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# Fourth Sunday of Easter – Year C 10/11 May 2025

#### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: Psalm 32:5-6**

The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth; by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia.

**FIRST READING: Acts 13:14. 43-52** We are now turning to the gentiles.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 99:1-3, 5** We are his people, the sheep of his flock.

SECOND READING: Revelation 7:9, 14-17

The Lamb who is at the throne will be their shepherd and will lead them to springs of living water.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: John 10:14** 

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep, and mine know me. Alleluia!

**GOSPEL: John 10:27-30** I give my sheep eternal life.

#### **COMMUNION ANTIPHON:**

The Good Shepherd has risen, who laid down his life for his sheep and willingly died for his flock, 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 you 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 vanguished, 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.

(For your personal use).

#### Habemus papum! We have a pope!

White smoke billowed from the chimney of the Sistine Chapel on May 8 to cheers and applause. Shortly thereafter, Cardinal Robert Francis Prevost emerged onto the balcony of the Vatican Square as the new pope of the Catholic Church. He has taken the name Pope Leo XIV.

Born in Chicago, Illinois, in 1955, Pope Leo XIV becomes the first pope from the United States of America. While born and raised in the US, he spent much of his priestly ministry in Peru. In Peru, he was a parish priest, rector of a seminary, and taught and ministered in canon law. He was made a bishop in 2014.

Pope Leo XIV is also the first pope from the Order of St Augustine, where he served as Prior General from 2001 - 2013. Augustinians are known for their commitment to community, intellectual pursuits, and service in diverse ministries. Being the son of St Monica, St Augustine is no stranger to our home here, and it is an exciting time for our parish as we come to embrace the new pope with an Augustine spirituality.

In 2023, Pope Francis appointed Prevost prefect of the Dicastery for Bishops, before being made a cardinal earlier this year. In his role in the dicastery, he played a crucial role in the evaluation of potential candidates to be made bishops across the world.

We pray now for our new pope and continue to offer our prayers for the repose of the soul of Pope Francis. May he have a fruitful, joyful and Christ-centered papacy.

May God bless you all,

Fr Adam

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# Today is World Day of Prayer for Vocations Workers for the Harvest

God our Father, You made each of us to use our gifts in the Body of Christ.

We ask that You inspire young people whom you call to priesthood and consecrated life to courageously follow Your will. Send workers into Your great harvest so that the Gospel is preached, the poor are served with love, the suffering are comforted, and Your people are strengthened by the sacraments. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen



### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### Happy Mothers Day!

May Mary, our Mother, be your inspiration and help. May God bless you.

**Thank you** for your generous support of Caritas Project Compassion, \$8265.00 has been forwarded on your behalf.

Pre-loved Book Sale: 22nd - 24th May.

Donations will be received from Monday 5th May from 9am-1pm in the Old Church. Helpers are also needed. Could you spare a little time to help clean books and prepare for the Book Sale? Your help will be greatly appreciated. Please contact Helen Garrick or the parish office.

A Senior parishioner is looking for immediate rental accommodation in a granny flat, with possible storage opportunity behind the house. Please contact the parish office.

#### **PARISH DIARY DATES**



• Wednesday 14 May Saint Matthias.

**Please note:** Our priests will not be around from the 20th - 23rd May, 2025, in view of this, we shall have a communion service on Wednesday 21st May & Friday 23rd May at 9am.

#### Will You Adopt a Garden?

Thanks to several parishioners, we have beautiful gardens around St Monica's however, some of our current gardeners have needed to retire. *Immediate help is needed!* When a garden is adopted, the person is asked to focus on just one garden with watering, weeding and nurturing. Choose your time to spend with your garden. If interested, please contact Mary McGuiness or the Parish Office.

#### Prayer for Mothers.



Lord God, we lift up all mothers to You. Grant them the strength to face the daily challenges with courage and the wisdom to guide their children towards a life of faith and service.

Encourage them when they are weary and inspire them when they feel overwhelmed. Bless them with Your peace and love, now and forever. Amen.



#### Sacraments News.

The Sacrament of **Reconciliation for 2025 will be on Wednesday 3rd September.** Children in Year 3+ and who have been baptised in the Catholic Church are eligible for Reconciliation this year.

NEW enrolments will use the QR code or go to the Parish Website:

Click on Sacraments – Scroll down to SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM - click on Reconciliation Enrolment Form.



#### **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

PPC - 14/05/2025
PFC - TBA
Time at 7pm.
Meeting Minutes
available on notice
boards in church foyers
& parish website

**COUNCIL MEETINGS** 

### **MEMORIAL GARDEN PLAQUES:**

If interested in having a loved one remembered in the Parish Memorial Garden please <u>print on an</u>

envelope, the name of the person/s, also the name & phone number of the person placing the order.



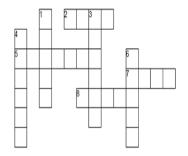
To cover the cost of the plaque, its installation & the upkeep of the garden, a **donation of \$40** to be placed in the envelope which can then be posted in the **white letter box**, at the **Parish door**.

# **Guaranteed Forever**

I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one can snatch them out of my hand. John 10:28 (NIV)



The puzzle is based on John 10:17-30



#### **ACROSS**

- 2. The period between a person's birth and their death
- 5. Lasting forever, never ending
- 7. The body part used for holding things
- 8. Sounds that come from the throat when people speak or sing

#### DOWN

- 1. To take something without permission
- To move behind someone or something and go where they go
- 4. To die or pass away
- 6. Wooly animals closely related to goats

ETERNAL	FOLLOW	VOICE	LIFE	
PERISH	STEAL	SHEEP	HAND	

### Luke 24 Youth Group (8-17yrs)

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

Topic: Trusting & surrendering to God.

#### STEWARDSHIP: PARISH DONATIONS

Donations can be made using the bank details below, or via the Tap-and-go machine and online donations at our parish website at www.parishofrichmond.org.au.

Your donations are greatly appreciated.

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#### **Grant Eternal Rest to the recently deceased:**

Marianne Gatt, Mary Carmen Zammit, Joseph Zammit, Saviour Vassallo, Pope Francis, Thelma Islys, Maria O'Brien, Edith Connolly, Francis Aquilina

#### ... and those we remember this week:

Joseph Baldacchino, Jim Sultana, Carmen Camilleri, Charlie Refalo, Jeffrey Refalo, Charlie Cauchi

#### We Prayerfully Remember the Sick

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



# We welcome the newly baptized...

Aaliyah Dueza Mcgrath Xavier Pace

to our Christian family



# Happy birthday to all those celebrating this

week:

# Luke 24 Young Adults Group (18-35yrs)

Date: Friday 23rd May

Venue: The Emmaus Room at 7pm.



#### **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.

#### Monthly Special Blessings.

Marriage Anniversaries - Every 2nd Sundays of the month.

Birthdays - Every 4th Sundays of the month.



### **NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER** 17/18 May 2025

# 5th Sunday of Easter



# St Monica's

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. Portelli Z. Culican 5.30pm - S. Nash C. Barber

#### Minister at the Altar

6.00pm - R. Ujmiak

7.30am - K. Bauer

9.30am - A. Brailey

5.30pm -

#### **Junior Ministers**

6.00pm - L. Sultana

7.30am -

9.30am -

5.30pm -

#### **Data Projector**

6.00pm - M. Breaden

7.30am - C. Thompson 9.30am - L. Culican

5.30pm - Choir members

#### Children's Liturgy

9.30am - M & M. Pastoors

#### Counters

11 May - V. Muscat F. Muscat R. Camilleri 18 May - F. Crew T. Misdom M. Want

# **WEEKDAY ROSTER**

Monday 12 May 2025 Reader - F. Crew EMOHC - C. Nickle

Wednesday 14 May 2025

Reader - A. Aquilina

EMoHC - M. McMahon

Friday 16 May 2025

Reader - L. Sheffield

EMoHC - A. Aquilina

# St Gregory's

Saturday 17 May 2025

Reader - F. Crew EMoHC - M. Ryan

Sunday 18 May 2025

Readers

8.00am - M. Ryan C. Smiroldo E. Leddy

Minister at the Altar - C. Byatt

**Extraordinary Ministers at** 

**Holy Communion** 

8.00am - A. Drew

Data Projector - H. Gillies

Altar Preparation - M. Ryan

Cleaners - S. McMahon

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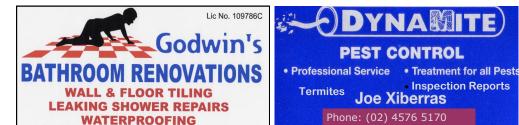
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