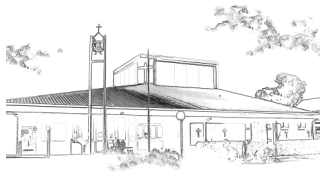


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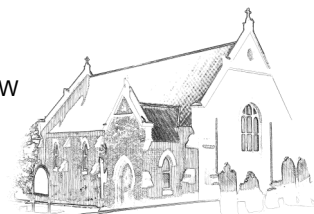
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Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year A 8 October 2023

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Within your will, O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist your will. For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven; you are the Lord of all.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 5:1-7

The vineyard of the Lord God of hosts is the Home of Israel.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 79:9, 12-16, 19-20

The vineyard of the Lord God of hosts is the House of Israel.

SECOND READING: Philippians 4:6-9

Do these things and the God of peace will be with you.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia! I call you friends, says the Lord, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father, Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Matthew 21:33-43

He leased his vineyard to other farmers.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

The Lord is good to those who hope in him, to the soul that seeks him.

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.

**Thank
YOU!**

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.

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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!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.

Good News Story: Recently two young boys who attend Richmond Public school, approached their parents with a desire to be baptized as Catholics. On starting their journey of learning the faith and preparation, they were asked why they want to be baptized. Their answer was heartwarming and one of great hope. They said they knew some kids from their school, who are Catholics and attend St Monica's. they said these children were 'really nice' and that they 'wanted to have what they've got' What an inspiring example of children showing the light of Christ to others and the power of example and a lived faith.

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>

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

PARISH DIARY DATES



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

World Rosary Day: All Catholics around the world are invited to pray the Holy Rosary together on Friday, 13 October at 3pm (Sydney time). The date marks the 106th Anniversary of the last apparition of Our Lady of Fatima to three children. Please visit this website: worldrosaryhour.com



Celebrate the opening of our first-ever Diocesan Synod! All members of the faithful young & young at heart are invited to celebrate the beginning of the first-ever Diocesan Synod at LIFTED Live in the Forecourt: Bridge to the Synod on **Thursday 12 October** at St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta from 6.30pm. We're inviting our entire Diocesan community to celebrate our young Church with live music, prayer, stalls, games & more!

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 0411 757 252 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 8am Sunday Mass	Following the 9.30am Sunday mass	3.45pm Emmaus Room	3.45pm Emmaus Room	7pm Emmaus Room	3.45pm Emmaus Room	7pm Emmaus Room	4.30pm Emmaus 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
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 Oct 2023 at 7pm.

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

Diocese of Parramatta Wedding Anniversary Mass: 29 October

The annual Diocese of Parramatta Wedding Anniversary Mass will be held on Sunday 29 October at 11am at St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta. Bishop Vincent will celebrate Solemn Mass, followed by a light lunch at the Cathedral Hall. All couples celebrating a significant wedding anniversary will receive a certificate from Bishop Vincent. Please register your name, years of marriage and numbers attending at marriage@parracatholic.org or phone (02) 8838 3460 by 20 October. Family and friends are welcome.

The Parable of the Tenants

Last of all, he sent his son to them. 'They will respect my son,' he said. Matthew 21:37 (NIV)

Based on Matthew 21:33-46 (NIV)



the stone that the builders rejected has become the corner stone... Matthew 21:42

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STEWARDSHIP: Week ending 01/10/2023

1st Collection: \$1475.00
 2nd Collection: \$2534.00

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:

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

... and those we remember at this time:

Joe Vella, Bev Riley, Marie Clifford, Bernard Lloyd, Margaret & Roseanne Attard, 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

We Prayerfully Remember

Zlato, Chirs & Gail Dunne, 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...

Morgan, Lachlan & Eliza Axford

...to our Christian family



Happy birthday

to all those celebrating this week:

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

Resumes Monday October 9 at 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

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



NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER

15 October 2023

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Year A



St Monica's

Readers

6.00pm - M. McMahon C. Hession

7.30am - S. Duff M. McMahon

9.30am - K. Petersen M. Manea

5.30pm - C. Salkeld A. Salkeld

Extraordinary Ministers of

Holy Communion

6.00pm - P. Hession R. Larven

7.30am - A. Burnett M. Clark

9.30am - H. Convey Z. Culican

5.30pm - S. Nash A. Duarte

Minister of the Altar

6.00pm - C. Fleetwood

7.30am - C. Fleetwood

9.30am - A. Brailey

5.30pm - P. Delahay

Junior Ministers

6.00pm - S. Barglik H. Barglik

7.30am -

9.30am -

5.30pm -

Data Projector

6.00pm - M. Breaden

7.30am - C. Thompson

9.30am - L. Culican

5.30pm - Choir members

Children's Liturgy

6.00pm - M. Bertenshaw

9.30am - C. Saliba C. Saliba

Cleaners - C & A. Salkeld A. Edwards

P. Vella

Counters

08 Oct - M. Ryan D. Bowles M. Hoffmann

15 Oct - R. Larven L. Clegg M. McMahon

WEEKDAY ROSTER

Monday 9 October 2023

Reader - F. Crew

EMoHC - R. Larven

Wednesday 11 October 2023

Reader - A. Aquilina

EMoHC - M. McMahon

Friday 13 October 2023

Reader - D. Bowles

EMoHC - M. Ryan



St Gregory's

Saturday 14 October 2023

Reader - M. Ryan

EMoHC - J. Wall

Sunday 15 October 2023

Readers

8.00am - P. Humphrey C. Smiroldo

N. Fienberg

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Extraordinary Ministers of

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8.00am - D. Ryan

Data Projector - H. Gillies

Altar Preparation -

Cleaners - J. Bondfield

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