



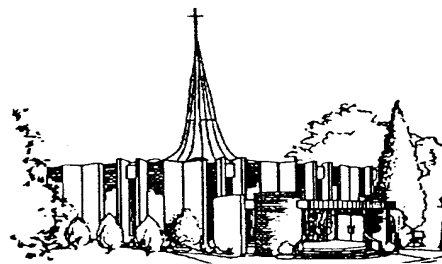
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(Lunch 1pm - 1.30 pm Office closed)

## Schools

**Mary MacKillop Primary**  
**Mrs Anne Corrigan,**  
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**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

## 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time : 28th August 2011

**Entrance Antiphon:** I call to you all day long, have mercy on me, O Lord. You are good and forgiving, full of love for all who call to you.

**First Reading :** *Jeremiah 20:7-9 Jeremiah's acknowledgement of God's overpowering love and his submission to it, come at the cost of hatred and mockery.*

**Response to the Psalm :** My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

**Second Reading :** *Romans 12:1-2 We can only know God's will for us by making an oblation of our lives and shunning worldliness.*

**Gospel Acclamation :** Alleluia, alleluia! May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart, that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called. Alleluia!

**Gospel :** *Matthew 16:21-27 Jesus seeks to clarify that his mission will end in seeming disaster, through his suffering and death. Those who want to follow him will have to be prepared to share in this suffering too. There is the promise of future glory for those who do so.*

**Communion Antiphon :** O Lord, how great is the depth of the kindness which you have shown to those who love you.



**Farewell Mass for Fr Sunny at 10am Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> September**  
The 10am Mass on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> September will be concelebrated by Frs Sunny, Chris and John followed by a short morning tea outside the church (weather permitting).  
You are most welcome to bring a plate to be shared .

## PARISH OUTREACH

*Reminder for the different ministries for the week end 3/4 September, 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	M Pletkan J Relunia	Claire & David Pletkan Renee Taylor	A M Pletkan	K Smith	M Svehla	M James	J Powell
7 am	D Wiggins		K Masters	R Powell	G Wiggins	S Sweeney	M Edmunds
8.30 am	C Walsh B Doughan	Jermiah Dowling Gabrielle Isaaks	V Sultana	L Walsh	M Rivet M Ryan	M Doughan L Olander	M Stynes R Bryan
10 am	C Pemberton H McCann	Simone Dawson Ethan Klanert		D Dawson	B Hansen	K Pemberton	O Bonnaire
6 pm	Ben Kroon D Wellfare	Kaitlyn, Luke & Daniel Hooker	K Mirabito	A Falleiro	K Wrightson	L McConnell	R Marsh

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

Angela Zecick, Bill Rohan (Junior), Rick Lister, Ken Schneiders, Margaret MaGoldrick, Rebecca Vinci, Vanessa Jacobs, Ben Slaughter, Connie Faba, Sr Carole Gibbons, Sr Margaret Keane, Tymika, Mary Dallat, John Ryan, Brian Harnett, Therese Fitzgerald, Paul Fitzgerald, Cheryl Davie, Baby William Marr, Peter Francis, Paul Rodgers, Noelene Lilley, Baby Mia, Sharon Gorrell, Michelle Kay, Trish Smith, Mary Dallat, Max Sedl, Martha Dierick, Lesley Malicki, Marianne Goc-ong, Thomas Meehan, Gwen Robinson, Millie Bugden, Linda Moran, Marie Rivet, Gwen Witton, 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*

Terry Fehon, Leonard Cobden, Nadia Frolova, Evy O'Brien, Trinidad Gibbons, Edna Margerison, Bill Rohan (Senior) and Micheline Collins **who died recently** and for Betty Bonham, Maria Ayala and Conrad Marks **whose anniversaries occur at this time and also for** Mary Rose Guillaumier, Joseph D'Costa, Mary Armstrong, Reg Levinge, Tania Felice, Bernard and Norah Wilding, Alphonse Gatt and Anna Lee.

**Rosary Statue** will be the home of Alan Thomas at 20 Willoring Dr, Penrith and the Rosary will be said at 7 pm. All welcome.



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**  
**PATELVIDGE**



### **ST NICHOLAS PARISH RECIPE BOOK - SPONSORS -**

We are looking for businesses to sponsor our Parish Recipe Book by placing an ad in our book to help with the cost of printing.

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Sue Gauci 0438 623 627 or email

[fundraising@stnicholasofmyra.org.au](mailto:fundraising@stnicholasofmyra.org.au)

Thanking you in advance for your support.

Fundraising Committee

## PARISH OUTREACH

### *Next Week's Readings :*

*Ezekiel 33:7-9*

*Romans 13:8-10*

*Matthew 18:15-20*

### *Hospital Masses : Parishioners are welcome*

- **Edenglassie Lodge** (*Lemongrove*)  
1st Tuesday of each month at 11 am

#### **Governor Phillip Hospital**

1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each month at 2.00 pm

- **Nepean Hospital**  
every Wednesday at Midday

- **Jamison Gardens**  
3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month at 10.30am

- **Mt View Village**  
1<sup>st</sup> Friday of each month at 10am

### *Congratulations : Caitlyn Gibson, Isabella*

*Kabigting and Mia Magnoli who were baptized*

*on 21st August 2011.*

**Drivers :** We are still looking for drivers to transport St Dominic's College students between 12 noon and return at 1 pm each Thursday to teach Scripture at York primary School, Evan's Street, Penrith. Please contact the parish office on 4721 2509.

**SRE teachers :** Wanted to teach scripture classes at York primary School- classes Yr 2 and year 5/6. Please contact Catechist Co-ordinator at the parish office on 4721 2509 for any further information.

**Wanted urgently drivers** to pick and drop off Students from St Dominic's College, Kingswood at 12 noon every Thursday and transfer them to & from the following schools in Penrith to teach Scripture in the Public schools. The duration is approximately an hour each week. If you have a bit of spare time and would like to assist we would love to hear from you.

1. York Public School
2. Orchard Hills public School.

Please contact me at the Parish office on 47 21 2509 or on email at : [catechist@stnicholasofmyra.org.au](mailto:catechist@stnicholasofmyra.org.au)

Thank you,

Fred Keuneman  
Catechist Co-ordinator

### WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS

If you are new parishioners to the parish  
and would like to know more about parish activities,  
please contact the office (*9am / 4 pm Monday to Friday*).

We look forward to hearing from you.

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## PARISH OUTREACH

*St Nicholas of Myra Parish : Parish Retreat*  
**Sunday 11th September, 2011 at 2 pm to 4.30 pm (runs for 7 Sundays)**  
**Venue: St Nicholas of Myra Parish Hall**  
**Children welcome (There will be activities for the kids)**

*My dear Parishioners,*

*I would like to personally invite you to participate in this parish retreat. In our busy lives we can so often be overcome with so many demands on each of us, a retreat is a time to stop and take stock of ourselves with our loving Saviour Jesus Christ.*

*Through the grace of God's Holy Spirit this can become a time of renewal, enlightenment and strengthening of our lives as Christian Catholics.*

*Couples for Christ Australia has graciously offered to support and facilitate this retreat process and I am very grateful for their generosity.*

*Please seriously consider this opportunity to deepen your faith and witness to Jesus Christ.*

*God's Blessings, Fr Chris de Souza P P*

For further details please contact :

Ric Limjap 0414 647 407  
Connie Limjap 0400 926 649  
Willy Limjap 0428 332 619  
Benjie Santaigo 0401 691 899

Father Chris, Father Sunny or  
Father John

### *St Nicholas of Myra School – Supporting your parish school*

- **Trivia Night** – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> September in the School Hall at 7:00pm. Contact the school on 4721 2623 to organise your tables. Great prizes to be won.
- **Coles Vouchers** – please collect vouchers from Coles (blue and red tickets) until October 18 and return to the school. The school will redeem these vouchers for some much needed sporting equipment.
- **Woolworths** – Earn and Learn Points – these are noted at the bottom of your receipts. Simply cut off the section containing the Earn and Learn Points and return to the school. These points will be redeemed for educational resources. This offer runs until September 18.
- **Both Coles Vouchers and Woolworths Earn and Learn Points** can be posted to the school, St Nicholas of Myra PO Box 265 Penrith 2751

Thanks for your support!

### *Invitation*

St Nicholas of Myra Primary School invites all retired parishioners who would like to watch the children's book parade and storytelling to celebrate with them on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> September at 9:30am - 10:30am.

Tea and coffee will also be available.

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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.  
For the next meeting contact Ina & Norman 47 321 751



How does an adult become a member of the Catholic Church?  
How long does it take to become a Catholic?



It isn't too late to join the RCIA if you are interested in finding out more about our Catholic faith.

The decision to look into the Catholic Church is the response to an invitation made by Jesus to come to know him through the local Church community. In other words, Jesus is inviting those inquiring about our Catholic faith into a personal relationship with him. Since the **RCIA is a process** and **NOT a program**, there is no specified time frame for preparation to be received into the life of the Church. Indeed the Church is keen that those inquiring should experience at least **ONE CHURCH YEAR** before making such a life changing decision: and for those who are not acquainted with Christian traditions and the Christian way of life, the period of preparation can be even longer. Becoming a Catholic is an important decision in a person's life, and is a decision which is made after careful thought and prayer.

**Conversion, not instruction:** Conversion describes the process of coming to know God more deeply, therefore the Catholic community has a responsibility to serve as an instrument to help the Inquirers to grow in their relationship with the Lord.

**A process, not a program:** The RCIA can best be described as a **process of coming to know Jesus Christ on a personal level**. Coming to know Jesus cannot be fitted into a few weeks of a program of instruction. It is a process of ever-deepening growth and commitment - a process that continues long after initiation into the Catholic Church. As the representatives of the Catholic community, the RCIA Team try to help Inquirers discover their readiness to make that commitment to Christ in and through the Church. **A decision which we as a community should support and celebrate!**

In the next RCIA meeting we will talk about: *Other Faiths.....what do they believe?*

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## DIOCESAN OUTREACH

### BISHOP'S COLLECTION FOR RETIRED AND SICK CLERGY

In 2006, Bishop Manning established the Clergy Support Foundation of the Diocese of Parramatta to assist in meeting the needs of the retired and sick priests of the Diocese, and in 2007 authorised an annual special appeal, "The Bishop's Collection for Retired and Sick Priests", to be held on Father's Day each year. It is hoped to raise \$150,000 each year through this appeal. Bishop Fisher has asked that this appeal continue to support our retired and sick priests.

Last year, you gave over \$150,000 and the Foundation thanks you for this contribution. This year the appeal in the Diocese will be held next weekend. A third collection will be held on this weekend at each Mass. Special envelopes will be available and all donations over \$2 are tax deductible. If you wish to claim a tax deduction, please tick the box and write your details clearly on the envelope. Some appeal envelopes are available this weekend for those who will not be here next weekend. Thank you for your generosity.

### Faith to the EXTREME—SEPTEMBER SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Date : 9 am Tuesday 27/9/2011 - 2 pm Thursday 29/9/2011

Location : Benedict XVI Retreat Centre, Grose Vale

Who : Young People in years 7 - 10

Host : Catholic Youth Services Sydney and Catholic Youth Parramatta

Cost : \$ 100 (covers accommodation, transport, meals and activities)

How : Download a registration form from [www.cyc.org.au](http://www.cyc.org.au) and return by Monday September 19

### CELEBRATING THE JOURNEY

Couples who were married in 1986 (25 years) and over, are invited to celebrate their journey with other couples and family members during a special Mass at St Patrick's Cathedral Parish, Parramatta, Sunday 18th September, 2011 at 2.00 p.m.

Bishop Anthony Fisher is hoping that those celebrating anniversaries of 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50 years and over be his special guests at this event. He will be the Principal Celebrant and will host afternoon tea following Mass.

Please contact your Parish Secretary on 4721 2509 to register your names by Tuesday, 6th September, 2011.

### Vacancy

#### Gardener/Maintenance Worker

The Parish of St Finbar's Glenbrook requires a Gardener/Maintenance Worker with a minimum of 2 years experience in a similar role to work 12 hours per week over a 2-3 day period to be negotiated.

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The Administrative Officer

St Finbar's Church PO Box 123

Glenbrook NSW 2773

Email: [admin@stfinbars.org.au](mailto:admin@stfinbars.org.au) Closing Date: 2/9/2011



Are you interested in becoming a member of

#### The St Dominic's College Board?

**St Dominic's College Board** is interested in hearing from persons who have skills in the area of Financial Management, Marketing, Legal, Risk Management or IT and have a genuine desire to contribute to the growth of the College.

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### **Happy 50th Birthday, Palms!**

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Register by September 1 and pay the **special price of \$50 (incl. GST)** per person or \$500 (incl. GST) for a table of 10. Contact Palms (02) 9518 9551

or register online at: <http://www.palms.org.au/news/50th-anniversary-dinner-22-oct-2011/> See you there !

### **Campion College Open Day: 3 September**

Campion College is the first Liberal Arts College in Australia, located in the Diocese of Parramatta. Program includes information sessions on the Bachelor of Liberal Arts, campus tours, book sale and sausage sizzle. Mass will be at noon. Homemade cakes for sale, face painting, schola performance, Devonshire tea. All welcome. Time: 10am-3pm. Location: Campion College, 8-14 Austin Woodbury Place, Old Toongabie. Details: tel (02) 9896 9300 or visit [www.campion.edu.au](http://www.campion.edu.au)

### **ACU Open Days: 3 & 10 September**

Find out what the Australian Catholic University has to offer. Entry is free and there will be live entertainment, sample bags and BBQ, campus tours, information sessions, and a chance to chat to staff and students. 3 September: North Sydney Campus, 40 Edward Street, 9am-4pm; 10 September: Strathfield Campus, 25A Barker Road, 9am-4pm. More information: [www.acu.edu.au/openday](http://www.acu.edu.au/openday)

### **6<sup>th</sup> National e-Conference: 6 September**

Participate in the 'Following Jesus – Matthew' eConference and you could win a \$2,000 voucher for your organisation or a \$500 voucher deep religious love of humanity, and had a sense of humility before God. This devotion to his religion shaped his art and his life. Over 2 nights from 7-9pm at the Institute for Mission, 1-5 Marion St, Blacktown. Cost: donation. Bookings essential: (02) 9831 4911 or [mh@instituteformission.com.au](mailto:mh@instituteformission.com.au)

### **Seniors' Reflection Day: 8 September**

Life Ascending International is hosting a Reflection Day for senior Catholics at Mt Zion Christian Brothers' Retreat Centre at Mulgoa. Theme: Friendship, Spirituality & Loving Service. Mass will be celebrated, BYO lunch – morning tea provided, concludes mid-afternoon. Cost: \$15. Details: Roy Cooke (02) 9771 3609.

### **Position Vacant: Property Manager**

The Diocese of Parramatta is seeking to recruit a Property Manager. This is a new, full-time position. The Property Manager will assist in the implementation of the Diocese's property management requirements and to provide operational and commercial management support to meet the goals, expectations and requirements of the Diocese and its parishes, ministries and agencies. It is essential that prospective applicants obtain the full job description available at: [www.parra.catholic.org.au/employment](http://www.parra.catholic.org.au/employment) or contact John Sheehy via email: [jsheehy@parra.catholic.org.au](mailto:jsheehy@parra.catholic.org.au) or tel (02) 8838 3400.

**Applications close on Friday 16 September 2011 at 5pm.**

### **Commission for Ecumenism & Interfaith Dialogue Seminar 10 September**

This seminar is an Opportunity to Meet, Listen & Learn. Sessions: 'Listening Deeply' with Mr Phil Shirvington – Chair of Commission for Ecumenism and Interfaith Dialogue; 'Listening Deeply' and Buddhism with Mr Greg Johns - CEO of Soka Gakkai International, Australia; 'Listening Deeply' and Receptive Ecumenism; Shared 'Heart to Heart' Conversations with all in attendance. Attendance is for Parish reps; Certificate students (\$65 per unit); SOR, RE and SRE teachers and students and anyone else interested in ecumenism and interfaith dialogue. Cost: \$20 includes lunch. Time: 9am – 3.30pm. Venue: Institute for Mission, cnr Flushcombe Road & Marion Street, Blacktown. **Important: registrations close on Monday 5 September** tel (02) 9831 4911, [mh@instituteformission.com.au](mailto:mh@instituteformission.com.au)

### **An Invitation from the Missionaries of God's Love: 3 September**

You are invited to join the Missionaries of God's Love for an information night and dinner on Saturday 3 September and a retreat day on 22 October at the Sisters' home, 11 Torbert Ave, Quakers Hill. For further information contact the Sisters on (02) 9626 8382 and check out [www.mglvocation.org](http://www.mglvocation.org)

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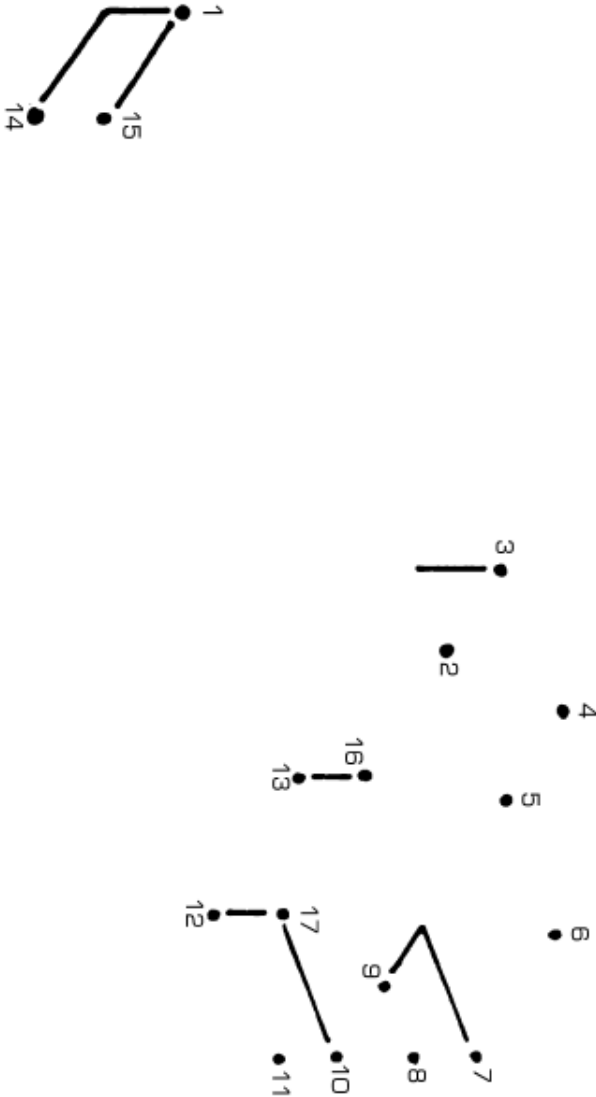
**Are you interested in becoming a Catholic?**

*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))

# Children's Corner

**Finish The Picture.** Today's Gospel story tells about how Jesus taught his followers to think about the Messiah. They thought the Messiah would ride on a horse and swing a sword. But Jesus said the Messiah would do something very different. Finish the picture below to show what Jesus knew was waiting for him.



## This week at St Nic's

**Monday 29 August**

*Beheading of John the Baptist, martyr*  
10 am Legion of Mary Meeting - PMR1  
5 pm Tae Kwon Do - Hall

**Tuesday 30 August**

11 am AA Meeting - Hall1

**Wednesday 31 August**

7.00 pm St Vincent de Paul Meeting - Hall2

**Thursday 1 September**

5 pm Tae Kwon Do - Hall

**Friday 2 September**

7 pm AA Meeting - Hall1

**Saturday 3 September**

*St Gregory the Great, pope, doctor*  
9 am Healing Mass

**Sunday 4 September**

*23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
7 pm Inflamm Youth Group—PMR4

**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.

### **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.

*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 .*