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Fourth Sunday of Easter — Year A 30 April 2023

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth; by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia.

FIRST READING: Acts 2:14. 36-41

God has made Jesus both Lord and Christ.

RESPONSORIAL PS: Ps 22:1-6

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

SECOND READING: 1 PETER 2:20-25

You had gone astray but now you have come back to the shepherd and quardian of your souls.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep, and mine know me. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: JOHN 10:1-10

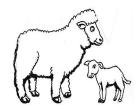
I am the gate of the sheepfold.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

The good shepherd has risen, who laid down his life for his sheep and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.

REFLECTIONS ON THE READING...

The sheep follow their master because they recognize his voice. How do you listen for the voice of the Good Shepherd? To discern and hear our Lord requires practice.



We practice being aware of living in God's presence, listening in prayer, immersing ourselves in the Scriptures and identifying our story in those stories, knowing him in the breaking of the bread and in the poor and needy.

By Flor McCarthy SDB

Laudato Si' ...



The Impact of Climate Change on Our Common Home

Climate change is one of the biggest challenges we face today. Its impact can be felt all over the world, from extreme weather events to rising sea levels. The encyclical Laudato Si' urges us to take climate change seriously and to work towards reducing our carbon footprint. It also calls for policies that promote the common good, and not just the interests of a few.

The impact of climate change on our common home is significant. The encyclical Laudato Si' calls us to recognize that we are part of a larger ecosystem and that our actions have an impact on the environment. It also calls us to take responsibility for the damage that has been done and to work towards building a more sustainable world.

Caring for the environment is not just an issue of social justice, but it is also a matter of faith. As Catholics, we believe that the earth is a gift from God, and we have a responsibility to care for it. This means living in a way that is respectful of the environment, reducing our carbon footprint, and promoting sustainable living.

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IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN COMING TO THE FOUNDATION DINNER, please fill in the sheets in the foyer or the TEAR-OFF slip below, place in the collection plate, drop box or hand in at the parish office <u>before</u> the 30th April - thank you.

You're warmly invited to our Parish Foundation Multicultural Dinner				
NAME:	NUMBER OF PEOP	NUMBER OF PEOPLE ATTENDING:		
CIRCLE AND NAME the type of dish you will be bringing:				
MAIN (HOT/COLD ?)	DESSERT	SIDE/SALAD		
YOUR CONTACT DETAILS: (We will be contacting you to finalise details and confirm numbers)				
Email :				
PHONE (if no email address)				



Thank you to all who contributed to our Anzac Day Commemorations, for the Rosemary and a special to the helpers at the Morning Tea last Sunday at St Monica's. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Parish Prayer: Sincere thanks to all those who contributed towards our Parish Prayer. The Parish prayer will be introduced during the Multicultural Dinner and recited as a Parish fortnightly during all of the weekend Masses starting from Sat 13 May.

Anointing of the Sick will take place during 9am Mass on Friday 12 May.

Mother's Day: Sunday May 14. Keep the date in mind. You may like to bring a flower and place it at the Altar as we pray for all Mothers on this day.



Save the Date: Parish Ministry training will be conducted in the *Emmaus Meeting Room* at St Monica's on July 15th, 22nd, 29th & Aug 5th. The workshops will be for those interested in being a Reader, Eucharistic Minister or Minister of the Altar for any Mass at St Monica's or St Gregory's.

Save the Date: WORKING BEE 9am – 1pm, June 10th at both St Gregory's & St Monica's. More details to follow. MUCH HELP IS NEEDED.

Morning Tea will be provided. Sausage sizzle to enjoy for lunch.

PARISH DIARY DATES

- Tuesday 2 May Saint Athanasius.
- Wednesday 3 May Saints Philip and James.
 - St Gregory's Renovations ..

Work commences Monday 8th May the Church will be closed until Friday 19th May 2023.

Please note: There is no 9am Mass on Saturday

Please note: There is no 9am Mass on Saturday 13th May & 8am Mass on Sunday 14th May.

World Day of Prayer for Vocations: This fourth Sunday of Easter is dedicated to prayer for Vocations.

On this day in particular, but also in the ordinary pastoral life of our communities, I ask the Church to continue to promote vocations. May she touch the hearts of the faithful and enable each of them to discover with gratitude God's call in their lives, to find courage to say 'yes to God.'

Pope Francis.

Sacraments News.. THANK You to all the families for attending your first preparation class for Confirmation. Time of sessions are Sunday after 8am Mass Kurrajong, After 9.30am Mass -St Monica's, Mondays 4pm, Tuesdays 3.45pm, Wednesday 3.45pm, Thursday 7pm, Friday 4.30pm. If you are unable to attend your regular class, please attend a different session to catch up. It is important that the candidate and parent attend 4 sessions. Reminder: to send a jpeg image of your child and any requested information (Chosen Name, Name of sponsor, Number attending) to sacraments@parishofrichmond.org.au Please keep the date of the REHEARSAL FREE – Thursday 25th May, 7pm at St Monica's

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

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 9am 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
17 May
2023 at 7pm.
Meeting Minutes
available on
notice boards in
church foyers &
parish website.

Parish Foundation Multicultural Dinner ..

Let's come together to reconnect, build our parish community and celebrate our diverse cultures.

Please bring a dish from your cultural heritage or a family favorite to share with others.

When: Friday 12th May at 6.30pm.
Where: St Monica's (Old Church)
Register your attendance on
the sheet in the church foyer.





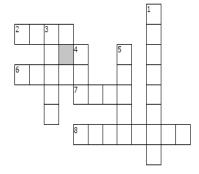
The Shepherd and His Sheep

His sheep follow him because they know his voice. John 10:4b (NIV)

This puzzle is based on John 10:1-10 (NIV)



John 10:1-10



ACROSS

- 2. An opening in a fence for entrance or exit
- The sound made when people speak or sing
- 7. The word or words by which a person or thing is known
- 8. A person who takes care of sheep

DOWN

- Someone not known or not familiar
- 3. Someone who steals
- 4. A small area surrounded by a fence in which animals are kept
- 5. A farm animal with thick curly wool

SHEPHERD	THIEF	NAME	VOICE
SHEEP	GATE	STRANGER	PEN

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STEWARDSHIP: Week ending 23/04/23

1st Collection: \$1795.00 2nd Collection: \$2847.95

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

Thank you for your generosity and continued support.

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Patricia Ward
Maureen Lawrence
Edward Horsey
Joan Thatcher
Michael Agius
Leanne Sultana
Marie Murphy
Paula Mariani
Esina Kramhoft

... and those we remember at this time.

Julie Bennett, Tony Suman,
Peter Roth, Harry Sanson,
Joseph Baldacchino,
Joe Vella, Grezzju & Salvina
Camilleri, Maria & Joe Saliba,
Doris Cauchi, Melanie Sheffield,
Joseph & Therese Muscat,
Saviour, Paul, Carmen Vassallo,
Alexander, Pawla Muscat,
John Moloney, Josef Somi,
Michael John McMahon

WE PRAYERFULLY REMEMBER THE SICK

Marie Sheffield, Rick Vella, Adam Taha, Roy Anthony Cutrone, Sr Anne Tregillgas, Vera Brglevski, Barry Wall, Peter Johnson, Trishy Rankin, Lorraine Smith, Cathy Donnev, Stan Ujmiak, Helen Payne, Susan (Payne) Mace, Garth Doyle, Jeanette Farley, Leo Barbagallo, Diana Hurley, Ricky Comito, Pat Stanton, Paul Refalo

We welcome the newly Baptised...

Remy Peterson
Mila Peterson



...to our Christian family.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Conor Murphy Jason Ujmiak Lillian Camilleri



Commissioning of Ministers: Each year we are given the opportunity to re-commit ourselves to ministry. In recent years we have done this at the parish Masses on Pentecost Sunday. This year because the Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated within our Parish over two weekends, including Pentecost, all ministers will be invited to complete the *Recommitment to Ministry* form & to be commissioned by Fr Gayan or Fr Thomas at one of the parish Masses on the weekend of May 20/21.



REGULAR PARISH ACTIVITIES

Do mark this event in your diary.

Rosary

St Monica's: 8.40am before weekday Mass. St Gregory's: 8.40am before Saturday Mass. **Exposition of the**

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament St Monica's: Wednes

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 Weekend of the month during Sat 6pm & Sun 9.30am Mass at St Monica's during School Terms.

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.

HYPA-R 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 HYPA Mass.

NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER 7 May 2023

5th Sunday of Easter

Year A



St Monica's

Readers

6.00pm— R. Azzopardi J. Fewtrell 7.30am - A. Dunbar M. Fenech 9.30am - C. Hey M. Manea

5.30pm - J. Morley S. Tyler

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

6.00pm - D. Grima V. Muscat 7.30am - A. Burnett L. Attard 9.30am - Z. Culican M. McGuiness

5.30pm - T. Scopelliti

Acolytes/Senior Server

6.00pm— A. Moloney 7.30am - C. Fleetwood 9.30am - M. Crew

5.30pm - D. Murphy

Junior Ministers

6.00pm— A. Grima

7.30am -

9.30am - S. O & M. Saliba

5.30pm - S. Murphy

Data Projector

6.00pm— R. Ingram

7.30am - M. McMahon

9.30am - M. Breaden E. Aponte

5.30pm - C. Thompson

Children's Liturgy

6.00pm - B. Xuereb

9.30am - K. Kemble M. Brough

Cleaners C. Livingstone T. Tomasella

A. Edwards M. Portelli

Counters

30 Apr - V. Muscat F. Muscat R. Camilleri 07 May— F. Crew T. Misdom M. Want

WEEKDAY ROSTER

Monday 1 May 2023

Reader - M. Breaden

EMoHC— H. Convey

Wednesday 3 May 2023

Reader - L. Sheffield

EMoHC - A. Moloney

Friday 5 May 2023

Reader - M. Ryan

EMoHC - F. Crew



St Gregory's

Saturday 6 May 2023

Reader - J. Wall

EMoHC — C. Smiroldo

Sunday 7 May 2023

Readers

8.00am - M. Ryan T. Misdom S. Lundy

Acolyte/Senior Server D. Ryan

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

8.00am - M. Ryan

Data Projector M. Beggs

Altar Preparation M. Ryan

Cleaners C. Livingstone

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