

NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER  
**12 September 2021**  
 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
 Year B  
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Rescheduled Roster due to  
 COVID restrictions

St Monica's

**WEEKDAY ROSTER**

**Monday 6 September 2021**

Reader – S. Duff  
 Universal Prayers– C & C. Sultana  
 Altar Prep– F. Crew

**Wednesday 8 September 2021**

Reader – A. Moloney  
 Universal Prayers– T. Tomasella  
 Altar Prep– M. McMahon

**Friday 10 September 2021**

Reader – M. Ryan  
 Universal Prayers–C. Saliba  
 Altar Prep– A. Moloney

**WEEKEND ROSTER**

**Saturday 11 September 2021**

Reader – T. Scopelliti P. Azzopardi  
 Universal Prayers–E. Leddy  
 Senior Server– C. Thompson  
 Junior Server– J. Azzopardi  
 Altar Prep–

**Sunday 12 September 2021**

Reader – M. McMahon C. Hey  
 Senior Server– D. Murphy  
 Altar Prep– F. Crew

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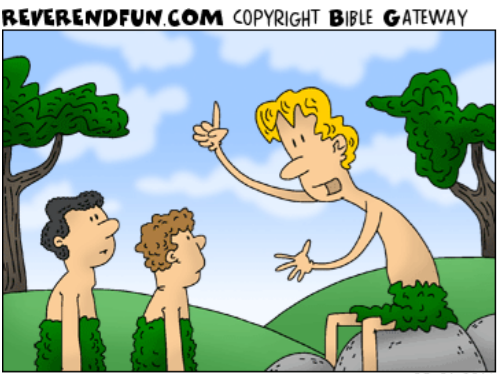
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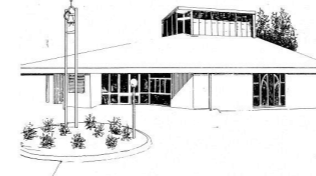
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**23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year B 5 September 2021**

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:**  
 You are just, O Lord, and your judgement is right;  
 treat your servant in accord with your merciful love.

**FIRST READING: ISAIAH 35:4-7**  
*Then the ears of the deaf shall be opened and the tongues of the dumb speak.*

**RESPONSORIAL PS: PSALM 145:7-10**  
 Praise the Lord, my soul!

**SECOND READING: JAMES 2 :1-5**  
*Has not God chosen the poor of the world to inherit the kingdom?*

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

**GOSPEL: MARK 7:31-37**  
*He makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak.*

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:**  
 Like the deer that yearns for running streams, so my soul is yearning for you, my God; my soul is thirsting for God, the living God.

**REFLECTIONS ON THE READING...**  
 The gift of hearing is a precious gift. But it is only with the heart that we can hear rightly. The cry of a needy person may reach our ears, but unless it reaches our heart we will not feel the person's pain, and it is unlikely that we will respond. And the gift of speech is a precious gift. But again it is only with the heart that we can speak rightly. For our words to ring true, they must come from the heart. If they come only from the lips, they will have a hollow sound and will have little effect. They will be like a wind that ruffles the surface of the water but leaves the depths untouched. But words that come from the heart, enter the heart.



By Flor McCarthy SDB

**HAPPY FATHER'S DAY ...**

*In this year dedicated to St Joseph we ask his guidance and protection for all Fathers.*

*Heavenly Father,  
 you entrusted your Son Jesus,  
 the child of Mary,  
 to the care of Joseph, an earthly father.*

*Bless all fathers as they care for their families.  
 give them strength and wisdom,  
 tenderness and patience;  
 support them in the work they have to do,  
 protecting those who look to them,  
 as we look to you for love and salvation,  
 through Jesus Christ our rock and defender. Amen.*



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*St Joseph protect and guide our Father as we thank him on this Father's Day for his love and care especially during this time of pandemic.*

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**Safeguarding Mandatory Training.** The Diocese requires that ALL members of ministries complete Safeguarding modules, online or via zoom. The Safeguarding Office has scheduled a series of dates for zoom training of the Mandatory Modules. The Zoom dates for Modules 1-3 are listed below:

- Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> September – Module 1: Introduction to Safeguarding - 9.30am to 10.30am
- Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> September – Module 2: Understanding Child Abuse & Reportable Conduct - 9.30am to 11.00am
- Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> October – Module 3: Safeguarding Adults at Risk - 9.30am to 11.00am

Once restrictions ease there will also be opportunities for face-to-face training. If you require any further information, please email Martin Crew - martin@parishofrichmond.org.au

Requests to join the zoom sessions can be emailed to: [safeguardingtraining@parracatholic.org](mailto:safeguardingtraining@parracatholic.org)

**\*\*\*NOW AVAILABLE - Enrolment Forms for SACRAMENT OF PENANCE/RECONCILIATION\*\*\***

Downloadable via the Parish website at [www.parishofrichmond.org.au](http://www.parishofrichmond.org.au), under **Sacraments**, or can be directly emailed to you by contacting Irene Galea at [sacraments@parishofrichmond.org.au](mailto:sacraments@parishofrichmond.org.au).

Enrolments close Friday 8<sup>th</sup> October – Please return completed enrolment form and supporting documents via email to: [sacraments@parishofrichmond.org.au](mailto:sacraments@parishofrichmond.org.au)

**Thursday, October 21** Parent night – 7pm start at St Monica’s, Richmond.

**Sunday, October 24** Sacramental Groups begin for a **4 week** period

**Reconciliation Ceremonies at St Monica’s**

**Wednesday, November 24 and Thursday, November 25: 3.30pm (First Rite) & 7.00pm (Second Rite)**

Enquires: Contact Irene Galea at [sacraments@parishofrichmond.org.au](mailto:sacraments@parishofrichmond.org.au)

**Announcements**

**Thank you** to all the frontline workers who day in & day out are dedicated and committed to keeping the community safe. May God bless you all.

**CONTRIBUTION TO THE FIRST and SECOND COLLECTIONS while in lockdown**

**SUPPORTING OUR PRIESTS**

As the lockdown continues you may like to contribute to the support of our Priests by making an EFT deposit, using the details below:

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If you would like to contribute to second collection (to support our parish) please use the “donate now” button on our website. There are 2 drop down selections, for those who contribute via envelope, please use the ‘planned giving’ option, those with one off donations please use ‘other’.

We ‘Thank You’ for your donation which is gratefully received.

**‘The Well’ offers spiritual nourishment during Lockdown.** Need some inspiration and spiritual encouragement during lockdown? Why not check out The Well? The Diocese’s ‘on demand’ streaming site has a tonne of video and prayer resources for you to explore and engage with during this difficult time. Check it out on [www.thewell.org.au](http://www.thewell.org.au)

**PARISH DIARY DATES**

- **Friday 8 September The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary.**

**Livestreamed Masses for the weekend and next week:**

9AM Sat 4/9: Saturday of week 22 in Ordinary Time  
9AM Sun 5/9: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time  
9AM Mon 6/9: Monday of week 23 in Ordinary Time  
9AM Wed 8/9: The Birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
9AM Fri 10/9: Friday of week 23 in Ordinary Time  
9AM Sat 11/9: Saturday of week 23 in Ordinary Time

Parish YouTube link <https://tinyurl.com/richmondparish>

**ARE YOU STRUGGLING DURING LOCKDOWN?**

Please do not feel abandoned or alone as you face any difficulty during this period, we are here to help. Please do not hesitate to contact Fr Gayan or Fr Thomas if you need support 4578 1410, if unanswered leave a message & we’ll contact you. The following Services are available through the Diocese: -

- CATHOLIC CARE SOCIAL SERVICES** Phone: 02 8843 2500  
Email: [enquiries@ccss.org.au](mailto:enquiries@ccss.org.au)
- Disability Services (NDIS)** Phone: (02) 8843 2500
- Family Support Services** Phone: (02) 8843 2530
- Gambling & Financial Counselling** Phone: (02) 8843 2530
- Family Relationship Services** Phone: (02) 8843 2530

**Parish Rosary Group** via Zoom every Thursday evening at 7PM. Zoom Meeting link <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81415963193pwd=MCtRck8xWkdiQnI0NHg5ZHdHWEpQUT09>



**Spiritual Communion Prayer**

*My Jesus,  
I believe that you are present in  
the Most Holy Sacrament.  
I love you above all things and I  
desire to receive you into my soul.  
Since I cannot at this moment  
receive you sacramentally, come  
at least spiritually into my heart.  
I embrace you as if you were  
already there and unite myself  
wholly to you.  
Never permit me to be separated  
from you.  
Amen*

**Grant Eternal Rest to the recently deceased**

Eileen Lutton  
David Caire  
Joseph Somi  
Bryan Mullins  
Mary Colman  
Bert Van de burg  
Kim James  
Penny LeFeuvre  
Judy Williams

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

Joseph Baldacchino,  
Jean Spice, Bill McMahon,  
Domenico & Maria Scopelliti,  
Madelena Bajada, Joseph Vella,  
Sr Mary Carmel Martin OSC,  
Anthony & Mary Ann Xiberras,  
Reg Eves, Katerina Spyridakos,  
Carmel Teuma, Cristiano  
Bagnara, Charles Crew,  
Bob Garrick, Peter Galea

**WE PRAYERFULLY REMEMBER THE SICK**

Helen Payne, Bob Camilleri, Aureen Dunn,  
Kurt Binggeli, Thea Evans, Joan Thatcher, Adrian Portelli,  
Susan (Payne) Mace, Celia Morrison, Garth and Nancy Doyle, Chloe  
McKenzie, Jeanette Farley, Genevieve Jereb, Donna Vella, Honorius  
Escalante, Vera Brglevski, Diana Hurley, Daniela Dwyer,  
John Carney, Garry Borg

**We welcome the newly Baptised...**



*...to our Christian family.*

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

Mary Hannabery (90)



**Get vaccinated for the common good ...**

Vaccination against COVID-19 is a morally good thing, providing protection for the person vaccinated and the wider community. Some COVID-19 vaccines are associated with ethically questionable production and research practices, but Pope Francis and the Australian Bishops have advised that it is morally permissible to receive any vaccine made available. More information is available at <https://www.catholic.org.au/coronavirus>

**\*\*\* FIRST EUCHARIST CEREMONY DATES \*\*\***

**First Eucharist Ceremony dates will be confirmed when the current Covid-19 situation improves. There will be a Limited number of seats available for parishioners, during the weekend masses when these First Eucharist ceremonies will be celebrated, and we kindly ask parishioners for their patience and understanding, in advance.** Please keep the children who are preparing for their Sacrament of First Eucharist & their families in your prayers.

**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 2021, 9am 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.  
All enquiries please email [admin@parishofrichmond.org.au](mailto:admin@parishofrichmond.org.au)

**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**  
**15 September 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.

**Parish Morning Tea**  
after 9.30am Mass every fourth Sunday at St Monica’s & every second month at St Gregory’s after 8am Mass.

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

**Body of Christ Prayer Group** every fourth Wednesday 7-8.30pm pray for vocations. All welcome  
1 Hughes Ave, Hobartville.

**Suspended until further notice HYPAR-Benediction & Mass**  
Meet every 1st Friday of the month 6-7pm All Welcome

**Suspended until further notice Youth Group Social**  
Meet every 1st Friday of the month after 6.30pm HYPAR Mass.