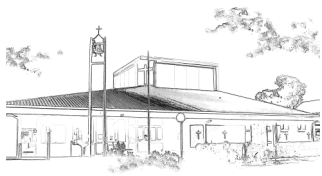


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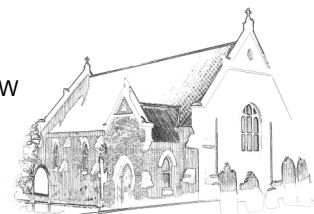
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Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year A 29 October 2023

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice; turn to the Lord and his strength; constantly seek his face.

FIRST READING: Exodus 22:20-26

If you are harsh with the widow or the orphan, my anger will rage against you.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 17:2-4, 47, 51

I love you, Lord, my strength.

SECOND READING: 1 Thessalonians 1:5-10

You turned away from idols to serve God and await his Son.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia! All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them and we will come to them. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Matthew 22:34-40

You will love the Lord your God, and your neighbour as yourself.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

We will ring out our joy at your saving help and exult in the name of our God.

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.



ADVENT GROUPS:

I would like to host facilitate join a small group.

Suitable day: _____ Time: _____ am/pm

I would like to purchase an Advent Daily Reflection Book \$7.00

Name: _____

Contact phone/email: _____

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 500g square fruit cake on weekends 2/3 & 9/10 Dec. They will be cut into slices & bagged for distribution on Sunday 17th December, following the 9.30am Mass at St Monica's. If you are able to help with cutting & bagging the cakes, please contact the office. Thank you in advance for your generosity.



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ATTENTION all Readers, EMs, MAs & Altar Servers at any of the Parish Masses.

Please **regularly check** your roster, which can be viewed on the Parish website.

The Parish desperately needs more musicians: keyboard players, instruments, singers. **Please help us!** *Contact person: Maria Boyd*

Altar Servers needed at ALL MASSES. **Invite a friend & serve together!** *Contact person: Mary McGuinness*

With the hot temperatures, **our gardens need regular watering.** If you can help please commit to watering just one garden. *Contact person: Mary McGuinness*



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Catholic Mission Appeal: Today, at St Monica's 6pm, 7.30am & 9.30am Mass we will have a guest speaker from Catholic Mission & a special envelope collection will be taken up at all Masses.

A time to remember: Throughout November the Church prays for all who have died. If 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.

Please note: Commencing Monday 6 November at Weekday Masses only, we will resume the practice of offering Holy Communion under both kinds. The Communicant must consume the Body of Christ before approaching the Minister distributing the Blood of Christ. Intincture (dipping of host) is not permitted.

All Souls Day Mass on 2 November at St Monica's, 9am and 7pm. We invite you to remember your loved one/s by bringing a flower which you will be invited to place at the Altar at the beginning of Mass. A special memorial Mass with Blessing of the graves will be held at St Gregory's on Friday 24 November at 6.30pm.

PARISH DIARY DATES



- **Wednesday 1 November All Saints Day Mass** at St Monica's, 9am.
- **Thursday 2 November All Souls' Day.**
- **Saturday 4 November Saint Charles Borromeo.**
- **Friday 10 November Anointing of the Sick** will take place during 9am Mass at St Monica's.

Laudato Si: As part of our commitment to Laudato Si and our parish outreach, we are asking for donations of used Christmas cards. We will be recycling the front pictures of the Christmas cards to make cards for residents of local aged care facilities. Students from St Monica's & Bede Polding College will assist making the cards. Please place your donations in the Christmas wrapped boxes in the foyer and look out for the opportunity to come along and help make the cards. We will be collecting card donations until Sunday 26th November.

Important Reminder: Please arrive on time for Mass, or better yet, come a little early to prepare your heart and mind through prayer before Mass begins. Let us gather in a spirit of devotion and reverence to celebrate the Eucharist.



Sacraments News.

First Communion will take place at the 6pm, 9.30am and 5.30pm Masses at St Monica's on 11th & 12th, 28th & 19th November. And at St Gregory's on the 12th & 19th November.

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

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 14 Nov 2023 at 7pm.

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

Reminder: Nominations for Parish Pastoral Council Elections

To nominate someone for the PPC, click on the link below or on the Parish website to fill out the Google form or complete a paper copy available in the church foyer. Please contact the Parish office for any further information or assistance.

Parish PPC Nomination link below:
<https://forms.gle/eKWWmB7Z6dsfmmun9>

The Greatest Commandment

Jesus replied: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind." Matthew 22:37

Based on Matthew 22:34-40 (NIV)



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STEWARDSHIP: Week ending 22/10/2023

1st Collection: \$1577.00
 2nd Collection: \$3100.60

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:

Michael Sossine, Pamela Turner, Doug Powers, Garry McGuinness, Jean Fawcett, Trudy Jones, Lana Gillespie, Erika Martin, Sam Coleiro, Bowie Phillips, Vera Gallespie, August Melinz

... and those we remember at this time:

Doris Cauchi, Peter Blumenthal, Barbara Capp, John Borg, Lonza Deguara, Joseph Camilleri, 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, Joseph Baldacchino

We Prayerfully Remember the Sick

Diana Ivsan, Dienne Boutswain, Endora Au, Hal Moloney, Zlato, Chris & 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 Ujniak, Leo Barbagallo, Diana Hurley



We welcome the newly baptized...

...to our Christian family



Happy birthday to all those celebrating this week:

Happy Anniversary Emmanuel & Josephine Vella

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

Monday October 30, 7pm in the Emmaus Room.

Topic this week- The Life of faith- The Last Things

Come and join us. No obligation, this is an opportunity for you to learn more and refresh your faith
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

4/5 November 2023

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time
Year A

St Monica's

Readers

6.00pm - R. Azzopardi
7.30am - A. Dunbar M. Fenech
9.30am - C. Hey F. Yates
5.30pm - T. Galino S. Tyler
Extraordinary Ministers at Holy Communion

6.00pm - D. Grima V. Muscat
7.30am - A. Burnett L. Attard
9.30am - Z. Culican H. Convey
5.30pm - T. Scopelliti A. Duarte
Minister of the Altar

6.00pm - A. Moloney
7.30am - C. Fleetwood
9.30am - M. Crew
5.30pm - D. Murphy
Junior Ministers

6.00pm -
7.30am -
9.30am - S. O & M. Saliba
5.30pm - S. Murphy C. Murphy
Data Projector

6.00pm - R. Ingram
7.30am - M. McMahon
9.30am - M. Breaden
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
29 Oct - V. Muscat F. Muscat R. Camilleri
05 Nov - F. Cteu T. Misdrom M. Want

WEEKDAY ROSTER Monday 30 October 2023

Reader - A. Copland
EMoHC - R. Larven
Wednesday 1 November 2023
Reader - L. Sheffield
EMoHC - A. Moloney
Friday 3 November 2023
Reader - M. Ryan
EMoHC - F. Crew

St Gregory's

Saturday 4 November 2023

Reader - J. Wall
EMoHC - C. Smiroldo
Sunday 5 November 2023
Readers

8.00am - M. Ryan T. Misdrom S. Lundy
Minister of the Altar - D. Ryan
Extraordinary Ministers at Holy Communion
8.00am - M. Ryan
Data Projector - M. Beggs
Altar Preparation - M. Ryan
Cleaners - C. Livingstone

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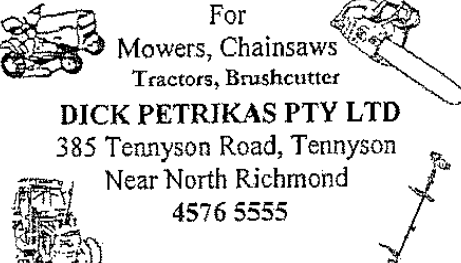
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Pope Francis @Pontifex October 27:



The mission is weaker without unity: a "splintered" Christ is a scandal for those who receive the proclamation. Today too, the Gospel will be more incisive if our unity in Christ grows.