

**NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER**

**6 October 2019**

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year C



**St Monica's**

**Readers**

6.30pm— P. Buckley M. Breaden  
 7.30am— T. Hamilton 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— L. Attard M. McMahon  
 9.30am— J. Van Der Burg C. Hey  
 5.30pm— P. Delahay L. Battersby

**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 & S. Saliba  
 5.30pm— A. Kuriakose

**Data Projector**

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

**Children's Liturgy**

6.30pm -  
 9.30am -

**Choir**

6.30pm - J. Lewis M. Lewis  
 9.30am - M. Quirk L. Ryan Choir  
 5.30pm - N. D'Mello Choir

**Altar Preparation** C. Thompson

**Cleaners** C. Syz

**Counters**  
 29 Sept— B. Riley B. Riley M. Stone  
 06 Oct— F. Crew T. Misdom M. Want

**WEEKDAY ROSTER**

**Monday 30 September 2019**

Reader— R. Crane  
 EMoHC— F. Crew

**Wednesday 2 October 2019**

Reader— M. Breaden  
 EMoHC— C. Nickle

**Friday 4 October 2019**

Reader— M. Pirovic  
 EMoHC— A. Moloney



**St Gregory's**

**Saturday 5 October 2019**

Reader— Jackie  
 EMoHC— Cathy

**Sunday 6 October 2019**

**Readers**

8.00am— M. Mooney T. Misdom S. Lundy

**Altar Server** David

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**

8.00am—

**Altar Preparation** P. McCallum

**Cleaners** L. Pullin

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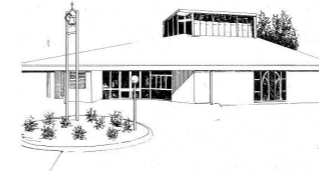
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**Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time — Year C 29 September 2019**

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:**  
 All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgement, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to you name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

**FIRST READING: AMOS 6:1. 4-7**  
*You who give yourself to licentiousness & revelry will be exiled.*

**RESPONSORIAL PS: Ps 145:6-10**  
**Praise the Lord, my soul!**

**SECOND READING: 1 TIMOTHY 6:11-16**  
*Obey the commandments until the coming of the Lord.*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**  
**Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor, to make you rich out of his poverty. Alleluia!**

**GOSPEL: LUKE 16:19-31**  
*During your life good things came your way just as bad things came the way of Lazarus. Now he is being comforted while you are in agony.*

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:**  
 Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope. This is my comfort when I am brought low.

**REFLECTIONS ON THE READING...**  
 A week ago the sycamore tree was loaded with gold. However, instead of sitting back and enjoying it, it began to give it away. At first it was just a leaf here and a leaf there, whenever the wind asked for a contribution. But soon it was giving it away in fistfuls, without being asked, and without a thought for a wintry tomorrow.

Wealth is judged, not by the amount that is accumulated, but by the amount that is given away. The only wealth that is worth having is the wealth of the heart. To close one's heart is to begin to die; to open it is to begin to live.

**Social Justice Sunday—29 September 2019...**

Today is Social Justice Sunday. The Australian Catholic Bishops have published a Social Justice Statement, titled: **Making it real: Genuine human encounter in our digital world.** The statement affirms the positive possibilities for encounter & solidarity offered by new digital media, while warning of those elements of our digital world that may be harmful. These include information overload; social isolation; marginalisation of the vulnerable; consumerism & fake news. Pope Francis challenges us to 'boldly become citizens of the digital world' actively shaping it. The central message of this year's Social Justice Statement is that social media have enormous capacity for good if well used, but also great potential for harm when they are misused. The most important questions we should ask about them are not technical but concern the human beings who use them, control them & profit from them. Through social media we can communicate instantly with distant family members & friends. We can also stay in daily touch with a wide group of friends. But through them we can also express our contempt & hatred from a safe distance, & be hurt by others who attack us. Through social media too, we can associate & organise with others to help change the world for better. But they can also be used to enrich their owners & to entrench injustice by concealing reality. They can help to enhance us as human beings & so build a more human society, or to diminish us in a more unjust world. The Gospel story speaks powerfully to us about social media. We can become so used to it, even addicted to it, that we can ignore its threat to us & the way in which it impoverishes our understanding of ourselves & our world. It can make us divide our world into friends whom we like & others whom we can respond arrogantly or hurtfully. It can also make us blind to the way in which large companies make huge profits by selling our personal data to people who then manipulate us. We might shrug our shoulders when we see social media being used to manipulate elections. Like the rich man, we can live happily ignorant of the kind of persons we are becoming & of the bitter society we are helping shape. Then we easily forget that Jesus rose from the dead to help us live attentively & fully.

Extract from Andrew Hamilton SJ for this reflection on the readings.  
 For more details visit <https://www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au>

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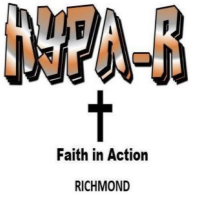
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**Best Wishes & Thank you Eileen.**

Last week about 20 friends gathered to farewell Eileen Lutton, a long standing parishioner. Eileen & Gil Lutton arrived with their family in the 1970's as members of the R.A.A.F. They immediately immersed themselves into Parish Life. Gil was well known for his work with St. Vincent de Paul & the Parish Council. Eileen did all she could to support Gil & established many friendships through Schools, her involvement with the Catholic Women's League, the Catechists & recent years as a member of the Circle of Friends as well as being a member of the Richmond Bowling Club. Treasured memories were shared over afternoon tea of a valued friend, of Eileen's gentle presence in the Parish, of a special bond between neighbours & bowling friends. Over the past few years Eileen has not enjoyed the best of health & the decision to take up the next posting was made very quickly after another stay in hospital. Home Monday, decision made Tuesday, packed & ready to go Sunday. Although there was an air of sadness, there is supportive acknowledgement that this is a good posting for Eileen's well-being as she travels to Murwillumbah to be with her daughter Cheryl & family. Eileen wishes to extend her thanks to all who have been a part of her life over the past 40 years, until we meet again may God hold you in the palm of His Hands.

**HYPAR News...**

- Friday, 4 October 2019 will be the First Friday Adoration at 7pm. This month the adoration will be on St Francis of Assisi followed by the Rosary. All welcome.
- Saturday, 19 October 2019 will be the Youth Mass at 6:30pm followed by the Youth Games night and supper in the Old Church. All welcome.
- Friday, 25 October 2019 will be the HYPAR Team Meeting at 7pm in the Parish meeting room. If you have any ideas or interested in joining the team please come along and join us.



**Announcements**

**St Monica's Saturday Vigil Mass time from 5th October will be at 6.30pm as daylight saving begins.**

**First Reconciliation Enrolment forms** for the Sacrament of First Reconciliation are now available at ALL Parish Vigil/Sunday Masses until Enrolment Ceremonies at Vigil/Sunday Masses 19/20 October. **Please note:** Enrolment forms are not available from the Parish Office.

**PARISH DIARY DATES**

- **Monday 30 September Circle of Friends** will meet at Pugh's Lagoon for morning tea following morning Mass. All welcome.
- **Wednesday 2 October The Holy Guardian Angels.**
- **Friday 4 October Saint Francis of Assisi.**
- **Sunday 20 October Parish Assembly** after 9.30am Mass at St Monica's. All welcome.

**Fete News** - As you are probably aware, our 2019 St Monica's Parish & School Fete was a wonderful success. Again, we would like to thank everyone who contributed to this special event. At the fete evaluation meeting on the 28th August, a report of the financial takings was provided. We are pleased to announce that a profit of \$37 731.12 was recorded for this year (an increase from 2018). The profit is shared between the parish & the school. The \$18 856.56 for the parish will support vital annual expenses such as insurance & electricity which allow our parish worship centres to provide for our community. We would like to acknowledge the great result for the book stall (\$11 330 profit), the white elephant (\$5 124 profit) & the St Paul's Fruit & Veg (\$2 310 profit). Believe it or not, planning is starting for the 2020 fete & we look forward to your support in making it an even greater success.

**MINISTRY REMINDER**

All ministers are reminded of the need to arrive 10 minutes before Mass and report your presence and availability to the Senior Server/Acolyte. In the event of not being able to attend Mass as rostered, would you please arrange for another minister to fill in for you. As far as possible, please arrange for this change asap. Once you have made the change please alert your *Ministry Leader*. Your replacement will, in turn, inform the Senior Server/Acolyte 10 minutes before Mass.

**ROSTER REVISION**

In recent weeks there have been some minor adjustments made to the St Monica's rosters for *Readers* and *Eucharistic Ministers*. Those concerned have been contacted by Mary McGuiness. To ensure smooth running, all ministers are asked to check the rosters as printed on the weekly notices. Any concerns, please contact Mary: mary.mcguiness@parishofrichmond.org.au or 0438796791.

**Grant Eternal Rest to the recently deceased**

- Dorothy Tubman
- Mary Rudd
- John Xiberras
- Madelena Bajada
- Ryan Chang
- Br Roger Maloney O.H.
- Gae Bourke
- Clive Crawley

**... and those we remember at this time.**

- Thomas Dwyer, Marie & John Duck, Marie Davis, Mairead Matthews, Joseph Baldacchino, Dorothy Keppel, Roy Russell, Christopher Hobbs, Hugo Cutrone, Maria Scopelliti, Carmelo Magro, Felix Aquilina, Mary Aquilina, John Steiner, Con Mavroforas, Mary Ebbs, Carmelo & Catherine Vella, Veronica Eves, Joseph & Giorgia Tabone

**Office for Worship RCIA Workshop:**

The Diocese of Parramatta has once again the exciting opportunity to have Nick Wagner, co-founder of TeamRCIA, to facilitate a workshop. This full-day workshop will be held on Saturday 5 October at the Institute for Mission, Blacktown. For more information and to RSVP, please contact the Office for Worship on 8838 3457 or [ingrid.vergano@parracatholic.org](mailto:ingrid.vergano@parracatholic.org).

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

- Edyta Hoffman
- Dave Barbagallo
- WEDDING ANNIVERSARY**
- Paul & Catherine Barber
- Thomas & Johanna Weston

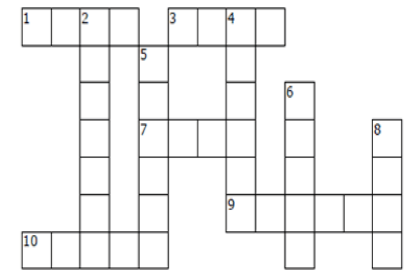
**WE PRAYERFULLY REMEMBER THE SICK**

- Archun Leong, Loretta Blumenthal, David Thatcher, Melissa Colless, Min Tamsitt Jeff Steven, Rachel Stoveigh, Josephine Cutajar, Tye Angland, Frank Grima, William Grima, Pauline Azzopardi

**The Rich Man and Lazarus**

"But Abraham replied, 'Son, remember that in your lifetime you received your good things, while Lazarus received bad things, but now he is comforted here and you are in agony.'" Luke 16:25 (NIV)

This puzzle is based on Luke 16:19-31 (NIV)



**ACROSS**

1. Having a lot of money or valuable possessions
3. To tell someone of possible danger or harm
7. An opening in a wall or fence for entrance or exit
9. The fleshy part in the mouth that is used in tasting
10. A clear, colorless, odorless, and tasteless liquid essential for most plant and animal life

**DOWN**

2. To soothe someone in a time of pain or suffering
4. To change your behavior because you are sorry for what you have done
5. A poor person who lives by asking others for money or food
6. Extreme physical or mental pain or suffering
8. Stopped living

warn	died	comfort	water	gate
agony	rich	tongue	beggar	repent

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**SATURDAY NOVEMBER 2 ALL SOULS' DAY...**

*The Church has always encouraged us to pray for the dead & has dedicated November as the month to remember all who have passed away. Masses throughout November will be offered for our deceased relatives & friends. November Mass envelopes are available at the church doors.*

**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 29 November 2019, 9.00am at St Monica's.  
Or by arrangement with the priests.

**Baptism**

By appointment only.  
St Monica's: 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays at 11.00am.  
St Gregory's: 1<sup>st</sup> 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 8 October 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: Wednesday 7-8pm  
*NEW MEMBERS WELCOME*  
**Children's Liturgy**  
St Monica's: Saturday 6.00pm  
Sunday 9.30am  
**Body of Christ Prayer Group**  
Wednesday 7-8.30pm  
pray for vocations. All welcome  
1 Hughes Ave, Hobartville.  
**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**  
St Monica's: Wednesday after 9.00am Mass to pray for vocations.

**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 HYPAR Mass.

**HYPAR Holy Hour**

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