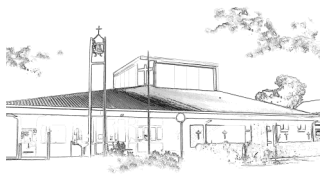


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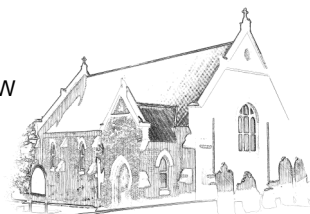
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Third Sunday of Lent – Year B 3 March 2024

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

My eyes are always on the Lord, for he rescues my feet from the snare. Turn to me and have mercy on me, for I am alone and poor.

FIRST READING: Exodus 20:1-17

The law was given through Moses.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 18:8-11

Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 1:22-25

We are preaching a crucified Christ, a scandal to many, but to those who have been called, the wisdom of God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son, that all who believe in him might have eternal life. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

GOSPEL: John 2:13-25

Destroy this sanctuary, and in three days I will raise it up.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

For anyone who drinks it, says the Lord, the water I shall give will become in him a spring welling up to eternal life.

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.



Easter Schedule:

Second Rite of Reconciliation at St Monica's, Thursday 21 March at 7pm

Holy Thursday, 28 March at 7pm. Thursday of the Lord's Supper

Altar of Repose until 10:30pm

Good Friday Stations of the Cross, 29 March: Richmond 10am followed by Reconciliation

Kurrajong 10am followed by Reconciliation

Richmond 3pm The Celebration of the Passion of the Lord followed by Reconciliation

Easter Vigil Saturday 30 March at Richmond 7pm

Easter Sunday, 31 March at Richmond 7:30am, 9:30am and 5:30pm

Easter Sunday, 31 March at Kurrajong 8am



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PREPARING FOR LENT!

LENTEN GROUPS



Monday 4 March, 7pm Emmaus Room, R.C.I.A.
Tuesday 5 March, Emmaus Room meet 9.30 for 10am start
Wednesday 6 March, 10am Emmaus Room (Ash Wednesday)
Thursday 7 March, 7pm Carol Allison 0428 482 845
Please bring a Bible or a Sunday Missal.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

World Day of Prayer: Thank you to all who helped us host the World Day of Prayer and those who attended praying for peace in the Middle East. May God bless you all.

Thanks for the World Day of Prayer We thank the Teachers and Students from Bede Polding College and St. Monica's School who attended and participated this special time prayer '

Easter Ceremonies: Are you attending the Easter Ceremonies? Are you willing & able to be involved in the various liturgies? If so, please see the list in the foyer & add your name **IMMEDIATELY**.

Stations of the Cross will be held at St Monica's each Friday during Lent following 9am Mass, and at St Gregory's each Saturday following 9am Mass.

Daily reflection books for the season of Lent are on sale at the Piety Stall and at Kurrajong- a helpful guide for prayer during this Holy season. Cost \$8 each.

Project Compassion boxes are available in the church foyer today.

Advertising in the bulletin: There is currently one vacant spot on the back of the Bulletin. For more information please contact the Parish Office.

PARISH DIARY DATES



- Friday 8 March Anointing of the sick** will take place at St Monica's during 9am Mass.

Pope Francis offers the following advice during Lent 'Fast from grudges and be reconciled - Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope'.

Altar Servers: The Parish needs new Altar Servers. This is a very special ministry. Training for **new Altar Servers** is on **Thursday evenings, 6-7pm**. Please come along & bring a friend on **March 14th, April 11th, May 23rd & June 6th**.



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**.

Sacraments News.

Sacrament of Confirmation – Please note the two changes. Ceremonies will be on Monday 17th June @ 7pm & Tuesday 18th June @ 7pm. Due to these dates REHEARSAL for the Sacrament will now be THURSDAY 13th June @ 7pm. Child must attend, sponsor to attend if possible. The rehearsal and Sacrament will take place at St Monica's Richmond.

NOTE : Enrolment weekend is Saturday 6th April @ 6pm Mass, Sunday 7th April @ 9.30am & 5.30pm at St Monica's or Sunday 8am @ St Gregory's – Please email sacraments@parishofrichmond.org.au to confirm which enrolment Mass you will be attending.

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 13 March
2024 at 7pm.
Meeting Minutes
available on notice
boards in church
foyers & parish
website.**

Good Friday Stations of the Cross

10am at Richmond will be led by the young people of our Parish.

We invite young people to come & be a part of this special presentation.

Practice times: Sunday 17 March & 24 March in the old Church following 9.30am Mass.

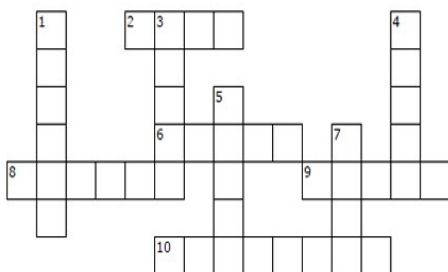
Kindly add your names to the sign-in sheet located in the church foyer.



Cleaning House

So he made a whip out of cords, and drove all from the temple area, both sheep and cattle; he scattered the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. John 2:15 (NIV)

Based on John 2:13-16 (NIV)



ACROSS

2. A strip of leather or cord fastened to a handle
6. An animal raised for its wool
8. A building dedicated to the worship of God
9. Coins or bills used to pay for something
10. A Jewish holiday celebrating being freed from slavery in Egypt

DOWN

1. A place where people gather to buy and sell things
3. A building where a family lives
4. A piece of furniture with a smooth, flat surface and four legs
5. The Son of God
7. A small, wild pigeon

WHIP	MARKET	PASSOVER	SHEEP	TEMPLE
HOUSE	TABLE	MONEY	JESUS	DOVE

STEWARDSHIP: Week ending 25/02/2023

1st Collection: \$1632.00

2nd Collection: \$2778.25

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:

Lynette Garrick, Elijah Campbell, Ludvik Feher, Lyn Clegg, Marie Melinz, Joseph Abela, Zaren Bugeja, Beverley Gougeon, Andrew Boyle, Charlie Galea, Maria Salles

... and those we remember at this time:

John Pratt, Joe Vella, Grezzju & Salvina Camilleri, Frank Cauchi, Daniel Spice, Noleen Lloyd, May Lloyd, Arthur Lloyd, Kristen Llyod, Paul & Frank Carpenter, Joseph Baldacchino, Frank Agresta, Saviour Vassallo, Vassallo Family, Muscat Family, Angela Saliba, Giacinta Bagnara, Pat Mooney, David Woods, Anthony & Maryanne Xiberras, Joseph & Carole Scerry, Maria & Joe Saliba

We Prayerfully Remember the Sick

Maria Crowe, Maria Polito, Endora Au, Hal Moloney, Zlato, Sharon Gregory, Charlie Camilleri, Greg Horan, Delina Galea, Yvette Brander, Pat Stanton, Rose Galea, Pam Everingham, Helen Kenny, Rick Vella, Adam Taha, Roy Cutrone, Sr Anne Tregillgas, Vera Brglevski, Barry Wall, Peter Johnson, Lorraine Smith, Stan Ujmiak, Leo Barbagallo, Diana Hurley



We welcome the newly baptized...

...to our Christian family



Happy birthday to all those celebrating this week:

Catechumens and Candidates. Why do we distinguish between catechumens and candidates? Aren't they the same thing? Not exactly. Catechumen refers to a person who has never been baptised and for us that is Zane. Candidate on the other hand often refers to a baptised Christian of another denomination who is seeking full communion with the Catholic Church, Louise. When we distinguish a candidate from a catechumen we are acknowledging the validity of the former's Christian baptism in another Christian Church. (Story Source-Teresa Pirola) Please keep Zane and Louise in your prayers.

REGULAR PARISH ACTIVITIES

Rosary

St Monica's: 8.40am before weekday Mass.

St Gregory's: 8.40am before Saturday Mass.

Children's Liturgy

Every Sunday excluding school holidays during 9.30am Mass at St Monica's

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.

Benediction & Mass

St Monica's: Every 1st Friday of the month 6.30pm - 7.30pm
St Gregory's: Every 1st Saturday after 9am Mass.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

St Monica's: Wed after 9am Mass to pray for vocations.



RICHMOND-NTH RICHMOND-KURRAJONG

NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER

9/10 March 2024

4th Sunday of Lent

Year B



St Monica's

Readers

6.00pm - M. McMahon C. Hession

7.30am - T. Maguire A. Edwards

9.30am - E. Esposito K. Brough

5.30pm - T. Scopelliti E. Teuma

Extraordinary Ministers at Holy Communion

6.00pm - P. Hession J. Chapman

7.30am - M. Fenech J. Cauchi

9.30am - N. Esposito C. Hey

5.30pm - S. Nash J. Morley

Minister at the Altar

6.00pm - C. Fleetwood A. Vincent

7.30am - R. Ujmiak

9.30am - D. Murphy P. Beirne

5.30pm - P. Delahay

Junior Ministers

6.00pm - S. Barglik H. Barglik

7.30am -

9.30am - C. Murphy M. Hoffman

5.30pm - O. Wickett

Data Projector

6.00pm - M. Breden

7.30am - C. Thompson

9.30am - M. Saliba

5.30pm - M. Teuma

Children's Liturgy

9.30am - B. Xuereb

Cleaners - M. Jansen T. Reckless

A. Edwards A. Senn

Counters

03 Mar - N. Godsell L. Bowen M. McMahon

10 Mar - C. Barber F. Pausanos

C. Thompson

WEEKDAY ROSTER

Monday 4 March 2024

Reader - M. Breden

EMoHC - H. Convey

Wednesday 6 March 2024

Reader - L. Sheffield

EMoHC - A. Moloney

Friday 8 March 2024

Reader - D. Bowles

EMoHC - M. Ryan



St Gregory's

Saturday 9 March 2024

Reader - M. Ryan

EMoHC - J. Wall

Sunday 10 March 2024

Readers

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

Minister at the Altar - F. Kelleher C. Byatt

Extraordinary Ministers at Holy Communion

8.00am - P. Waterford

Data Projector - A. Drew

Altar Preparation - M. Ryan

Cleaners - N. Fienberg

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Pope Francis @Pontifex March 1:



In this time of #Lent, let us strive not to put ourselves at the centre; rather, let us try to step aside to make room for others, to promote them, and to rejoice in their qualities and successes.