

NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER
12 May 2019
 4th Sunday of Easter
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St Monica's

Readers
 6.30pm— M. McMahon C. Hession
 7.30am— A. Edwards M. Pirovic
 9.30am— A. Brailey C. Hey
 5.30pm— L. Battersby A. Aquilina
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
 6.30pm— P. Hession J. Muscat
 7.30am— M. Turnbull
 9.30am— H. Convey M. McGuinness
 5.30pm— J. Morley

Acolytes / Senior Server
 6.30pm— W. Bennett
 7.30am— A. Moloney
 9.30am— D. Ryan
 5.30pm— P. Delahay

Junior Ministers
 6.30pm—
 7.30am— P. Azzopardi
 9.30am— S. Murphy M. Hoffman
 5.30pm— K. Vanderburg

Data Projector
 6.30pm— M. Breaden
 7.30am— C. Thompson
 9.30am— L. Ryan
 5.30pm— T. Tomasella

Children's Liturgy
 6.30pm - J. Bennett
 9.30am - M. Melinz K. Cunningham

Altar Preparation C. Norton

Cleaners A. Campbell
 05 May— C. Barber F. Pausanos J. Pausanos
 12 May— B. Riley B. Riley M. Stone

WEEKDAY ROSTER

Monday 6 May 2019
 Reader— R. Crane
 EMoHC— F. Crew

Wednesday 8 May 2019
 Reader— M. Breaden
 EMoHC— C. Nickle

Friday 10 May 2019
 Reader— M. Pirovic
 EMoHC— A. Moloney

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St Gregory's

Saturday 11 May 2019
 Reader— Nigel or Ray
 EMoHC— Jackie

Sunday 12 May 2019
Readers
 8.00am— B. Wall M. Ryan P. Hurst

Altar Server Jackie
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
 8.00am— M. Nixon

Altar Preparation

Cleaners N. Fienberg

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St John of God Chapel
 Tuesday 4.00pm
 Saturday 6.00pm

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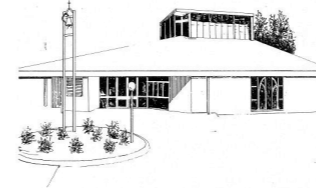
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Third Sunday of Easter — Year C 5 May 2019

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth: O sing to the glory of his name. O render him glorious praise, alleluia.

FIRST READING: Acts 5:27-32, 40-41

We are witnesses of these words, and so is the Holy Spirit.

RESPONSORIAL PS: PSALM 29:2, 4-6, 11-13

I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

SECOND READING: REVELATION 5:11-14

The Lamb that was sacrificed is worthy to be given power, wealth, glory, and blessing.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia! Christ is risen, the Lord of all creation; he has shown pity on all people. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: JOHN 21:1-19

Jesus stepped forward, took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

Jesus said to his disciples: Come and eat. And he took bread and gave it to them, alleluia!

REFLECTIONS ON THE READING...

It can happen that we lose interest in people, and even become blind to their strengths, when we discover their limitations. During his passion Jesus discovered the limitations of Peter. Yet he didn't write him off. He continued to believe in him, and in time he came good. Like Peter, we are weak human beings, who are inconstant in our beliefs. We need someone who understands our weaknesses, who realises that it may take time for us to overcome them, and who doesn't write us off because we don't produce the goods at once.

The Sundays of Easter...

During the Easter season, Jesus is in our midst: holding out to us the wounds of his risen body; breakfasting with and befriending those who had deserted him; calling us by name to follow him as our Shepherd Protector; lingering long with us at the table as the Host who gives us, his friends, the love commandment; promising us the gifts of the Spirit, the memory and future of the Church; breathing into the chaos of our lives his own peace that the world cannot give. Then, ascended to his Father, Jesus sends upon his disciples the wind and fire of Pentecost that shakes them into the world with burning urgency to proclaim to the ends of the earth that Christ is risen, he is truly risen.

During the Easter season, the first reading is not from the Old Testament but from the Acts of the Apostles, in order to highlight the emergence of the Church as the witness to the new things that God does in the risen Christ who is present in his Church through the Spirit. Every Christian community belongs to the lineage of the faithful witnesses we meet in Acts, and we are called every day, everywhere, to live what we hear and to sing our "Alleluias" for this privilege.

From *With Burning Hearts*
 By Verna A. Holyhead

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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.

Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion - Please Note:

Weekends: You are asked to come forward as the third Lamb of God is being said and stand together in front of lectern at the bottom of the steps. After Father has received from the Chalice go up the steps to receive Holy Communion. At the end of Communion return to the Altar and wait until the Blessed Sacrament has been placed in the Tabernacle. If there is one Senior Server/Acolyte and they are purifying the Sacred Vessels please assist by placing the Ciborium in the Tabernacle.

Weekdays: Come forward as the third Lamb of God is being recited, go to Tabernacle and take out Ciborium and wait at the bottom step until Father has received Communion, then proceed to the Altar. If you are the second Minister, wait at the bottom step on the Tabernacle side and proceed as above.

Readers: Weekends: Please close the Lectionary, leave the lectern as the Alleluia is sung.

Weekdays: Please stay and lead the Alleluia verse.

St Monica's

The bishop's Pastoral Statement on the 2019 Australian Federal Election is on the notice board. For more details see the Diocesan website.

In preparation for the celebration of the 160 year anniversary of our Parish there will be **singing practice 7pm-8pm on Wed May 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.

Thank you for all your kind donations towards the Philippines Mission, they were much appreciated.

St Monica's School: We are now well into the process of enrolment for the 2020 school year. If you have a child beginning school next year, now is the time to come and collect an enrolment form to begin this process. We also have some vacancies in other grades so if you know of anyone who is interested in enrolment, your support and encouragement of St Monica's is greatly appreciated. Please phone the office on 4570 3700 for further inquiries.

Used Stamps If you can support the Missions with your used postage stamps it would be greatly appreciated.



PARISH DIARY DATES

- **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.
- **Sunday 19 May Mass of Thanksgiving** with Bishop Vincent 9.30am at St Monica's. All welcome.
- **Friday 31 May Mass with Anointing of the Sick** 9am at St Monica's. All welcome.

Ministry Minutes: All parishioners are invited to take a copy of this new publication, printed on green paper. Copies are available in the Church foyer.

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.

Grant Eternal Rest to the recently deceased

- Sam Cassar
- Beryl Kabrael
- Joseph Camilleri
- Ruby Korn
- Robert Thorncraft
- Maria Gatt
- Rita Gatt
- Kathleen Budge

... and those we remember at this time.

- Eucharist Sultana,
- Peter Galluzzo, Joseph Vella,
- 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

We welcome the newly Baptised...

Leonardo Capaldi
Layla Fonti
Deanna Galea

...to our Christian family.

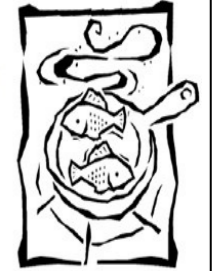
HAPPY BIRTHDAY
To all those celebrating this week



WE PRAYERFULLY REMEMBER THE SICK
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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

Breakfast on the Beach

Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." None of the disciples dared ask him, "Who are you?" They knew it was the Lord. John 21:12 (NIV)
Based on John 21:1-14



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HYPAR NEWS...

- Friday 10 May 2019, will be the Spiritual & Games Night (for school aged kids 10 years to 15 years). This is held in the old Church from 7pm til 9pm. There will be a light supper and fun games.
- Saturday 18 May 2019, will be the HYPAR Youth Mass at 6:30pm followed by supper (please bring a plate to share) and fun family activities in the Old Church - all welcome.



Monday 6 May, join us in Exploring your Faith...this will be an evening with Bishop Robert Barron. 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.

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

Choir Practice
St Monica's:
45 minutes before each
Mass
NEW MEMBERS WELCOME
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 HYPAR Mass.
HYPAR Holy Hour
Meet every 1st Friday of the month 6:30pm-7:30pm praying for youth followed by pizzas.