

NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER

5 May 2019

3rd Sunday of Easter

Year C



St Monica's

Readers

6.30pm— P. Buckley M. Breden
 7.30am— A. Edwards M. Fenech
 9.30am— C. Thompson F. Yates
 5.30pm— J. Morley T. Scopelliti
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
 6.30pm— J. Bennett J. Gorman
 7.30am— M. Pirovic M. McMahon
 9.30am— J. Van Der Burg C. Hey
 5.30pm— P. Delahay

Acolytes / Senior Server

6.30pm— W. Bennett
 7.30am— C. Nickle
 9.30am— M. Crew
 5.30pm— A. Freitas

Junior Ministers

6.30pm—
 7.30am— L. Attard
 9.30am— C. Saliba S. Saliba
 5.30pm— A. Kuriakose

Data Projector

6.30pm— T. Buckley
 7.30am— T. Galino
 9.30am— L. Ryan
 5.30pm— T. Tomasella

Children's Liturgy

6.30pm - L. Kay
 9.30am - E. Mizzi

Altar Preparation C. Thompson

Cleaners C. Sycz

Counters

28 Apr— L. Clegg R. Larven R. Vick
 M. McMahon
 05 May— C. Barber F. Pausanos J. Pausanos

WEEKDAY ROSTER

Monday 29 April 2019

Reader— F. Crew

EMoHC— M. Pirovic

Wednesday 1 May 2019

Reader— A. Moloney

EMoHC— M. McMahon

Friday 3 May 2019

Reader— D. Bowles

EMoHC— M. Ryan



St Gregory's

Saturday 4 May 2019

Reader— Jackie

EMoHC— Cathy

Sunday 5 May 2019

Readers

8.00am— M. Mooney T. Misdom S. Lundy

Altar Server Frank

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

8.00am—

Altar Preparation P. McCullum

Cleaners L. Pullin



St John of God Chapel

Tuesday 4.00pm

Saturday 6.00pm

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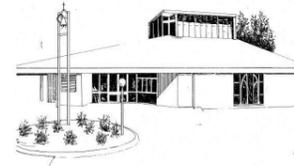
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Second Sunday of Easter — Year C 28 April 2019

<p>ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: Like newborn infants, you must long for the pure, spiritual milk, that in him you may grow to salvation, alleluia.</p>	<p>COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails, and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.</p>
<p>FIRST READING: ACTS 5:12-16 <i>The numbers of men and women who came to believe in the Lord increased steadily.</i></p>	<p>REFLECTIONS ON THE READING... While Jesus was alive Thomas was as strong as an oak. But when Jesus was put to death, he became a reed shaking in the winds of doubt. The truth was, though he didn't realise it at the time, that it was the Master who was the oak. He was a mere sapling growing in his shade. When the oak fell he was defenceless. All of us are shaken by the winds of doubt. We need to look at the Lord's wounds, and hear his gentle voice saying to us:</p>
<p>RESPONSORIAL PS: PSALM 117:2-4, 22-27 Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.</p>	<p>'Cease doubting and believe.' Then with Thomas we shall make bold to say: 'My Lord and my God.'</p>
<p>SECOND READING: REVELATION 1:9-13, 17-19 <i>I was dead and now I am to live for ever and ever.</i></p>	
<p>GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy those who have not seen me, but still believe! Alleluia!</p>	
<p>GOSPEL: JOHN 20:19-31 <i>After eight days Jesus came in and stood among them.</i></p>	

The Sundays of Easter...

We have celebrated the paschal mystery for the three days of the Triduum - but even that is not enough. So the Church gives us fifty days, from Easter Sunday to Pentecost, to be celebrated "in joyful exultation as one feast day, or better as one 'great Sunday". The weeks are named "of" Easter, not "in" Easter because, unlike Advent or Lent, they do not prepare for a feast but prolong the celebration of Christ's resurrection and his presence among his people through the Spirit and in time of the Church. Every Sunday is to the Christian week what the Easter season is to the liturgical year, for throughout the whole year we must never forget that we are a water-drenched and Spirit-filled people who have passed over into new life in the risen Christ. As we are accompanied by the Liturgy of the Word on these Sundays of Easter, it is as if the Church leads us, a pilgrim people, to different lookouts from which we can gaze on the gospel landscape, which is transfigured by the light of Christ's resurrection. There is a wonderful intimacy about this Easter traveling.

*From With Burning Hearts
 By Verna A. Holyhead*

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Announcements

160 Anniversary: Preparations are well under way, invitations are sent. Your invitation has been inserted in the bulletin. We hope you will be here. We need your help.

- Firstly, we need to have some idea of numbers, so could you please RSVP on the sheet in the foyer stating number of adults and children. If you could assist by bringing a plate on the day please tick the appropriate box on the same sheet.
- Secondly there will be a cleaning and small maintenance working bee to clean the new Church, windows etc. on May 4, 8am-11am.
- Thirdly, a working bee in the Old Church cleaning and arranging display Thursday 16 from 9am finishing touches Saturday 18 from 9am
- Don't forget the celebration date May 19 at 9.30am. Come join with Bishop Vincent praying in thanksgiving for the gift of Faith.

You are invited to join with the Parish of Richmond Community as they mark the 160th anniversary of the opening of the first St. Monica's Church Cnr. Bourke & Windsor St., Richmond. Bishop Vincent Long Van Nguyen OFM Conv, Bishop of the Diocese of Parramatta will be the main celebrant of Mass commencing at 9.30am on Sunday May 19, to be followed by light refreshments.

Monday 6 May, join us in Exploring your Faith... this will be an evening with Bishop Robert Baron. This will be presented by DVD & followed by a group discussion over a cup of tea/coffee. Time: 6:30pm til 8pm in the Old Church. The topic: **Bishop Barron offers inspiring insights into the mystery of Christ's presence in our lives and the centrality of the Eucharist.** **Too many believers do not understand the mystery of the Eucharist, which Vatican II said is the "source and summit of the Christian life."** Come and join us - All welcome.

Thank you to all who assisted with our Easter celebrations a special word of thanks to our HYPA-R Group and their families for their prayerful presentation of the Stations of the Cross.

Thank you for your contribution to Project Compassion.

In preparation for the celebration of the 160 year anniversary of our Parish there will be **singing practice 7pm-8pm on Wed May 1,8 & 15. All welcome.** Please bring a friend or two.

May 12 is Mother's Day. Remember your Mum in a special way by bringing a flower with her name attached and place it at the altar as we pray for all Mothers during Masses over the weekend.

PARISH DIARY DATES

- **Monday 29 April Saint Catherine of Siena.**
- **Tuesday 30 April Parent Meeting (Confirmation) 7pm** at St Monica's.
- **Thursday 2 May Saint Athanasius.**
- **Friday 3 May Saints Philip and James.**
- **Monday 13 May change of date for Circle of Friends** for May only will meet following morning Mass. Come and enjoy the company and morning.

CHRISM MASS: The Parish was well represented at the Chrim Mass at the Cathedral. Congratulations & thanks to Ann Moloney who was invited by the Bishop to serve, the Pirovic Family were invited to present the Gifts & the Saliba Family received the Oils on our behalf.

RENEWAL OF PARISH MINISTRIES: Phase one is complete! The attendance, participation and suggestions of so many of our volunteers at the ministry meetings throughout March and April has been **greatly appreciated. Thank you.** Phase two begins when new volunteers attend the **training workshops:**

May 4 - 10am-12noon Junior Minister. June 15 - 10-11am All new volunteers & those prepared to do the refresher course

June 22 - 10-12 noon Acolytes, Senior Servers, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion & Pastoral Care of the Sick

June 29 - 10-12 noon Readers & Commentators

It is hoped that many will take advantage of these workshops and **attend as a refresher for your particular ministry.**

Sincere thanks to all who have taken up a ministry. Dare I say, **we still need more volunteers! To do what?**

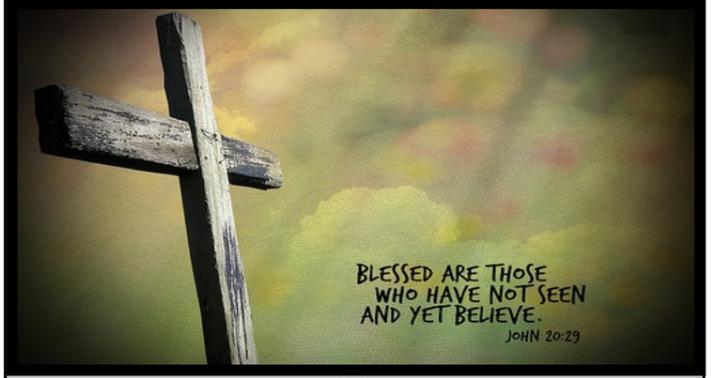
MINISTRY RECRUITMENT For all Mass Centres	No Required	WHERE/WHEN?
Junior Servers: Need to have received First Holy Communion.	8	Sat 6.30pm wk3; Sun 7.30am wk 2; 5.30 wk 1, 2 & 4
Senior Servers & Acolytes	4	Sat 6.30pm wk2 & 4; Sun 7.30am wk 3; 5.30
Readers & Commentators	6	Sun 7.30am wk 1; 5.30 wk 3 & 4
Eucharistic Minister of Holy Communion	6	Sat 6.30pm wk3; Sun 7.30am wk 2; 5.30 wk 1,2 & 4
Pastoral Care of the Sick	4	Nursing homes plus some private homes.
Cleaning	3	For about 1 hour per month
Power-point Projectionists	3	7.30am wk 3; & 5.30pm wk2 & 4
Musicians (Keyboard, instrumentalists & singers)	lots	all
Hospitality/Greeters/Ushers (Families & individuals. All ages.)	Lots	all

Grant Eternal Rest to the recently deceased

Robert Thorncraft
Maria Gatt
Rita Gatt
Kathleen Budge
Sr Janet Heath OSC
Marie Maguire
John Harris
Mary Cremona

... and those we remember at this time.

Mary Moloney, Maryann Galea & family, Ned McMahon, Bill McMahon, Michael John McMahon, Joseph Baldacchino, Lyal Binns & family, Costello family, Nelson family, Fink family, Carmelo Magro, Patrick Ryan, Leslie & Lillian Duncan, Anthony Vella, Maria Apap, Cecily Paddy, Mary Josephine Mizzi, Frank Vladika, Peter Galluzzo, Joseph Teuma



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Joan Pirovic
Angelique Portelli

WE PRAYERFULLY REMEMBER THE SICK

Melissa Colless,
Marlon Apap, Fr Jessie Balorio,
Jeff Steven, Josephine Cutajar,
Tye Angland, Frank Grima,
William Grima, Frank Cauchi,
Stephen Avery,
Pauline Azzopardi,
Dale Wasley, Carmen Sultana

Believe It or Not!

But he said to them, "Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe it." John 20:25

Based on John 20:19-31 (NIV)

ACROSS

3. To be in a state of pleasure, satisfaction, joy or delight

4. Free from conflict; getting along with others; opposite of war

5. To be undecided or unbelieving that something is true

6. The body parts at the end of the arms

8. Not open

9. To break God's law

DOWN

1. The disciple who would not believe without seeing

2. To believe in something for which there is no proof

5. An entrance into a building or room

7. A thin piece of metal with one pointed end and one flat end which you hit with a hammer

PEACE	DOOR	HANDS	FAITH	HAPPY
NAIL	THOMAS	CLOSED	SIN	DOUBT

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RENEWAL OF PARISH MINISTRIES CONTINUED:

If you are able to assist or if you know anyone who is, **please make yourself known to myself, the Parish Office or Clergy.** Let us remember: **Together Everyone Achieves More.**

Mary McGuinness, Coordinator of Parish Ministries

PARISH MASS TIMES

St Monica's
Saturday: 6.30pm
Sunday: 7.30am, 9.30am, 5.30pm
Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 9.00am

St Gregory's
Saturday: 9.00am
Sunday: 8.00am

St John of God
Tuesday: 4.00pm
Saturday: 6.00pm Vigil Mass

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation
St Monica's:
Saturday 5.30pm - 6pm.
St Gregory's:
Saturday after 9.00am Mass.

Anointing of the Sick
Friday 31 May 2019, 9.00am at St Monica's.
Or by arrangement with the priests.

Baptism
By appointment only.
St Monica's: 2nd & 4th Sundays at 11.00am.
St Gregory's: 1st Sunday at 11:00am
Booking & Preparation are essential.

Marriage
Strictly by appointment. A minimum of 6 months notice is required.
All enquiries please email
admin@parishofrichmond.org.au

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
11 June 2019 at 7pm.

Meeting Minutes available on notice boards in church foyers.

REGULAR PARISH ACTIVITIES

Rosary
St Monica's: 8.40am before weekday Mass.

Choir Practice
St Monica's: 45 minutes before each Mass
NEW MEMBERS WELCOME

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
St Monica's: Wednesday after 9.00am Mass to pray for vocations.

Children's Liturgy
St Monica's: Saturday 6.30pm Sunday 9.30am

Circle of Friends
Parish Meeting Room: 1st Monday of the month 9.30am

Youth Group Social
Meet every 3rd Saturday of the month after 6.30pm HYPA Mass.

HYPA-R Holy Hour
Meet every 1st Friday of the month 6:30pm-7:30pm praying for youth followed by pizzas.