

NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER
18 August 2019
 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Year C
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St Monica's

Readers
 6.00pm— HYPA-R
 7.30am— A. Dunbar M. McMahon
 9.30am— N. Brailey M. Manea
 5.30pm— L. Battersby
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
 6.00pm— R. Larven
 7.30am— M. Fenech A. Edwards
 9.30am— Z. Culican F. Yates
 5.30pm— A. Aquilina T. Scopelliti

Acolytes / Senior Server
 6.00pm— L. Azzopardi
 7.30am— A. Moloney
 9.30am— A. Brailey
 5.30pm— P. Delahay

Junior Ministers
 6.00pm— S. Vella J. Azzopardi
 7.30am—
 9.30am— W. Attard S. Higgins
 5.30pm— A. Kuriakose

Data Projector
 6.00pm— HYPA-R
 7.30am— C. Thompson
 9.30am— L. Culican
 5.30pm— Choir members

Children's Liturgy
 6.00pm— KA Kemble C. Pirotta
 9.30am— L. O'Donohoe

Choir
 6.00pm— HYPA
 9.30am— N. D'Mello
 5.30pm— C. Soon Couples for Christ

Altar Preparation J. Shanahan
Cleaners N. Godsell M. Azzopardi

Counters
 11 Aug— L. Clegg R. Larven R. Vick
 M. McMahon
 18 Aug— C. Barber F. Pausanos J. Pausanos

WEEKDAY ROSTER

Monday 12 August 2020

Reader— F. Crew

EMoHC—

Wednesday 14 August 2020

Reader— A. Moloney

EMoHC— M. McMahon

Friday 16 August 2020

Reader— D. Bowles

EMoHC— M. Ryan

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St Gregory's

Saturday 17 August 2020

Reader— Frank

EMoHC— Margaret

Sunday 18 August 2020

Readers

8.00am— P. Humphrey C. Smirolto N. Fienberg

Altar Server Frank

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

8.00am—

Altar Preparation

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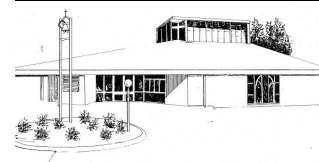
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Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time — Year C 11 August 2019

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Look to your covenant, O Lord, and forget not the life of
 your poor ones for ever. Arise, O God, and defend your
 cause, and forget not the cries of those who seek you.

FIRST READING: WISDOM 18:6-9

*Just as you struck our enemies, you made us glorious by
 calling us.*

RESPONSORIAL PS: PSALM 32:1, 12, 18-20, 22

Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

SECOND READING: HEBREWS 11:1-2, 8-19

We will look for the city designed and built by God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

**Alleluia, alleluia! Be watchful and ready: you know not
 when the Son of Man is coming. Alleluia!**

GOSPEL: LUKE 12:32-48

See that you are prepared.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

**O Jerusalem, glorify the Lord, who gives you your fill of
 finest wheat.**

REFLECTIONS ON THE READING...

Blessed are the faithful:
 they are like safe anchors in a world of broken moorings.
 Blessed are the just:
 they are to society what leaven is to bread.
 Blessed are the generous: they keep alive our faith in the
 essential goodness of people.
 Blessed are the caring: they shine like beacons in a world
 darkened by indifference.
 Blessed are the genuine: they glow like gems in a world of
 falseness.
 Blessed are those who are not afraid of sacrifice on the day
 of the harvest they will sing for joy.
 And blessed are those who refuse to look back: they will be
 found worthy of the Kingdom of Heaven.

Statement of Abortion Legislation...

Dear sisters and brothers in Christ,
 We believe that all human beings are made in the image of God and that all human beings matter. The Church maintains the vigorous defence of the dignity of the human person. This includes the protection of life from conception to natural death. I have been closely following this abortion debate as it has unfolded in our parliament and across the public sphere. I join my voice with my brother bishops and many people of goodwill across many faiths who are alarmed at the newly-proposed NSW abortion legislation. It is not enough to argue that this legislation is simply about “decriminalising abortion.” What’s at stake is far more complex and goes to the heart of a healthy society. As human beings, we all have a responsibility to care for each other. Pope Francis reminds us bluntly: “It is not right to kill a human being, regardless of how small it is, to solve a problem.” Whilst we affirm the sacredness of all life, the Church as a community of faith, hope and love stands by pregnant women to offer them support. That is why, closely linked to protection of the unborn is the ongoing care of women who are pregnant, especially those in difficult personal circumstances. Our legislators and community need to provide more practical care and compassion to women facing these decisions. In our diocese, our CatholicCare services offers a comprehensive pregnancy-related service for women and families that are expecting a baby. We want to help women in these complex situations. Being born into this wondrous planet of ours is a blessing. May each of us, given this precious gift, never forget to pray with the Psalmist: “You created my inmost self, knit me together in my mother’s womb. For so many marvels I thank you; a wonder am I, and all your works are wonders.” Psalms 139. This is an ongoing critical issue where the Church will continue to speak prophetically.

Yours in Christ, Most Reverend Vincent Long Van Nguyen OFM Conv Bishop of Parramatta.

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‘Come and See’ at the Holy Spirit Seminary, 31/33 Allen Street, Harris Park
on **Sunday, 18 August 2019 at 10:00am-7:00pm.**

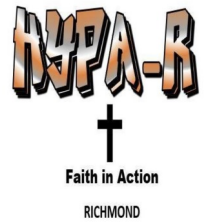
This event provides single men (ages 16 and above) an insight to the priestly vocation with the opportunity to experience seminary life, beginning with Holy Mass at St Oliver’s Parish Church at 10:00am, followed by talks, a tour of the seminary, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and concludes with dinner with Bishop Vincent.

RSVP is essential for catering purposes.

Please contact Fr John Paul via johnpaul.escarlan@parracatholic.org or 0420 310 771
by Thursday, 15 August 2019.

HYPA-R News...

- Friday 9 August will be the Spiritual & Games Night (for kids aged between 10 - 15 years). 7pm til 9pm. There will be a light supper & fun games afterwards, so get your folks to drop you off as it will be a fun night!!
- Saturday 17 August will be the HYPA-R Youth Mass at 6pm. After Mass there will be supper and fun social activities in the Old Church. All welcome.



Announcements

Holy Day of Obligation - Feast of the Assumption
Mass Times - Thursday 15 August:
St Monica’s 9am & 7pm.
St Gregory’s 6.30pm.

St Monica’s Refugee Advocacy Group invites anyone who would like to join another table talk at St Andrew’s Uniting Church on Saturday 17 August at 2pm. This day will follow a similar format to the one held at St Monica’s last October.

Ministry of Communion to the Sick & Dying Ongoing Formation. Saturday 14 September 9.30am - 2pm at the Institute for Mission 1 - 5 Marion St, Blacktown. To register email anne.alimangohan@parracatholic.org or ph 8838 3456. Morning tea & lunch provided. Please RSVP by 10 September.

Adult Confirmation: Adult Confirmation for 2019 will be held on Tuesday 10 September at St Patrick’s Cathedral, Parramatta from 7.30pm. A Catechesis Day for Adult Confirmation will be held on Saturday 31 August 9.30am - 2pm. Any adult over 16 years wanting to be confirmed please contact the Parish Office for info.

R.C.I.A . Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. Are you interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith? Are you marrying a Catholic & want to know what the Church teaches? Don’t miss this opportunity, contact the Parish Office for more info. We would also like to hear from parishioners who are prepared to share their faith as part of the R.C.I.A Team. Look forward to hearing from you.

PARISH DIARY DATES

- Sunday 11 August St Gregory’s Morning Tea** following 8am Mass. Please stay for a cuppa & bring a plate to share. All welcome.
- Wednesday 14 August Saint Maximilian Mary Kolbe.**
- Thursday 15 August Feast of the Assumption** Mass times 9am & 7pm at St Monica’s and St Gregory’s 6.30pm.
- Friday 16 August SRE Team Meeting** 9.30am in the Meeting Room.

Table Tennis resumes 2nd and 4th Monday of the month.
Time: 5pm - 6.30pm in the Old Church.
All welcome.

Sale of Religious Articles:
The Sisters of the Sisterhood of St. Elizabeth, Minsk, Belarus will have a sale of religious articles and souvenirs from their convent to support the sick and the suffering under their care on Monday 12 August after 9am Mass.

Grant Eternal Rest to the recently deceased

Julie Puzny
John Refalo
Victor Sultana
Nola Oglethorpe
Aldo Bertazzon
Irela D’Mello
Frank Cauchi
Florence Prunty

... and those we remember at this time.

Sr Mary Carmel Martin OSC,
Annie Collinson, Lyn Rousek, Carmelo Magro, Suresh Joshua, Chris Duncan, Charles Vella, Lillian Caulfield, Michael Elvidge, Peter Galluzzo, Gino Vassallo, Peter Galea, Joseph Andrews, Joseph Baldacchino, Alan Moloney, Charles Choy, Rose Choy, Mavis Xavier, Estefanio Xavier, Giacinta Bagnara, Joseph Vella



We welcome the newly Baptised...

Oliver Cunningham
Bodhizyfa Scicluna

...to our Christian family.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Nathan Camilleri
Barbara Waterhouse
Tania Matthews



WE PRAYERFULLY REMEMBER THE SICK

Min Tansitt, David Thatcher, Melissa Colless, Marlon Apap, Marcia McMahon, Jeff Steven, Rachel Stoveigh, Josephine Cutajar, Tye Angland, Frank Grima, William Grima, Frank Cauchi, Pauline Azzopardi.

Treasures in Heaven

For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.
Luke 12:34 (NIV)

The puzzle is based on Luke 12:32-34 (NIV).



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A Time to Celebrate! As from August 1 we now have keyboard players for each of the Saturday evening Masses and 9.30 Masses at St Monica’s. Sincere thanks to Jonathan, Neil, Mark & Teri who have made this possible. These people, along with all the other musicians and singers, who minister at the three Mass Centres, play an important role in our parish liturgies. Music serves the liturgy, and those who gather to celebrate. It draws us together in unity. Music expresses and shares faith.

In addition, **we now have three people who have stepped forward to coordinate and lead the music ministry within the Parish of Richmond.** A special word of thanks to Colin Smith who is supported by Jonathan Lewis and Leanne Ryan. Colin, Jonathan & Leanne are a strong, experienced leadership team. Thank you for giving of your time and skill. Let us give them our support as they work with our whole parish to praise and worship our God in music and song.

PARISH MASS TIMES

St Monica’s
Saturday: 6.00pm
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 30 August 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
13 August
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:
Wednesday 7-8pm
NEW MEMBERS WELCOME

Body of Christ Prayer Group
Wednesday 7-8.30pm
pray for vocations. All welcome
1 Hughes Ave, Hobartville.

Children’s Liturgy

St Monica’s:
Saturday 6.00pm
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 6.00pm HYPA Mass.

HYPA-R Holy Hour

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