

NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER
15 November 2020
33rd Sunday in Ordinary
Time
Year A
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St Monica's

Readers
 6.00pm— HYPA-R
 7.30am— A. Dunbar M. McMahon
 9.30am— K. Petersen M. Manea
 5.30pm— C. Salkeld A. Salkeld
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
 6.00pm— V. Muscat
 7.30am— A. Burnett
 9.30am— Z. Culican
 5.30pm— A. Aquilina

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

Junior Ministers
 6.00pm— J. Azzopardi
 7.30am—
 9.30am— W. Attard G. Attard
 5.30pm— A. Kuriakose M. Sultana

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

Children's Liturgy

6.00pm -
 9.30am -

Choir

6.00pm -
 9.30am -
 5.30pm -

Altar Preparation

Cleaners M. Azzopardi

Counters

08 Nov— R. Larven L. Clegg M. McMahon
 15 Nov— C. Barber F. Pausanos J. Pausanos

WEEKDAY ROSTER

Monday 9 November 2020

Reader— M. Breden

EMoHC—

Wednesday 11 November 2020

Reader— M. McMahon

EMoHC— A. Moloney

Friday 13 November 2020

Reader— D. Bowles

EMoHC— F. Crew

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St Gregory's

Saturday 14 November 2020

Reader— Margaret

EMoHC— Jackie

Sunday 15 November 2020

Readers

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

Altar Server F. Kelleher

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

8.00am— M. Ryan

Data Projector A. Drew

Altar Preparation

Cleaners J. Bondfiled

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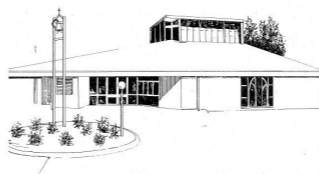
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Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time — Year A 8 November 2020

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Let my prayer come before you, Lord; listen, and answer me.

FIRST READING: WISDOM 6: 12-16

Wisdom is found by those who look for it.

RESPONSORIAL PS: Ps 62:2-8

My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

SECOND READING: 1 THESSALONIANS 4:13-18

Those who died as Christians, God will bring to life with Jesus.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

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

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 25:1-13

Look, the bridegroom comes. Go out to meet him.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

The Lord is my shepherd, there is nothing I shall want. In green pastures he gives me rest, he leads me beside the waters of peace.

REFLECTIONS ON THE READING...

The foolish have no oil in their lamps. They burn themselves out through a life self-seeking and dedication to worldly cares and vanities. They do not even think of the Lord, much less wait for his coming. The wise, on the other hand, have oil in their lamps. They are detached from themselves and from the cares of the world, and are full of charity. They are waiting for the Lord, and desire nothing else but his coming. Let us keep our minds alight with faith, our souls alight with hope, and our hearts alight with love, as we wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Wisdom Connection ...

Many humans are on a lifelong quest for wisdom, and that quest calls for a high level of vigilance or spiritual readiness. As Christians, we believe God personifies true wisdom. In seeking wisdom, therefore, we are seeking God. Through the biblical Book of Wisdom, we come to understand that God's wisdom possesses a radiance, which makes it easy to find. In embracing this wisdom, one gains an inner radiance. When we first read this story, we may have been struck by the bridesmaids' unwillingness to share their oil. This precious oil, however, represents that which keeps faith alive for the believer. One person cannot give this to another. Each individual must cultivate faith within his or her own heart. Matthew knows this task to be difficult at times. The cares of everyday life can create tremendous pressures and burdens. But in seeking God's wisdom, we will be gifted with the interior strength of grace, which will let our light of faith shine. Matthew also reminds us that Christ comes amid history, in the ordinariness of our daily lives, and for this reason we must undertake the spiritual work to stand ready.

From Youth Reflections - Liturgia

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The NSW Government announced from Friday 23rd October, the number of people in a public place of worship must not exceed 300, subject to the 4 square metre square rule. St Monica's (Richmond) maximum capacity is 130 people. St Gregory's (Kurrajong) maximum capacity is 28 people. 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. **St Gregory's: Saturday 9am. Sunday 8am & 9am. 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.

Announcements

November Masses: Throughout November Masses are offered for the repose of the souls of all who have died. An additional Memorial Mass will be held at St. Gregory's on Friday November 27 at 7pm. Bookings essential.

Daily Mass Books 2021
Unfortunately, due to Covid 19 we are unable to provide these booklets for general use. We have in hand copies available for sale at half price \$10 should you wish one for your personal use. Please contact the Parish Office

Repairs to the Leather Cover of the Lectionary at St. Monica's: Do you do leatherwork? Maybe you could help us, please contact the Parish Office for further details.

Seminararian: We warmly welcome Jack Elkazzi to the Parish of Richmond. Jack will be arriving on the 10th November and will be staying in the parish until the 25th December. If you see him around, please make him feel at home.

Men's Group - Saturday 21 November: Men's Group. Mass at St Monica's 9am followed by morning tea. Theme: "Where are all the Men". A call to men of the parish who are seeking to deepen your faith experience, learning & sharing from others. For further information please contact Bob Camilleri 0415 077 768.

PARISH DIARY DATES

- Sunday 22 November **Feast of Christ the King.**
- Sunday 29 November **First Sunday of Advent-Commitment Sunday**

Please note: Congregational singing is not allowed at this time. Only choir members are permitted to sing, please refrain in joining in the singing. Thank you for your patience & understanding.

IT'S HAPPENING!!! 9 DAY PRE LOVED BOOK SALE
When: 21ST-29TH NOVEMBER
Time: 9am til 3pm, each day.
Donations of books, CDs and DVDs can be left at the Old Church between 9am and 1pm Monday to Friday. Helpers are needed to clean and prepare books during the week and on the days of sale.

IMPORTANT-
It is very important that we continue to follow the instructions re Covid 19. Social distancing, signing in at Mass Centres, sanitising our hands and seating area. Heavy fines apply when we don't comply so **PLEASE** continue to make your booking for Sunday Masses at St. Monica's and all Masses at St. Gregory's, 130 attendees at St. Monica's and 28 at St. Gregory's. Mass lists are printed on Friday so please book early. If you need help with this, please ask a friend or contact the Parish Office 4578 1410 for assistance.

Grant Eternal Rest to the recently deceased

John Ebbs
John Calleja
Pius Muscat
Charlie Buttigieg
Maria Ratko
Sr Pauline Mary Babicci OSC
John Hutchinson
Colleen Putland

... and those we remember at this time.

We pray for all our departed Family and Friends.

Names in the Memorial Book placed near the sanctuary.

We welcome the newly Baptised...



Zara Attard

...to our Christian family.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Patrick Murphy
Michelle Saliba

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY


Emmanuel & Josephine Vella

WE PRAYERFULLY REMEMBER THE SICK

Tim Madsen, Chloe McKenzie, Jeanette Farley, Genevieve Jereb, Donna Vella, Honorius Escalante, Vera Brglevski, Pat Stanton, Trishy Rankin, Pieter Owen, Min Tamsitt, Sr Assunta Leong FMM

Give Me Oil In My Lamp

Therefore keep watch, because you do not know the day or the hour. Matthew 25:13 (NIV)
Based on Matthew 25:1-13 (NIV)





ACROSS

5. 12 o'clock at night

6. Not awake

7. A swinging or sliding cover over the place where someone usually enters a room

9. Ceremony in which a man and a woman are married.

10. Someone who does not use good judgment is _____.

DOWN

1. Someone who has good judgment and makes good decisions is _____.

2. Devices used to produce light

3. A feast or meal held in recognition of some person or occasion

4. To observe or look at something

8. A liquid that is often used to make fuel.

MIDNIGHT	LAMPS	WATCH	OIL	FOOLISH
ASLEEP	DOOR	BANQUET	WISE	WEDDING

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Adopt a Garden: Sincere thanks to all parishioners who have helped renew our gardens. As can be seem, **we need four more gardens adopted.** Perhaps a family or two could step up to assist! We are all amateurs! We work together. Just half an hour or hour each week to weed, water and trim. Any assistance is much appreciated. Contact the parish office or Mary McGuinness.

Financial report - A member form the parish finance committee will present the parish financial report on the weekend of 14/15th November at each mass at St Monica's and St Gregory's.

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

<p>PARISH MASS TIMES</p> <p>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)</p> <p>St Gregory's Saturday: 9.00am (Must book online) Sunday: 8am & 9am (Must book online)</p> <p>St John of God No masses at this stage</p>	<p>SACRAMENTS</p> <p>Reconciliation St Monica's: Saturday 5.30pm - 6pm. St Gregory's: Saturday after 9.00am Mass.</p> <p>Anointing of the Sick Mass Cancelled until further notice at St Monica's. Or by arrangement with the priests.</p>	<p>Baptism By appointment only. St Monica's: 2nd & 3rd Sundays at 11.00am. St Gregory's: 1st Sunday at 11:00am Booking & Preparation are essential.</p> <p>Marriage Strictly by appointment. A minimum of 6 months notice is required. All enquiries please email admin@parishofrichmond.org.au</p>	<p>PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 18 November 2020 at 7pm.</p> <p><i>Meeting Minutes available on notice boards in church foyers.</i></p>	<p>REGULAR PARISH ACTIVITIES</p> <p>Rosary St Monica's: 8.40am before weekday Mass.</p> <p>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament St Monica's: Wednesday after 9.00am Mass to pray for vocations.</p>	<p>Circle of Friends Parish Meeting Room: 1st Monday of the month 9.30am</p> <p>SUSPENDEU UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE Body of Christ Prayer Group Wednesday 7-8.30pm pray for vocations. All welcome 1 Hughes Ave, Hobartville.</p>	<p>HYPAR-Benediction & Mass Meet every 1st Friday of the month 7 - 8pm. All welcome.</p> <p>SUSPENDEU UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE Youth Group Social Meet every 3rd Saturday of the month after 6.00pm HYPAR Mass.</p>
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