering to the Dalit Class of village Indians. The Dalits are the lowest in the five classes of the Hindu system and they are considered to be non-humans and they have no rights.

The Dalit villages that Mamre gave aid to were made up of families who lived in huts that were thrown together from waste materials, like sheet plastic and branches and by our standards are not fit to live in. These loving people were overjoyed by our gifts of food, reading glasses and sweets.

The highlight of this leg of our journey was on the second last day, where some of the people cried upon receiving gifts of bibles and a hot meal, we felt so humbled by their faith and gratitude.

One aspect of our whole journey which was hard for us all as Catholics was that most of our ministry was in such isolated villages. We were a very long distance from the nearest Catholic church which meant that we could only attend Mass and receive the healing balm of the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus on only one occasion.

Overall it was an absolute joy to teach all those that we ministered to from God's Word and we had the great honour to pray over almost all of them, their faith surely puts us to shame. We have everything and are quick to grumble, they have nothing and are content.



DIOCESAN OUTREACH

St Vincent de Paul Society



Christmas Hampers

The Penrith Conference of the St Vincent de Paul Society invite you, this year to prepare Christmas hampers for the poor and disadvantaged individuals and families in the Nepean area. As in previous years, you are invited to prepare the hampers in the following categories :

- Individual male and female
- Small families
- Medium families
- Large families

To identify the hamper size and the appropriate recipient we have drawn up a series of stickers that will help in an efficient distribution of hampers.

Please bring your completed hamper to the Parish Meeting Room 1 on Saturday 3rd or Sunday 4th December.

Please find below a suggestions of items you might like to include to help us create some deluxe hampers :

- Christmas decorations (eg. Bon Bons, tinsel)
- Tins of shoulder ham
- Christmas cake/pudding
- Long life custard/cream/milk
- Tins of fruit/ Rice/ Jellies/ Jam/ Coffee, tea, sugar
- Lollies/ Hot chocolate/ Milo/ Honey/ Vegemite
- Chips/ Deb Instant Potato/ gravox
- Biscuits (assorted)/ Pasta/ Tinned salmon/ tuna
- Salsa/ Tins of vegetables (eg. Carrots, peas, beans etc.)

Please note that we are unable to accept food items containing nuts.

Please ensure that food items are within the expiry date.

We will be distributing the hampers on Saturday 10th and Sunday 11th December and once again we ask for your generous help in the distribution. If you are able to spare an hour on either of the days, your help would be most welcomed as it would help the poor to celebrate Our Lord's Birthday in a more meaningful way.

Please phone me, Anthony Ruzgas on 4722 9454 if you have any questions.

Christmas Shopping

The **TRADING CIRCLE** (an initiative of the Good Shepherd Sisters) provides a unique ethical CHRISTMAS shopping experience for people to contribute to the sustainable economic development of marginalized women in developing countries. Help empower women to earn money for their families to survive and live with dignity. Visit **TRADING CIRCLE** shop 27 Lackey Street, Summer Hill. Phone 9798 0373.

(For further info phone Sister Pat 4732 1209).

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

This week at

St Nic's

Monday 28 November

10 am Legion of Mary Meeting - PMR1
5 pm Tae Kwon Do - Hall

Tuesday 29 November

11 am AA Meeting - Hall1
12 noon SRE Christmas Luncheon - PMR1

Wednesday 30 November

Andrew, apostle
7.00 pm St Vincent de Paul Meeting - Hall2

Thursday 1 December

5 pm Tae Kwon Do - Hall

Friday 2 December

7 pm AA Meeting - Hall1

Saturday 3 December

St Francis Xavier, priest
9 am Healing Mass

Sunday 4 December

2nd Sunday in Advent Year B

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 .