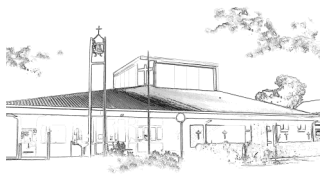


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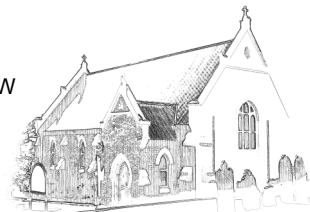
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Saints Peter & Paul, Apostles – Year C 28/29 June 2025

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

These are the ones who, living in the flesh, planted the Church with their blood; they drank the chalice of the Lord and became friends of God.

FIRST READING: Acts 12:1-11

Now I know it is indeed true: the Lord has saved me from the power of Herod.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 33:2-9

The Lord set me free from all my fears.

SECOND READING: 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18

All that remains now is the crown of righteousness.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Matthew 16:18

Alleluia, alleluia! You are Peter, the rock on which I will build my Church; the gates of hell will not hold out against it. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Matthew 16:13-19

You are Peter, to you I will give the keys of the kingdom of heaven.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Cf. Matthew 16:16, 18

Peter said to Jesus: You are the Christ, the Son of the living God. And Jesus replied: You are Peter, and upon this rock, I will build my Church.

The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, 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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The Jubilee Year 2025

Pope Francis chose the theme 'Pilgrims of Hope' for this Jubilee year and we are invited to embrace hope through local initiatives of the Parramatta Diocese.

There are 2 retreats coming up on **Saturday, 16 August at The Franciscan Shrine of the Holy Innocents, Kellyville** (registration closes 2 August) and the **Saturday, 15 November at Mount Schoenstatt, Mulgoa** (registration closes 1 November). The retreats are from 9am – 5pm, and the cost is \$40 for a single registration (for venue hire and meals throughout the day) **or a donation according to your circumstances**. The Diocese is happy to make an arrangement so that everyone who wants to participate can.

The day will provide a wonderful opportunity to step away from your usual routine and experience a sacred space for discernment, prayer, reflection and encounter with God. All you need to do is register online for the day that suits you. You can do this by **scanning the QR code on the posters at the back of the Church or go online at:-**

**parracatholic.org/events/diocesan-retreat-16-august OR
parracatholic.org/events/diocesan-retreat-15-november**

You and a fellow Parishioner may wish to register and travel together. If you'd like to attend but transport is an issue then please let the Parish Office know and we'll do our best to arrange car pooling for you.

Find out more about Jubilee 2025 at **parracatholic.org/jubilee2025** and **catholicoutlook.org**

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Bishop Vincent presents Mauricio López ..

One of Latin America's most influential lay leaders, Mauricio López Oropeza, will be hosted by the Diocese of Parramatta as part of its "Bishop Vincent Presents" series. Mauricio will offer powerful insights on synodality, justice, and the Church's mission in a changing world. The free public lecture will be held on Wednesday 23 July at St Patrick's Cathedral Hall, Parramatta, from 6pm. To register and learn more, please visit parracatholic.org/lopez



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Catholic Outlook Magazine are now available in the church foyer. Please take your free copy today.

As we celebrate the Feast of Sts. Peter and Paul this weekend, the Readings for all Masses are taken from the Mass of the day.

Next weekend we return to the Ordinary Sundays of the Year, celebrating the 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C. We also mark National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday.

Anointing of the sick will take place during 9am Mass at St. Monica's on Friday 11 July. Please keep the sick in your prayers.

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.

PARISH DIARY DATES



- Thursday 3 July **Saint Thomas.**

St Monica's Spring Fair Update.

The CSPD has advised St Monica's School that, regarding the governance requirements for school fund raising, the school & parish cannot divide funds raised at the proposed Spring Fair. At a special meeting with Fr Raymond & Mary McGuiness, Melissa Beggs & Fiona Mitterer said that while the school cannot be directly involved in hosting the event, St Monica's School management has made the decision to support the *Spring Fair* by allowing the Parish to use the school facilities for the occasion. In addition, the school will take responsibility for the cake & hamper stalls and will invite the various dance schools to attend the fair. We thank St Monica's School community for their support. Bede Polding College has also expressed strong support for the event. All funds raised at the fair will go to the parish alone.

In view of this, **ALL parishioners are encouraged to help with the Parish Spring Fair.** Perhaps you can manage a stall such as *Fruit & Vegetables* or *Piety Store*, by selling raffle tickets, cooking cakes for the cake stall or scones for the Devonshire tea. A sheet is in the foyer of each Church. If you can help in any way, or if you have suggestions, **please write your name & contact details on the sheet and someone from the organising committee will contact you.**

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.

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Enrolment Form 2025



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
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COUNCIL MEETINGS

PPC - 09/07/2025

PFC - 16/07/2025

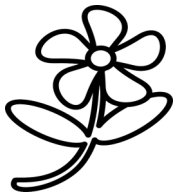
Time at 7pm.

**Meeting Minutes
available on notice
boards in church foy-
ers & 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.**



First Things First

Still another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but first let me go back and say goodbye to my family." Jesus replied, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for service in the kingdom of God." Luke 9:61-62 (NIV)

The puzzle is based on Luke 9:51-62



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BIRDS	HEAD	WALKING	FOXES	AIR
NESTS	LAY	HOLES	FOLLOW	ROAD
MAN	JESUS	PLACE	SON	MAN

Luke 24 Youth Group (8-17yrs)

Monday 14th July in the Emmaus Room
from 5.30 - 7pm.

Topic: Jesus the bread of life.

STEWARDSHIP: PARISH DONATIONS

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

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Grant Eternal Rest to the recently deceased:

Grant Leslie, Patricia Lynch, Maria Thi Nguyen, Dellar Ferguson, Ralph Clough, Trevor Corbett, Pope Francis

... and those we remember this week:

Bev Riley

We Prayerfully Remember the Sick

Leanne Ryan, Margaret Skelley, Maria Zeks, Patricia Crew, Fr Tony Fox, Joe Vella, Hal Moloney, Pat Keegan, Mark Potter, Carmie Brugman, Bill Burnett, Anna Papallo, Pat Stanton, Rose Galea, Pam Everingham, Peter Johnson



We welcome the
newly baptized...

...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

5/6 July 2025

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Year C



St Monica's

Readers

6.00pm - J. Chapman M. Darmody
7.30am - A. Dunbar A. Tabone
9.30am - C. Hey E. Choudhary
5.30pm - T. Galino R. Sultana

Extraordinary Ministers at Holy Communion

6.00pm - D. Grima V. Muscat
7.30am - A. Burnett L. Attard
9.30am - H. Convey A. Aquilina
5.30pm - T. Scopelliti A. Duarte

Minister of the Altar

6.00pm - P. Beirne
7.30am - C. Fleetwood
9.30am - M. Crew
5.30pm - D. Murphy

Junior Ministers

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

5.30pm - C. Murphy

Data Projector

6.00pm - M. Breden
7.30am - J. Cauchi
9.30am - M. McGuiness
5.30pm - M. Teuma

Children's Liturgy

9.30am -

Counters

29 June - M. Ryan D. Bowles C. Chapman
06 July - N. Godsell L. Bowen M. McMahon

WEEKDAY ROSTER

Monday 30 June 2025

Reader - F. Crew

EMoHC - C. Nickle

Wednesday 2 July 2025

Reader - L. Sheffield

EMoHC - A. Moloney

Friday 4 July 2025

Reader - M. Ryan

EMoHC - F. Crew



St Gregory's

Saturday 5 July 2025

Reader - J. Wall

EMoHC - C. Smirolto

Sunday 6 July 2025

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 - C. Livingstone

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