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Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year A 1 October 2023

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgement, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

FIRST READING: Ezekiel 18:25-28

The sinner who decides to turn against sinfulness deserves to live.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 24:4-9 Remember your mercies, O Lord.

SECOND READING: Philippians 2:1-11

In your minds you must be the same as Christ Jesus.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia! My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Matthew 21:28-32

He went out moved by regret. The tax collectors and prostitutes will precede you into the kingdom of God.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope. This is my comfort when I am brought low.

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.

THANK YOU BBQ - Invitation ...

Fr Gayan, Fr Thomas and the Parish Pastoral Council would like to invite all the volunteers in our Parish to a BBQ on Friday 27th October 2023 to thank you all for your dedicated service to the Parish community.

> Venue: The Emmaus Room at St Monica's Church Richmond. Time: from 5pm.

As the Parish will provide burger patties, bread rolls, soft drinks, tea and coffee, all you need to bring along is any alcohol, you plan to drink, and if possible, a salad or dessert to share. Make sure you 'Save the date' and come along to celebrate in the spirit of sharing and fellowship. For catering purposes, please fill in the lists which are located in the Church Foyer.

A special highlight of this gathering be the unveiling and blessing of a new garden, established to acknowledge and thank the many volunteers who have given to our Parish, since its foundation. Our Parish is what it is today because of the faith, generosity and hard work of countless people over many years.

Come one, come all so that we can celebrate together.

PARISH TEAM

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ASSISTANCE NEEDED!

Altar Servers: Currently we have just 6 active altar servers. We have 5 Masses each weekend which is a minimum of 25 weekend Masses per month. To have 2 altar servers per Mass, this means we need to encourage at least 42 parishioners to become altar servers. Please read the letter on display in the foyer. For further information please contact Mar McGuiness: mary.mcguiness@parishofrichmond.org.au

Music Ministry: Parishioners are invited to choir practice each Tuesday evening from 7pm to 8pm at St Monica's. No obligation. This is for all, no matter which Mass Centre you attend. Choir is a pleasurable hour singing together & keeping up to date with current music happenings in the Parish; an opportunity to revise known hymns & to learn new ones. **MORE MUSCIANS & SINGERS ARE URGENTLY NEEDED.** For further information please contact Maria Boyd through the Parish Office.

Gardeners: With the heat & dry weather upon us our plants need a regular drink. If you can assist with watering & pulling out the occasional weed that competes for a drink, please contact Mary McGuiness. This is an ideal task for those who live in close proximity of either Church!

Post & Rail Fence: Do you know where we can get an old post & rail fence? We need 1 panel with a couple of spare rails **by October**. It's for decorative purposes on a special Parish project! If you can help please contact Fr Gayan or Mary McGuiness.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Anointing of the Sick will take place during the 9am Mass on Friday 13 October.

Memorial Mass for the late Silvio Biviano will be held at St Monica's on Wednesday 4th October at 11.30am.

A time to remember: Throughout November the Church prays for all who have died. Should you wish to have the names of your family & friends included in the Masses, envelopes are available in the Church foyer. Names will be placed into our Book of Remembrance & displayed in the Churches.

Catholic Outlook magazine is available in the church foyer. Please take your free copy today.

Indigenous Voice to Parliament Referendum:

The below site contains information about the Referendum giving insight to both sides of the question being asked of us. This will help you to make an informed decision at the referendum. https://aec.gov.au/referendums/learn/your-official-referendum-booklet.html

PARISH DIARY DATES



- Monday 2 October The Holy Guardian Angels.
- Wednesday 4 October Saint Francis of Assisi.
- Saturday 7 October Our Lady of the Rosary.



URGENT Special Religion Education Teachers needed.

Please consider this important role to reach the children in our public schools. For some children we are the only way the children hear the word of God. If you choose to take up this important role of spreading the Good News to our children you will have all the support of all the SRE team.

If you have any questions please contact Sylvia on 0411757252 or contact the parish office.

Sacraments News.

HOLY COMMUNION: Classes will be commencing on 8th Oct.- Please keep this as a reference.

St Greg's	St Monica's	St Monica's	St Monica's	St Monica's	St Monica's	St Monica's	St Monica's
SUNDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
_	Following the 9.30am	3.45pm	3.45pm Emmaus	7pm	3.45pm	7pm	4.30pm
Sunday	Sunday	Emmaus	Room	Emmaus	Emmaus	Emmaus	Emmaus
Mass	mass	Room		Room	Room	Room	Room
8 th Oct	8 th Oct	9 th Oct	10 th Oct	10 th Oct	11 th Oct	12 th Oct	13 th Oct

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

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
18 October 2023
at 7pm.

Meeting Minutes available on notice boards in church foyers & parish website.

Catholic Care Circle of Security Education Program:

Catholic Care Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains is running an online parenting series via Zoom for parents or caregivers of children from birth to 18 to make sense of what your child is really asking from you, and how to strengthen the parent-child relationship.

The sessions will run each Wednesday from 10am - 12.30pm from 11 October to 29 November. The cost is \$105, with discount or free training offers available to eligible families.

To register and for enquiries, please call (02) 8843 2500 or email enquiries@catholiccarewsbm.org.au

The Parable of the Two Sons

"Which of the two did what his father wanted?" "The first," they answered. Matthew 21:31 (NIV)

Based on Matthew 20:28-32 (NIV)



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STEWARDSHIP: Week ending 24/09/2023

1st Collection: \$1520.00 2nd Collection: \$2419.50

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:

Garry McGuiness, Jean Fawcett, Trudy Jones, Lana Gillespie, Erika Martin, Sam Coleiro, Bowie Phillips, Vera Gallespie, August Melinz, Charlie Dimech, Joseph Galea, Vincent Jones

... and those we remember at this time:

Carmen Cassar, George Muscat, Joseph Caruana, Paul Kelleher, 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

We Prayerfully Remember the Sick

Doug Powers, Zlato, 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...

Alessia Ferrarelli

...to our Christian family



Happy birthday

Edith Connelly Brayden Bugeja David Barbagallo Reno Camilleri

Happy Anniversary

Catherine & Paul Barber

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

Resumes Monday October 9 7pm in the Emmaus Room. We are discussing Prayer. No obligation- ALL Welcome

REGULAR PARISH ACTIVITES

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

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Suspended until further notice Youth Group Social Meet every 1st Friday of the month

after 6.30pm HYPA Mass



NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER 8 October 2023

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A



St Monica's

Readers

6.00pm - R. Azzopardi J. Fewtrell 7.30am - T. Maguire A. Edwards 9.30am - E. Esposito K. Brough 5.30pm - T. Scopelliti A. Aquilina

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

6.00pm - D. Grima V. Muscat 7.30am - A. Vella J. Cauchi

9.30am - N. Esposito C. Hey 5.30pm - S. Nash J. Morley

Minister of the Altar

6.00pm - A. Moloney

7.30am - R. Ujmiak

9.30am - D. Murphy 5.30pm - P. Delahay

Junior Ministers

6.00pm -

7.30am - C & E. Cauchi

9.30am - S & C. Murphy M. Hoffmann

5.30pm - O. Wickett

Data Projector

6.00pm - R. Ingram 7.30am - M. Clark

9.30am - M. Saliba

5.30pm - M & E. Teuma

Children's Liturgy

6.00pm -

9.30am -

Cleaners - M. Jansen T. Reckless A. Edwards A. Senn

Counters

01 Oct - F. Crew T. Misdom M. Want 08 Oct - M. Ryan D. Bowles M. Hoffmann

WEEKDAY ROSTER

Monday 2 October 2023

Reader - M. Breaden

EMoHC - H. Convey

Wednesday 4 October 2023

Reader - L. Sheffield EMoHC - A. Moloney

Friday 6 October 2023

Reader - M. Ryan

EMoHC - F. Crew



Saturday 7 October 2023

Reader - J. Wall EMoHC - C. Smiroldo

Sunday 8 October 2023

Readers

8.00am - J. Wall M. Ryan P. Hurst

Minister of the Altar - F. Kelleher

Extraordinary Ministers of

Holy Communion

8.00am - P. Waterford

Data Projector - A. Drew

Altar Preparation -

Cleaners - D. Grima

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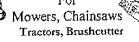
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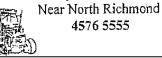
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Pope Francis @Pontifex September 28:

In this <u>#SeasonofCreation</u>, as followers of Christ on our shared synodal journey, let us live, work and pray that our common home will teem with life once again.