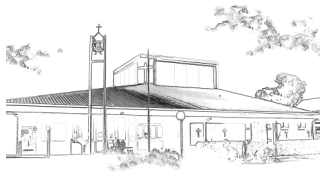


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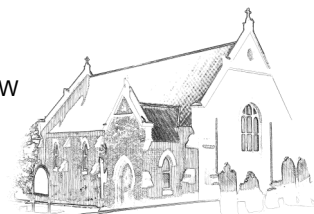
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Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord – Year C 19/20 April 2025

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: Psalm 138:18, 5-6

I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia. You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia. Too wonderful for me, this knowledge, alleluia, alleluia.

FIRST READING: Acts 10:34. 37-43

We have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 117:1-2. 16-17. 22-23

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

SECOND READING: Colossians 3:1-4

Look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia! Christ has become our paschal sacrifice; let us feast with joy in the Lord.

GOSPEL: John 20:1-9

The teaching of scripture is that he must rise from the dead.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: 1 Corinthians 5:7-8

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, alleluia; therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread of purity and truth, alleluia, alleluia.

The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven, may the faith you have give us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit it, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen.

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ALLELUIA, CHRIST IS RISEN INDEED

Easter is a time when "Easter People" sing "Alleluia" while celebrating the Resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. It fills us with the joy that the Lord is truly risen. It invites us to reflect on the life-giving mysteries surrounding Christ's triumph over death. This celebration of Christ's victory over sin and death on Easter Sunday, flows into the Easter Octave. That is the eight days of unbroken celebration of the central truth of our Christian faith (the resurrection of Jesus Christ).

Our eucharistic celebrations during the octave of easter fill us with the message of Hope and Renewal which the Resurrection of Christ brings at Easter. This jubilant period reaches its climax with the celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday – when we celebrate God's endless love and mercy to humanity. Although we often remember the events of the paschal mystery of Christ, yet, this whole period of easter and its octave encourage us to enter into a more profound personal encounter with the risen lord so that "Alleluia" will be our song as "Easter People".

Furthermore, as we rejoice that the easter fire has purified our hearts and dispelled the darkness of sin and bad choices from our lives, may the cracking of the easter eggs usher us into a time of new beginnings and divine grace, when we shall be spiritually renewed and deeply connected with the essence of our faith – the risen saviour of the world. Are you prepared to share the message of the Resurrection of Christ with others? Are you prepared to be a source of new life and hope for those around you? Are you ready to sing Alleluia because Christ is risen indeed? May our risen saviour fill our hearts with the joy of easter and bless all our good endeavours all year round, ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA. HEAPPY EASTER EVERYONE.

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Bookings now open: Diocese of Parramatta's Jubilee Youth Pilgrimage. Young people (18-35 years) from Western Sydney & the Blue Mountains are invited to join an 18-day pilgrimage to the Jubilee of Youth in Rome from 19 July to 5 August, 2025, including a visit to Greece to trace the footsteps of Saint Paul and a celebration of the canonisation of Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati in Rome. With only 45 spots available, secure your place by booking before 10 May, 2025, with a deposit of \$800, and find out more or book at parracatholic.org/jubilee2025/

Bookings now open: Diocese of Parramatta's Adult 35 years+ Jubilee Pilgrimage. Join a life-changing 19-day pilgrimage from 7 to 25 September 2025, exploring sacred sites in Greece, Turkey, and Rome. Open to adults aged 35 and over, this journey follows St. Paul's path and the early Church, culminating in the Jubilee Year of Hope in Rome. Bookings close on 2 May 2025, with a deposit of \$800 required at the time of booking. The final payment is due by 7 July 2025. Don't miss this incredible faith experience. For more information and to register, visit parracatholic.org/jubilee2025/



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you to all who helped make our Easter celebrations so meaningful. There are so many involved both in front and behind the scenes, we could not do it without you. In the words of Pope St. John Paul 11, we can truly say 'We are an Easter people and our song is Alleluia'. This quote has its origins in the writings of St Augustine. It was wonderful to see the numbers attending, many new faces and young families. We wish you all the blessings of Easter.

Thank You

Thank you for your donations to Caritas Project Compassion.

Congratulations and Welcome to the Community.

We offer our congratulations and prayerful support to Zane Moir who was baptised and Annette Wulff, Catherine Brockhoff and Justin De Stoop who were received into full communion at the Vigil. May the Risen Christ be with you as you continue your faith journey.

RCIA group will meet on Monday 28 April at 7pm in the Emmaus Room to reflect on the journey to Easter, the ceremonies and where to from now. Please read Ministry and Mission pge 171 At home with God's people.

PARISH DIARY DATES

- **Sunday 27 April Divine Mercy Sunday.**

Mark the date: 22nd-24th May Pre-loved Book Sale. Donations of books will be received from Monday 5th May in the Old Church..

You are invited to Morning tea on Sunday 27th April following 9.30am Mass at Richmond. If you are able please bring something to share, it would be most appreciated. This will be an opportunity to thank Fr Shinto and wish him well in his role as Parish Priest.

Best Wishes

ANZAC DAY

ANZAC Day Mass 9am at Richmond. This year Anzac Day falls within the Octave of Easter. The Readings will be those of the Friday within the Octave of Easter. A commemoration will be held at the end of Mass. The local R.S.L. Club members will be attending Mass on Easter Monday 21st April as part of their remembrance. As is the custom, we would like to offer our visitors morning tea following the Mass and ask for assistance by bringing a plate. Thank you.

Sacraments News.

Confirmation Classes will commence from Sunday 27 th April -					
Sunday St Gregory's After 8am Mass	Sunday St Monica's After 9am Mass	Monday Emmaus Room 3.45pm	Tuesday evening Emmaus room 7pm	Wednesday Emmaus room 3.45pm	Friday Emmaus Room 4.30pm
Margaret	Annie	Pauline	Allyson	Maria	Scott

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:
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COUNCIL MEETINGS

PPC - 14/05/2025

PFC - TBA

Time at 7pm.

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



This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it." —Psalm 118:24

*Christ is risen. Hallelujah!
May the miracle of Easter bring you renewed hope, faith, love, and joy.*

The Case of the Empty Tomb

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the entrance.

John 20:1 (NIV)

Based on John 20:1-18 (NIV)



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Luke 24 Youth Group (8-17yrs)

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

Topic: Trusting & surrendering to God.

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... and those we remember at this time:

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We Prayerfully Remember the Sick

Joe Vella, Hal Moloney, Pat Keegan, Mark Potter, Pope Francis, Carmie Brugman, Corey Spice, Sam Galea, Bill Burnett, Anna Papallo, Tom Hamilton, Delina Galea, Pat Stanton, Rose Galea, Pam Everingham, Helen Kenny, Peter Johnson



We welcome the newly baptized...

Gigi Galea
Ezra Ieroianni
...to our Christian family



Happy birthday

to all those celebrating this week:

REGULAR PARISH ACTIVITIES

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.

Monthly Special Blessings.

Marriage Anniversaries - Every 2nd Sundays of the month.
Birthdays - Every 4th Sundays of the month.



NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER

26/27 April 2025

2nd Sunday of Easter

Year C



St Monica's

Readers

6.00pm - J. Xiberras A. Copland
7.30am - T. Fogarty A. Tabone
9.30am - L. Sheffield M. Mizzi
5.30pm - T. Ross

Extraordinary Ministers at Holy Communion

6.00pm - J. Xiberras J. Muscat
7.30am - C. Thompson
9.30am - L. Ryan J. Cauchi
5.30pm - D. D'Mello J. Morley

Minister of the Altar

6.00pm - P. Beirne
7.30am - A. Moloney
9.30am - C. Pritchard
5.30pm - R. Ujmiak

Junior Ministers

6.00pm -
7.30am -
9.30am - C & E. Cauchi S. Borg
5.30pm -

Data Projector

6.00pm - M. Breaden
7.30am - M. McMahon
9.30am - E. Choudhary
5.30pm - M. Teuma

Children's Liturgy

9.30am - E. Mizzi

Counters

20 Apr - M. Ryan D. Bowles C. Chapman
27 Apr - N. Godsell L. Bowen M. McMahon

WEEKDAY ROSTER

Monday 21 April 2025

Reader - M. Breaden
EMoHC - F. Crew

Wednesday 23 April 2025

Reader - A. Moloney
EMoHC - M. McMahon

Friday 25 April 2025

Reader - D. Bowles
EMoHC - M. Ryan

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St Gregory's

Saturday 26 April 2025

Reader - C. Smiroldo
EMoHC - F. Crew

Sunday 27 April 2025

Readers

8.00am - L. Currall M. Mooney A. Drew
Minister at the Altar - A. Vincent

Extraordinary Ministers at Holy Communion

8.00am - C. Smiroldo
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