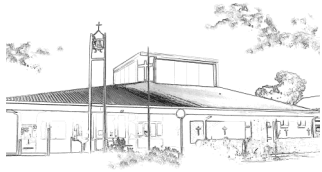


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## The Most Holy Trinity – Year A 31 May 2026

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: Psalm 42:1-2

*Blest be God the Father, and the Only Begotten Son of God, and also the Holy Spirit, for he has shown us his merciful love.*

### FIRST READING: Exodus 34:4-6. 8-9

The Lord God, ruler of all, merciful and loving.

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps: Daniel 3:52-56

**Glory and praise for ever!**

### SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 13:11-13

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Cf Revelation 1:8

**Alleluia, alleluia! Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: to God who is, who was, and who is to come. Alleluia!**

### GOSPEL: John 3:16-18

God sent his Son to save the world through him.

### COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Galatians 4:6

*Since you are children of God, God has sent into your hearts the Spirit of his Son, the Spirit who cries out: Abba, Father.*

### RICHMOND PARISH ASSEMBLY PRAYER

*Almighty and ever living God, you always guide Your people on their pilgrim way. Accompany us as we prepare to plan for our future direction by embarking upon the path of discipleship towards greater communion, participation and mission.*



*Help us to-walk together as one family who are attentive to the cry of the earth and the voice of the poor. Give us new hearts to respond faithfully to the signs of the time. May we never lose sight of the history and tradition of our parish community, but may we become more effective instruments of Your Gospel, by building upon the generosity and vision of past generations.*

*Form us into a community of mutually empowered and credible witnesses who are ready to prayerfully listen, learn, and discern together. May we all embrace our baptismal call and enliven Your Church here in the Parish of Richmond.*

### MAGNIFICENT HUMANITY AND THE BLESSED TRINITY

Pope Leo XIV on May 25th, 2026, published his first encyclical called **Magnifica Humanitas** in Latin which means "**Magnificent Humanity**." It focused on **safeguarding human persons' dignity** in the **age of Artificial Intelligence** by addressing the ethical challenges posed by artificial intelligence. In this document, Pope Leo XIV argued that: "technology is not a force antagonistic to humanity, nor is it "inherently evil," yet, it is never neutral, because it takes on the characteristics of those who devise, finance, regulate, and use it". Thus, Pope Leo XIV wants us **not to be "passive spectators,"** but to **actively cultivate courageous mentality of shared responsibility and communion**, where the vulnerable is protected, and the **digital world serves the common good of humans** whose hearts have the **capacity for love and living wisely in the community** as "the place where **God desires to dwell**", rather than in technological prowess.

The fore-going sounds like an invitation for Christians to **use technology to glorify the blessed trinity** and to "**bear witness to the grandeur of humanity**, in which God has made His dwelling." Pope Leo is not asking us the owners of smartphones and users of social media to fear technology, but he is asking us to **remain profoundly human** who can show love, ask hard questions, and not slowly drift to a world where efficiency replaces compassion and data replaces dignity. Little **Saint Carlo Acutis** understood that the **internet is not a threat to faith** but can be **used as a frontier for glorifying God** in whose image and likeness we were made.

My dear brothers and sisters, as we **think of each person of the Blessed Trinity** when we make **the sign of the cross**, let us choose to **live in peace and unity with others**, while **trusting God**, even when **the mystery of the Blessed Trinity is hard to understand**.

**Fr. Raymond C. Ugwu, C.S.Sp.**

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The Parish of Richmond



**Your Voice Can Help Shape the Way Our Parish Listens, Leads and Connects, With Practical Responses, To Real Needs of the Community.**

All parishioners are invited to the **FIVE LISTENING CONSULTATIONS** which will be held in the lead up to the **PARISH ASSEMBLY: 25<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2026.**

**Register** your participation for at least one or two **Listening Consultation(s).** **Sign lists in the foyer or use the QR code.**

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|  | <b>Tuesday 7pm - 8.30pm.</b> |
| 1. <i>Leadership &amp; Communication</i>     | <b>Completed</b>             |
| 2. <i>Social Justice &amp; Pastoral Care</i> | <b>Completed</b>             |
| 3. <i>Ministry</i>                           | <b>Completed</b>             |
| 4. <i>Youth</i>                              | <b>Completed</b>             |
| 5. <i>Faith Formation</i>                    | <b>(Wed) June 3</b>          |



## ANNOUNCEMENTS



**THANK YOU** to those who participated in the Prayer of the Faithful last week. In all 15 languages were heard, giving us a glimpse of the many nations that have come together here in the Parish of Richmond.

**ANNOINTING OF THE SICK** will take place during the 9am Mass at St. Monica's on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June.

### NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK (27 May-3 June)

This year's Reconciliation Week theme, 'All In', is a call for all Australians to commit wholeheartedly to reconciliation; not just today, but every day.'

### LUKE 24 YOUTH GROUP – TOILETRY DONATION DRIVE

Luke 24 Youth Group will be collecting toiletries for St Vincent de Paul. Parishioners are invited to donate new and unopened items such as toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoo, soap, deodorant and other essential toiletries. A donation basket will be located in the church foyer, with donations being collected on Monday 8th June. Thank you for your generosity and support.

## PARISH DIARY DATES



- *Monday 1 June - Saint Justin.*
- *Wednesday 3 June - Saint Charles Lwanga & Companions.*
- *Friday 5 June - Saint Boniface.*

### PREPARING FOR THE NEW FINANCIAL YEAR.

Envelopes for the financial support of the Parish are now being prepared, should you wish to have envelopes please contact the Parish Office.

If you have changed your address or any other contact details, please let us know. Thank you to all for your generous support.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to our young people who were confirmed this week. We thank their Parents and Sponsors, the Group Facilitators and all who helped make their ceremonies special occasions.

A special thanks to our Sacramental Co-ordinator Maria Boyd for her devotion to the young people's preparation and attention to detail. *May God bless you all.*

**RAFFLE TICKETS:** The St Thomas Aquinas Parish, Springwood is inviting us to patronise their parish fundraiser. If you are interested the raffle link is: <https://www.raffletix.com.au/stthomasaquinas>

## SACRAMENT NEWS, RICHMOND

**RECONCILIATION:** Enrolment is now open until the 30<sup>th</sup> June.

This is for children baptised in the Catholic Church and attending Yr 3 or older at school. Please use the QR code here, or on the Posters in the church. Alternatively use the Parish Website Link. See posters for details.

2026 Sacramental of 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**  
*St Monica's:* 9.00am  
 Second Friday of the month, or by arrangement with the priests

**Baptism**  
 By appointment only.  
*St Monica's:* 11.00am 2nd & 3rd Sundays.  
*St Gregory's:* 11.00am 1st Sunday  
 Booking & Preparation essential.

**Marriage**  
 Strictly by appointment.  
 A minimum of 6 months notice is required.  
 All enquiries please email: [admin@parishofrichmond.org.au](mailto:admin@parishofrichmond.org.au)

### COUNCIL MEETINGS

**PPC - 10/06/2026**  
**PFC - 17/06/2026**  
**Time at 7.00pm**

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

## THANK YOU

Thank you for the warm welcome last Sunday, and thank you to all who prepared the morning tea. It was lovely and I enjoyed meeting some of you.

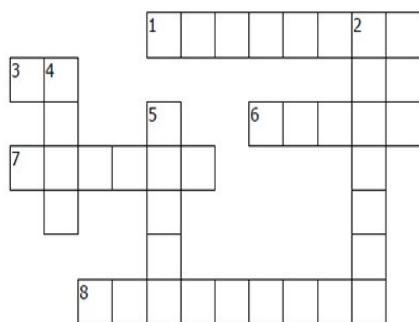
It is a great pleasure to be accepted in my new role as Parish Secretary, and I hope that I perform well and serve you all with kindness and compassion.

If you require any help, information or just a chat, please visit or call. *Thank you, Teresa.*

## The Great Commission

Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." Matthew 28:19-20 (NIV)

Based on Matthew 28:18-20



### ACROSS

1. Giving instructions to a group of students
3. The opposite of stop
4. The planet on which we live
7. The place where God lives
8. Followers of Jesus

### DOWN

2. Groups of people living in a certain area; countries
4. To follow the commands, rules, or guidance
5. The Son of God

EARTH	TEACHING	GO	HEAVEN
JESUS	DISCIPLES	OBEY	NATIONS

## 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](http://www.parishofrichmond.org.au). Your donations are greatly appreciated.

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Reference: First Collection (Your name)

### The Second collection - Supporting the parish needs

Reference: Second Collection (Your name)

### Grant Eternal Rest to the recently deceased:

Brook Powell, Mary Butler, Richard Freitas, Peter Woods, Paul Borg, Maryann Callaghan, Vincent Dalley, Dennis Gamble, Norman Davies, Sarah Smith.

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

Emanuella "Lily" Vella, Nellie Biddle, Paul Farrugia, Carmelo Magco, Samuel Grove, John Larven.

### We Prayerfully Remember the Sick

Irene Barry, Laurie Cauchi, Leigh Geogon, Leo Stivala, Bruce Buchanan, Venera Chetcuti, Ruth Larven, Sandra Vaughan, Delina Galea, Lorraine Phillips, Joan Crutcher, Margaret Skelley, Maria Zeks, Mark Potter, Rose Galea, Peter Johnson, Melissa Adamitz, Fran Yates



**We welcome the newly baptised...**

...to our Christian family



**Happy birthday to all those celebrating this week:**

### Luke 24 Youth Group

(8 - 12yrs) (13 - 17yrs)

Date: Monday 8th June

Venue: Emmaus Room

Time: 5.30 - 7pm



### Luke 24 Young Adults Group

(18 - 34yrs)

Date: Thursday 11 June

Venue: Emmaus Room

Time: 6.30pm



## REGULAR PARISH ACTIVITIES

### Rosary

St Monica's: 8.40am before weekday Mass.

St Gregory's: 8.40am before Saturday Mass.

### Children's Liturgy

St Monica's: During 9.30am Mass Every Sunday, not school holidays.

### Monthly Special Blessings.

Marriage Anniversaries - Every 2nd Sunday of the month.

Birthdays - Every 4th Sunday of the month.

### Parish Morning Tea

St Monica's: After 9.30am Mass every fourth Sunday of the month.

St Gregory's: After 8.00am Mass every second Sunday of the month.

Table Tennis 1st & 3rd Mondays 5.00pm - 7.00pm in the Old Church.

### Benediction & Mass

St Monica's: 6.30pm - 7.30pm Every 1st Friday of the month.

St Gregory's: After 9.00am Mass Every 1st Saturday of the month.

### Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

St Monica's: After 9.00am Mass Every Wednesday to pray for vocations.



**NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER**

**6/7 June 2026**

**Corpus Christi  
Year A**

 **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 - J. Morley A. Duarte

**Minister at the Altar**

6.00pm - R. Ujmiak  
7.30am - C. Fleetwood  
9.30am - M. Crew  
5.30pm - D. Murphy

**Junior Ministers**

6.00pm -  
7.30am - C, E & E Cauchi  
9.30am - L. Farrugia A. Farrugia T. Levi  
5.30pm - L. Sultana C. Chantiri

**Data Projector**

6.00pm - M. Breden  
7.30am - J. Cauchi  
9.30am - A. Mathews  
5.30pm - C. Sultana

**Children's Liturgy**

9.30am - C. & C. Saliba

**Cleaners**

M. Portelli L. Culican C. Livingston  
M. Kath

**Counters**

31 May - V. & F. Muscat R. Camilleri  
7 June - F. Crew T. Misdorn M. Want

**WEEKDAY ROSTER**

**Monday 1 June 2026**

Reader - M. Breden

EMoHC - H. Convo

**Wednesday 3 June 2026**

Reader - L. Sheffield

EMoHC - A. Moloney

**Friday 5 June 2026**

Reader - M. Ryan

EMoHC - A. Huxley

 **St Gregory's**

**Saturday 6 June 2026**

Reader - J. Wall

EMoHC - C. Smioldo

**Sunday 7 June 2026**

**Readers**

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

Minister at the Altar - D. Ryan

**Extraordinary Ministers at Holy Communion**

8.00am - M. Ryan

Data Projector - S. Buchan

Altar Preparation - M. Ryan

Cleaners - A. Falzon

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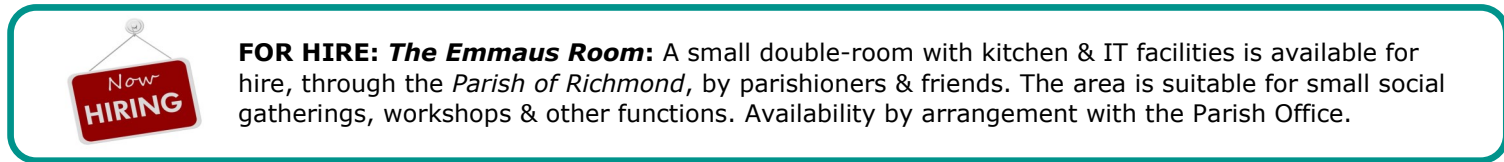
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