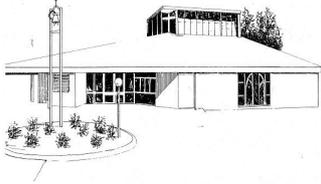


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Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe — Year C 20 November 2022

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity, and wisdom and strength & honour. To him belong glory and power for ever and ever.

FIRST READING: 2 SAMUEL 5:1-3

They anointed David king of Israel.

RESPONSORIAL PS: Ps 121:1-5

Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

SECOND READING: COLOSSIANS 1:12-20

He has taken us into the kingdom of his beloved Son.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed is he who inherits the kingdom of David our Father; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: LUKE 23:35-43

Lord remember me when you come into your kingdom.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

The Lord sits as King for ever. The Lord will bless his people with peace.

REFLECTIONS ON THE READING...

On the cross Jesus endured insults and mockery. Yet his heart remained open, even to his enemies. He absorbed all the violence, transformed it, and returned it as love and forgiveness. One's pain can so easily turn into rage, so that one wants only to lash out blindly at whoever happens to be within range. From the depths of his own pain, Jesus reached out to comfort the thief. Some people are like sugar cane: even when crushed in the mill, what they yield is sweetness. Jesus stretches our capacity for compassion. He challenges our idea of love. Each of us has a great capacity for love. The pity is that it often goes unused. By our love people will know that we are followers of Christ the King.



SECOND RITE OF RECONCILIATION

will take place at St Monica's Richmond on Wednesday December 14 at 7pm

At the time of confession:

Simply name your sins. Receive absolution. Return to your seat for private prayer.

THE COMMUNAL PENANCE FORMS PART OF THE SACRAMENT

& will be given after all people have returned to their seats.

This Rite **DOES NOT** allow for lengthy discussion or spiritual direction.

this is available in the First Rite.

The Parish Coordinator of Ministries (PCM).

14 hours (approx) per week, casual status.

If you would like to work with a leadership team that makes a difference in our community then this position is right for you. Be accountable to the Parish Priest and be responsible for providing support for the parish clergy in their ministry. The PCM will develop four key focus areas of ministry: *Coordination, Promotion & Recruitment, Formation & Communication.*

To obtain an application pack contact the Parish Office admin@parishofrichmond.org.au or phone 4578 1410.

Applications close Friday 25 November 2022.

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Parish of Richmond

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES ...

St Monica's: Saturday December 24 6pm Vigil (Children's Mass) & Midnight Mass - Carols from 11.30pm
Sunday December 25 7.30am and 9.30am
(NO Sunday evening Mass on Christmas Day)

St Gregory's: Saturday December 24 6.00pm Vigil Mass
Sunday December 25 8.00am
(NO Saturday 9am Mass on Christmas Eve)

*2nd Rite of
Reconciliation*

St Monica's,
Richmond
Wednesday,
14 December
7.00pm.

Announcements

Thank you as we come to the end of the Church's year, we would like to Thank all who have contributed to the life of the Parish. Your generosity and willingness to share your talents is inspiring as we walk together in Faith. May God bless you all.

Thank you to all who prepared the Parish Assembly last Sunday. The Guest Speakers were thought provoking, it was disappointing that only 35 Parishioners were present. Thank you for your participation. We were treated to a sausage sizzle, drinks tea & coffee, thank you to those who cooked & served us. Copies of the Parish Assembly booklet are available at the doors of the Church.

Thank you to all who helped at the working bees at both Mass centres. A great job done, as well as community building.

Catholic Foundation Appeal (Bishop's Christmas Appeal) will be held next weekend 26/27 November. Thank you for your continued support.

Sharing Christmas Joy: It has been proposed that we reach out to the inmates at John Moroney Correctional Centre, Windsor during this Holy Season. We are inviting you to bring a bar of light fruit cake (approx 250g) or a 500gm square fruit cake on weekends 3/4 & 10/11 Dec. They will be cut into slices & bagged for distribution.

Blessing of the new extensions to parish meeting room will take place next Sunday 27/11 following 9.30am Mass. Please join us for Morning Tea.

PARISH DIARY DATES

- Monday 21 November **The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary.**
- Tuesday 22 November **Saint Cecilia.**
- Thursday 24 November **Saints Andrew Dung-Lac & Companions.**
- Weekend 26/27 November **Bishop's Christmas Appeal.**

Joan Margaret Smith's burial service will take place at St Gregory's Cemetery on Tuesday 22nd November at 11am.

First Sunday of Advent ..

Next Sunday we mark the beginning of the Church's year. Our Readings will be from Year A for Sundays and Year 1 for weekdays. We will use the first option for the Communion Antiphon.

Advent.. Caritas has an Advent Prayer on line following the Sunday Gospels. Also included is a prayer suitable for Primary children.

Children's Christmas Nativity Play ..

We invite all children to be part of the Children's Christmas Nativity Play during the Christmas Eve Mass on Saturday 24th Dec at 6pm. First rehearsal will be on Sunday 11th Dec in the old Church at 11am. Second rehearsal will be on Friday 16th Dec at 4pm in St Monica's Church.

Ministry Survey: On **November 26 & 27** at each Parish Mass, in place of the homily, all parishioners will be asked to complete the parish **Call To Ministry** survey. Very generous parishioners give without counting the cost in their ministry. Please accept a very sincere thank you, for your generosity & commitment. Looking forward, many parishioners are asking "What can I do to help?" "How can I be more involved in parish ministry?" **The Call to Ministry is a time to review & renew your commitment to the parish.** You will be asked to indicate areas of interest. Remember you won't be working on your own. Training & mentoring are available. Our Parish of Richmond needs your assistance. **Please consider how you might be able to share your gifts to help fulfil our call to ministry, remembering: Together Everyone Achieves More.**

PARISH MASS TIMES

St Monica's
Saturday: 6.00pm
Sunday: 7.30am, 9.30am, 5.30pm
Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 9.00am
St Gregory's
Saturday: 9am
Sunday: 8am
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
Second Friday of the month, 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 December
2022 at 7pm.
Meeting Minutes
available on
notice boards in
church foyers &
parish website.**

Special Memorial Mass ..

As part of our praying for our deceased brothers and sisters during November, Mass will be celebrated at St. Gregory's on Friday 25 November at 7pm. Mass will be followed by the Blessing of the Cemetery. You may like to bring a flower in memory of your loved one/s which you will be invited to place at the Altar at the beginning of Mass.

STEWARDSHIP: Week ending 13/11/22

1st Collection: \$1562.00

2nd Collection: \$2504.65

Please note that you can make donations via the tap and go found in St Monica's church foyer.

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

- Jack Leslie
- Keith Schembri
- Sydney Gallahar
- Pauline Camilleri
- Marie Clifford
- Mark Keeffe
- Laurence Galea
- Meg MacCormick

... and those we remember at this time.

We pray for all our departed Family and Friends.

Names in the Memorial Book placed in front of the Altar.

Christ the King



CHRIST THE KING

When they came to the place called the Skull, there they crucified him, along with the criminals—one on his right, the other on his left. Luke 23:33 (NIV)

The puzzle is based on Luke 23:33-43 (NIV).

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TRUTH	SKULL	SAVE	CRIMINALS	CHRIST
FEAR	SOLDIERS	RIGHT	FORGIVE	MEMEMBER

WE PRAYERFULLY REMEMBER THE SICK

Rodney Payne, Frank Agresta, Peter Johnson, Trishy Rankin, Sheila Lowe-Bradford, Lorraine Smith, Cathy Donnev, Stan Ujmiak, Pat Crew, Helen Payne, Joan Thatcher, Susan (Payne) Mace, Garth and Nancy Doyle, Jeanette Farley, Leo Barbagallo, Diana Hurley, Ricky Comito, Pat Stanton, Barry Wall, Paul Refalo

We welcome the newly Baptised...



...to our Christian family.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Seanna Saliba



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Advent groups start this week ...

The Pastoral Care Team will hold an Advent Group on **TUESDAY** morning commencing November 21 meet at 9.30am for a 10am start. There will also be a group on **FRIDAY** morning at 9.45am in the Parish Meeting Room commencing Friday 25 November. Reflection Books available from the Piety Stall \$5. Please bring your Sunday Missal or Bible with you.

REGULAR PARISH ACTIVITIES

Rosary
 St Monica's: 8.40am before weekday Mass.
 St Gregory's: 8.40am before Saturday 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.

Children's Liturgy every second & fourth Weekend of the month during Sat 6pm & Sun 9.30am Mass at St Monica's.

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

Table Tennis fortnightly on Monday's 5-7pm in the Old Church.

HYPAR-Benediction & Mass
 Meet every 1st Friday of the month 6.30pm—7.30pm All Welcome

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

NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER
27 November 2022

1st Sunday of Advent

Year A



St Monica's

Readers

6.00pm— M. Manea C. Hession
7.30am— S. Duff A. Edwards
9.30am— J. Sheffield M. Mizzi
5.30pm— R. Ingram C. Alison

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

6.00pm— P. Hession J. Muscat
7.30am— M. Fenech A. Dunbar
9.30am— L. Ryan F. Yates
5.30pm— D. D'Mello A. Aquilina

Acolytes/Senior Server

6.00pm— A. Moloney
7.30am—
9.30am— C. Pritchard
5.30pm—

Junior Ministers

6.00pm— M. Sultana
7.30am—
9.30am—
5.30pm— A. Papallo

Data Projector

6.00pm— M. Breaden R. Sultana
7.30am— M. Clark
9.30am— M. McGuinness
5.30pm—

Children's Liturgy

6.00pm -
9.30am -

Cleaners A. Edwards

Counters

20 Nov— C. Barber F. Pausanos
27 Nov— V. Muscat F. Muscat R. Camilleri

WEEKDAY ROSTER

Monday 21 November 2022

Reader— F. Crew
EMoHC— R. Larven

Wednesday 23 November 2022

Reader— A. Moloney
EMoHC— M. McMahon

Friday 25 November 2022

Reader— M. Ryan
EMoHC— F. Crew



St Gregory's

Saturday 26 November 2022

Reader— P. Humphrey
EMoHC— F. Crew

Sunday 27 November 2022

Readers

8.00am— M. Mooney A. Drew L. Ducksbury

Acolyte/Senior Server D. Ryan

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

8.00am—

Data Projector H. Gillies

Altar Preparation

Cleaners J. Dorahy

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