

**NEWSLETTER OF THE PARISHES OF BALMAIN AND ROZELLE,
ARCHDIOCESE OF SYDNEY
SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

(YEAR B) 9 May 2021

FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR

Dear Parishioners,

Sunday is **Mother's Day**, that is, a day honouring each individual mother and not just mothers as a 'class' – the placing of the apostrophe says it all. At our weekend Masses, some children in each congregation will be invited to distribute flowers to each of our mothers. Thank you to Barbara Howard for organising this.

Building maintenance and renovations: At Balmain, work continues on the next stage of the installation of the new lighting system. Advice is being taken on a replacement public address system; we will have a temporary system which should be installed in the next few days, thanks to David Morgan. With respect to the replacement of the broken bell rope, expert advice has been obtained from Ron Shepherd (one of Australia's leading campanologists) and that will be done soon (I am hoping in time to ring the *Regina Caeli* – which differs from the *Angelus* in the sequence of rings).

The **Confirmation Preparation Classes** began on Wednesday 5 May and will continue for the following three Wednesdays (12, 19, and 26 May at 7 pm in St Augustine's. The Class goes for 45 minutes and punctual arrival at 7 will be appreciated. Fr Richard conducted the first and will conduct the fourth class and Fr Gregory the second and third classes. The two Confirmation liturgies will be celebrated on Saturday 29 May at 11 am at Rozelle and 2 pm at Balmain. Candidates will have an opportunity to make their Confession in preparation for receiving the Sacrament after the Class on Wednesday 26 May and on Friday 28 May at St Augustine's between 6 and 7pm (or however long it takes).

Volunteer Reading Assistance for Fr John Therry School Students:

Mr. Kevin Bryson (Principal of FJT School) is seeking reading assistance for students from parishioners who are able to spend some time during the week at the School. Reading is important in developing a students' imagination and creativity as well as supporting logical thinking, problem solving skills, increasing their attention span and memory retention. If you are able to assist FJT students in their important reading program please contact the FJT School on **02 9810 2640** so that suitable arrangements can be made.

Father Gregory will be marking the 10th anniversary of his priesting on Friday 21 May 2021. He will celebrate the usual 7.30 am Mass at Balmain on that day.

The next **Family Mass** will be held on Sunday 23 May at 6 pm at Balmain. It was originally intended to have the Mass at Rozelle at 10.30 am but competing soccer commitments have made the rescheduling necessary. There will be a supper afterwards in the Hall. More details to come.

The **Balmain Parish Pastoral Council** will meet this month on Thursday 13 May at 7.30 pm in the Presbytery – moving from the usual second Tuesday of the month this time because of competing commitments.

The First Friday **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** after the 7.30 am Mass at Balmain has been transferred to Friday 14 May for this month.

The Safeguarding Office wants to develop an Activity Book '**Types of Emotions**' for the children within the Archdiocese of Sydney recognising different emotions and keeping safe within the community. They encourage all children aged between 5 – 12 years to participate and be as creative as possible. Forms are available at the Church entrance and must be submitted to the parish office before Friday 21 May 2021.

Fr Richard Waddell
Parish Administrator



Saturday, 15th May at 3pm Entry by donation
Coro Austral presents MUSICA GLORIOSA at St Joseph's Catholic Church
(Gordon Street, Rozelle) Conductor, Margot McLaughlin
Reservations essential: <https://www.trybooking.com/BPZJE>
Information & enquiries 0410 505 562 www.coroaustral.org

Sunday, 16th May at 3pm at Sydney Conservatorium. Salut! Baroque with Stan & Monika Kornel. Free tickets for Balmain parishioners at their concert. Please contact the office on 9810 1157 by Thursday 13 May as all names need to be registered.



FORTHCOMING BAPTISMS

Emily Grace and Olivia Rose SWEET on Sunday 9 May at 12 noon at Balmain
Hunter Jack MORRIS on Sunday 16 May at 12 noon at Balmain
Nefta GONZALES on Sunday 27 June at 11am at Balmain
Sebastian CORREIA on Saturday 3 July at 12 noon at Balmain
Sunny NEISH on Sunday 4 July at 12 noon at Balmain
Oliver Cameron HOLLAND on Sunday 25 July at 12 noon



PARISH INTERCESSIONS

We give thanks to God always for you all, making mention of you in our prayers (1 Thess 1: 2)

For the sick and those in old age: Martha Lucia Gomez, Jaime Aponte, Roger Parsons, John, Bruce Fernandez, Patricia Webster, Anna Pasqua, Christine Forner, Martha Lucia Gomez, Sylvia Gallagher, Shirley Lowe, Margo Buckingham, Karen, Ann Diver, Ray, Brenda Atkinson, Vincent Erskin, Marcella Holsten, Keith Yates, Phyllis Borg, Beverley Kerin, Vincent, Catherine and Eric Erskine, Nela and Brian Blakemore, Joan Leonard, Marie Meyrick, Mary Ferguson, Tony Carbon. Rosemarie Longworth, John Blunt, Lyn Wilson, Brent Egan, Paul Joseph Clark.

For the faithful departed – those recently deceased: Red O'Connor (06.02.21), Millie Leung (22.02.21), Veronica Jardin (27.02.21), Wendy Wheatley, Harry Fullerton, and Charlie Veech, Pat Britton (18.04.21), Mary Haylen (23.04.21), and Carmelo Battaglia (30.04.21).

As well as for: Joyce Josephine & Bertie Joseph Clark, André, Michel & Ginette Comolle, Mary Anne, Anthony & Hugh Mulligan, John & Jackie Lowe, Mable & Catherine Miles, Vicky Pisani, Ron Bovey, Peter Modellino Charlie Camilleri, Martin Camilleri, Violet & Emanuel Camilleri, Winifred & David Preece, Hazel & Bernie Olson, Maria Roach, Doris Falzon, Rita Agius, Kate Kenna, Antoinetta Scalone and deceased members of Manuli, Nitopi & Scalone families, Bertie Joseph & Joyce Josephine Clark, Charlie, Teresa, Rose & Lawrence Borg, Sydney, Edna & Cecilia Edmonds, Anthony & Ron Barnes, William, Irene & Gertrude Briggs, Kathleen & Maxwell Harris, Bill Gallagher, Gary Dollar, Susan Hanchard, Mollie Monan, Joyce Shiner, John Bransby, Sr Mary Constable, Sr Marie McMahon, Marcia Cadiz McIlvenna, Mary Houghton. *Requiem aeternam dona eis, Domine, et lux perpetua luceat eis. Requiescant in pace. Amen.*

SUNDAY MASSES

Balmain: Vigil Mass on Saturday at 5pm; Sunday at 9am and 6pm.

Rozelle: Sunday at 10.30am.

DAILY MASSES THIS WEEK

Balmain: Monday to Friday at 7.30 am and Saturday at 9 am (Tridentine Mass on the 3rd Saturday of the month).

Rozelle: Wednesday 7.30 am.

EXPOSITION AND BENEDICTION ON THE FIRST FRIDAY

After the 7.30am Mass at Balmain.

CONFESSIONS

Balmain: On Saturday after the morning Mass and 4.15 to 4.45pm; after any other Mass; and by appointment.

ST AUGUSTINE'S & ST JOSEPH'S DETAILS

St Augustine of Hippo's Church, Eaton Street, Balmain

St Joseph's Church, Cnr Victoria Road and Gordon Street, Rozelle

The Presbytery/Office: 3 Jane Street, Balmain NSW 2041

Parish Office: Tuesday to Friday 9am to 3.30pm

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