

NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER
7 November 2021
 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year B
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 St Monica's

Readers

6.00pm – C. Galea J. Fewtrell
 7.30am – A. Dunbar M. Fenech
 9.30am – C. Thompson M. Manea
 5.30pm – J. Morley P. Azzopardi

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

6.00pm – J. Gorman
 7.30am – L. Attard
 9.30am – J. Portelli
 5.30pm – T. Scopelliti

Acolytes/Senior Server

6.00pm – A. Moloney
 7.30am – C. Thompson
 9.30am – M. Crew
 5.30pm – D. Murphy

Junior Ministers

6.00pm – A. Grima
 7.30am –
 9.30am – C. S & O. Portelli
 5.30pm – S. Murphy O. Wickett S. Barglik

Data Projector

6.00pm – T. Buckley
 7.30am – M. McMahon
 9.30am – M. Breden
 5.30pm – T. Tomasella

Children's Liturgy

6.00pm -
 9.30am -

Altar Preparation C. Livingstone

Cleaners M. Portelli

Counters

31 Oct – C. Barber F. Pausanos
 07 Nov – V. Muscat F. Muscat R. Camileri

WEEKDAY ROSTER

Monday 1 November 2021

Reader – M. Breden
 EMoHC – A. Moloney

Wednesday 3 November 2021

Reader – A. Aquilina
 EMoHC – A. Moloney

Friday 5 November 2021

Reader – D. Bowles
 EMoHC – M. Ryan

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St Gregory's

Saturday 6 November 2021

Reader – J. Wall
 EMoHC – C. Smirolido

Sunday 7 November 2021

Readers

8.00am – M. Ryan T. Misdom S. Lundy
 Acolyte/Senior Server F. Kelleher

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

8.00am – M. Ryan

Data Projector M. Beggs

Altar Preparation P. McCallum

Cleaners C. Livingstone

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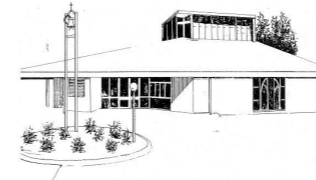
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Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year B 31 October 2021

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Forsake me not, O Lord, my God; be not far from me!
 Make haste and come to my help, O Lord, my strong salvation!

FIRST READING: DEUTERONOMY 6:2-6

Hear Israel, you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart.

RESPONSORIAL PS: Ps 17:2-4. 47. 51

I Love you, Lord, my strength.

SECOND READING: HEBREWS 7:23-28

This one, because he remains for ever, has an eternal priesthood.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia! All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them, and he will come to them. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: MARK 12:28-34

This is the first commandment, and the second is similar to it.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in your presence, O Lord.

REFLECTIONS ON THE READING...

If only the heart was right we could give so much more. Lord, open our hearts when they are closed, soften them when they are hard, warm them when they are cold, brighten them when they are dark, fill them when they are empty, calm them when they are troubled, cleanse them when they are sullied, heal them when they are wounded, and mend them when they are broken, so that we, your disciples, may bear the fruits of love. Amen.

By Flor McCarthy SDB

A message from Bishop Vincent regarding the NSW Euthanasia Bill ...

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The Voluntary Assisted Dying Bill 2021 (NSW), will begin to be debated in NSW Parliament as early as 12 November 2021. We know how much laws that authorise the killing of patients by their doctors, or sanction the assistance of patient suicides undermine the dignity of the human person and put the vulnerable at risk. The Archdiocese of Sydney has led a campaign against the Bill, which we in the Diocese of Parramatta fully support. Given the vote in the Legislative Assembly of the NSW Parliament will be very tight, every parliamentarian's vote will make a difference. Two MPs who have not declared how they will vote are based in the Diocese of Parramatta. I ask parishioners to let them know our concerns about the Bill.

If there are any doctors, nurses or other medical professionals or lawyers who would be willing to speak with their MPs, please invite them to do so. We also know that MPs listen to the views of their electorates and so it is vital the Catholic community in these electorates are encouraged to phone their local member and express their concerns about the Bill. The relevant MPs and contact details are:

Mr Geoff Lee, Liberal Party, Member for Parramatta Phone: 02 9891 4722 Email: parramatta@parliament.nsw.gov.au
 Mr Stuart Ayres, Liberal Party, Member for Penrith Phone: 02 4722 8660 Email: penrith@parliament.nsw.gov.au

There is also a website with more information about contacting local MPs at bit.ly/noeuthanasia-signup
 Together I hope we can show our local parliamentarians why this Bill should not become law.

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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 Kurradjong – 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 the children who have started their journey preparing for the Sacrament of Penance and their families in your prayers.

ADVENT is fast approaching, commences

Sunday 28 November.

There will be NO Parish based groups for Advent.

We are still restricted by Covid for gatherings.

We will however forward via email a program for

all to follow during this season of preparation to

celebrate the Birth of Jesus. All are

encouraged to set time aside each day to pray

and reflect on this great gift we are given at

Christmas. Should you like a printed copy please

contact the Parish Office 4578 1410.

STEWARDSHIP: Week ending 24/10/21

1st Collection: \$1750.00 (assists clergy)

2nd Collection: \$6520.75 (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 set up 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.

Thank you for your generosity and continued support.

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.

Mary & Felix Aquilina, Ron Clark, Phylis Cini, 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

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, Anne Marie Ryan

We welcome the newly Baptised...



...to our Christian family.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

To all those celebrating this week.



PARISH DIARY DATES

- Monday 1 November All Saints.
- Tuesday 2 November All Souls' Day.
- Thursday 4 November Saint Charles Borromeo.
- Friday 5 November HYPAR-Benediction & Mass 6-7pm. All welcome.
- Weekend 27/28 November Bishop's Christmas Appeal.

Fr Gayan on RAAF Chaplaincy Retreat ..

Fr Gayan will be away on RAAF Chaplaincy Retreat from Mon 1 Nov- Wed 3 Nov.

WORKING BEE - Sat Nov 13 9am – 1pm.

Many parishioners are encouraged to attend.

The main focus of the work:

At St Monica's: Cleaning Church windows, cobwebbing, clearing gutters, high-pressure hosing of cement areas & weeding gardens.

At St Greg's: Cleaning & clearing the cemetery after recent fire, clearing over-grown scrub & rubbish.

Please bring tools and equipment appropriate to the tasks you are prepared to do: eg suitable gloves and protective wear.

MUCH HELP IS NEEDED IN BOTH PLACES.

Morning Tea will be provided.

Reminder:

Nominations for PPC Elections

To nominate someone, click on the link below or on Parish website, fill out the Google form in the same way as you do when you register on-line for Mass. If you cannot do this, ask someone to help you or even ring the Parish Centre for further assistance. The hard copies are also available in the church foyer.

Parish PPC Nomination link below:

<https://forms.gle/Yyuq1yzN9DTrPiHs7>

Timeframe	What to Expect
23/24 Oct	Nominations open for 2 weeks.
Sun 7 Nov	Nominations close via Google Docs. Hard copy submitted to office by Fri 5 th Nov.
13/14 Nov	List of Candidates in Bulletin.
Weekend 20/21 Nov	Voting on-line & at all Masses
Mon 22 Nov	Votes Counted
Weekend 27/28 Nov	New Councilors Announced

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. Mass on November 2 will be at St Monica's at 9am & 7pm, both Masses at

St Monica's will be livestreamed. **Please note:** A special Mass will be held at St Gregory's on Friday November 26 at 7pm.

Book now for November 2 at St Monica's.

All Soul's Day November 2. Mass will be celebrated at St. Monica's at 9am & 7pm. Numbers are limited please book on line through the Parish Website or Facebook. 7pm Mass will be livestreamed

<https://tinyurl.com/richmondparish>.

The Blessing of the Columbarium will take place during the 9am Mass.

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: 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 17 November 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

Suspended until further notice Youth Group Social

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