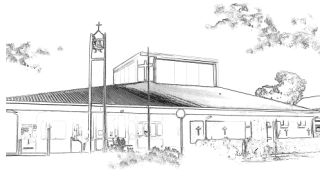


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## The Most Holy Trinity – Year B 26 May 2024

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Blest be God the Father, and the Only Begotten Son of God, and also the Holy Spirit, for he has shown us his merciful love.

### FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40

*The Lord himself is God in heaven above and on earth below: there is no other.*

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 32:4-6, 9, 18-20, 22

**Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.**

### SECOND READING: Romans 8:14-17

*You have received the Spirit that makes you God's own children, and in that Spirit we call God: Father, our Father!*

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

**Alleluia, alleluia! Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: to God who is, who was, and who is to come. Alleluia!**

### GOSPEL: Matthew 28:16-20

*Baptise them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.*

### COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

**Since you are children of God, God has sent into your hearts the Spirit of his Son, the Spirit who cries out: Abba, Father.**

### 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.*



*Dear one and all,*

*Currently designated as a Parochial District overseen by Deacon Tony, I've been appointed as the Founding Parish Priest of Marsden Park, which means I'll be leaving Richmond by the end of June 2024.*

*The Bishop will appoint a new parish priest for Richmond Parish. Marsden Park is ready for a full-time parish priest, although it doesn't yet have a church building. The community currently gathers for Mass at St Luke's Catholic College, which hopes to secure a demountable building until a new church is built.*

*My appointment in Marsden Park officially begins in January 2025. Before moving, I plan to take a sabbatical during which I will serve as a full-time RAAF Chaplain for three months, followed by some personal leave. I initially intended to take my sabbatical after completing 20 years as a priest, but this wasn't possible due to my move to Richmond Parish. Therefore, I've decided to take the leave now, before transferring to Marsden Park, as I prefer not to start there and then take time off.*

*My time in Richmond has been both challenging and rewarding, and I wanted to share this news with you. Please keep me in your prayers as I transition to this new role in Marsden Park.*

*God bless*

*Fr Gayan*

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## What a Celebration!!

Thank you to all who helped us celebrate Pentecost Sunday. A special thanks to the people of Kurrajong whose hospitality and warm welcome ensured that Zane, Louise and Isaac, their family and friends experienced a very special Mass and Rites of Initiation. The Church was beautifully decorated by Melissa and all were treated to morning tea in glorious sunshine.

Many have commented on the Prayers of the Faithful at both Churches and asked about the languages spoken. They were Afrikaans, Dutch, English, Filipino, French, Gaelic, German, Igla, Indian, Italian, Kirra bus, Malaya ham, Maltese, Nigerian, Polish, Spanish, Sinhala & Tamil.



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Congratulation and Thank you** to Aaron, Karl and Patrick as they commit themselves today to serve as Ministers at the Altar here in the Parish of Richmond.

**Anointing of the Sick** will take place at St Monica's on Friday 14 June during 9am Mass.

**Welcome:** We extend a warm welcome to our speakers from Marriage Encounter. 'Catholic marriage is the basis of family life. Marriage Encounter offers a weekend that will enrich, refresh and strengthen couples/religious, in building stronger relationships with one another. The weekend will also empower them in their sacrament of marriage/religious calling. Further information can be obtained from <https://www.wvme.org.au>'

**Envelopes for the new financial year** will be available shortly. If you have changed your address or any other contact details please contact the Parish Office. If you would like to contribute through the Parish envelopes which helps with the maintenance and day to day costs of the Parish please contact the Parish Office. Thank you for your generous support of the Parish.

**Next Luke 24 Youth Group** will be held on Monday 10 June in the Emmaus Room from 5.30pm - 7pm. All children from Yr3 to Yr12 are welcome to attend.



## PARISH DIARY DATES

- **Friday 31 May** *The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary.*
- **Saturday 1 June** *Saint Justin.*

### Fr Shinto's Annual Leave

Fr Shinto will be on his annual leave from 4 June - 22 June. In his absence, Fr Bob Anderson will celebrate the 7.30am and 9.30am Masses in Richmond, and Fr Gayan will celebrate the 8.00am Masses in Kurrajong. We wish Fr Shinto a restful break.

**Old Presbytery Renovations Update:** The renovation of the old presbytery has begun, with the completion of damp proofing and floor leveling. Painting is underway, with flooring to follow. Additionally, Colorbond fencing will enclose the property, and the exterior decking will be revitalized. To find out more about the project or how you can support, please contact the parish office.

**New Altar Servers.** This is a very special Ministry. The final two nights for training will be **Thursday 6 Jun 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!



## Sacraments News.

### CONFIRMATION—7pm. 17th & 18th June.

If you have missed ANY classes you can make them up on Wednesday 3.45pm.

Lesson 3 - 29th May

Lesson 4 - 5th June

**Rehearsal for Children, Parent & Sponsor - Thursday 13th June at 7pm.**

## 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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## PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

**12 June at 7pm.**

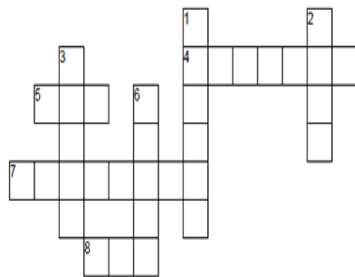
**Meeting Minutes  
available on notice  
boards in church  
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website.**

**Diocesan Security Protocols** Fr Peter Williams, Vicar General, has notified all Parishes of new Security Protocols that are effective immediately. All medical emergencies, suspicious activity, theft etc. are to be reported immediately to the Parish Priest or Parish Administration who then must notify the Diocese & relevant authorities. Fr Peter concludes: 'It is regrettable that we must make provision for such events, but the fragile nature of our world at present & increasing awareness of a lack of social cohesion requires that we are proactive in providing security for our clergy & people.' Copies of the Parish Security Incident Reporting Flowchart are available in the vestry at St Monica's & St Gregory's, in the old church, The Emmaus Room and the Parish office.

## God So Loved the World

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. John 3:16 (NIV)

Complete the activity below.



### ACROSS

4. Lasting forever; without end
5. Male offspring
7. Accept something as being true, genuine, or real
8. The creator of heaven and earth

### DOWN

1. To die or be destroyed
2. To rescue from danger or harm
3. The earth with its inhabitants and everything on it
6. Cared very deeply for someone

ETERNAL	WORLD	PERISH	SAVE
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## STEWARDSHIP: Week ending 19/05/2023

1st Collection: \$1609.00

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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.

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Thank you for your generosity and continued support.

### Grant Eternal Rest to the recently deceased:

Savaria Grech, Barry Wall, Norman Boland, Winifred Gavin, Martin Deguara, Marco Dodds Snr, Anne Kos, Boze Cupic, Saviour Vella, Maria Crowe, Lynette Garrick, Elijah Campbell

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

John Larven, Katica & Ivan Mihalj, Margaret Simpson, Carmen Teuma, Janice Harvey, Frank Agresta, 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

### We Prayerfully Remember the Sick

Tom Hamilton, Loretta Blumenthal, Paul Refalo, Anna Papallo, Camelia Thompson, 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, Peter Johnson



**We welcome the newly baptized...**

**Gracie Grima  
Isaac Law**

*to our Christian family*



**Happy birthday to all those celebrating this week:**

## RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION (RCIA)

Is taking a break.

We thank all who have supported the Group by prayer and participation.

Watch this space for information about the next journey.

Please consider becoming a part of the support team and share your faith with others.

## 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.

### Luke 24 Youth Group

Monday 10th June in the Emmaus Room from 5.30 - 7pm.



## NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER

1/2 June 2024

### The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

Year B

 **St Monica's**

#### Readers

6.00pm - J. Fewtrell L. O'Brien  
7.30am - A. Dunbar M. Fenech  
9.30am - C. Hey L. Sheffield  
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 - H. Convey A. Aquilina  
5.30pm - T. Scopelliti A. Duarte

#### Minister at the Altar

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

#### Junior Ministers

6.00pm -  
7.30am - C & E. Cauchi  
9.30am - O & M. Saliba  
5.30pm - C. Murphy

#### Data Projector

6.00pm - R. Ingram  
7.30am - J. Cauchi  
9.30am - M. Breaden  
5.30pm - C. Thompson

#### Children's Liturgy

9.30am - C. Kennedy  
**Cleaners** - C. Livingstone O. Nkwocha A. Edwards M. Portelli

#### Counters

26 May - V. Muscat F. Muscat R. Camilleri  
02 Jun - F. Crew T. Misdorn M. Want

#### WEEKDAY ROSTER

Monday 27 May 2024

Reader - A. Copland

EMoHC - M. McMahon

Wednesday 29 May 2024

Reader - A. Aquilina

EMoHC - M. McMahon

Friday 31 May 2024

Reader - D. Bowles

EMoHC - M. Ryan

 **St Gregory's**

Saturday 1 June 2024

Reader - J. Wall

EMoHC - C. Smiroldo

Sunday 2 June 2024

#### Readers

8.00am - M. Ryan I. Galea T. Misdorn

**Minister at the Altar** - D. Ryan

**Extraordinary Ministers at Holy Communion**

8.00am - M. Ryan

**Data Projector** - M. Beggs

**Altar Preparation** - M. Ryan

**Cleaners** - A. Falzon

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### Pope Francis @Pontifex May 24:



The Holy Spirit comforts us and heals our memories by focusing our attention on God's love and His gaze upon us. The Spirit brings order to our lives. He teaches us to accept ourselves, forgive, reconcile with the past, and start anew.