

NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER  
**23 August 2020**  
**21st Sunday in Ordinary**

Time  
 Year A  
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 St Monica's

**Readers**

6.00pm— C. Galea A. Copland  
 7.30am— A. Edwards J. Robinson  
 9.30am— K. Petersen M. Mizzi  
 5.30pm— C. Salkeld P. Buckley

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**

6.00pm— J. McCarter J. Muscat  
 7.30am— A. Burnett H. Robinson  
 9.30am— L. Ryan L. Vella  
 5.30pm— D. D'Mello J. Morley

**Acolytes / Senior Server**

6.00pm— W. Bennett  
 7.30am— A. Moloney  
 9.30am— M. Crew  
 5.30pm— D. Murphy

**Junior Ministers**

6.00pm—  
 7.30am—  
 9.30am— A. Portelli A. Portelli  
 5.30pm— P. Murphy A. Kuriakose

**Data Projector**

6.00pm— M. Breden  
 7.30am— M. McMahan  
 9.30am— M. Saliba  
 5.30pm— A. Papallo

**Children's Liturgy**

6.00pm -  
 9.30am -

**Choir**

6.00pm -  
 9.30am -  
 5.30pm -

**Altar Preparation** C. Murphy R. Azzopardi

**Cleaners** K. Murphy M. Bingley

**Counters**

16 Aug— F. Crew T. Misdom M. Want  
 23 Aug— M. Ryan M. Hoffman D. Bowles

**WEEKDAY ROSTER**

**Monday 17 August 2020**

Reader— M. Breden

**EMoHC—**

**Wednesday 19 August 2020**

Reader— M. McMahan

**EMoHC— A. Moloney**

**Friday 21 August 2020**

Reader— D. Bowles

**EMoHC— F. Crew**

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St Gregory's

**Saturday 22 August 2020**

Reader— Peter

**EMoHC— Frank**

**Sunday 23 August 2020**

**Readers**

8.00am— M. Mooney A. Drew L. Ducksbury

**Altar Server** J. Wall

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**

8.00am— C. Smiroldo

**Data Projector** S. Buchan

**Altar Preparation**

**Cleaners** K. Hodgson

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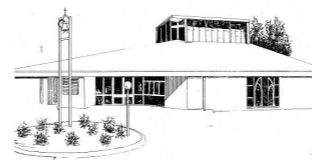
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**Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time — Year A 16 August 2020**

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:**  
 Turn your eyes, O God, our shield; and look on the  
 face of your anointed one; one day within your courts  
 is better than a thousand elsewhere.

**FIRST READING: ISAIAH 56:1, 6-7**  
*I will lead the foreigners to my holy mountain.*

**RESPONSORIAL PS: PSALM 66:2-3, 3-6, 8**  
**O God, let all the nations praise you!**

**SECOND READING: ROMANS 11:13-15, 29-32**  
*The gifts and call of God are irrevocable.*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**  
**Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus preached the Good News of the  
 kingdom, and healed all who were sick. Alleluia!**

**GOSPEL: MATTHEW 15:21-28**  
*Woman, you have great faith.*

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:**  
**I am the living bread that came down from heaven, says  
 the Lord. Whoever eats of this bread will live for ever.**

**REFLECTIONS ON THE READING...**  
 God be good to you in all your days,  
 God be kind to you in all your ways.  
 God give strength to you when crosses lean,  
 God send light to you, the clouds between.  
 God give peace to you in times of strife,  
 God bless everything that fills your life.  
 God send joy to you when grief is o'er,  
 God make way for you at Heaven's door.  
 (Brian O'Higgins).

**Gospel Reflection ...**

*She was a woman of great faith. She showed qualities of love, persistence and humility. Love for her tormented daughter overcame every opposition, obstacle and legal nicety. Her prayer was humble and uncomplicated, matching her need to God's pity. Her humility knew that one scrap from the masters table would be enough.*

*Another quality of great faith is a sense of humour. She turns a potentially racist insult into quick-witted repartee. One must be serious about God but not too serious with God. We need a sense of humour to cope with the contradictions of life, to hope against the odds and to persevere in spite of our imperfections.*

From Sunday Seeds by Silvester O'Flynn OFM Cap

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The NSW Government announced from July 1, the new rules keeping the state COVID-Safe mean: The number of people allowed inside indoor venues will be determined by the 'one person per 4 square metre rule, with no upper limit. Due to the one person per 4 square metre rule there will be no change at **St Gregory's** (20 people only) and Mass times are as follows at

**St Gregory's: Saturday 9am. Sunday 8am & 9am.**

From Friday 24th July, St Monica's Richmond are under strict guidelines set out by the NSW Government will be able to welcome 100 people at each mass. Mass times are as follows at **St Monica's: Saturday Vigil 6.00pm.**

**Sunday 7.30am, 9.30am & 5.30pm.** To attend mass at St Monica's Richmond for weekday's no booking is needed.

**To participate at WEEKEND MASSES, online registration will still be required,** this can be done through our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/ParishofRichmondNSW/> or via the parish website <https://parishofrichmond.org.au/>. Please click on the REGISTRATION FOR MASSES link, then click on the date of the Mass that you wish to register for & fill in the details on the Google form, remember to click the Submit button. Please note, one registration for one individual only. eg. A family of eight fills in eight registration forms Once the quota at each mass has been reached Google forms will not accept more bookings. In that case you may try another mass time or venue. 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. Enjoy Mass. Remember, Communion in the hand only, not on the tongue. Let us pray for one another & our world.

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**Welcome:** We welcome Bishop Vincent Long as he celebrates Mass with us and installs Father Gayan as our Parish Priest.

**Congratulations** Fr. Gayan and we pray God's blessing upon you as you are installed as the twenty seventh Parish Priest of the Parish of Richmond. May God's peace and love surround all of us as we journey together in faith.

**Thank you** to those who are caring for the gardens at our Mass centres. There are signs of Spring which lifts our hearts.

**Social distancing** is essential & applies both inside and outside of the Church. Unfortunately, this means that we **cannot gather** in groups outside the Church before or after Mass. Please observe the 1.5metre apart health regulation. When approaching to receive Holy Communion **PLEASE do so in one line. Holy Communion will be distributed on the hand only.**

**Face Masks:** On consideration of the most recent NSW Health advice, the Diocese highly recommends all worshippers at Masses to wear a mask to, during & from Mass. We understand the inconvenience that masks may pose, but the health of our parishioners & the wider community is our highest concern. We thank you for your understanding & for playing your part in keeping our community safe. Priests & readers who cannot wear a mask to conduct their duties at Mass, must observe appropriate social distancing at all times.

**PARISH DIARY DATES**

- *Thursday 20 August Saint Bernard.*
- *Friday 21 August Saint Pius X.*
- *Saturday 22 August The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary.*

**Circle of Friends** meetings are suspended for the time being, stay safe everyone.

**BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL FOR RETIRED PREISTS - FATHER'S DAY APPEAL 2020**

Owing to COVID19 pandemic & its social and financial impact on families, communities and Churches, the Clergy Support Foundation of the Diocese of Parramatta will not be holding its Annual Bishop's Collection for Retired Priests, i.e. the Father's Day appeal, this September. Like many other organisations, the CSF will use its own resources to support the retired priests in this financial year. Donations will always be accepted, however, via our BPOINT portal at [www.parracatholic.org/csf](http://www.parracatholic.org/csf) or electronic funds transfer to BSB 067950 Account No 00001691 Account Name CSF No 1 with Reference your name. IF you would like a tax deductible receipt for your donation, please send email to [csf@parracatholic.org](mailto:csf@parracatholic.org) with your name & address details.

The CSF Committee thanks you for your support of the Clergy Support Foundation over the last 15 years. May God bless you at this difficult time in all our lives.

**RECONCILIATION TIMES:** Saturdays at 9.30am at St. Gregory's and 5.30pm at St. Monica's.

During this time Catholics from the Diocese of Parramatta are dispensed from their Sunday Mass obligation until further notice (Canon 1248 §2 and Catechism 2181.) While most things will look normal, there are some additional measures that have been implemented to keep you, and our community safe.

**Additional Cleaning** - We have implemented additional cleaning measures to ensure a high level of cleaning and sanitizing. We are doing this to ensure the safety of you and our community.

**Social Distancing** - Social distancing is now a big part of all our lives and it is important that we all take this seriously. We are promoting and enforcing social distancing through all areas of the church in line with the government recommendations. Please keep a safe distance between each other. We have provided guidance on the seats and floor for your safety.

**Stop the spread of germs** - Remember to practice good hygiene, sanitize your hands before entering the church and wipe your area with the wipes provided. In addition. We ask that parishioners not attend Mass if you are feeling unwell. 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.

**Grant Eternal Rest to the recently deceased**

- Carmen Grima
- Phyllis Cini
- Christopher Coombes
- Paul Xiberras
- Errol Badenoch
- Peter Rosa
- Beryl Neale
- Maureen Hobbs

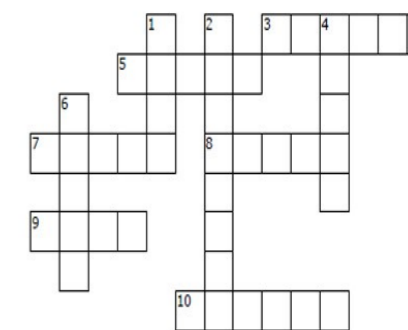
**... and those we remember at this time.**

- Sr. Carmel Martin OSC,
- Annie Collinson, Margaret & John Muscat, Carmelo Grima, Donald Molineux, Grezztu D' Salvina Camilleri, Chris Duncan, Suresh Joshua, Reg Eves, Joseph Baldacchino, Mary Ann & Anthony Xiberras, Phyllis Deguara, Philip Vassallo, Frank Cauchi

**Crumbs from the Table**

Then Jesus answered, "Woman, you have great faith! Your request is granted." Matthew 15:28 (NIV)

Based on Matthew 15:21-28 (NIV)



**ACROSS**

- 3. To experience physical or mental pain
- 5. An adult female human being
- 7. The Son of God
- 8. An very large amount of something
- 9. Unable to be found
- 10. Small pieces of bread or cake

**DOWN**

- 1. Animals with four legs, commonly kept as pets, and sometimes used to guard things
- 2. A female child in relation to her parents
- 4. To have trust or confidence in something or someone
- 6. An evil spirit

JESUS	DAUGHTER	SUFFER	CRUMBS	DEMON
WOMAN	GREAT	FAITH	DOGS	LOST

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**CELEBRATING OUR PATRONAL FEASTS**

Mass will be celebrated in St. Monica's on her feast day, Thursday August 27 at 9am and at St. Gregory's Kurrajong Thursday September 3, which marks St. Gregory's feast day, at 9am. Let us come together pray in thanksgiving for the blessings we have received and ask these great Saints of the Church to continue to watch over us, inspire and guide us. Bookings will be required for Kurrajong.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

To all those celebrating this week



**WE PRAYERFULLY REMEMBER THE SICK**

- Genevieve Jereb, Donna Vella, David Thatcher, 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

**Congratulations to all our children who received the Sacrament of Confirmation in our parish. A special word of thanks to Facilitators, Readers, Servers, Parents & all others who helped in various ways & especially to our Sacramental Co-ordinator Mary Pirovic for preparing the young people for this significant time in their faith journey.**

**Home visits:** Please call the parish office and leave your details if you would like a home visit from Fr Gayan or Fr Thomas.

**PARISH MASS TIMES**

**St Monica's**  
Saturday: 6pm (**Must book online**)  
Sunday: 7.30am, 9.30am, 5.30pm (**Must book online**)  
Mon, Wed, Fri: 9am (**No booking needed**)  
**St Gregory's**  
Saturday: 9.00am (**Must book online**)  
Sunday: 8am & 9am (**Must book online**)  
**St John of God**  
**No masses at this stage**

**SACRAMENTS**

**Reconciliation**  
St Monica's: Saturday 5.30pm - 6pm.  
St Gregory's: Saturday after 9.00am Mass.  
**Anointing of the Sick**  
**Cancelled until further notice** 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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**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**  
**19 August 2020 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.

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

**SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**  
**Circle of Friends**  
Parish Meeting Room:  
1st Monday of the month 9.30am

**HYPRA-R Benediction & Mass**  
Meet every 1st Friday of the month 7 - 8pm. All welcome.

**SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**  
**Youth Group Social**  
Meet every 3rd Saturday of the month after 6.00pm HYPRA Mass.