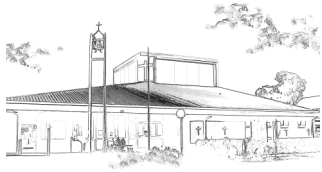


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Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year B 10/11 August 2024

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Look to your covenant, O Lord, and forget not the life of your poor ones for ever. Arise, O God, and defend your cause, and forget not the cries of those who seek you.

FIRST READING: 1 Kings 19:4-8

Strengthened by the food, he walked to the mountain of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 33:2-9

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

SECOND READING: Ephesians 4:30– 5:2

Walk in love, just as Christ.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

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

GOSPEL: John 6:41-51

I am the living bread come down from heaven.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

The bread that I will give, says the Lord, is my flesh for the life of the world.

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.

What do you think of when you hear the word liturgy?

Most would respond 'The Mass', but there is more. The Sacramental Rites and the Liturgy of the Hours are also a part of the Church's rich source of God's grace and presence with us on our journey of faith. The word comes from the Greek words meaning 'the work of the people'. 'Work' itself can conjure up many different images. In the Eucharist, as in various forms of Liturgy, we are called to the "conscious, active and fruitful participation of everyone". (1071 Catholic Catechism- Liturgy as source of life)

The many Ministries involved in Liturgy, those seen and unseen, are one way for us to participate. There are other simple, engaging, 'active and fruitful' opportunities for us to grow as a community and life-giving prayer. Our 'work' could be to prepare for Liturgy by reflecting on the designated Readings for any given Ritual. It may be coming to a fuller understanding of the Rites. The way we respond to the prayers, join in the singing, make the Sign of the Cross, greet each other, welcome the stranger amongst us, share each other's burdens, will enrich the celebrations and enable us to go and tell 'The Good News'.

There is a Liturgy Group in the Parish our next meeting is scheduled for 12th September at 7pm in the Emmaus Room YOU would be most welcome.

Margaret McMahon, Liturgy Group.

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HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION-THIS THURSDAY 15 August .. Feast of the Assumption Holy Day of obligation

Wednesday 14 August: Vigil Mass: St Gregory's 6.30pm. Please not Readings from Mass of the Day.

Thursday 15 August: Mass at St Monica's 9am and 7pm. The School will be attending 9am Mass.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you, Thank you. A thousand times

Thank You to all who helped make our Books, Plants and White Elephant Stalls a great success. We owe a debt of gratitude to all who donated goods, prepared stalls, volunteered on the day and those who supported the stalls. Everyone enjoyed the gathering with an atmosphere of a social occasion, everyone going home with a BARGAIN!. It was great to catch up with people, meet new faces mostly travellers passing by, all enquiring when is the next one? Mary Marchant showed us the 'Luck of the Irish' by winning both prizes in the raffle held by the book stall, A combined total of \$12625.70

Thank You to all who came to attend 7.30am Mass last Sunday. Your patience & understanding is very much appreciated.

Mark the date: Sunday September 22, Bishop Vincent will install Fr Raymond Parish Priest at the 9.30am Mass, which will followed by morning tea.

St Vincent de Paul: Thank you to the parishioners of who so generously supported our recent Winter Appeal. Your donations will aid the work of the St Vincent de Paul Society in the Hawkesbury area -supporting our clients who are most in need.

Amount raised: \$7127.50. Fred McEnearney. President St Monica's Conference St Vincent de Paul Society

Dates for August ..

Tuesday 27 August: Feast of St Monica. Mass 9am-School attending. Mass will be followed by morning tea in the Emmaus Room. Come and join us as we pray for our Parish.

Saturday 31 August Celebrate the Feast of St Gregory which falls on September 3. It was considered that more Parishioners may be able to attend and pray as a community. Readings will be from the Feast of St Gregory.

Sacraments News.

Reminder: Reconciliation Classes begin this week, (except for Thursday evening - starts 22nd August.

Enrolments for First Holy Communion are now open until the end of August. Please note the date for the **Commitment ceremony (24th & 25th August) and Parent Information Evening. 5th September at 7pm St Monica's church. Use the QR code to enrol.**



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

PARISH DIARY DATES



- *Wednesday 14 August Saint Maximilian Mary Kolbe.*
- *Thursday 15 August The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.*

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 & reverence to celebrate the Eucharist.



Parking Reminder: Please park in the marked bays only. It is imperative that the driveway be clear for emergency vehicles to access the Church.

St Monica's Working Bee: To have St Monica's looking sparkling for Fr Raymond's installation, there is a planned **WORKING BEE** scheduled for **Saturday 21 SEPTEMBER, 9am – 1pm**, with a sausage sizzle to finish the work. Windows to be cleaned, gutters to be cleared, gardens spruced up & lawns to be mown. If you can assist, even with an hour of your time, please contact Mary McGuinness.



PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
11 September at 7pm.

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

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

VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK ends today.

As this week draws to a close, we are asked to continue praying for vocations. Today, August 11 marks the Feast of St. Clare, as it falls on a Sunday this year, the Day of the Lord takes precedence over the feast. We wish the Poor Clare Sisters a very Happy Feast Day & pray in thanksgiving for their presence in our community not only now but for their dedication to teaching in our Primary School from 1943 to 1970 when the first lay Principal was appointed. A couple of the Sisters remained until 1982. In recent years the Sisters have returned to their roots of contemplative prayer & spiritual guidance at their Monastery in Nth Richmond. May God bless you all.

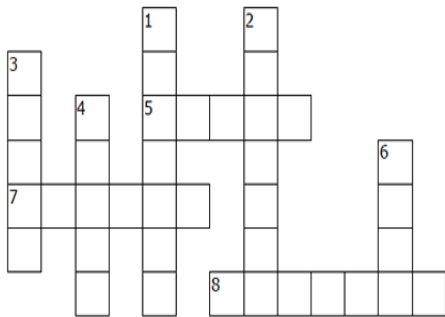
Heavenly Bread

"I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats this bread will live forever. This bread is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world." John 6:51 (NIV)

Puzzle is based on John 6:41-51



"I am the living bread."



ACROSS

- 5. To gain knowledge through experience or study
- 7. To make an effort to hear something; to pay attention
- 8. A person who speaks for God; Isaiah, for example

DOWN

- 1. To accept as true or real
- 2. For everlasting time; eternally
- 3. The earth with its inhabitants
- 4. The Son of God
- 6. To continue to be alive

LIVE	BELIEVE	FOREVER	PROPHET
LEARN	LISTEN	WORLD	JESUS

STEWARDSHIP:

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 2nd Collection: Our support for the parish community. 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:

Bishop Kevin Manning, Lorraine Gove, Jozef Zalic, Ruth Maystone, Betty Dick, Savaria Grech, Barry Wall, Norman Boland, Winifred Gavin, Martin Deguara, Marco Dodds Snr

... and those we remember at this time:

John Head, James Head, Alice (Billy) Head, Josef Somi, Josephine & Gerald Vella, Michael Grech, Grazio & Maria Grima, Frank Cauchi, Phyllis Deguara, Joseph Vella, Philip Vassallo, Carmen & Joseph Teuma, Marta & George Schembri, Jan Denny, Glenn Denny, Joseph Baldacchino, Felix Aquilina, Mary Aquilina, Con Mavro, Kathy Mavro, John Steiner, Fred Cashsa, Mary Moloney, Alan Moloney, Beverley Riley, Joe Vella

We Prayerfully Remember the Sick

Bob Camilleri, Peter Micallef, Tom Hamilton, Loretta Blumenthal, Paul Refalo, Anna Papallo, Camelia Thompson, Maria Polito, Endora Au, 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...

...to our Christian family



Happy birthday

to all those celebrating this week:

Safeguarding Richmond: RSVPs for Cycle 2 Safeguarding Training on Saturday, August 24 at 10am in the Emmaus Room to Teshana at the Parish office at admin@parishofrichmond.org.au or phone her on 02 4578 1410. Zac Culican, *Safeguarding Champion*.

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 12th August in the Emmaus Room from 5.30 - 7pm.



NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER

17/18 August 2024

20th 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 - M. Mizzi 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 - L. Sultana
7.30am -
9.30am -
5.30pm - Choir members

Data Projector

6.00pm - M. Breaden
7.30am - C. Thompson
9.30am - L. Culican
5.30pm -

Children's Liturgy

9.30am - K. Kemble

Cleaners - C & A. Salkeld O. Nkwocha
A. Edwards P. Vella

Counters

11 Aug - F. Crew T. Misdom M. Want
18 Aug - M. Ryan D. Bowles C. Chapman

WEEKDAY ROSTER

Monday 12 August 2024

Reader - F. Crew

EMoHC - C. Nickle

Wednesday 14 August 2024

Reader - A. Aquilina

EMoHC - M. McMahon

Friday 16 August 2024

Reader - L. Sheffield

EMoHC - A. Aquilina



St Gregory's

Saturday 17 August 2024

Reader - F. Crew

EMoHC - M. Ryan

Sunday 18 August 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 - M. Ryan

Cleaners - J. Bondfield

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