

NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER

24 October 2021

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year B

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St Monica's

Readers

6.00pm – C. Galea C. Hession
 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 – A. Moloney
 7.30am – C. Thompson
 9.30am – M. Crew
 5.30pm – A. Freitas

Junior Ministers

6.00pm – S. Barglik
 7.30am –
 9.30am – A. Portelli A. Portelli
 5.30pm – M. Sultana

Data Projector

6.00pm – M. Breden
 7.30am – M. McMahon
 9.30am – T. Jerome
 5.30pm – A. Papallo

Altar Preparation

Cleaners

Counters
 24 Oct – R. Larven L. Clegg M. McMahon
 31 Oct – C. Barber F. Pausanos

WEEKDAY ROSTER

Monday 18 October 2021

Reader – F. Crew
 Universal Prayers – C & C. Sultan
 Altar Prep – F. Crew

Wednesday 20 October 2021

Reader – A. Aquilina
 Universal Prayers – E & L. Hoffman
 Altar Prep – M. McMahon

Friday 22 October 2021

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

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St Gregory's

Saturday 23 October 2021

Reader – P. Humphrey
 EMOHC – F. Crew
Sunday 24 October 2021

Readers
 8.00am – M. Mooney A. Drew L. Ducksbury
Altar Server D. Ryan
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

8.00am – C. Smirondo
Data Projector S. Buchan

Altar Preparation

Cleaners K. Hodgson

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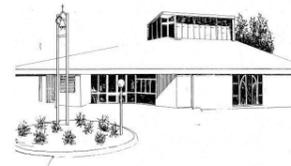
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Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year B 17 October 2021

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

To you I call; for you will surely heed me, O God; turn your ear to me; hear my words. Guard me as the apple of your eye; in the shadow of your wings protect me.

FIRST READING: ISAIAH 53:10-11

If he offers his life in atonement, he shall see his heirs and have long life.

RESPONSORIAL PS: PSALM 32:4-5, 18-20, 22

Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

SECOND READING: HEBREWS 4:14-16

Let us be confident in approaching the throne of grace.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia! The Son of Man came to serve and to give his life as a ransom for all. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: MARK 10:35-45

The Son of Man came to serve and to give his life as ransom for all.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

Behold, the eyes of the Lord are on those who fear him, who hope in his merciful love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine.

REFLECTIONS ON THE READING...

James and John were two opportunists. Their one aim was to rise in the ranks. To achieve their end they did not hesitate to beg. They did not mind how much envy and resentment they aroused in their companions. Their aim was to scramble up the career ladder. But at what price to themselves? If in the course of their rise to the top, people lose themselves, their own souls, whatever they do or achieve will be worthless. Power hardens the human heart. A hard-hearted person is incapable of love. It is by giving that we receive, and it is by serving that we grow in love.

By Flor McCarthy SDB

Re opening of the Church:

Though we can legally open churches from the 11th of October, now that NSW has reached 70% vaccination status, the Bishop of Parramatta Diocese has decided not to open churches for public Masses until the 80% target has been reached.

Currently we are waiting for the guidelines from the NSW Government and the Diocese. Once we receive confirmation, we will inform you ASAP.

Stage 1 means we will again be subject to the following restrictions:

- 1 person per 4 square metres; 130 congregants at St Monica's and 28 at St Gregory's.
- **Online registrations will be required.**
- **No congregational singing.**
- **Masks will still be required to be worn.**
- The Sign of Peace will resume by way of bowing or a nod of the head to each other.

Stage 2 begins on the 1st of December, with the following restrictions:

- The 4 square metre rule will reduce to 2 square metres; 250 congregants at St Monica's and 47 at St Gregory's.
- Congregational singing can resume.
- Masks will not be mandatory but are still highly recommended.

Livestreaming will continue for Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Sunday 9:30am Masses, until the 1st of December at which time we will review the situation. We will continue with the current Lockdown Roster, after which time the previous Covid Rosters will resume. Should you be unable to access online registrations for Masses, please contact the Parish Office. We look forward to welcoming you back and celebrating the Eucharist together.

God bless, Fathers Gayan, Thomas and the Parish Team.

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Parish of Richmond

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

First Eucharist Ceremony dates confirmed for all weekend masses of:

Saturday 20th & Sunday 21st November Saturday 27th & Sunday 28th November

Unfortunately we will need to limit parishioners attending these First Eucharist Ceremonies as follows:

St Monica's Church Richmond – limit of 70 (please register online)

St Gregory's Church Kurrajong – limit of 20 (please register online)

Thank you for your continued patience, support and understanding.

Please continue to keep the children who are preparing for their Sacrament of First Eucharist and their families in your prayers.

Reconciliation – Sacrament of Penance – Year 3+

Thank you to those families who have enrolled their children for the sacrament of Penance/Reconciliation.

As the NSW Government has recently published its pathway out of the pandemic and lockdowns and in line with the Diocese of Parramatta advice and directions, the following changes will be made accordingly.

Thursday, October 21 Parent night – CANCELLED (All information will be emailed to families)

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

FACE TO FACE CLASSES CANCELLED. Instead, the following two options will be offered to families: Parent/Child work from Home program. Zoom Classes – limited available

Monday, November 22 Rehearsal for sacrament of Penance/Reconciliation

4.00pm & 7.00pm at St Monica's Church – only for Candidates

Reconciliation Ceremonies scheduled to go ahead as planned with no vaccination status applicable - Covid Safe Practices will be followed. Wednesday, November 24 and Thursday, November 25:

Reconciliation Ceremonies at St Monica's 3.30pm (First Rite) & 7.00pm (Second Rite)

Enquires: Contact Irene Galea at sacraments@parishofrichmond.org.au

Announcements

TV. MONITORS: Two Monitors are being installed at St Monica's. The resolution of the TV's will give a clearer image to the whole congregation, thus enhancing video clips, reflections on peoples' lives presented at funerals and other occasions. Any donation towards the cost of these items will be gratefully received, please contact the Parish Office.



Today marks the beginning of the Bishops' Synod. Bishop Vincent will celebrate Mass at 10am today, Sunday 17 October which will be livestreamed. The Synod is part of the process linking our Plenary Council and the Synod Pope Francis has called in Rome in 2023 for a Synodal Church.



PARISH DIARY DATES

- Monday 18 October **Saint Luke.**

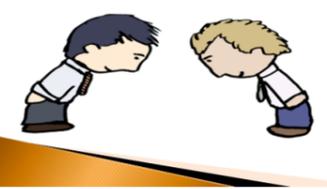
Livestreamed Masses:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Sunday 9.30am Masses will be livestreamed until Wednesday 1st December.

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

Update on reopening of the Churches: At this stage the 80% double dose vaccination target will be achieved earlier than anticipated. Therefore this would mean that our Churches may be able to reopen earlier than expected. Currently we are waiting for the guidelines from the NSW Government and the Diocese. Once we receive confirmation, we will inform you ASAP.

Re-introduction of the Sign of Peace at Mass



BOW YOUR HEAD

NO HANDSHAKE

NO WORDS SPOKEN

Parish Pastoral Council Elections 2021

Due to delays caused by the Pandemic and lockdowns, the 2020 PPC elections did not occur. The decision has therefore been made to offer an alternative way of holding elections for the PPC before 2022, in keeping with the Diocesan and Parish Statutes.

To elect new members, on-line nominations and voting will be done using Google docs. As not all parishioners have access to internet, the necessary paper forms will be distributed, as an alternative.

Timeframe	What to Expect
Weekend 23/24 Oct	Nominations open for 2 weeks.
Sun 7 Nov	Final Day for Nominations via Google Docs Hard copy submitted to office.
Mon 14 Nov	List of Candidates in Bulletin. Preferential Voting forms distributed.
Weekend 20/21 Nov	Voting at all Masses
Mon 22 Nov	Votes Counted
Weekend 27/28 Nov	New Councilors Announced

Grant Eternal Rest to the recently deceased

- Aureen Dunn
- Eileen Lutton
- David Caire
- Joseph Somi
- Bryan Mullins
- Mary Colman
- Bert Van de burg
- Kim James
- Penny LeFeuvre

... and those we remember at this time.

- Pius Muscat,
- Jean Spice, Josephine Cauchi,
- Florence Crew, 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

WE PRAYERFULLY REMEMBER THE SICK

- Helen Payne, Bob Camilleri, Kurt Binggeli, Thea Evans,
- Joan Thatcher, 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

To all those celebrating this week



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 9 November – Module 1: Introduction to Safeguarding - 9.30am and 2pm.
- Tuesday 16 November – Module 2: Understanding Child Abuse & Reportable Conduct - 9.30am and 2pm.
- Tuesday 23 November – Module 3: Safeguarding Adults at Risk - 9.30am and 2pm.

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

November Masses ...
November is the time when the Church remembers and prays for those who have died. Should you wish to have your loved ones included in the Masses throughout November you can submit names by email admin@parishofrichmond.org.au or you can leave names at the Parish Office. Envelopes are available at the Church doors. Please print names clearly.

PARISH MASS TIMES
St Monica's (Please book online)
Saturday: 6.00pm
Sunday: 7.30am, 9.30am, 5.30pm
Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 9.00am
St Gregory's (Please book online)
Saturday: 9am
Sunday: 8am & 9am
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: 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 20 October 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.

HYPAR-Benediction & Mass
Meet every 1st Friday of the month 6-7pm All Welcome

Youth Group Social
Meet every 1st Friday of the month after 6.30pm HYPAR Mass.