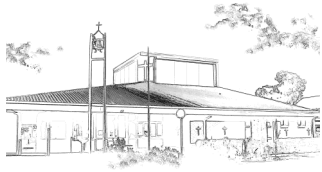


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## The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ – Year B 2 June 2024

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

He fed them with the finest wheat and satisfied them with honey from the rock.

### FIRST READING: Exodus 24:3-8

This is the blood of the Covenant that the Lord has made with you.

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 115:12-13, 15-18

I will take the cup of salvation, and call on the name of the Lord.

### SECOND READING: Hebrews 9:11-15

The blood of Christ will purify our inner selves.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord; whoever eats this bread will live for ever. Alleluia!

### GOSPEL: Mark 14:12-16, 22-26

This is my body. This is my blood.

### COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him, says the Lord.

### 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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## Blessing and Official Opening of St John of God Richmond Hospital Redevelopment ..

On May 28th, the St John of God Richmond Hospital redevelopment was blessed and officially opened by Bishop Vincent Long. Fr Peter Williams and Fr Gayan were also present during the blessing and opening ceremony. The event was attended by invited guests, local interest groups, and some parishioners. The next phase of the redevelopment will involve completing the chapel and the pharmacy, with expected completion by the end of this year.



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Congratulations & Thank you** to Colin as he commits himself to serve as a Minister 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.

**Please Note:** Next weekend we return to the Sundays in Ordinary Time. Our Readings are from the 10<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B.

**Bishop's Good Samaritan Appeal** for Catholic Care's Project Elizabeth will be held Weekend 8/9 June. Your generosity & prayers will provide struggling mums with the practical & emotional support to overcome adversity & build a better future for themselves & their families. Thank you for your support.

**Two new cleaners** are needed to **assist once a month** with cleaning *St Gregory's Church*. If you can help please contact the Parish Office immediately. Thank you.



**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 8am Masses in Kurrajong. We wish Fr Shinto a restful break.

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

## PARISH DIARY DATES



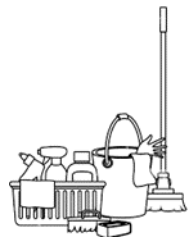
- **Monday 3 June Saint Charles Lwanga & Companions.**
- **Wednesday 5 June Saint Boniface.**
- **Friday 7 June The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus.**

**Celebrate!** At a recent gathering of Religious in the Diocese special anniversaries of dedication to religious life were celebrated, amongst them were Sr Louise Hume OSC, 60 years, Sr Joanne Fitzsimons OSC, 60 years and Sr Joan Murphy OSC, 70 years. What a wonderful example of devoting one's life to Christ. May God bless you all.

**Laudato Si:** Thank you to all who contributed art works & quotations as we reflect on the Pope's document calling us to care for the earth. They are displayed in the 'Friendship Garden' at St Monica's & at St Gregory's.

**Envelopes for the new financial year** are available today in the Church foyer. 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 & day to day costs of the Parish please contact the Parish Office. Thank you for your generous support of the Parish.

**Renovations of the old presbytery** are now completed, we now need assistance to clean the building **asap**. We need windows cleaned & some general cleaning of toilets, floors & ledges. If you can give sometime (one or two hours) **please contact the Parish Office immediately. The work can be done in your preferred time, or at a small group working bee on Saturday June 15<sup>th</sup>.**



## Sacraments News.

**A huge Thank you** to our generous facilitators who have given their time preparing children for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

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

If you have missed ANY classes you can make them up on Wednesday 3.45pm.  
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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admin@parishofrichmond.org.au

**PARISH COUNCIL  
MEETING  
12 June at 7pm.**

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

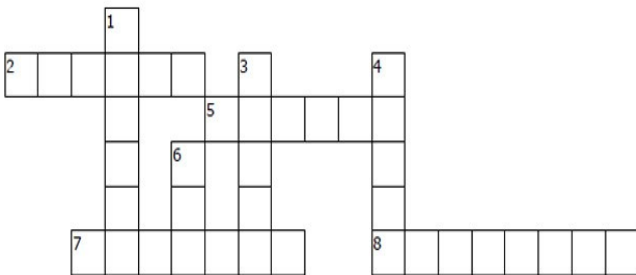
**We give thanks for Fr Gayan -  
Sunday 23 June.**

Following the news of Fr Gayan's new appointment, we are planning a 'Thank you' morning tea on Sunday 23 June following 9.30am Mass at Richmond in the old church. All are warmly invited to attend. If you are able to assist with catering, please contact Mary McGuinness. We keep Father in our prayers during this time of transition.

**Family Ties**

"Whoever does God's will is my brother and sister and mother."  
Mark 3:35(NIV)

Puzzle is based on Mark 3:20-35



**ACROSS**

- 2. Parents and children; people descended from a common ancestor
- 5. A woman who has given birth to a child
- 7. A male with the same parents as someone else
- 8. A follower of Jesus

**DOWN**

- 1. A female with the same parents as someone else
- 3. A dwelling that serves as living quarters for one or more families
- 4. A large number people gathered together
- 6. To take in food

MOTHER	DISCIPLE	EAT	HOUSE
FAMILY	CROWD	BROTHER	SISTER

**STEWARDSHIP: Week ending 26/05/2023**

1st Collection: \$1825.00  
2nd Collection: \$2278.50

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:**

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**

Jan Thompson, 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...**

Sofia Galea

...to our Christian family



**Happy birthday**

to all those celebrating this week:

**Save the Date!**



**Event:** White Elephant and Book Stall.  
**Dates:** Fri 2nd, Sat 3rd and Sun 4th August.  
**Venue:** The Old Church at St Monica's, Richmond.

Make sure to join us for this wonderful event!



**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 17th June in the Emmaus Room from 5.30 - 7pm.





# NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER

8/9 June 2024

10th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
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 A. Burnett  
9.30am - N. Esposito C. Hey  
5.30pm - S. Nash J. Morley

### Minister of 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 - C. Murphy M. Hoffmann  
5.30pm - O. Wickett

### Data Projector

6.00pm - M. Breaden  
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

02 June - F. Crew T. Misdorn M. Want  
09 June - M. Ryan D. Bowles C. Chapman

### WEEKDAY ROSTER

Monday 3 June 2024

Reader - M. Breaden

EMoHC - H. Convey

Wednesday 5 June 2024

Reader - L. Sheffield

EMoHC - A. Moloney

Friday 7 June 2024

Reader - M. Ryan

EMoHC - F. Crew

## St Gregory's

Saturday 8 June 2024

Reader - M. Ryan

EMoHC - J. Wall

Sunday 9 June 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** - D. Grima

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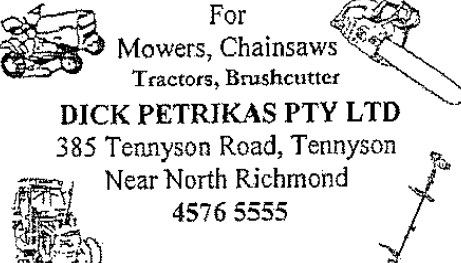
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