

NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER
6 December 2020
 2nd Sunday of Advent
 Year B
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St Monica's

Readers
 6.00pm— F. Crew M. Breden
 7.30am— A. Dunbar M. Fenech
 9.30am— C. Thompson M. Manea
 5.30pm— J. Morley A. Aquilina
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
 6.00pm— J. Gorman
 7.30am— L. Attard
 9.30am— J. Van Der Burg
 5.30pm— T. Scopelliti

Acolytes / Senior Server

6.00pm— A. Moloney
 7.30am— C. Azzopardi
 9.30am— M. Crew
 5.30pm— D. Murphy

Junior Ministers

6.00pm—
 7.30am— L. Attard
 9.30am— C. S & O. Saliba
 5.30pm— S. Murphy M. Sultana

Data Projector

6.00pm— T. Buckley
 7.30am— C. Thompson
 9.30am— L. Culican
 5.30pm— T. Tomasella

Children's Liturgy

6.00pm -
 9.30am -
Altar Preparation C. Thompson
Cleaners C. Sycz C. Norton
Counters
 29 Nov— F. Crew T. Misdrom M. Want
 06 Dec— M. Ryan D. Bowles

WEEKDAY ROSTER

Monday 30 November 2020

Reader— M. Breden

EMoHC—

Wednesday 2 December 2020

Reader— M. McMahon

EMoHC— A. Moloney

Friday 4 December 2020

Reader— D. Bowles

EMoHC— F. Crew

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St Gregory's

Saturday 5 December 2020

Reader— Jackie

EMoHC— Cathy

Sunday 6 December 2020

Readers

8.00am— M. Ryan T. Misdrom S. Lundy

Altar Server D. Ryan

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

8.00am— C. Smioldo

Data Projector M. Beggs

Altar Preparation P. McCallum

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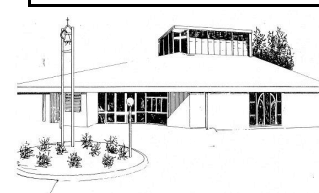
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First Sunday of Advent — Year B 29 November 2020

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

To you, I lift up my soul, O my God. In you, I have trust-
 ed; let me not be put to shame. Nor let my
 enemies exult over me; and let none who hope in you
 be put to shame.

FIRST READING: ISAIAH 63:16-17; 64:1, 3-8

*Oh, that you would tear the heavens apart and come
 down.*

RESPONSORIAL PS: PSALM 79:2-3, 15-16, 18-19

**Lord, make us turn to you, let us see your face and we
 shall be saved.**

SECOND READING: 1 CORINTHIANS 1:3-9

The revelation we looked for, Christ Jesus our Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

**Alleluia, alleluia! Lord, show us your mercy and love,
 and grant us your salvation. Alleluia!**

GOSPEL: MARK 13:33-37

Stay awake! You never know when the Lord will come.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

**The Lord will bestow his bounty, and our earth shall
 yield its increase.**

Presider: May the circle of green
 leaves which has no beginning and no end,
 be a sign of God's everlasting love for us.

All: Come Lord Jesus.

Presider: As we kindle the flames on these candles each
 week, may a spirit of love be kindled in our hearts, so that
 we will be ready to welcome Christ this Christmas.

All: Come Lord Jesus.

Presider: May his coming bring true peace on earth and
 herald the dawn of a new day.

All: Come Lord Jesus.



Christmas Mass times:

ST. GREGORY'S KURRAJONG

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL SEE PARISH WEBSITE OR FACEBOOK LIMIT OF 30 PER MASS.

CHRISTMAS EVE Thursday December 24 6pm and 8pm

CHRISTMAS DAY Friday December 25 8am and 9am

NO MASS December 26

ST. MONICA'S RICHMOND

BOOKINGS FOR ALL MASSES ARE ESSENTIAL AND OPEN NOW. NUMBERS WILL BE CLOSELY MONITORED.

Please book early to avoid disappointment.

CHRISTMAS EVE Thursday December 24 6pm and 8pm

Midnight

CHRISTMAS DAY Friday December 25 7.30am and 9.30am

NO EVENING MASS

Mass at St. Monica's will be celebrated in the Church and livestreamed to the School with Holy Communion
 distributed at both points. The 6pm Vigil and 9.30am Christmas will be available online.

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Parish of Richmond

Announcements

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.

Thank you: To all who have committed themselves to serve the Parish throughout 2021. **May the Lord bless you** for your dedication and service.

Please note: Bookings for ALL Christmas Masses are essential as numbers are limited due to COVID. Bookings are now open, numbers are limited in accordance with the NSW COVID restrictions. To avoid disappointment please book prior to 22 December. Please contact the office if you require any assistance.

Christmas Rosters: Are you going to be here for Christmas? We are in need of many helpers. Extra Ushers, welcomers, collectors as well as the Ministries are needed at both Mass Centres. Roster sheets are out today please add your name and phone number and jobs will be allocated for the Mass you select. Thank you in anticipation.

Pre-loved Book Sale ends TODAY Sunday 29 November. 9am-3pm in the Old Church. Come & stock up for the Christmas holidays. Something for all ages and interests. Thank you to all who donated Books. A big THANK YOU to those who prepared the Old Church, cleaned & priced items and were present for the sales \$7700.00 (to date) over the past days.

Piety Stall: God’s Word 2021 Daily Reflection available now in the Piety Stall and at St Gregory’s. Ideal Christmas gift. Price \$15.00. 2021 Calendars have arrived. \$10.00 each. Christmas cards are also available \$7.00 each.

PARISH DIARY DATES

- Monday 30 November Saint Andrew.
- Thursday 3 December Saint Francis Xavier.

Thank you to all who attended last Saturday Moring tea & Men’s Group Function. Bob Camilleri will be in contact soon or you can contact him on 0415 077 768.

Preparing for Christmas ...

Following instructions from the Diocese there will be **NO SECOND RITE of RECONCILIATION** this year.

From Saturday November28 Reconciliation at St. Monica’s will be from 5pm-5-45pm throughout Advent. The Sacrament will also be available after weekday Morning Mass, **to avoid large numbers gathering please make this preparation early.** Kurrajong Reconciliation as usual following Saturday morning Mass.

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

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.

Ready for His Return

"Be on guard! Be alert! You do not know when that time will come." Mark 13:33 (NIV)

Based on Mark 13:32-37 (NIV)



What time is it?

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DAY	TIME	SLEEPING	SERVANTS	KNOW

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1st Collection: \$ 707.00 (assists clergy)
2nd Collection: \$ 2,698.50 (parish costs)

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Grant Eternal Rest to the recently deceased

Alice Barros
Frank Impiombato
John Ebbs
John Calleja
Pius Muscat
Charlie Buttigieg
Maria Ratko
Sr Pauline Mary Babicci osc

... 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

Kurt Binggeli, 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...



...to our Christian family.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

To all those celebrating this week



Catholic Foundation Appeal will be held Weekend 12/13 December. Thank you for your support.

SAVE THE DATE... St Paul Feast is on Saturday, 16 January 2021 at St Monica’s Catholic Church, Richmond. Due to COVID-19 we will only be celebrating by mass at 6pm. There will be no festivities after mass. If you would like to attend the mass, bookings will be available in early January 2021 via the parish website or Facebook. Please note that bookings for mass will be strictly monitored. We hope to see you then.

St Vinnies Appeal: Mindful of those who may be without this Christmas you’re invited to place non-perishable food items under our Giving Tree in the Church. **Thank you for your help.**

Next Friday, 4 December 2020 you are all welcome to join in for Holy Hour Benediction and Mass [from 7pm](#) til [8pm](#) at St Monica’s. This occurs every first Friday of every month. All welcome, hope to see you there.

PARISH MASS TIMES St Monica’s Saturday: 6.00pm (Must book online) Sunday: 7.30am, 9.30am, 5.30pm (Must book online) Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 9.00am St Gregory’s Saturday: 9.00am (Must book online) Sunday: 8.00am (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 nd & 3 rd Sundays at 11.00am. St Gregory’s: 1 st Sunday at 11:00am Booking & Preparation are essential. Marriage Strictly by appointment. A minimum of 6 months notice is required. All enquiries please email admin@parishofrichmond.org.au	PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 9 December 2020 at 7pm. Meeting Minutes available on notice boards in church foyers.
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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.

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

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

HYPA-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
6.30pm HYPA Mass.