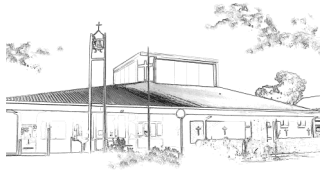


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## Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year B 2/3 November 2024

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Forsake me not, O Lord, my God; be not far from me! Make haste and come to my help, O Lord, my strong salvation!

### FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 6:2-6

Hear Israel, you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart.

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 17:2-4, 47. 51

I love you, Lord, my strength.

### SECOND READING: Hebrews 7:23-28

This one, because he remains for ever, has an eternal priesthood.

### 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: Mark 12:28-34

This is the first commandment, and the second is similar to it.

### COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

Just as the living Father sent me and I have life because of the Father, so whoever feeds on me shall have life be

### 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.*

### DIOCESAN PASTORAL PLAN REPORT: PART ONE

Hello Everyone,

Attending the Diocesan Gathering and contributing to the launch of our 2024-2028 Pastoral Plan for a Synodal Church on behalf of the Parish of Richmond, alongside Mary and Bernie, was something I really enjoyed. The day consisted of two plenary sessions and two workshops. A special highlight between these sessions was the opportunity to connect with other parishes in our diocese, especially those involved in youth ministry, who are doing great work and can inspire us at Luke 24 Youth Ministry.

If I could summarise my experience and learnings from the Diocesan Gathering into two key points, they would be these:

**The concept of Synodality:** One of the speakers said, "A synodal church is a church which listens, and listening is more than just hearing. Synodality is how the people of God relate to each other and engage with the world." This resonated with me because it's something I see reflected so much in the Parish of Richmond, where active listening is truly practiced.

**We are a volunteer church:** Every member of the church is vital for its success, but we can only be a Christ-centred church because the Holy Spirit guides us. Everything we do is under the Holy Spirit's guidance, which is evident in the dedication of our volunteers across various ministries. The Bible verse highlighted in the Pastoral Plan is "Behold, I am with you always" (Matthew 28:20). As we move forward with embracing the Pastoral Plan, may our faith and the Holy Spirit guide us, just as Jesus led his disciples in their journey of faith.

By: Amy Tabone

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## ADVENT GROUPS:

I would like to host facilitate join a small group. Suitable day: \_\_\_\_\_

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Thank you** for your support of Catholic Mission. \$4147.75 has been forwarded on your behalf.

**Anointing of the Sick** will take place at St Monica's on Friday November 8 during 9am Mass.

**The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A)** will meet tomorrow Monday 4 November, 7pm in the Emmaus Room. All Welcome.

**All Ministers** please regularly check your email inboxes for the latest communications. Reminder: All Mass rosters are on the website. Please refer to these often.

## PARISH DIARY DATES



- **Monday 4 November Saint Charles Borromeo.**
- **Saturday 9 November The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica.**

**A time to Remember** during the month of November the Church reminds us to pray for these who have died. All names are recorded in the Remembrance Book.

*A  
time  
to  
Remember*

## You are invited to a THANK YOU BBQ!



Fr Raymond, Fr Shinto and the Parish Pastoral Council invite all Parish volunteers to a **BBQ on Friday 8th November 2024** to thank you all for your dedicated service to the Parish community.

**Venue: St Monica's Church gardens, Richmond. Time: from 5.30pm.**



As the Parish will provide burger patties, bread rolls, soft drinks, tea and coffee, all you need to bring along is any alcohol, you plan to drink, and if possible, a salad or dessert to share. Make sure you **'Save the date'** and come along to celebrate in the spirit of sharing and fellowship.

For catering purposes, please fill in the lists which are in the Church Foyers or alternatively fill out the registration form, using this QR code:

Our Parish is what it is today because of the faith, generosity and hard work of countless people over many years. **Come one, come all so that we can celebrate together.**

## Sacraments News.

St Gregory's Sunday after 8am Mass	St Monica's Sunday after 9.30am Mass	Monday 3.45pm Emmaus Room	Tuesday 3.45pm Emmaus Room	Tuesday 7pm Emmaus Room	Wednesday 3.45pm Emmaus Room	Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> Nov <b>REHEARSAL 7pm all children</b>	Friday 4.30pm Emmaus Room
3 <sup>rd</sup> Nov	3 <sup>rd</sup> Nov	4 <sup>th</sup> Nov	5 <sup>th</sup> Nov	5 <sup>th</sup> Nov	6 <sup>th</sup> Nov	7 <sup>th</sup> Nov	8 <sup>th</sup> 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  
13 November 24  
at 7pm.**

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

### Memorial Mass.

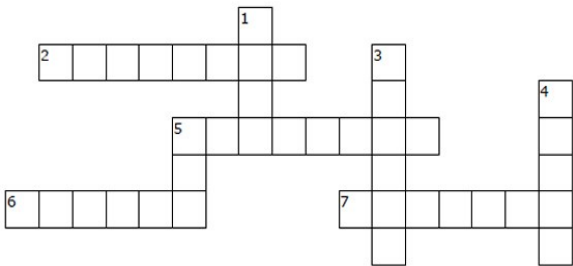
A special Memorial Mass will take place at St Monica's on Friday evening 29th November at 7pm. We particularly extend an invitation to all who have lost loved ones during this year. You may like to bring a flower which you will be invited to place at the Altar during the Mass. All are welcome.



### The Greatest Commandment

"Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength." The second is this: "Love your neighbor as yourself." Mark 12:30-31 (NIV)

Puzzle is based on Mark 12:28-34



#### ACROSS

2. A person who lives near or next to another
5. The most important; better than all others of the same kind
6. Coming next in order after the first one
7. Someone who educates or trains others

#### DOWN

1. To have a deep feeling of affection or attraction for someone
3. A spoken or written reply to a question
4. The center and source of a person's emotions or feelings
5. The creator of heaven and earth; The One we worship

NEIGHBOR	TEACHER	SECOND	GOD
ANSWER	HEART	GREATEST	LOVE

### 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:

Thomas Furse, John McGregor, David Kersivien, Aaron Azzopardi, Angelo Grech, Paul Refalo, John Healy, Lorna Nash, Jim Coyle, Joe Daley, Catherine Allen, Tony Vella

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

Throughout November we pray together with the whole Church for all who have died. 'It is a holy and a wholesome thought to pray for the dead that they may be loosed from their sins' 2 Maccabees 12:46

### We Prayerfully Remember the Sick

Sam Galea, Lily Vella, John Maguire, Bill Burnett, Fiona Daley, Anna Papallo, Bob Camilleri, Peter Micallef, Tom Hamilton, Loretta Blumenthal, Maria Polito, Endora Au, Drago Gracner, Delina Galea, Yvette Brander, Pat Stanton, Rose Galea, Pam Everingham, Helen Kenny, Peter Johnson



We welcome the newly baptized...

...to our Christian family



Happy birthday to all those celebrating this week:

**Luke 24 Young Adults Group (18-35 yrs):** Parish of Richmond is dedicated to nurturing spiritual growth, fostering meaningful connections, and building lasting friendships within our youth community.

Join us as we develop the Luke 24 Young Adults Group (18-35 yrs) and come along to our Information Night on Monday 25th November 2024 at 7pm in the Emmaus Room. Please register your availability at the QR code.



### 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 11th November in the Emmaus Room from 5.30 - 7pm.



# NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER

## 9/10 November 2024

### 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time 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 - J. Morley E. Teuma

### Extraordinary Ministers at Holy Communion

6.00pm - P. Hession J. Chapman  
7.30am - M. Fenech A. Burnett  
9.30am - N. Esposito C. Sultana  
5.30pm - S. Nash S. Higgins

### Minister at the Altar

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

### Junior Ministers

6.00pm - S. Barglik H. Barglik  
7.30am -  
9.30am - C. Murphy M. Hoffmann  
5.30pm -

### Data Projector

6.00pm - M. Breaden  
7.30am - C. Thompson  
9.30am - M. Saliba  
5.30pm - M. Teuma

### Children's Liturgy

9.30am - B. Xuereb

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

### Counters

03 Nov - N. Godsell L. Bowen M. McMahon  
10 Nov - C. Barber F. Pausanos  
C. Thompson

### WEEKDAY ROSTER

#### Monday 4 November 2024

Reader - M. Breaden

EMoHC - H. Convey

#### Wednesday 6 November 2024

Reader - L. Sheffield

EMoHC - A. Moloney

#### Friday 8 November 2024

Reader - D. Bowles

EMoHC - M. Ryan

## St Gregory's

### Saturday 9 November 2024

Reader - M. Ryan

EMoHC - J. Wall

### Sunday 10 November 2024

### Readers

8.00am - P. Hurst J. Wall A. Bwaia

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

### Extraordinary Ministers at Holy Communion

8.00am - P. Waterford

**Data Projector** - A. Drew

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### Pope Francis @Pontifex 30 October:

Let us ask the Holy Spirit to rekindle the fire of love in our hearts and to move us to joyfully bear witness to His presence in our lives.

