NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER

11 April 2021

2nd Sunday of Easter

Year B

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St Monica's

Readers

6.00pm— M. McMahon C. Hession
7.30am – A. Edwards P. Azzopardi
9.30am – A. Brailey F. Yates
5.30pm – T. Scopelliti A. Aquilina

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

6.00pm – P. Hession
7.30am – M. Turnbull
9.30am – H. Convey
5.30pm – J. Morley

Acolytes/Senior Server

6.00pm— A. Moloney
7.30am – C. Thompson
9.30am – D. Murphy
5.30pm – P. Delahay

Junior Ministers

6.00pm—
7.30am – J. Azzopardi
9.30am – S. Murphy M. Hoffman
5.30pm – A. Kuriakose

Data Projector

6.00pm— M. Breaden
7.30am – M. McMahon
9.30am – M. Saliba
5.30pm— A. Papallo

Children's Liturgy

6.00pm -
9.30am -

Altar Preparation

Cleaners A. Campbell

Counters

04 Apr— C. Barber F. Pausanos
11 Apr— V. Muscat F. Muscat R. Camilleri

WEEKDAY ROSTER

Monday 5 April 2021
Reader – M. Breaden
EMoHC— A. Moloney
Wednesday 7 April 2021
Reader – A. Aquilina
EMoHC – A. Moloney
Friday 9 April 2021
Reader – D. Bowles
EMoHC – M. Ryan

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St Gregory's

Saturday 10 April 2021
Reader— M. Ryan
EMoHC— J. Wall
Sunday 11 April 2021

Readers

8.00am – B. Wall M. Ryan P. Hurst

Acolyte/Senior Server F. Kelleher

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

8.00am – P. Waterford

Data Projector Gillies

Altar Preparation

Cleaners D. Grima

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Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord — Year B 4 April 2021

Entrance Antiphon:
I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia. You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia. Too wonderful for me, this knowledge, alleluia, alleluia.

First Reading: Acts 10:34. 37-43
We have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 117:1-2. 16-17. 22-23
This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

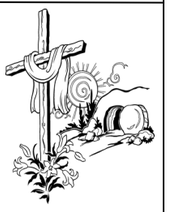
Second Reading: Colossians 3:1-4
Look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is. Throw away the old yeast, that you may be new dough.

Gospel Acclamation:
Alleluia, alleluia! Christ has become our paschal sacrifice; let us feast with joy in the Lord.

Gospel: John 20:1-9
The teaching of scripture is that he must rise from the dead.

Communion Antiphon:
Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, alleluia; therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread of purity and truth, alleluia, alleluia.

Reflections on the Reading:



As long as the sun comes over the hills, scatters the darkness, and fills the world with light; as long as the fields get green again, and the primroses and violets return; as long as the trees fill up again with leaves, there is hope for us and for the world. So come, let us follow the footsteps of spring, for the snow has melted, and life is awakening from its sleep and wanders through the hills and valleys. Come, let us ascend the heights and gaze upon the waving greenness of the plains below. O come, let us rejoice on this Easter Day, for death has folded up his tent and gone away.

Alleluia! Christ is Risen…

The reason for the joy of Easter is that Christ is risen - the women who came to the tomb found their joy in this resurrection. They found joy also in a beautiful down in the garden, or in their friendships but the joy of Easter is a joy of faith, which nothing needs to take away. This is why the title of the Pope's message 'The Joy of the Gospel'. He says that a Christian must never look like someone who has just come back from a funeral! The tone of Easter is joy in the refrain - we are an Easter people, and Alleluia is our song.

The joy of the resurrection is a joy in giving the life we have got from God: "Life grows by being given away, and it weakens in isolation and comfort. Indeed, those who enjoy life most are those who leave security on the shore and become excited by the mission of communicating life to others" (Pope Francis). The Alleluia is for singing, not for humming; it is to be heard from the voice of the heart and lift the hearts of those we meet, live among, live with and pray for. We often see great joy in the middle of huge poverty: often the poor can live for the present moment and enjoy it to the full. This doesn't mean all life is content and happy if we are poor, but a door opens in our need for the risen Christ to enter our lives and reach others though our lives. Let's not be like Christians' whose lives seem like Lent without Easter.' (Pope Francis). Having lived through the joyful season of Lent, our hearts are wholly lifted now in joy received and joy given.

On behalf of the clergy and the parish team, wishing you a Blessed Easter.

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Happy Easter from all at Caritas Australia!

Thank you for supporting us this year as we demonstrate how love and compassion for our global community can transform lives. You have responded to St. Oscar Romero's invitation to "Be More," putting your compassion into action to support some of the world's most vulnerable communities. By aspiring to be more, you have helped change lives.

Thank you for supporting Caritas Australia's Project Compassion 2021 Lenten appeal.

www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion #projectcompassion 1800 024 413

'We are Easter People and our song is Alleluia'
May the Blessings of Easter be yours!

Anointing of the Sick will resume on Friday 9 April during 9am Mass and will continue on the second Friday of each month.

STEWARDSHIP: Week ending 28/03/21

1st Collection: $ 825.00 (assists clergy)
2nd Collection: $2241.50 (parish costs)

Please note that you can make donations in the collection boxes found at the entrances of the church.

Credit Card Giving: Please contact the Parish Office if you would like to setup monthly giving via credit card.

Online Donations are accepted through our parish website at parishofrichmond.org.au. The red "Donate Now" button at the top opens a new window, in the drop down box make your selection then complete all details. Debit or credit card may be used and there are no fees incurred.

Announcements

Please note: We ask that you do not park in the roundabout at St Monica's. It is essential that this area be kept clear for emergency vehicles if needed.

Thank you to all who helped prepare and participated in our Easter Liturgies.

Collections: Collection boxes are located at the doors of the church, you can also donate at the tap & go machine located in St Monica's foyer. We are grateful for your financial support of the Parish. Unfortunately, foreign coins and notes are of no benefit to us. The surcharges on foreign currency negates the value of the donation.

Food Drive for flood victims: Today we are asking for your love and care in reaching out to assist people left devastated by recent floods. We ask that you may give one item of new clothing, for either a man, woman, or child, also, a, non-perishable item of food. not just baked beans but some good food. Baskets will be available in the foyer for your donations.

Project Compassion Boxes Please return your Project Compassion Boxes.

Parish Diary Dates

- *Sunday 25 April* **ANZAC Day.**

***A reminder** for the Senior Servers to save the date on the Saturday the 17th of April for training on how to conduct a Communion Service and Liturgy of the Word. It will begin at 9:30am with morning tea followed by the training session at 10. Please ensure you notify either Martin Crew or the Parish Office to confirm your attendance.*

Faith Conversations: In the coming year we would like to offer parishioners ongoing opportunities for faith conversations & faith formation. We have planned these for every second Wednesday of the month. To help us better plan for this program of parish faith building & sharing, we would like to invite you to complete the Expression of Interest form using the link.
https://tinyurl.com/rmfaith
Reponses need to be submitted by Friday 2 April 2021.

The Case of the Empty Tomb

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the entrance.
John 20:1 (NIV)

Based on John 20:1-18 (NIV)

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RISE	REMOVED	TOMB	FOLDED	MARY
BELIEVED	LINEN	DAY	DARK	CLOTH

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Fr Mick O'Callaghan
Christine Sveyda

... and those we remember at this time.

Maria & Domenico Scopelliti, Peter Gatt, Ron & Josie (Mary) Horan, Loretta Xavier, Frank Cauchi, Joseph Baldacchino, Anthony & MaryAnn Xiberras, Ivy Sharpless, Harry Sanson, Joseph Saliba, Felix & Mary Aquilina

We Prayerfully Remember the Sick

Susan (Payne) Mace, Celia Morrison, Tim Madsen, Pat Crew, Garth and Nancy Doyle, Yvonne Coutis, Chloe McKenzie, Jeanette Farley, Genevieve Jereb, Donna Vella, Honorius Escalante, Vera Brglevski, Diana Hurley, Betty McKay, Leo Barbagallo

We welcome the newly Baptised...

...to our Christian family.

Happy Birthday

Ciara Murphy

Vacant Position: General Manager, Benedict XVI Retreat Centre, Grose Vale
This role is a permanent position operating in a full-time capacity.
To apply for this position go to https://catholicjobsonline.com.au/job/general-manager-grose-vale-nsw/
Application for this position closes on **Tuesday 6 April 2021.**

Vacant Positions: Guest Services Night Officers Casual & Part Time, Benedict XVI Retreat Centre
Opportunity is available for a suitably qualified and experienced Guest Services.
Two night positions available at Benedict XVI Retreat Centre, Grose Vale - 1 x Casual & 1 x Part-time.
Details available at
Part time - https://catholicjobsonline.com.au/job/guest-services-night-officer-part-time-grose-vale-nsw/
Casual - https://catholicjobsonline.com.au/job/guest-services-night-officer-casual-grose-vale-nsw/
Application for this position closes on **Tuesday 6 April 2021.**

SAVE THE DATE - On Monday the 19th April we will be having training for new & current Junior Servers at the Altar. This is a very special Ministry & we are certainly in need of new Juniors to join those already serving so wonderfully. If you or anyone you know would like to become a part of the team of Juniors either at St Monica's or St Gregory's please come along. Also if you're already serving please make the effort to get there so we can refresh what we've already learned. Theory & practical training will be in the meeting room and church at St Monica's from 4pm & will conclude by 6pm.
Please contact either Martin Crew on: 0414 515 858, martin@parishofrichmond.org.au or the Parish Office on: 4578 1410.

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: 9am **(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 - 5.50pm.
St Gregory's:
Saturday after 9.00am Mass.

Anointing of the Sick Mass
Friday 9 April 2021, 9am at St Monica's or by arrangement with the priests.

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.
Marriage
Strictly by appointment. A minimum of 6 months notice is required.
All enquiries please email admin@parishofrichmond.org.au

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
21 April 2021 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.

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.