The Parish of Richmond



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Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year B 28/29 September 2024

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgement, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

FIRST READING: Numbers 11:25-29

Are you jealous on my account? Who decrees that all people may Prophesy?

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 18:8, 10, 12-14 The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

SECOND READING: James 5:1-6 Your wealth is rotting.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia! Your word, O Lord, is truth: make us holy in the truth. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

Anyone who is not against us is for us. If your hand should cause you to sin, cut it off.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

By this we came to know the love of God: that Christ laid down for his life for us; so we ought to lay down our lives for one another.

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.

110th World Day of Migrants and Refugees 2024

Today marks the 110th celebration of World Migrant and Refugees Day. The Theme this year is 'God walks with His people' The World Day of Migrants and Refugees is observed each year as a time to learn about, listen to, and pray for and with those who have been forced to flee their homeland. Around Australia, many refugees and other migrants who hold temporary visas live in a state of uncertainty and insecurity, unable to obtain work rights or income support. The Catholic Church together with the many <u>Catholic social services agencies</u> make considerable efforts to assist migrants and refugees and advocate for justice, yet, this is a drop in an ocean of need. This World Day of Migrants and Refugees, CSSV encourages all to consider what they can do to contribute to creating a welcoming and just society for all migrants and refugees, while learning about their contribution to the Catholic community in Australia.

Message of Pope Francis "... God not only walks with his people, but also within them, in the sense that he identifies himself with men and women on their journey through history, particularly with the least, the poor and the marginalized. In this we see an extension of the mystery of the Incarnation. For this reason, the encounter with the migrant, as with every brother and sister in need, "is also an encounter with Christ." The Pope's full message is online.

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Youth In Mission 2025 in the Philippines

St Paul the Apostle Parish and Filipino Chaplaincy - Diocese of Parramatta are inviting young and passionate individuals to join this mission to Cebu and Manila, Philippines to help those in need. The target group are young adults aged 18 to 30.

This is a unique opportunity to immerse yourself in a new culture while contributing to meaningful projects that make a real impact where your efforts will directly benefit communities in need. You can make a tangible difference by working on projects that address critical needs and support local development, grow and develop personally in gaining invaluable life skills and even build lasting friendships.

This experience isn't just about giving; it's also about growing and learning. You'll return home with a renewed sense of purpose and a deeper understanding of global issues.

For more details, please contact Fr John Paul on 0420 310 771 or johnpaul.escarlan@parracatholic.org

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WHAT A JOYFUL CELEBRATION! Thank you once again to all who helped and participated in the Installation ceremony of Fr Raymond by Bishop Vincent last Sunday as our Parish Priest. It was a iovous occasion and it was good to celebrate as a Parish family with representatives from all corners of the Parish and our Diocsese attending. We warmly welcomed the Nigerian Community. They certainly brightened the occasion with their beautiful attire and warm smiles. We were treated to a lavish morning tea including Nigerian food brought by our visitors. They also delighted us with their singing a congratulatory song to Father. Thanks to you all

Parish Ministry Training: Please note change of time. Emmaus meeting Room 6.30 - 8pm For Ministers of Holy Communion: Tuesday 15 Oct. If interested, contact Parish Office.

PARISH DIARY DATES

- Monday 30 September Saint Jerome.
- Tuesday 1 October Saint Therese of the Child Jesus.
- Wednesday 2 October The Holy Guardian Angels.
- Friday 4 October Saint Francis of Assisi.

Thank you for your expressions of sympathy & support for Bernie Coyle in this time of bereavement. You have truly shown the face of Christ in our midst. God bless you all.

Working Bee @ St Monica's. Sincere thanks for the generosity of many in completing an enormous task! The Church sparkled, the spiders lost their webs, the weeds were pulled & the gardens. dressed with donated mulch, are smiling! It was hard work, but we had a lot of fun! Thank you.

Best Wishes to our HSC Students, please keep them in your prayers.

COMMENCING TOMORROW MONDAY 30 SEPTEMBER. The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A)

invites anyone interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith to 'COME - LISTEN and LEARN'. There is NO obligation. The meeting will commence at 7pm in the Emmaus Rood. Parishioners are asked to pray for those making enquiry and the team as they commence this new journey of Faith.

Sacraments News.

Schedule for First Holy Communion. Reminder! Please email an image of your child with their name to sacraments@parishofrichmond.org.au

St Gregory's	St Monica's	Monday	Tuesday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Sunday	Sunday after	3.45pm	3.45pm	7pm	3.45pm	7pm	4.30pm
after 8am	9.30am Mass	Emmaus	Emmaus room	Emmaus	Emmaus	Emmaus	Emmaus Room
Mass		Room		Room	Room	Room	
13 th Oct	13 th Oct	14 th Oct	14 th Oct	15 th Oct	16 th Oct	17 th Oct	18 th Oct
20 th Oct	20 th Oct	21 st Oct	22 nd Oct	22 nd Oct	23 rd Oct	24 th Oct	25 th Oct
27 th Oct	27 th Oct	28 th Oct	29 th Oct	29 th Oct	30 th Oct	31 st Oct	1 st Nov
3 rd Nov	3 rd Nov	4 th Nov	5 th Nov	5 th Nov	6 th Nov	7 th Nov REHEARSAL 7pm all children	8 th Nov

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

9 October at 7pm.

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



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.



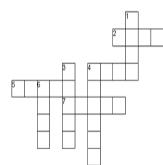
To cover the cost of the plaque, its installation & the upkeep of the

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.

A Pinch of Salt!

"Salt is good for seasoning. But if it loses its flavor, how do you make it salty again? You must have the qualities of salt among yourselves and live in peace with each other." Mark 9:50 (NLT)

Complete the activity below.



ACROSS

- 2. To fail to keep something
- 4. What we eat to get the nutrients that our body needs
- 5. To put something in your mouth to determine its flavor
- 7. To do something once more
- DOWN
- 1. Not bad
 - 3. Freedom from arguments and disagreements
 - 4. The way a food or drink is recognized from its taste or smell
 - 6. A white substance used to flavor or preserve food

FOOD	SALT	GOOD	AGAIN	
FLAVOR	TASTE	PEACE	LOSE	

STEWARDSHIP:

1st Collection: Our support for our clergy. 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:

Aaron Azzopardi, Angelo Grech, Paul Refalo, John Healy, Lorna Nash, Jim Coyle, Joe Daley, Catherine Allen, Tony Vella, Vincent Maguire, Bishop Kevin Manning, Lorraine Gove

... and those we remember at this time:

Joseph Baldacchino, Xerri & Azzopardi Family, Saviour Vassallo, Alexander & Pawla Muscat, Pawlu & Carmen Vassallo, Philip Azzopardi, Sam & Mary Cremona, Douglas Powers, Joe Vella, Angelo Vella, Grezzju Camilleri, Bill McMahon, Charlie Refalo, Mary Josie Horan, Sr Carmel Martin OSC, Annie Collinson, John Head, James Head, Alice (Billy) Head, Josef Somi, Josephine & Gerald Vella, Michael Grech, Grazio & Maria Grima, Frank Cauchi

We Prayerfully Remember the Sick

Bill Burnett, David Kersivien, Fiona Daley, Anna Papallo, Bob Camilleri, Peter Micallef, Tom Hamilton, Loretta Blumenthal, Paul Refalo, Camelia Thompson, Maria Polito, Endora Au, Drago Gracner, Maria Cracner, Delina Galea, Yvette Brander, Pat Stanton, Rose Galea, Pam Everingham, Helen Kenny, Peter Johnson



...to our Christian family



Happy birthday to all those celebrating this week:

Cycle 1 Safeguarding Training on Saturday 15 February, 2025. Please register with the Parish office admin@parishofrichmond.org.au.

The course will start at 10.00am and conclude at 3.30pm with morning tea and a light lunch served. Alternatively the training can be completed online at https://parracatholic.org/safeguarding/training/ All parish volunteers must be trained in Safeguarding.

Zac Culican - Safeguarding Champion-Parish of Richmond.

REGULAR PARISH ACTIVITES

Rosarv

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 14 October in the Emmaus Room from 5.30 - 7pm.



NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER 5/6 October 2024 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

🚢 St Monica's

9.30am - C. Hey L. Sheffield 5.30pm - T. Galino S. Tyler Extraordinary Ministers at

Holy Communion

Minister at the Altar

6.00pm - A. Moloney

5.30pm - D. Murphy

Junior Ministers

7.30am - C. Fleetwood

9.30am - O & M. Saliba

5.30pm - C. Murphy

6.00pm - R. Ingram

7.30am - J. Cauchi

5.30pm - J. Morley

Children's Liturgy

Edwards M. Portelli

WEEKDAY ROSTER

Reader - M. Breaden

EMOHC - A. Moloney

Friday 4 October 2024

Saturday 5 October 2024

Wednesday 2 October 2024 Reader - L. Sheffield

St Gregory's

EMoHC - F. Crew

Reader - M. Ryan

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Reader - J. Wall

Holy Communion

8.00am - M. Ryan

Cleaners - A. Falzon

Readers

EMoHC - C. Smiroldo

Sunday 6 October 2024

Extraordinary Ministers at

Data Projector - M. Beggs

Altar Preparation - M. Ryan

9.30am -

Counters

C. Thompson

9.30am - M. Breaden

Data Projector

9.30am - M. Crew P. Beirne

Year B

Readers

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Pope Francis @Pontifex 24 September:

The world is made up of many different realities that are diverse precisely so that they can assist and complete each other. When they are harmonized, all generations, peoples, and differences can reveal the wonderful splendor of humanity and Creation. #SeasonOfCreation