The Parish of Richmond



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Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe - Year B 23/24 November 2024

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity, and wisdom and strength and honour. To him belong glory and power for ever and ever.

FIRST READING: Daniel 7:13-14

His sovereignty is eternal.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 92:1-2, 5
The Lord id king: he is robed in majesty.

SECOND READING: Revelation 1:5-8

The ruler of the kings of the earth.. Made us a line of kings, priests to serve his God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed is he who inherits the kingdom of David our father; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: John 18:33-37 You say that I am a king.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

The Lord sits as King for ever. The Lord will bless his people with peace.

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.

Parish of Richmond Census

It has been many years since our Parish has conducted a census and it's time to update our records. We ask that everyone who is in our parish, to please complete our census form over the next weeks. In doing this, we help ensure that all our records are correct and up to date. The form can be completed by using the QR code below or via this link https://forms.gle/yC61g4qSt2UPuoT79

Paper copies are also available in the foyer at both Mass centres. Please complete by 31 December 2024.

The census helps us identify who is in our Parish, their potential needs based on age and status in life and the gifts that people are willing to share with the Parish community. We feel more a part of a community when we actively contribute to the life of that community. So please think carefully about all the ways you can be involved when completing the form!

The information you submit will be used for Parish purposes only. It helps us to get to know our parishioners and to keep in contact with you. You will be added to our Parish communication database.



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Christmas Mass Times ...



St Monica's: Tuesday December 24 6pm Vigil (Children's Mass)

Midnight Mass - Readings and Carols from 11.30pm

Wednesday December 25 7.30am & 9.30am

St Gregory's: Tuesday December 24 8pm Vigil Mass

Wednesday December 25 8am



2nd Rite of Reconciliation St Monica's, Richmond Wednesday. 18 December 7.00pm.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you: As we come to the end of this liturgical year, we thank you all for your generous support throughout the year. May God bless you all.

Bishop's Christmas Appeal will be held weekend 30 Nov/1 Dec. Thank you for your continued support. Envelopes are available today.

Advent Groups will commence tomorrow Monday 25 November 7pm in the Emmaus Room & Tuesday 26 November 9.30am for 10am start.

Piety Stall: Christmas gift ideas. 2024 Calendars \$10.00 each. Christmas cards \$5.00 for a pkt of 8. God's Word, a daily reflection book \$20.00 Also available at St Gregory's.

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A) will meet tomorrow Monday 25th November. 7pm in the Emmaus Room.

PARISH DIARY DATES

- Friday 29 November Memorial Mass at St Monica's, 7pm for all who have lost loved ones. You may bring a flower to be placed at the Altar during Mass. All welcome.
- Saturday 30 November Saint Andrew.

This weekend we celebrate the Feast of Christ the King marking the end of the Liturgical Year. Next Sunday we commence Year C following the Gospel of Luke Readers please note next weekend the Readings will be the First Sunday of Advent Year C. The weekday readings will be from Year 1. Throughout the year, the Antiphons will be option one where alternates are offered.

Seeking old Christmas cards: Boxes are now in the fover for you to place your donations of old Christmas cards. As part of our commitment to Laudato Si and our Parish outreach, we are asking for donations of used Christmas cards. We will be recycling the front pictures of the Christmas cards to make cards for residents of local aged care facilities.

HOSPITALITY THROUGH MINISTRY

Hospitality is the act of creating a welcoming environment for everyone who comes through the doors, ensuring they feel part of the community, and providing support and assistance where needed. As a community, we need to develop our hospitality ministry, and we need more volunteers to succeed. Can you help us please? The Hospitality Ministry needs:

- More greeters and ushers at each of the weekend Masses.
- Friendly & approachable individuals who can remember names easily.
- People who direct enquiries to key parish members.
- Those with attention to detail, patience, multitasking skills and a positive attitude.

Your contribution will make a huge difference in creating a welcoming and supportive worshipping environment for everyone.

If you're interested in supporting the hospitality team sign the sheet available in the foyer, contact the parish office, speak to Father Raymond, Father Shinto or reach out to Mary McGuiness .

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

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 FINANCE MEETING joint end of year celebration. 11 Dec at 7pm. **Meeting Minutes**

PARISH COUNCIL &

meet+greet



website.

This Christmas, St Vincent de Paul Society seeks to assist more than 200 struggling families to experience a joyful Christmas through your generosity.

Thus, we are again inviting your support for a **Gift Card** donation - from any store of your choice.

If you can donate, please place your card into the basket at the church door after Mass on the weekend of the 7th and 8th December.



Thank you for your generosity and continued support.

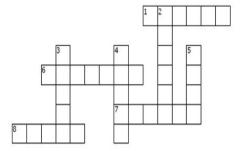
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Crown Him King

"You are a king, then!" said Pilate. Jesus answered, "You are right in saying I am a king. In fact, for this reason I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone on the side of truth listens to me."

John 18:37 (NIV)





ACROSS

- 1. Where a king or queen lives
- 6. An area or territory ruled by king or queen
- 7. To make an effort to hear something
- A statement proven to be or accepted as accurate or factual

DOWN

- To capture and hold under the authority of law
- To battle, quarrel, or argue; a conflict between two or more people
- 4. The earth or universe
- 5. Brought into life by birth

| | kingdom | fight | listen | born |
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| | palace | world | truth | arrest |

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Grant Eternal Rest to the recently deceased:

Bernadette Pepper nee McMahon, Gary Wikman, John Maguire, Thomas Furse, John McGregor, David Kersivien, Aaron Azzopardi, Angelo Grech, Paul Refalo, John Healy

... 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

Fr Max Blumenthal, Sam Galea, Lily Vella, Bill Burnett, Fiona Daley, Anna Papallo, Bob Camilleri, Tom Hamilton, 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 9th December in the Emmaus Room from 5.30 - 7pm.



NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER 30 Nov/01 Dec 2024

1st Sunday of Advent Year B



St Monica's

6.00pm - J. Xiberras A. Copland 7.30am - A. Tabone M. Fenech 9.30am - C. Hey E. Choudhary 5.30pm - T. Galino R. Sultana

Extraordinary Ministers at **Holy Communion**

6.00pm - J. Portelli J. 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 S. Borg

9.30am - O & M. Saliba

5.30pm - C. Murphy Data Projector

6.00pm - M. Breaden

7.30am - J. Cauchi 9.30am - M. McGuiness

5.30pm - C. Thompson

Children's Liturgy

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

Counters

24 Nov - F. Crew T. Misdom M. Want 01 Dec - M. Ryan D. Bowles C. Chapman

WEEKDAY ROSTER

Monday 25 November 2024

Reader - A. Copland

EMoHC - M. McMahon

Wednesday 27 November 2024

Reader - A. Moloney

EMoHC - M. McMahon

Friday 29 November 2024

Reader - D. Bowles

EMoHC - M. Ryan



Saturday 30 November 2024

Reader - J. Wall

EMoHC - C. Smiroldo Sunday 1 December 2024

Readers

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

Minister at the Altar - D. Ryan

Extraordinary Ministers at

Holy Communion

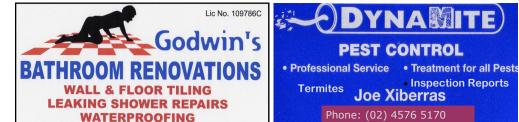
8.00am - M. Ryan

Data Projector - M. Beggs

Altar Preparation - M. Ryan

Cleaners - A. Falzon

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Pope Francis @Pontifex 21 November:

Prayer forms the foundation of the message of hope that seeks to proclaim in our troubled times. The contribution of consecrated persons, particularly contemplative communities, is so precious in this endeavor!

