

NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER
22 August 2021
 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Year B
 ★★ † ★★
 St Monica's

Rescheduled Roster due to
 COVID restrictions

St Monica's

WEEKDAY ROSTER

Monday 16 August 2021
 Reader – M. McMahon
 Altar Prep – F. Crew
Wednesday 18 August 2021
 Reader – M. Breden
 Altar Prep – M. McMahon
Friday 20 August 2021
 Reader – M. Ryan
 Altar Prep – A. Moloney

WEEKEND ROSTER

Saturday 21 August 2021
 Reader – C. Galea V. Mackenzie
 Senior Server – C. Thompson
 Altar Prep – F. Crew
Sunday 22 August 2021
 Reader – M. Manea P. Humphrey
 Senior Server – A. Moloney
 Altar Prep – F. Crew

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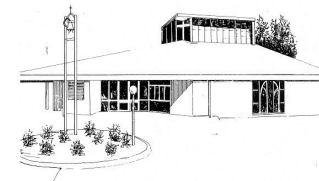
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The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary — Year B 15 August 2021

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

A great sign appeared in heaven, a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon beneath her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars.

FIRST READING: REVELATION 11:19: 12:1-6, 1

I saw a woman clothed with the sun and with the moon beneath her feet.

RESPONSORIAL PS: PSALM 44:10-12, 16

The queen stands at your right hand, arrayed in gold.

SECOND READING: 1 CORINTHIANS 15:20-26

As members of Christ all people will be raised. Christ first, and after him all who belong to him.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia! Mary is taken up to heaven, and the angels of God shout for joy. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: LUKE 1:39-56

The Almighty has done great things for me, he has lifted up the lowly.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

Aa generations will call me blessed, for he who is mighty has done great things for me.

Solemn Blessing:

May God, who through the childbearing of the Blessed Virgin Mary willed in his great kindness to redeem the human race, be pleased to enrich you with his blessing. Amen.

Prayer in time of Pandemic ...

May we who are merely inconvenienced remember those whose lives are at stake.
 May we who have no risk factors remember those most vulnerable
 May we who have the luxury of working from home, remember those who must choose between preserving their health or making their rent.
 May we who have the flexibility to care for our children when their schools close, remember those who have no options.
 May we who have to cancel our trips, remember those who have no safe place to go.
 May we who are losing our margin money in the tumult of the economic market, remember those who have no margin at all.
 May we who settle in for a quarantine at home, remember those who have no home.
 As fear grips our country, let us choose love.
 During this time when we cannot physically wrap our arms around each other, let us yet find ways to be the loving embrace of God to our neighbours. Amen.
 (Source Parramatta Catholic Foundation)

By Cameron Belim

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Catholic Theological College Engaging Your Faith Series: 21 August – 16 September ...

The Catholic Theological College is hosting a series of online lectures via Zoom on Engaging Your Faith from 21 August to 16 September. The Engaging Your Faith offers short sessions on a variety of topics including: Meditation and Compassion and Mercy in the Gospel according to Mark. Sessions are \$20 each. For more details, and to register, please visit <https://ctc.edu.au/news-and-events/engaging-your-faith/>

Mission: One Heart Many Voices Virtual Conference: 1 – 3 September ...

The fifth biennial Mission: one heart many voices conference will be held online from 1 to 3 September, with an additional day with young people on 4 September. The conference, convened by Catholic Mission and Catholic Religious Australia, directly identify and explore the challenges of living the Gospel and Leading Mission Now in Australia and globally. To view the program and to register, visit www.mohmv.com.au.

SACRAMENT OF FIRST EUCHARIST – IMPORTANT CHANGES

Group Classes will not be returning this term in preparation for sacrament of First Eucharist – **Parents and Children will need to continue to work through booklets at home in preparation for sacrament of First Eucharist.**
CEREMONY DATES for weekend of 28th & 29th August will be rescheduled to weekend of 16th & 17th October
CEREMONY DATES for weekend of 11th & 12th September will go ahead as scheduled unless restrictions are extended
REHEARSAL AND RECONCILIATION for First Eucharist : Tuesday 7th September at 4.00pm or Thursday 9th September at 6.30pm – All children and parents must attend one of these ceremonies

Please contact Irene Galea at sacraments@parishofrichmond.org.au should you require additional support or are struggling with new process.

PARISH DIARY DATES

- Friday 20 August Saint Bernard.
- Saturday 21 August Saint Pius X.

Livestreamed Masses for the weekend and next week:

9AM Saturday 14/08: St Maximilian Mary Kolbe (Memorial)
 9AM Sunday 15/08: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Solemnity)
 9AM Monday 16/08: Monday of 20th Week in Ordinary Time
 9AM Wednesday 18/08: Wednesday of 20th Week in Ordinary Time
 9AM Friday 20/08: St Bernard (Memorial)
 9AM Saturday 21/08: St Pius X (Memorial)

Parish YouTube link <https://tinyurl.com/richmondparish>

Parish Rosary Group via Zoom every Thursday evening at 7PM.
 Zoom Meeting link <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81415963193?pwd=MCtRck8xWkdjQnI0NHg5ZHdHWEpQUt09>

Meeting ID: 814 1596 3193 Passcode: 852300



Spiritual Communion Prayer

*My Jesus,
 I believe that you are present in
 the Most Holy Sacrament.
 I love you above all things and I
 desire to receive you into my soul.
 Since I cannot at this moment
 receive you sacramentally, come
 at least spiritually into my heart.
 I embrace you as if you were
 already there and unite myself
 wholly to you.
 Never permit me to be separated
 from you.
 Amen*

Grant Eternal Rest to the recently deceased

Penny LeFeuvre
 Judy Williams
 Bev Riley
 Keith Watson
 Charlie Vassallo
 Angelo Vella
 Marie Parker
 Carol Butcher
 Julie Bennett

... and those we remember at this time.

Madelena Bajada,
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 Charles Crew, Bob Garrick, Peter
 Galea, Joseph Baldacchino, Colin
 Dare, Alan Moloney, Joan Cox,
 Kevin Farley, Lyal Binns

WE PRAYERFULLY REMEMBER THE SICK

Helen Payne, Bob Camilleri, Eileen Lutton Aureen Dunn, Kurt
 Binggeli, Thea Evans, Joan Thatcher, Adrian Portelli,
 Susan (Payne) Mace, Celia Morrison, Garth and Nancy Doyle,
 Chloe McKenzie, Jeanette Farley, Genevieve Jereb, Donna Vella,
 Honorius Escalante, Vera Brglevski, Diana Hurley, Daniela Dwyer,
 John Carney, Garry Borg

We welcome the newly Baptised...



...to our Christian family.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

To all those celebrating this week



Get vaccinated for the common good ...

Vaccination against COVID-19 is a morally good thing, providing protection for the person vaccinated and the wider community. Some COVID-19 vaccines are associated with ethically questionable production and research practices, but Pope Francis and the Australian Bishops have advised that it is morally permissible to receive any vaccine made available. More information is available at <https://www.catholic.org.au/coronavirus>

Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth Online Discernment Weekend: 20 – 22 August

The Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth offer an online discernment retreat for single women aged 18 to 35 who want to discern their vocation to religious life. The retreat will start at 5pm on 20 August and finish at 12.30pm on 22 August. If you would like to participate, or for more information, please contact Sr Paula on 0449 656 406 or vocationscsfn@gmail.com

PARISH MASS TIMES

St Monica's
 Saturday: 6.00pm (**Must book online**)
 Sunday: 7.30am, 9.30am, 5.30pm (**Must book online**)
 Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 9.00am
St Gregory's
 Saturday: 9am (**Must book online**)
 Sunday: 8am & 9am (**Must book online**)
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
 Friday 9 July 2021, 9am at
 St Monica's or by arrangement with the priests.

Baptism

By appointment only.
 St Monica's: 2nd & 3rd Sundays at 11.00am.
 St Gregory's: 1st Sunday at 11:00am
 Booking & Preparation are essential.
Marriage
 Strictly by appointment. A minimum of 6 months notice is required.
 All enquiries please email
admin@parishofrichmond.org.au

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
18 August
2021 at 7pm.

Meeting Minutes available on notice boards in church foyers.

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.

Parish Morning Tea
 after 9.30am Mass
 every fourth Sunday
 at St Monica's &
 every second month
 at St Gregory's after
 8am Mass.

Circle of Friends
 Parish Meeting Room:
 1st Monday of the month 9.30am

Body of Christ Prayer Group every fourth
 Wednesday 7-8.30pm
 pray for vocations. All welcome
 1 Hughes Ave, Hobartville.

Suspended until further notice
HYPA-R Benediction & Mass
 Meet every 1st Friday of the month
 6-7pm All Welcome

Suspended until further notice
Youth Group Social
 Meet every 1st Friday of the month after
 6.30pm HYPA Mass.