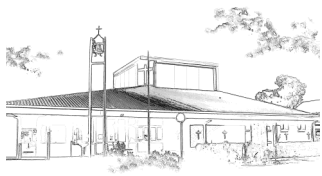


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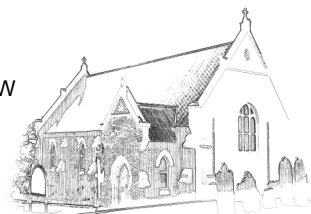
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Second Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year B 14 January 2024

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

All the earth shall bow down before you, O God,
and shall sing to you, shall sing to your name,
O Most High!

FIRST READING: 1 Samuel 3:3-10, 19

Speak, O Lord, your servant is listening

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 39:2, 4, 7-10

Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 6:13-15, 17-20

Your bodies are members of the body of Christ.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia! We have found the Messiah:
Jesus Christ, who brings us truth and grace.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL: John 1:35-42

They saw where Jesus lived and they stayed with him.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

We have come to know and to believe in the love
that God has for us!

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.*



***Come Join the Celebrations at the St Paul's Feast ..
Saturday, 20 January 2024 at 5.30pm
at St Monica's, Richmond ..***

Feast Mass

*Saturday 20 January
St Monica's, Richmond
at 5.30pm followed by
procession*

Other Details

*Lady Queen of Peace Band,
BBQ, Food, Drink &
Chocolate Wheel*



***Volunteers are needed on the day. Please contact Vicki 0410 545 783
if you can assist. Thank you.***

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PREPARING FOR LENT!

- We are just getting over Christmas and already we are looking towards Ash Wednesday, 14th February. We invite you over the next two weeks to bring in the palms you received last year so that they can be prepared for the Ashes on Ash Wednesday.
- We also invite you to consider forming or joining a small discussion group during the Lenten Season. These will commence on February 11.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Important Please Note: Mass at Richmond next Saturday evening 20 January is at **5.30pm**.

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B. Today we return to the Ordinary Sundays of Year B. The alternate Entrance and Communion Antiphon will be used throughout the year.

Australia Day Mass 26 January, will be celebrated at St Monica's at 9am. Come and join us as we pray for our Country.



World Day of Prayer: On Friday 1 March at St Monica's at 10.30am. This year we are hosting this Ecumenical Prayer which has been prepared by the women of Palestine. This annual event is prepared four or five years in advance. Our focus will be on PEACE in the Middle East. We invite to join us as we welcome Parishioners of other Faith denominations throughout the Hawkesbury. The prayer will be followed by morning tea, please bring a plate.

Please be aware: There are still a number of cases of Covid throughout the District. If you have symptoms or feel unwell it would be wise to stay at home and rest. Stay safe, stay well in 2024.

Stamps: Please save your used stamps for the Mary MacKillop Centre. Helping educate children. Thank you for your continued support.



R.C.I.A.: As we approach Ash Wednesday, 14 February, we are reminded that the R.C.I.A. Faith journey 23-24 is coming to a close. We are pleased to announce that Zane Law will be baptised on Pentecost Sunday and Louise Southall will be received into full Communion on the same day. As the couple has been attending Mass at St Gregory's and they feel very much at home there, it has been decided to hold all ceremonies at St. Gregory's. Firstly, we welcome Zane into the Order of Catechumens on Sunday 4 February at the 8am Mass. During these final weeks of preparation, we invite the whole Parish Community to keep Zane and Louise in prayer.



PARISH DIARY DATES



- **Wednesday 17 January Saint Anthony.**
- **Friday 26 January Australia Day** Mass will be celebrated at St Monica's, 9am.

Mobile phones: Please ensure that you turn off your phone or set it to silent mode before entering the church. Let us focus and support each other in creating a mindset suitable for prayer.



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

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.



Distribution of Holy Communion If you are unable to come forward to receive Holy Communion, please notify the Priest or the Senior Server before Mass. Thank you.

The Diocesan Synod Report is now available for download. The newly released Diocesan Synod Report offers a summary of our first Diocesan Synod assembly, held from 13-15 October 2023, its preparatory stages, in-depth details of the proceedings, and insights from delegates. Download your copy from the Parramatta Synod website now: <https://parracatholic.org/>

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
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admin@parishofrichmond.org.au

**PARISH COUNCIL
MEETING 14 Feb
2024 at 7pm.**

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

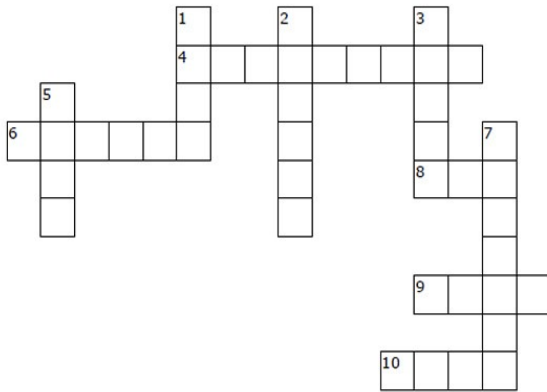
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Sharing Your Faith

"Nazareth! Can anything good come from there?" Nathanael asked. "Come and see," said Philip. John 1:46

Puzzle is based on John 1:43-51



ACROSS

- 4. A friend of Philip
- 6. To come after
- 8. To observe something with your eyes
- 9. A large woody plant with a trunk, limbs, and leaves
- 10. To move toward something

DOWN

- 1. To recognize someone; to be familiar with someone
- 2. A man that Jesus called to be a disciple
- 3. The Son of God
- 5. The opposite of bad
- 7. To accept something as true

TREE	NATHANAEL	COME	PHILIP	BELIEVE
FOLLOW	GOOD	JESUS	SEE	KNOW

STEWARDSHIP: Week ending 07/01/2024

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2nd Collection: \$3117.75

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:

Maria Sallese, Honorius Escalante, Hazel Gray, Alma Irwin, Betty Mckay, Diene Boatswain, Patrick Newman, John Allen, Gwenneth Doyle, John Cox, Antonia Refalo, Tom Hall

... and those we remember at this time:

Maria & Joe Saliba, David Sanson, John Mifsud, Maria Sultana, Joseph Sultana, Agnes Leddy, Anthony & Peter Galea, Mary, John & Alan Moloney, Stan Fienberg, Cis & Ken Luscombe, John Larven, Bev Riley, Julie Bennett, Joan Ryan, Kathleen Breden, Paul McDonald, Maryanne Mizzi, Carmelo & Catherine Vella, John & Gwen McGuigan, Shirley Kearney, Domenico Galatin, Mary & Felix Aquilina, Ronald Clark, Warren & Bettridge, Ernest Bettridge, Anthony & Maryanne Xiberras, Frank Cauchi

We Prayerfully Remember the Sick

Maria Polito, Endora Au, Hal Moloney, Zlato, Maree Spencer, Sharon Gregory, Charlie Camilleri, Greg Horan, Delina Galea, Yvette Brander, Pat Stanton, 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



We welcome the newly baptized...

Matteo Vassallo

...to our Christian family



Happy birthday

to all those celebrating this week:
Rosemarie Ujmiak

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION (RCIA)

will resume Monday 29 January at 7pm in the Emmaus Room

Topic: Marriage.

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
20/21 January 2024
3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Year B

St Monica's

Readers

6.00pm - C. Allison L. O'Brien
 7.30am - S. Duff M. McMahon
 9.30am - K. Petersen M. Manea
 5.30pm - C. Salkeld A. Salkeld

Extraordinary Ministers at Holy Communion

6.00pm - J. Gorman J. Portelli
 7.30am - A. Burnett A. Dunbar
 9.30am - F. Yates Z. Culican
 5.30pm - S. Nash A. Duarte

Minister of the Altar

6.00pm - R. Ujmiak
 7.30am - C. Fleetwood K. Bauer
 9.30am - A. Brailey
 5.30pm - P. Delahay

Junior Ministers

6.00pm -
 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 -
 9.30am -

Cleaners

Counters

14 Jan - F. Crew T. Misdom M. Want
 21 Jan - M. Ryan D. Bowles

WEEKDAY ROSTER

Monday 15 January 2024

Reader - F. Crew
 EMoHC - C. Nickle

Wednesday 17 January 2024

Reader - C. Allison
 EMoHC - A. Moloney

Friday 19 January 2024

Reader - L. Sheffield
 EMoHC - A. Aquilina

St Gregory's

Saturday 20 January 2024

Reader - P. Humphrey
 EMoHC - F. Crew

Sunday 21 January 2024

Readers

8.00am - N. Fienberg P. Humphrey
 C. Smiroldo

Minister at the Altar - D. Ryan A. Vincent

Extraordinary Ministers at Holy Communion

8.00am - A. Drew

Data Projector - H. Gillies

Altar Preparation -

Cleaners - S. McMahon

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Pope Francis @Pontifex January 12:
 One word in particular resounds in the two principal Christian feasts. That word is "peace".
 Peace is primarily a gift of God, but it is also a responsibility incumbent upon all of us.