

NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER  
28 June 2020  
13th Sunday in Ordinary

Time  
Year A  
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St Monica's

**Readers**

6.00pm—  
7.30am—  
9.30am—  
5.30pm—

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**

6.00pm—  
7.30am—  
9.30am—  
5.30pm—

**Acolytes / Senior Server**

6.00pm—  
7.30am—  
9.30am—  
5.30pm—

**Junior Ministers**

6.00pm—  
7.30am—  
9.30am—  
5.30pm—

**Data Projector**

6.00pm—  
7.30am—  
9.30am—  
5.30pm—

**Children's Liturgy**

6.00pm -  
9.30am -

**Choir**

6.00pm -  
9.30am -  
5.30pm -

**Altar Preparation**

**Cleaners**

**Counters**

21 June— R. Larven L. Clegg R. Gallyot  
M. McMahon  
28 June— C. Barber F. Pausanos J. Pausanos

**WEEKDAY ROSTER**

Monday 22 June 2020

Reader— F. Crew

EMoHC— R. Larven

Wednesday 24 June 2020

Reader— A. Moloney

EMoHC— M. McMahon

Friday 26 June 2020

Reader— D. Bowles

EMoHC— M. Ryan

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St Gregory's

**Saturday**

Reader—

EMoHC—

**Sunday**

**Readers**

8.00am—

**Altar Server**

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**

8.00am—

**Data Projector**

**Altar Preparation**

**Cleaners**

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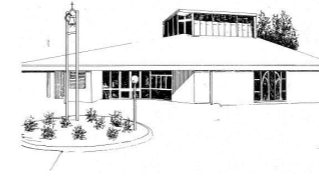
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Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time — Year A 21 June 2020

<b>ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:</b> The Lord is the strength of his people, a saving refuge for the one he has anointed. Save your people, Lord, and bless your heritage, and govern them for ever.	<b>COMMUNION ANTIPHON:</b> I am the Good Shepherd, and I lay down my life for my sheep, says the Lord.
<b>FIRST READING: JEREMIAH 20:10-13</b> He has delivered the soul of the needy from the hands of those who are evil.	<b>REFLECTIONS ON THE READING...</b> Today Jesus is sending the disciples on mission with a rather ominous expectation. "Do not be afraid" implies there is a reason to be fearful. Jesus' vocation is not without peril. We speak of a new evangelization with high hopes. But what if the message is not received? What happens if friends and coworkers ignore the Gospel? Jesus says that will happen. If guaranteed success is our goal, then evangelization is not for us. So, what does a disciple do? Preach anyway. What roadblocks have you encountered in your quest to share the Good News? What did you do?
<b>RESPONSORIAL PS: PSALM 68:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35</b> Lord, in your great love, answer me.	
<b>SECOND READING: ROMANS 5:12-15</b> God's gift to us is nothing like our sin against him.	
<b>GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:</b> Alleluia, alleluia! The Spirit of Truth will bear witness to me, says the Lord, and you will be my witnesses. Alleluia!	
<b>GOSPEL: MATTHEW 10:26-33</b> Do not fear those who can kill the body.	

**Gospel Reflection...**

The Apostolic Sermon continues with encouragement in the face of opposition. *Do not be afraid ... three times. But the Lord is at my side, a mighty hero ... I have committed my cause to him.* (Jeremiah, first reading) One is called first to be a disciple of Jesus; then an apostle for Jesus; and at all times to have courage because of Jesus. Fortitude is one of the four pivotal or cardinal virtues of the moral life. It is one of the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit. Read about fortitude in the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, #1808.

Once it took courage of a sort not to come to church in Ireland. But for many today it takes courage to come ... or to stand up for Christian principles and beliefs ... to swim against the tide of media brainwashing, cynical agnosticism and taunts of being out of date. Fortitude means physical courage to face pain or danger, moral courage to stand up for one's beliefs; and spiritual courage to persevere in times of darkness, dwindling numbers and lack of success.

The goodness that is now *hidden, covered, in the dark, only whispered*, will be proclaimed from the housetops. Stay with the truth, stick to the gospel agenda and, like Jeremiah, commit your cause to the Lord. In today's psalm, somebody who is suffering taunts and jeers finds the courage to trust in God's love and to praise him in advance of being answered.

From Sunday Seeds by Silvester O'Flynn OFM Cap

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**DEAR BROTHERS AND SISTERS,**  
 Due to the easing of restrictions announced most recently by the NSW Government, from 1 June 2020, St. Monica's Church Richmond will be able to accommodate 50 worshippers for Masses and 20 people at St. Gregory's, Kurrajong.

- To attend WEEKDAY masses at St. Monica's, one need not register beforehand. However, you need to fill in your details on the sheet provided at the side entrance (near the office).
- To participate at WEEKEND MASSES, please click on the REGISTRATION FOR MASSES, then click on the date of the Mass that you wish to register for and fill in the details on the Google form, and remember to click the Submit button. Please note, one registration for one individual only. eg. A family of eight fills in eight registration forms.
- To allow as many parishioners to attend, please register for just one weekend Mass not multiple. Decide which Mass you and/or the family will attend and register ONLY for that Mass.
- Note that the parish office will not accept bookings via the phone or email or oral messages anymore. If internet is not accessible, do request a family or friend to help you in this regard. If you know someone who does not have access to the internet please reach out to them and assist them to register.
- To facilitate more participation, extra masses have been organised for the weekends. The duration of masses will be around 30 minutes. This will allow time for sanitising each space before the next group of parishioners enters the Church.
- A register of attendees for contact tracing will be at the entrance. Please sign against your name and provide your contact details. This is a legal requirement.

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- Remember to maintain physical and safe distancing and personal hygiene.
- Enjoy Mass. Remember, Communion in the hand only, not on the tongue.
- Please be mindful and refrain from any kind of socialising outside the church thus allowing car parking spaces for the next mass.
- We ask that parishioners not attend Mass if you are feeling unwell, even if you have reserved your attendance for the Mass.
- Rosters distributed at the beginning of the Church year will resume as from next weekend. For the additional Masses, ministers will be arranged.

St Monica's - Saturday Vigil Mass 5pm & 6pm. Sunday 7.30am, 8.30am, 9.30am, 4.30pm & 5.30pm.  
 St Gregory's Saturday 9am. Sunday 8am, 9am & 10am.

**RECONCILIATION TIMES:** Saturdays at 9.30 am at St. Gregory's and 4.30 pm at St. Monica's, Richmond.  
**Please note** that when a particular Mass has reached its maximum number (50 at St. Monica's and 20 at St. Gregory's) Google Form will not accept more bookings. In that case you may try another mass time or venue.

Once again thank you for your patience and understanding. Keep well and stay safe. Looking forward to seeing you all as we worship together as a parish family.

**Blessings and Prayerful regards**  
 Fr. Clifford and the Parish Team

**Announcements**

**New Planned Giving Envelopes** are available today please pick up from the church foyer.  
**Please note:** Some parishioner's planned giving envelope numbers have changed. Due to the current circumstances your envelopes may be at a different Mass centre. Please notify the parish office and we will send to the appropriate centre.

**A Sincere Thank you** to Dianne Kelleher for her 15 years of dedicaion and service as the Catechist Co-Ordinator to our Primary State Schools. Sylvia Dimech will now take up the role of Co-Ordinator.

**Circle of Friends** will gather to catch up on Monday 6th July following morning Mass in the Parish Meeting Room. All welcome.

**SRE learning from home:** During the school shutdown, CCD designed some faith resources for families to access for their children as they learned from home. These lessons, which are fun and prepared specifically for each age group 5-13, are a good way to encourage children to converse about topics of faith at home. These lessons which affirm that they we are loved by God can be found at <https://www.cress.org.au/learning-from-home-sre-lessons/>. For more information contact [cecilia.zammit@parracatholic.org](mailto:cecilia.zammit@parracatholic.org)

**PARISH DIARY DATES**

- Monday 22 June **Saints John Fisher and Thomas More.**
- Wednesday 24 June **The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist.**
- Monday 6 July **Circle of Friends** will meet following morning Mass in the Parish Meeting Room. All welcome.

**Announcement...**

Bishop Vincent has appointed Rev. Gayan Thamel as Parish Priest of Parish of Richmond from the 4th July 2020. Fr. Gayan is currently the assistant priest at St. Matthew's, Windsor. I am assigned to assist the Cathedral Parish of St. Patrick's, Parramatta until such time that of returning to my Community of priests and brothers of the Congregation of The Missionaries of St. Francis de Sales (MSFS).

Fr. Clifford

**Grant Eternal Rest to the recently deceased**

Stan Jackson  
 Moira Cassidy  
 Colin Dare  
 Carmen Sultana  
 William Yott  
 Max Doyle  
 Isaac Aquilina  
 Loretta Xavier

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

Gino Vassallo, Paul Vassallo,  
 Joseph & Theresa Schembri,  
 Joseph Vella, Cristiano Bagnara,  
 Italo Bagnara, Michael Dwyer,  
 Hidir Resch, Charles Crew,  
 Maria & Domenico Scopelliti,  
 Katerina Spyridakos, Ronald Clark,  
 Alan Moloney, Kim Adams,  
 Ronald, Mary (Josie) Horan

**We welcome the newly Baptised...**

**Cadence Horan**

**...to our Christian family.**

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**  
 To all those celebrating this week

**WE PRAYERFULLY REMEMBER THE SICK**  
 Donna Vella, Peter Rosa,  
 Honorius Escalante,  
 Vera Brglevski, Pat Stanton,  
 Trishy Rankin, Pieter Owen,  
 Genevieve Jereb, Min Tamsitt,  
 Sr Assunta Leong FMM,  
 Katrina Coutis-Cooper,  
 Jeff Steven, Rachel Stoveigh

**He Cares for You**

So don't be afraid; you are more valuable to God than a whole flock of sparrows. Matthew 10:31 (NIV)  
 Based on Matthew 10:24-39

**ACROSS**

- The spiritual part of a person
- The value of something
- To be fearful or anxious about something
- A small copper coin
- Threadlike structures growing on the head of a person

**DOWN**

- A common, small, gray-brown bird
- The physical part of a person
- The part of the body that contains the eyes, nose, mouth, ears, and the brain

HEAD	PENNY	SOUL	WORTH
HAIR	BODY	SPARROW	AFRAID

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**St Monica's Primary School - Enrolling for 2021**  
 A reminder that limited places are still available at St Monica's Primary School for 2021. For more information about joining our caring community, please contact **the school office on 4570 3700** or see our website at [www.stmonicasrichmond.catholic.edu.au](http://www.stmonicasrichmond.catholic.edu.au)

**Saturday Sessions**  
 Join with others as we create community online to share and grow faith, every Saturday from 11am - 12pm with Saturday Sessions, hosted by the Pastoral Planning Office. Listen to the pre-recorded presentation about a topic of faith and then join an online group discussion via Zoom. Visit the Diocese of Parramatta's Facebook page each week for details. Contact Lisa Bright on [lisa.bright@parracatholic.org](mailto:lisa.bright@parracatholic.org) to join the mailing list to receive session information.

**PARISH MASS TIMES During COVID-19 Restrictions as at 1<sup>st</sup> June**

**St Monica's**  
 Saturday: 5pm & 6pm (Must Book Online)  
 Sunday: 7.30am, 8.30am, 9.30am, 4.30pm & 5.30pm (Must Book Online)  
 Mon, Wed, Fri: 9am (No booking needed)

**St Gregory's**  
 Saturday: 9am (Must Book Online)  
 Sunday: 8am, 9am, 10am (Must Book Online)

**St John of God**  
 No Masses at this stage

**SACRAMENTS**

**Reconciliation**  
 St Monica's:  
 Saturday 4.30pm - 5pm.  
 St Gregory's:  
 Saturday after 9.00am Mass.

**Anointing of the Sick**  
 Friday 31 July 2020, 9.00am  
 at St Monica's.  
 or by arrangement with the priests.

**Baptism**  
 By appointment only.  
 St Monica's: 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</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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**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.

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

**Children's Liturgy**  
 St Monica's:  
 Saturday 6.00pm  
 Sunday 9.30am

**Youth Group Social**  
 Meet every 3rd Saturday of the month after 6.00pm HYP A Mass.

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

**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

**2020 at 7pm.**

**Meeting Minutes available on notice boards in church foyers.**