

**NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER**  
**22 November 2020**  
 Our Lord Jesus Christ,  
 King of the Universe  
 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 A. Salkeld  
**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**  
 6.00pm — J. Muscat  
 7.30am — H. Robinson  
 9.30am — L. Ryan  
 5.30pm — D. D'Mello

**Acolytes / Senior Server**  
 6.00pm— D. Murphy  
 7.30am — A. Moloney  
 9.30am — M. Crew  
 5.30pm — A. Freitas

**Junior Ministers**  
 6.00pm— P. Murphy  
 7.30am —  
 9.30am — A. Portelli A. Portelli  
 5.30pm — A. Kuriakose  
**Data Projector**  
 6.00pm— M. Breden  
 7.30am — M. McMahon  
 9.30am — M. Saliba  
 5.30pm— A. Papallo

**Children's Liturgy**  
 6.00pm -  
 9.30am -  
**Altar Preparation** C. Murphy  
 R. Azzopardi  
**Cleaners** K. Murphy M. Bingley  
**Counters**  
 15 Nov— C. Barber F. Pausanos J. Pausanos  
 22 Nov— B. Riley B. Riley M. Stone

**WEEKDAY ROSTER**  
**Monday 16 November 2020**  
**Reader** — F. Crew  
**EMoHC**— R. Larven  
**Wednesday 18 November 2020**  
**Reader** — A. Moloney  
**EMoHC**— M. McMahon  
**Friday 20 November**  
**Reader** — D. Bowles  
**EMoHC**— M. Ryan

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**St Gregory's**  
**Saturday 21 November 2020**  
**Reader**— Frank  
**EMoHC**— Margaret  
**Sunday 22 November 2020**  
**Readers**  
 8.00am — M. Mooney A. Drew L. Ducksbury  
**Altar Server** J. Wall  
**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**  
 8.00am — P. Waterford  
**Data Projector** S. Buchan  
**Altar Preparation**  
**Cleaners** K. Hodgson

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# The Parish of Richmond

**Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time — Year A 15 November 2020**

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:**  
 The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction. You will call upon me, and I will answer you, and I will lead back your captives from every place.

**FIRST READING: PROVERBS 31:10-13. 19-20. 30-31**  
*Give her a share in what she has worked for.*

**RESPONSORIAL PS: Ps 127:1-5**  
**Happy are those who fear the Lord.**

**SECOND READING: 1 THESSALONIANS 5:1-6**  
*The day of the Lord is going to come like a thief in the night.*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**  
**Alleluia, alleluia! Live in me and let me live in you, says the Lord; my branches bear much fruit. Alleluia!**

**GOSPEL: MATTHEW 25:14-30**  
*Because you have been faithful over a few things, enter into the joy of the Lord.*

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:**  
**Amen, I say to you, whatever you ask in prayer, believe that you will receive, and it shall be given to you, says the Lord.**

**REFLECTIONS ON THE READING...**  
 Rest in the love of your God.  
 When you are at rest, consider the gifts & talents that God has given to you. Name them & as you name each of them consider how you could creatively use it in your life. Let your imagination run free. It doesn't matter how grandiose the images may be so long as what you imagine is loving - towards God, other people & yourself. Rest in the love of God.

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**Gospel Reflection ...**

This Sunday's Gospel tells the story of a wealthy man who, before setting out on a journey, entrusts his wealth to three servants. He gives five talents to the first servant, two talents to the second, and one talent to the third. A talent, by the way, was both a sum of money and a measure of money. Scripture scholars tell us that a talent was equivalent to the wage a day laborer would have earned in fifteen years. We find out from the story that the first two servants take the money entrusted to them and double it through hard work, but the last servant takes the money and buries it in the ground. Hiding money or valuables in the earth is typical in Jesus's day. Fear, rather than gratitude, may have motivated the third servant to bury the money entrusted to him; perhaps this servant knows that the wealthy man, at a future date, will ask him to make an account of the money. That is exactly what happens: "After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them" (25:19). This verse suggests that the master was more concerned with how the servants had lived their lives than how they had spent or invested their money, which prefigures the Last Judgment, when Jesus returns to judge his followers on the totality of their actions.

When the master comes to the first servant, to whom he had given five talents, the servant produces five additional talents; the servant to whom he had given two talents produces two more. The master praises them, saying, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master" (25:23). The joy of the master refers to sharing in his material wealth or abundance. Similarly, the joy of our Master, Jesus Christ, refers to sharing in his spiritual wealth, that is, the Kingdom of heaven. When the master comes to the third servant, to whom he had given one talent, the servant tries to justify why he buried the talent, which had everything to do with his fear of taking a risk. The master then confronts the servant, calling him wicked and lazy. Because this servant did not use the money entrusted to him in a productive way, the master takes it away from him, thereby denying him the opportunity to share in his joy. In fact, he will experience just the opposite. He is thrown "into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth" (25:30). This story is about servants' (disciples') being entrusted with the gift of faith, which is to be shared with others through positive actions, not selfishly hoarded

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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 outlined below. Bookings are required at all St Gregory’s masses. 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 complete one registration for each person attending. 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 & provide your contact details. This is a legal requirement. Enjoy Mass. Remember, Communion in the hand only, not on the tongue. During this time Catholics from the Diocese of Parramatta are dispensed from Sunday Mass obligation until further notice (Canon 1248 §2 & Catechism 2181.) While most things will look normal, there are some additional measures that have been implemented to keep you, & our community safe. Additional Cleaning - We have implemented additional cleaning measures to ensure a high level of cleaning & sanitising.

Announcements

**Thank you** to Ann Moloney for sharing her expertise and knowledge in leading our Ministries’ Training Programme over the past few weeks. We also thank the participants for offering to serve the Parish community. May God bless you all.

**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.

**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.

**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.

**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

- Tuesday 17 November Saint Elizabeth of Hungary.
- Saturday 21 November The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
- Sunday 22 November Feast of Christ the King.
- Sunday 29 November First Sunday of Advent.

**Catechists & Helpers...** We are in urgent need of more people to share the Good News with the many children attending the State Schools in our Parish. **NON teaching helpers** are also very much needed. A recruitment for helpers will be held next weekend 21/22 November, a volunteer will be speaking at each Mass. If you would like more information please contact the Parish Office.


**IT’S HAPPENING!!! 9 DAY PRE LOVED BOOK SALE**  
When: 21<sup>ST</sup>–29<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER  
Time: 9am til 3pm, each day. Helpers are needed to clean and prepare books during the week and on the days of sale.

**Preparing for Christmas:** Following instructions from the Diocese there will be **NO SECOND RITE of RECONCILIATION** this year. From Saturday November 28 Reconciliation at St. Monica’s will be from 5pm-5-45pm throughout Advent. The Sacrament will also be available after weekday 9am Mass, from 30 November. **To avoid large numbers gathering please make this preparation early.** Kurrajong Reconciliation as usual

**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 practise good hygiene, sanitise 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. We ask parishioners to please take the weekly bulletin home with them.

### The Parable of the Talents

But the man who had received the one talent went off, dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. Matthew 25:18  
Based on Matthew 25:14-30 (NIV)



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**Adopt a Garden:** Sincere thanks to all 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 McGuiness.

**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.

**FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING**  
Next Sunday marks the end of the Church’s year and celebrates the Feast of Christ the King.

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

### STEWARDSHIP: Week ending 8/11/20

1st Collection: \$ 817.00 (assists clergy)  
2nd Collection: \$ 1,881.00 (parish costs)

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### 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 place near the sanctuary

**WE PRAYERFULLY REMEMBER THE SICK**  
Yvonne Coutis, Chloe McKenzie, Jeanette Farley, Genevieve Jereb, Donna Vella, Honorius Escalante, Vera Brglevski, Pat Stanton, Trishy Rankin, Pieter Owen, Min Tamsitt, Sr Assunta Leong FMM.

### We welcome the newly Baptised...

Grace Myszka  
Spencer Hawckett  
Marlowe Robinson  
Darla Robinson



### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Emily Pirovic  
Seanna Saliba



PARISH MASS TIMES	SACRAMENTS	Baptism
<b>St Monica’s</b> Saturday: 6.30pm ( <b>Must book online</b> ) Sunday: 7.30am, 9.30am, 5.30pm ( <b>Must book online</b> ) Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 9.00am <b>St Gregory’s</b> Saturday: 9.00am ( <b>Must book online</b> ) Sunday: 8.00am ( <b>Must book online</b> ) <b>St John of God</b> <b>No Masses at this stage</b>	<b>Reconciliation</b> St Monica’s: Saturday 5.30pm - 6pm. St Gregory’s: Saturday after 9.00am Mass.  <b>Anointing of the Sick</b> <b>Cancelled until further notice</b> at St Monica’s. Or by arrangement with the priests.	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. <b>Marriage</b> Strictly by appointment. A minimum of 6 months notice is required. All enquiries please email <a href="mailto:admin@parishofrichmond.org.au">admin@parishofrichmond.org.au</a>

**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**  
**18 November 2020 at 7pm.**  
  
*Meeting Minutes available on notice boards in church foyers.*

REGULAR PARISH ACTIVITIES		
<b>Rosary</b> St Monica’s: 8.40am before weekday Mass.	<b>Circle of Friends</b> Parish Meeting Room: 1st Monday of the month 9.30am	<b>HYPA-R Benediction &amp; Mass</b> Meet every 1st Friday of the month 7-8pm All Welcome
<b>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</b> St Monica’s: Wednesday after 9.00am Mass to pray for vocations.	<b>SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE</b> <b>Body of Christ Prayer Group</b> Wednesday 7-8.30pm pray for vocations. All welcome 1 Hughes Ave, Hobartville.	<b>SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE</b> <b>Youth Group Social</b> Meet every 3rd Saturday of the month after 6.30pm HYPA Mass.