

NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER
24 February 2019
7th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Year C
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St Monica's

Readers

6.30pm— C. Galea A. Copland
7.30am— T. Galino J. Robinson
9.30am— K. Petersen M. Mizzi
5.30pm— C. Salkeld

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

6.30pm— J. McCarter J. Muscat
7.30am— A. Burnett H. Robinson
9.30am— L. Ryan L. Vella
5.30pm— D. D'Mello

Acolytes / Senior Server

6.30pm— W. Bennett
7.30am— A. Moloney
9.30am— D. Ryan
5.30pm— D. Murphy

Junior Ministers

6.30pm— C. Galea I. Galea
7.30am—
9.30am— G. Attard A. Portelli
5.30pm— P. Murphy A. Kuriakose

Data Projector

6.30pm— M. Breden
7.30am— C. Thompson
9.30am— M. Saliba
5.30pm—

Children's Liturgy

6.30pm— L. Ducksbury
9.30am— C. Saliba

Altar Preparation

Cleaners

Counters

17 Feb— L. Clegg R. Larven R. Vick M. McMahon
24 Feb— C. Barber F. Pausanos J. Pausanos

WEEKDAY ROSTER

Monday 18 February 2019

Reader— M. Breden

EMoHC— J. Ebbs

Wednesday 20 February 2019

Reader— M. McMahon

EMoHC— A. Moloney

Friday 22 February 2019

Reader— D. Bowles

EMoHC— F. Crew

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St Gregory's

Saturday 23 February 2019

Reader— Peter

EMoHC— Frank

Sunday 24 February 2019

Readers

8.00am— M. Ryan A. Drew S. O'Rourke

Altar Server J. Ebbs

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

8.00am— M. Nixon

Altar Preparation D. Grima

Cleaners K. Hodgson

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St John of God Chapel

Tuesday 4.00pm

Saturday 6.00pm

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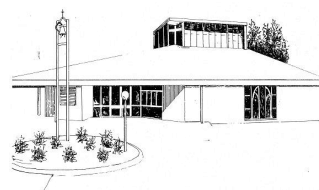
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Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time — Year C 17 February 2019

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Be my protector, O God, a mighty stronghold to save me. For you are my rock, my stronghold! Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name.

FIRST READING: JEREMIAH 17:5-8

A curse on those who trust in humanity; a blessing on those who trust in the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PS: PSALM 1:1-4

Happy are they who hope in the Lord.

SECOND READING: 1 CORINTHIANS 15:12

If Christ is not raised from the dead, your faith is in vain.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia! Rejoice and be glad; your reward is great in heaven. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: LUKE 6:17, 20-26

Happy are the poor. Woe to the rich!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

They ate and had their fill, and what they craved the Lord gave them; they were not disappointed in what they craved.

REFLECTION ON THE READING:

For this and the following two Sundays we will be reading from Luke's 'Sermon on the Plain' which parallels Matthew's 'Sermons on the Mount'. The First Reading is a little bit of wisdom poetry. It contrasts the wicked who trust in human beings and the righteous who trust in God. The former are compared to a barren desert shrub; the latter to a fruitful tree planted beside a flowing river. This prepares us for the Gospel, where Jesus declares the poor blessed. The poor are the 'little ones' who have no one to trust in but God. The beatitudes echo the programme Jesus announced in the synagogue at Nazareth. Whereas Matthew has nine Beatitudes, Luke has only four, with, however, four corresponding 'woes'.

PARISH MINISTRY MEETINGS For the purpose of ongoing communication with parishioners and for the development of Parish ministries, over the next several weeks, I would like to meet with ministry teams. The meetings, which will be **fifty to sixty minutes**, will give those present the opportunity to **express hopes and concerns** re their particular ministry. These meetings will be in the **Parish Meeting room**. I hope **all will make every effort to attend**. My intention is to have two groups each Saturday morning. If your group is the first you are welcome to stay, have a cuppa and meet others. If you are in the second group you are welcome to come a little early, have a cuppa and chat before your meeting.

DATE	9.30 -10.30	Morning Tea	11.00 -12.00
Feb 23	Workshop for those learning to develop the power-points used at Masses		Workshop continued
Mar 2	Pastoral Care of the Sick		Projectionists (Meet in St Monica's Church)
Mar 9	Leaders of Ministry Groups		Music Ministry (organists, instrumentalists & singers)
Mar 16	Children's Liturgy		Hospitality/Greeters/Ushers
Mar 30	Junior Servers		Senior Servers/ Acolytes/Sacristan
April 6	Readers & Commentators		Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
April 13	Church Cleaners		

While we sincerely thank the many volunteers who have stepped forward, we still need more:

Junior Ministers Singers Senior Servers/Acolytes Readers Projectionists Pastoral Carers
Church Cleaners Eucharistic Ministers of Holy Communion Teachers & Aides to go into the State Schools

If you are able to assist or if you know anyone who is, please make yourself known to myself, to the Parish office or Clergy.

Let us remember: Together Everyone Achieves More.

Mary McGuinness, Coordinator of Parish Ministries

PARISH CLERGY

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LENTEN DISCUSSION GROUPS...

Lent commences Wednesday 6 March. Would you like to host, facilitate or participate in a parish Lenten Discussion Group?

Discussions focus on the Sunday Gospels. Material made available through the Parish.

Yes I/we would like to host a group. ☐ Yes I/we would like to participate in a group. ☐

Name:

Preferred Day:

Preferred Time: ☐ Morning

☐ Evening

Contact number:

E-mail:

Please return to Parish Office or place on collection plate during Mass. Please reply before Tuesday 19 February as books need to be ordered. Groups begin from 3 March. Ash Wednesday 6 March.

Catechists & Helpers: As we commence the school year we are in urgent need of more people to share the Good News with the many children attending the State Schools in our Parish. **NON teaching** helpers are also very much needed. If you would like more information please contact the Parish Office.

Explore your faith... Join us on Monday 4 March for an evening with Bishop Robert Baron. This will be presented by DVD & followed by a group discussion over a cup of tea/coffee. Time: 6:30pm— 8pm in the Old Church. The topic “The Mass” Part 1. All welcome.

To Parents/caregivers of state high school student. For your information. The state high schools in our parish will be starting scripture within the next 2 week. This is to inform you that we provide Catholic scripture in these school. Sometimes there is confusion as to which scripture class your child should attend. There are two groups in the school. Catholic Christian scripture and a combined denomination Christian scripture. It is up to the parent/caregiver to make sure that your child is attending the right one. The school does not look into it. Sometimes the staff is not aware that there are two groups and don’t see any difference. One certain way is to give a note to the school asking that your child be in Catholic scripture. This way the school puts it on their records and there is no confusion. Looking forward to teaching your children. Mrs Antoinette Mifsud.

The Parish Council met on Tuesday. Among other things, the agenda included:

- The development of a strategic action plan addressing feedback received at the Parish Assembly;
- A positive report from St Paul's committee regarding this year's Festa, including special thanks to the helpers and to Fr Rizzo for filling in at short notice;
- A conditions survey is to be conducted to itemise / prioritise maintenance work at St Monica's;

The upcoming 160th Parish anniversary, to be held on Sunday 19 May. Meeting minutes will be available shortly.

Speak - Listen - Renew **PLENARYCOUNCIL2020**

Our second PLENARY group meeting was held on Sunday 3rd February – where we continued our discussion about *what is God asking of us in Australia at this time?* BUT we still have much more to explore – For all those parishioners who would still like to **have their say** and contribute to the discussions, please come along and join us on **SUNDAY 24th FEBRUARY AFTER THE 9.30 AM MASS AT ST MONICA'S. HOW CAN WE MAKE THE CHURCH RELEVANT FOR YOUNG PEOPLE?** With this focus we would like to invite all the **young people and the families of the Parish** to come along on the **24th February** to share their ideas and suggestions about what they need from the Church. What can we do as a Parish to help address the needs of the young people? What ideas can we pass on to the Bishops for consideration at the Plenary Council? *Being part of the parish, having a say, and participating in its renewal, is Important.* **A Sausage Sizzle** will be available for everyone after the gathering, and it will be a great time to socialize with each other. We look forward to seeing many of you on Sunday the 24th February.

Richmond Parish PlenaryCouncil2020 Organising Committee

PARISH DIARY DATES

- Friday 22 February **The Chair of Saint Peter.**
- Saturday 23 February **Saint Polycarp.**
- Weekend 23/24 February **Catholic Foundation Appeal.**
- Weekend 23/24 February **Confirmation Enrolment Forms** available from all weekend Masses until 6/7 April.
- Friday 1 March **World Day of Prayer (Slovenia)** 10am at Seventh Day Adventist, cnr Suffolk & Macquarie Sts, Windsor. All welcome.

Grant Eternal Rest to the recently deceased

Oscar Galino
Wayne Eather
Keith Knott
Gloria Martin
Agnes Baratto
Dianne Smyth
Kimbo Maxe
Brian Hegarty

... and those we remember at this time.

Sandra Moore, Michael Head,
Vincent Head Snr, Peter Galluzzo,
Pauline & Emanuel Said, Lorenza &
John Saliba, Carmelo Magro
Jerry & Josephine Camenzuli,
Kathy Dolan, Benjamin D'sylva, Paul &
Frank Carpenter, Angela Yates,
Joseph Baldacchino, Noeleen Lloyd,
May Lloyd, Arthur Lloyd, Kristen
Keegan, Mary Aquilina, Felix Aquilina


We welcome the newly Baptised...

Zayne Galea
Bentlee Raper

...to our Christian family.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Emmanuel Vella
Rebecca Camilleri



WE PRAYERFULLY REMEMBER THE SICK

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Tye Angland, Frank Grima,
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Melissa Colless,
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TALKING	JESUS	MOSES	VOICE	CLOUD
JOHN	BRIGHT	LIGHTNING	CHANGED	PETER
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First Sunday of the month- Family Mass 9.30am. We are looking for parents who can play guitar, keyboard or another instrument so we can form a core group of musicians to support our growing choir. Children aged K-6 who would like to sing in the choir for 2019 need to attend two rehearsals a month at the church & come to the 9.30am Mass on the first Sunday of the month. Please email or call **Anne Maree Higgins** for details for rehearsal times & fill out a registration form at the back of the church to book your spot in the choir. Forms are also available via St Monica's School Newsletter.

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REGULAR PARISH ACTIVITIES

Rosary

St Monica's: 8.40am
before weekday Mass.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

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

Choir Practice

St Monica's:
45 minutes before each
Mass
NEW MEMBERS WELCOME

Children's Liturgy

St Monica's:
Saturday 6.30pm
Sunday 9.30am

Circle of Friends

Parish Meeting Room:
1st Monday of the month

Youth Group Social

Meet every 3rd Saturday of the month after
6.30pm HYPA Mass.

HYPA-R Holy Hour

Meet every 1st Friday of the month
6:30pm-7:30pm praying for youth followed by
pizzas.

PARISH MASS TIMES

St Monica's

Saturday: 6.30pm
Sunday: 7.30am, 9.30am, 5.30pm
Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 9.00am

St Gregory's

Saturday: 9.00am
Sunday: 8.00am

St John of God

Tuesday : 4.00pm
Saturday: 6.00pm Vigil Mass

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation

St Monica's:
Saturday 5.30pm - 6pm.
St Gregory's:
Saturday after 9.00am Mass.

Anointing of the Sick

Friday 29 March 2019, 9.00am
at St Monica's.
Or by arrangement with the priests.

Baptism

By appointment only.
St Monica's: 2nd & 4th Sundays at
11.00am.
St Gregory's: 1st Sunday at 11:00am
Booking & Preparation are essential.
Marriage
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of 6 months notice is required.
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**PARISH COUNCIL
MEETING
2 April
2019 at 7pm.**

*Meeting Minutes
available on
notice boards in
church foyers.*