

The Parish of Richmond



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24TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME – Year A 13 September 2026

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: Cf. Sirach 36:18

Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you,
that your prophets be found true. Hear the prayers
of your servant, and of your people Israel.

FIRST READING: Sirach 27:30 - 28:7

*Forgive your neighbour's faults and when you pray,
your sins will be forgiven.*

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 102:1-4, 9-12

The Lord is kind and merciful; slow to anger, and
rich in compassion.

SECOND READING: Romans 14:7-9

Whether alive or dead, we belong to the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: John 13:34

Alleluia, alleluia! I give you a new commandment:
love one another as I have loved you. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Matthew 18:21-35

*I tell you that you forgive not seven times but seventy
times seven.*

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Cf. Corinthians 10:16

The chalice of blessing that we bless is a
communion in the Blood of Christ; and the bread
that we break is a sharing in the Body of the Lord.

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.*

RICHMOND PARISH MISSION PRIORITIES IMPLEMENTATION ADVOCATES?

Every **good policy or decisions** taken **need to be implemented**, if not, it is neglected or forgotten. This is because the implementation of any given policy or decisions, is all about bringing those decisions into **real-world action**. Implementation of a policy requires some **specific acts and actors** that will **monitor and review the progress and performance** of the decisions in the organization. That is why since the beginning of our listening consultations in April till the parish assembly in July 2026, my worry has been how can we get **good advocates** to ensure that all the ideas and priorities we produced will not be a wasted work or futile effort.

Thus, on this day that we are celebrating **Safeguarding Sunday** with the theme, "**Love Protects**", I wish to inform you all that our parish of Richmond is searching for men and women of good will, who would like to serve the parish as **an Advocate or members of the Animation Team** for the implementation of our Parish Assembly Priorities till the next assembly in two years' time. The job of the **Advocates** is to **lead** the animation Team of each Pillar, while the Animation Team (made up of 2 to 4 persons), will **champion the implementation** of the Assembly decisions in the parish, and to ensure that every ministry in the parish will participate in keeping those priorities alive and moving forward.

My dear brothers and sisters, while our readings on this twenty-fourth Sunday in the ordinary time of year A challenge us to focus on **mercy and forgiveness** because **anger and grudges lead to harm**, but **forgiveness brings freedom**; I wish to encourage you all to **please volunteer as an Advocate or help us to nominate someone** you know who would be a **good member of the Animation team** to ensure the implementation of our Parish Assembly Priorities. **Thank You!**

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

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Monthly Special Blessings

Marriage Anniversaries:
Every 2nd Sunday of the month.
Birthdays: Every 4th Sunday of the month.

PRINCIPAL- ST MONICA'S SCHOOL

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The Parish
of Richmond



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ANNOUNCEMENTS



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BISHOP'S FATHERS DAY APPEAL

Thank you for supporting Bishop's Fathers Day Appeal. \$2,744.65 was contributed in support of the retired Priests of the Diocese. Envelopes are still available should you wish to contribute.

TODAY IS SAFEGUARDING SUNDAY

The 2026 theme "Love Protects" recognises that safeguarding is a practical expression of Christian love. When communities prioritise the safety, dignity, and wellbeing of children, young people and vulnerable adults, they embody love & care that's at the heart of the Gospel.

FORMATION MEETING

For Readers and/or Eucharistic Ministers, there will be a formation meeting in mid-October. Time and date TBA. If interested, contact Mary McGuinness or the Parish Office.

CHURCH FEASTS DATES



- Mon 14 Sep - Exultation of the Holy Cross
- Tue 15 Sep - Our Lady of Sorrows
- Wed 16 Sep - Saints Cornelius & Cyprian

THANK YOU

To Father Robert Anderson who has assisted us during Father Adam's break. May God bless you Father.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Will meet tomorrow, Monday 14 September at 7pm in the Emmaus Room. This week our focus is on Prayer

REQUEST FOR ACCOMMODATION

A school teacher, middle-aged Catholic lady is seeking accommodation. Please call 0423 925 144 for details.

HELP NEEDED - SPECIAL RELIGIOUS EDUCATORS

No previous teaching experience required. Comprehensive training, resources, and ongoing support provided. If you are passionate about your faith and would like to share it with others, call Cathy Vogt 0425 319 683.

SACRAMENT NEWS, RICHMOND

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION ENROLMENT

Enrolment is NOW open - please use the QR code or Parish Website.

IMPORTANT: Parent Information Evening 23rd September – 7- 8pm St Monica's. Mass choices and Class times will be finalised at this meeting.

CLASSES begin from 18th October. They continue for 4 weeks.
REHEARSAL Wednesday 18th November. **Please put these dates in your diary.**



PARISH MASS TIMES SACRAMENTS

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

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

COUNCIL MEETINGS

PPC - 14/10/2026
PFC - 21/10/2026
Time at 7.00pm

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

SAFEGUARDING CORNER

We acknowledge and recognise the victims and survivors of abuse and offer our unreserved and deepest apologies for the hurt and suffering this abuse has caused.

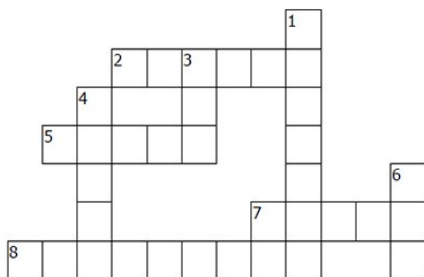
DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

If you are unable to come forward to receive Holy Communion. Please inform Father or the Senior Server before Mass. A designated seating area at the back of the church and the front pew of the Tabernacle side, will be reserved for those with mobility issues and their carer.

Keep On Forgiving

Then Peter came to Jesus and asked, "Lord, how many times shall I forgive my brother when he sins against me? Up to seven times?" Jesus answered, "I tell you, not seven times, but seventy-seven times. Matthew 18:21-22 (NIV)

Based on Matthew 18:21-22



ACROSS

2. A statement given in reply to a question
5. The number that is equal to six plus one
7. The Son of God
8. To pardon someone for doing something wrong

DOWN

1. A male with the same parents as someone else
3. To break God's law
4. A fisherman who became one of Jesus' disciples
6. To seek an answer to a question

SEVEN	ASK	PETER	JESUS
BROTHER	FORGIVE	ANSWER	SIN

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Grant Eternal Rest to the recently deceased:

George Galea, Imelda Borsato, Fr. Eugene Stockton, Doris Crawley, Sylvia Farrugia, Nellie Biddle, Sean Killen, Rena Vella, Tereza Muscat, Richard & Beryl Freitas.

... and those we remember this week:

Emanuella "Lily" Vella, Joseph Baldacchino, Paul Farrugia, Joseph Daley, Alexander & Paula Muscat, Dominico Galati, Charles & Connie Vella, Tona & Phillip Camilleri, John, Marilyn & Bobbie McGregor, John McGuigan, Felix Aquilina, Ernest Bettridge, Ronald Clark, Paul Refalo, Maryann Callaghan, Charlie & Jeffrey Refalo, Dolahenty & Barrett families, Callaghan & Bradley families.

We Prayerfully Remember the Sick

Gerard Rack, Frank McGuines, Francisca De Almeida, Mile, Leanne Ryan, Kathy & Peter Johnson, Leo Stivala, Maria Galuzzo, Irene Barry, Laurie Cauchi, Maria Zeks, Leigh Geogon, Ruth Larven, Ursula Kelleher.



We welcome the newly baptised

Darcy Martin

... to our Christian family.

Happy birthday

to all those celebrating this week.



Luke 24 Youth Group (8 - 12yrs) (13 - 17yrs)

Date: Monday 14 September

Venue: Emmaus Room

Time: 5.30pm - 7.00pm



Luke 24 Young Adults Group (18 - 34yrs) Social Night & Dinner

Date: Friday 18 September 2026

Venue: Windsor Bowling Club

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.

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.



Monthly Special Blessings. **Marriage Anniversaries** - Every 2nd Sunday of the month. **Birthdays** - Every 4th Sunday of the month.

NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER
19/20 September 2026
25th Sunday
of Ordinary Time Year A



St Monica's

Readers

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

Eucharistic Ministers

6.00pm - J Gorman J Portelli
 7.30am - L Attard A Dunbar
 9.30am - M Portelli Z Culican
 5.30pm - KA Kemble C Barber

Minister at the Altar

6.00pm - R Ujmiak
 7.30am - K Bauer
 9.30am - A Brailey
 5.30pm - P Delahy

Junior Ministers

6.00pm - J McGregor
 7.30am -
 9.30am - V Cavallaro A Vella M Anderson
 5.30pm - C Chantiri

Data Projector

6.00pm - M Breaden
 7.30am - C Thompson
 9.30am - L Culican
 5.30pm - Choir members

Children's Liturgy

9.30am - E Fitzsimons T Szyszka

Cleaners - N Godsell C/A Salkeld
 C Pritchard

Counters

14 Sep - V & F Muscat R Camilleri
 21 Sep - F Crew T Misdorn M Want

WEEKDAY ROSTER

Monday 14 September 2026 - 9.00am

Reader - F Crew
EMoHC - C Nickle

Wednesday 16 September 2026 - 9.00am

Reader - C Allison
EMoHC - A Moloney

Friday 18 September 2026 - 9.00am

Reader - L Sheffield
EMoHC - A Aquilina



St Gregory's

Saturday 19 September 2026 - 9.00am

Reader - F Crew
EMoHC - M Ryan

Sunday 20 September 2026 - 8.00am

Readers - N Ginige C Colusso-Craig E Leddy
Eucharistic Minister - A Drew
Minister at the Altar - C Byatt
Data Projector - H Gillies
Altar Preparation - M Ryan
Cleaners - S McMahon

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