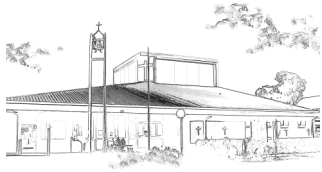


# The Parish of Richmond



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## Sixth Sunday of Easter – Year B 5 May 2024

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard;  
proclaim to the ends of the earth: The Lord has  
freed his people, alleluia.

### FIRST READING: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48

*The gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out upon the  
gentiles also.*

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 97:1-4

The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving  
power.

### SECOND READING: 1 John 4:7-10

*God is love.*

### 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: John 15:9-17

*No one can have greater love than to lay down his life  
for his friends.*

### COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

If you love me, keep my commandments, says the  
Lord, and I will ask the Father and he will send you  
another Paraclete, to abide with you for ever,  
alleluia.

### 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.*



## Parish of Richmond



## Foundation Day Multicultural Dinner

## Let's Celebrate!

### When

Friday 10 May 2024  
6:30pm

### Where

St Monica's Old Church

### Who

Everyone is invited to attend.  
Register your attendance in the  
church foyer.

### PARISH TEAM

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## LUKE 24 Parish Youth Group



Successful Luke 24 Youth Ministry open night inspired 20 children from Yr 3 to 12, centered on Luke 24:13-35, emphasizing faith, communication, & walking with Jesus. Engaging activities, gospel readings, discussions, pizza, and impactful messages enriched youth. Community & friendships flourished. Next session on May 13, 5.30-7pm in the Emmaus Room. Register now!



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Thank you** to all the Pastoral Care team who cared for my late mother's spiritual well-being, Winifred Gavin, at Hawkesbury Village. David Gavin.

**Anointing of the Sick** will take place during 9am Mass on Friday 10 May. If you are unable to attend & would like a Priest to visit you at home, please don't hesitate to contact the Parish Office.

**Mother's Day - Sunday 12 May.** We invite you to remember your Mother in prayer, perhaps you would like to bring a flower or card to place at the Altar as we pray together & ask blessing on all Mothers.



**Laudato Si'.** This year we have exciting plans to celebrate Laudato Si week which runs from 19<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> May. The theme this year is "Seeds of Hope". We are inviting parishioners (young & old) to design an A5 size message/ sign/ biblical quote/ artwork related to the theme "Seeds of Hope" that we will laminate, attach to sticks & display in our beautiful gardens at Richmond & Kurrajong. Younger parishioners are invited to decorate a rock which will add to our beautiful garden display. Please ensure your name is on the back of your work & have them to the Parish Office by Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May.

**Pentecost Sunday - 19 May.** We are inviting people from various National backgrounds to take part in the Prayers of the Faithful. If you would like to take part, you will be provided with a prayer for you to translate into your language and then read it at Mass on the day. Please speak to Fr Gayan or Fr Shinto today!

**Recommissioning of all Ministers:** Each year we are given the opportunity to re-commit ourselves to ministry. On Pentecost weekend May 18<sup>th</sup>/19<sup>th</sup>, **all ministers are invited, at one of the parish Masses, to be re-commissioned by Fr Gayan or Fr Shinto. Do mark this event in your diary.**



**New Altar Servers.** This is a very special Ministry. The final two nights for training will be **Thursday 23 May & 6 June 6-7pm.** Please mark these dates in your diary & come along. We still need more young people to step forward for this task. Don't be shy! Bring a friend!



### Parish Foundation Multicultural Dinner

Our Parish Foundation Multicultural dinner is happening on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2024! The night is an opportunity to bring together our parishioners over a shared meal, games and prizes. All are welcome including children. The event is **FREE** for all to attend, however we invite people to bring a dish from their culture if they are able to. BYO drinks - tea, coffee & soft drinks are provided.



Where: St Monica's (Old Church)

Register your interest in the church foyer on the sign up sheet or via the Google Form <https://forms.gle/FkJRByy9xmKn433q9>

### Immediate Help is Needed in the Parish ..

- Someone to assist with putting down a cement slab and constructing a small garden shed. **This we need to be done in May.** Please contact the Parish Office if you can assist.
- A couple of people to assist with **occasional maintenance jobs** around the parish *eg mowing an area of lawn; maintaining a small garden; small repair jobs.*

**Knowing we have generous parishioners I know we can count on your assistance.**

### 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  
8 May 2024 at  
7pm.  
Meeting Minutes  
available on notice  
boards in church  
foyers & parish  
website.**

## SCRUTINIES ..

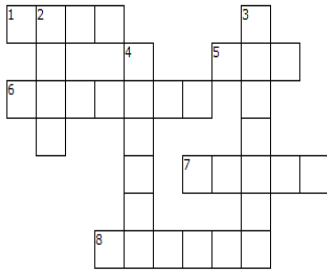
Today at St Gregory's Zane participates in the Second Scrutiny as he takes final steps in preparation to receive the Sacraments of Initiation, Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist on Pentecost Sunday during the 8am Mass at St Gregory's. Also, at the same Mass Louise will be welcomed into full Communion with the Church. Please keep them in you prayers.



## Love One Another

My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. John 15:12 (NIV)

Based on John 15:9-17 (NIV)



### ACROSS

1. To hold dear, to like or desire greatly
5. A state of happiness or delight
6. Someone that performs duties for a master
7. To gain knowledge, skill, or understanding
8. A person that you like very much

### DOWN

2. To do what you are told; follow the rules
3. An order which a person is expected to obey
4. One who has authority over another person

SERVANT	OBEY	LEARN	COMMAND
FRIEND	LOVE	MASTER	JOY

## STEWARDSHIP: Week ending 28/04/2023

1st Collection: \$1507.00

2nd Collection: \$2884.55

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:

Winifred Gavin, Martin Deguara, Marco Dodds Snr, Anne Kos, Boze Cupic, Saviour Vella, Maria Crowe, Lynette Garrick, Elijah Campbell, Ludvik Feher, Lyn Clegg, Marie Melinz

## ... and those we remember at this time:

Carmen Camilleri, Paul Borg, Laylla Borg, Felix Aquilina, Mary Aquilina, Julie Bennett, Jason Vella, Saviour Vassallo, Mora O'Doherty, Melanie Sheffield, Sr Anne Tregillgas, Mary Mizzi, Keith Schembri, Mary Hughes, Josef Somi, John Moloney, Con Mavroforas, Kathy Mavroforas, Joseph Baldacchino, Peter Roth, Michael John McMahon, Anthony & MaryAnn Xiberras, Vince Bartolo, Louis & Giovanna Portelli, Joseph & Concetta Xiberras, Ron & Josie Horan, Jess McGuinness, Carmelo Farrugia, Frank Cauchi

## We Prayerfully Remember the Sick

Loretta Blumenthal, Paul Refalo, Anna Papallo, Camelia Thompson, Leanne Ryan, Vince Head, Maria Polito, Endora Au, Hal Moloney, Jozef Zalic, Drago Gracner, Maria Cracner, Greg Horan, Delina Galea, Yvette Brander, Pat Stanton, Rose Galea, Pam Everingham, Helen Kenny, Roy Cutrone, Vera Brglevski, Barry Wall, Peter Johnson



We welcome the newly baptized...

...to our Christian family



Happy birthday to all those celebrating this week:

## RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION (RCIA)

Next meeting Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May 7pm in the Emmaus Room

Topic: The Third Scrutiny based on the Gospel of St John. You may like to read John 11:1-45 as we celebrate the Third Scrutiny next weekend during 5.30 Mass at St. Monica's

Please continue to pray for Zane who is preparing for Baptism and Louise who will be received into full Communion at Kurrajong Pentecost Sunday.

## REGULAR PARISH ACTIVITES

### 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.

### Luke 24 Youth Group

Monday 13th May in the Emmaus Room from 5.30 - 7pm.



**NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER**

**11/12 May 2024**

**The Ascension of the Lord  
Year B**

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

**Minister at the Altar**

6.00pm - A. Vincent  
7.30am - R. Ujmiak  
9.30am - D. Murphy P. Beirne  
5.30pm - P. Delahay

**Junior Ministers**

6.00pm - S & H. Barglik  
7.30am -  
9.30am - S & 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 - C & C. Saliba

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

**Counters**

05 May - M. Ryan D. Bowles C. Chapman  
12 May - N. Godsall L. Bowen M. McMahon

**WEEKDAY ROSTER**

**Monday 6 May 2024**

Reader - M. Breden

EMoHC - H. Convey

**Wednesday 8 May 2024**

Reader - A. Aquilina

EMoHC - M. McMahon

**Friday 10 May 2024**

Reader - D. Bowles

EMoHC - M. Ryan

**St Gregory's**

**Saturday 11 May 2024**

Reader - M. Ryan

EMoHC - J. Wall

**Sunday 12 May 2024**

**Readers**

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

**Minister at the Altar** - F. Kelleher

**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 May 3:**

During this month of May, may we entrust to the Blessed Virgin Mary our personal and family matters, as well as the suffering of those who fall victim to war. Let us [#PrayTogether](#) for the Church, all nations, and for peace in Ukraine and the Middle East.

