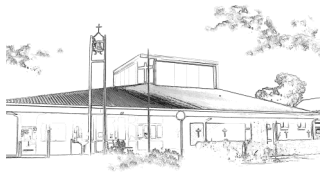


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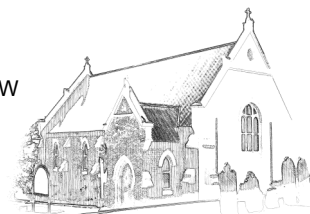
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Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year A 17 September 2023

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you, that your prophets be found true. Hear the prayers of your servant, and of your people.

FIRST READING: Sirach 27:30 - 28:7

Forgive your neighbour's faults and when you pray, your sins will be forgiven.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 102:1-4, 9-12

The Lord is kind and merciful; slow to anger, and rich in compassion.

SECOND READING: Romans 14:7-9

Whether alive or dead, we belong to the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia! I give you a new commandment: love one another as I have loved you. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Matthew 18:21-35

I tell you that you forgive not seven times but seventy times seven.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

How precious is your mercy, O God! The children of men seek shelter in the shadow of your wings.

Parish Prayer

Ever loving God, we the community of the Catholic Parish of Richmond, praise you and dedicate our lives to you. Through the example of St Monica, St Gregory, and St John of God we aspire to be people of faith and prayer, who extend peace, hope and light to the wider community.

When we listen to your Word, let it nourish us, giving us strength and perseverance in our daily lives. May the Holy Spirit enkindle in us a spirit of compassion and hospitality and a profound respect for each other. Help us to care for the sick, the elderly and those in need. Bless our young people that they may be inspired to know, love and serve You. May we strive to grow in holiness and dedicate our lives to Your service.

We make this prayer through the intercession of our Mother Mary and Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.



Diocese of Parramatta Synod Prayer ...

O God, who always walks with us on the journey of life, we call upon you to lead us forth united.

Bless and guide our Diocesan Synod.

Keep us anchored in your love.

Open our hearts as we listen and discern.

Reveal to us the way we are called to go out into the deep.

Give us the courage to pursue the mission with bold humility.

May we experience renewal in our local Church today, and for generations to come.

We ask this prayer through Jesus Christ, who in the power of the Holy Spirit continues to guide your Church, to the fullness of your Kingdom now, and forever.

Amen.

Our Lady Help of Christians, pray for us.

St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, pray for us.



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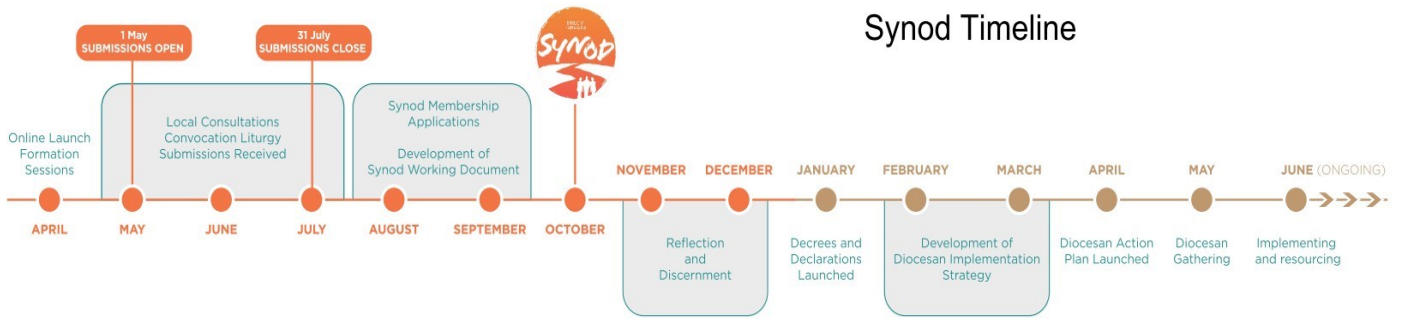
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Synod Timeline



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you to all who helped to make our Spring Fair a special day. We especially thank the organizing Committee, Stall holders and Helpers. Many thanks to who all who attended on the day and those who donated goods. Further information to follow.

Thank you to Maria Boyd our Sacramental Co-Ordinator, parents and facilitators who have led our young people to the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Congratulations to the young people who participated. May God bless you all!

St Gregory's Thank You - video is now available on our Parish YouTube channel.
<https://tinyurl.com/richmondparish>

Advertising in the bulletin: There are currently six vacant spots on the back of the Bulletin. For more information please contact the Parish Office.

Distribution of Communion: If you are unable to come forward to receive Holy Communion. Please inform Father or the Senior Server before Mass. A designated seating area at the back of the church and the front pew of the Tabernacle side, will be reserved for those with mobility issues and their carer.

Ordination to the Presbyterate: 21 September. Bishop Vincent Long & the Diocese of Parramatta invite you to the Ordination of Tom Green on Thursday 21 September at 7.30pm at St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta. Please RSVP to hannah.portelli@parracatholic.org if you can attend. We hope that you can join us for this joyous event for our Diocese & our faith community.



PARISH DIARY DATES

- **Wednesday 20 September Saints Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Paul Chong Ha-sang and Companions.**
- **Thursday 21 September Saint Matthew.**
- **Saturday 23 September Saint Pius of Pietrelcina.**

MEMORIAL GARDEN PLAQUES:

If interested in having a loved one remembered in the *Parish Memorial Garden* please print on an envelope, **the name of the person/s, also the name & phone number of the person placing the order.**



To cover the cost of the plaque, its installation & the upkeep of the garden, a **donation of \$40** to be placed in the envelope which can then be posted in the **white letter box, at the Parish door.**

Diocese of Parramatta Tribunal available for in-person, telephone and Zoom appointments.

The Tribunal of the Catholic Church in the Diocese of Parramatta is open Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm for enquiries regarding marriage annulments. Interviews are being conducted in person with Zoom and phone appointments available in certain circumstances.

Please contact the Tribunal office on (02) 8838 3480 or email tribunal@parracatholic.org.

Sacraments News.

Congratulations to all the children who made their first Reconciliation this past week.

HOLY COMMUNION: Lessons will commence from Sunday 8th October- Please ensure that you attend 4 sessions as required.

Sacraments 2024 – Once these dates are finalized they will be available on the Parish Website and advertised here in the Bulletin. Watch this space later in the year.

PARISH MASS TIMES

St Monica's
 Saturday: 6.00pm
 Sunday: 7.30am,
 9.30am, 5.30pm
 Mon, Wed & Fri: 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 11am.
 St Gregory's: 1st Sunday at 11am
 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 September
 2023 at 7pm.**

**Meeting Minutes
 available on notice
 boards in church
 foyers & parish**

"SAVE THE DATE - THANK YOU BBQ FOR PARISH VOLUNTEERS"

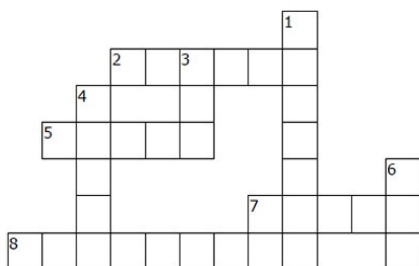
on Friday 27th October
(from 5pm onwards)
at St Monica's Church Richmond in
the Emmaus Room
(more details to follow)



Keep On Forgiving

Then Peter came to Jesus and asked, "Lord, how many times shall I forgive my brother when he sins against me? Up to seven times?" Jesus answered, "I tell you, not seven times, but seventy-seven times. Matthew 18:21-22 (NIV)

Based on Matthew 18:21-22



ACROSS

2. A statement given in reply to a question
5. The number that is equal to six plus one
7. The Son of God
8. To pardon someone for doing something wrong

DOWN

1. A male with the same parents as someone else
3. To break God's law
4. A fisherman who became one of Jesus' disciples
6. To seek an answer to a question

SEVEN	ASK	PETER	JESUS
BROTHER	FORGIVE	ANSWER	SIN

STEWARDSHIP: Week ending 10/09/2023

1st Collection: \$1604.00

2nd Collection: \$2572.85

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:

Erika Martin, Sam Coleiro, Bowie Phillips, Vera Gallespie, August Melinz, Charlie Dimech, Joseph Galea, Vincent Jones, Pauline Landrigan, Josephine Galea, Betty Considine

... and those we remember at this time:

Joan Ryan, Joel Murphy, William Doherty, Frank Agresta, Veronica Eves, Rino Camilleri, Philip Azzopardi, John & Rosy Attard, Joseph Baldacchino, Christine Duncan, John Head, James Head, Alice Billy, Josef Somi, Ron Horan, Mary (Josie) Horan, Bill McMahon, Jim Sultana, Annie Collinson, Sr Mary Carmel, Betty Hamilton, Saviour Vassallo, Alexander & Pawla Muscat,

We Prayerfully Remember the Sick

Thomas, Jean Kathleen Fawcett, Maree Spencer, Sharon Gregory, Charlie Camilleri, Greg Horan, Delina Galea, Yvette Brander, Pat Stanton, Katie Binggeli, Rose Galea, Pam Everingham, Rhonda Jones, Helen Kenny, Rick Vella, Adam Taha, Roy Cutrone, Sr Anne Tregillgas, Vera Brglevski, Barry Wall, Peter Johnson, Trishy Rankin, Lorraine Smith, Stan Ujmiak, Leo Barbagallo, Diana Hurley, Ricky Comito, Angele Muscat



We welcome the newly baptized...

...to our Christian family



Happy birthday to all those celebrating this week:

Sinead Murphy

R.C.I.A. RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS -

Monday in the Emmaus Room at 7pm. Ann Moloney will lead us through the structure of the Mass. Come and join us! We will take a break over the school holidays and resume Monday October 9.

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 of the month at St Monica's & every second Sunday of the month at St Gregory's after 8am Mass

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.

First Friday Benediction & Mass

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 HYPMA Mass



RICHMOND-NTH RICHMOND-KURRAJONG

NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER

24 September 2023

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Year A

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St Monica's

Readers

6.00pm - J. Xiberras C. Hession
7.30am - S. Duff A. Edwards
9.30am - J. Sheffield M. Mizzi
5.30pm - R. Ingram C. Allison

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

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

Minister of the Altar

6.00pm - A. Moloney
7.30am - R. Ujmaik
9.30am - A. Brailey
5.30pm - P. Delahay

Junior Ministers

6.00pm -
7.30am -
9.30am - C & E. Cauchi
5.30pm -

Data Projector

6.00pm - M. Breaden
7.30am - M. Clark
9.30am - M. McGuinness
5.30pm - A. Papallo

Children's Liturgy

6.00pm -
9.30am -

Cleaners - A. Edwards

Counters

17 Sep - C. Barber F. Pausanos
C. Thompson
24 Sep - V. Muscat F. Muscat R. Camilleri

WEEKDAY ROSTER

Monday 18 September 2023

Reader - M. Breaden

EMoHC - F. Crew

Wednesday 20 September 2023

Reader - C. Allison

EMoHC - A. Moloney

Friday 22 September 2023

Reader - D. Bowles

EMoHC - M. Ryan

St Gregory's

Saturday 23 September 2023

Reader - P. Humphrey

EMoHC - F. Crew

Sunday 24 September 2023

Readers

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

Minister of the Altar - F. Kelleher

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

8.00am - C. Smiroldo

Data Projector - S. Stennett

Cleaner - J. Dorahy

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Pope Francis @Pontifex September :
Faith is not spread with worldly power but with the wisdom of the Cross; not with structures but with witness. From the eloquent silence of the Cross, the Lord is today asking you: Do you want to be my witness?