

**NEWSLETTER OF THE PARISHES OF BALMAIN AND ROZELLE,  
ARCHDIOCESE OF SYDNEY  
FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
6 February 2022 (YEAR C)  
FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR**

Dear Parishioners,

The **lighting work in St Augustine's** is nearly finished. Final touches will be made on Monday and a demonstration of the new system given on Tuesday morning to a meeting of experts. The daily Mass on Monday will be, therefore, at 7.30 am but thereafter the normal schedule will resume.

The **Dante Group** will be meeting next on **Wednesday 16 February at 7.30 pm** in the Presbytery. Further general enquiries may be directed to Stephen Briggs: [stephen.briggs@yahoo.com.au](mailto:stephen.briggs@yahoo.com.au); 0450 521 670.

**Balmain Parish Pastoral Council** will meet on Tuesday 8 February at 7.30 pm in the Presbytery. The next **Balmain Parish Finance Committee** meeting will be in March.

A **parish RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) group** will meet for the first time on Sunday 13 February at 6 pm in the Presbytery. A number of people have indicated an interest in becoming Catholics over the last few months. If you are interested, please contact the Parish Office and let us know if you can come. **Angela Finnigan** is our convener: 0414 684 447.

**Lent** will commence on **Ash Wednesday, 2 March**. There will be one Mass at Rozelle at 7.30 am and three Masses at Balmain at 7.30 am, 9.15 am, and 7 pm (which will be a Sung Mass).

During **Lent**, it has been customary, at least in the pre-Covid era, to have some **parish study groups**. The Archdiocese is encouraging us to study the *Go Make Disciples Programme*. If you are interested in leading and hosting a group or participating, please contact the Parish Office and we will take it from there. There will be at least one group meeting at the Presbytery.

There has been some interest in establishing a **men's group** for the two parishes. The men's group could meet regularly for talks and discussions and perhaps undertake some spiritual exercises like a Day of Recollection or a Retreat together. If you are interested and have some ideas, please get in touch with me. We can organise a meeting to make some plans in the near future.

Fr Richard Waddell

**Administrator**

**DAILY MASSES THIS COMING WEEK**

**Balmain:** Monday and Friday 7.30 am, Tuesday 6 pm, Wednesday, Thursday, and Saturday 9.15 am; **Rozelle:** Wednesday 7.30 am.

**WEEKEND MASSES**

**Balmain:** Vigil Mass on Saturday at 5 pm; Sunday at 9 am and 5 pm. **Rozelle:** Sunday at 10.30 am.

**CONFESSIONS**

Tuesdays 5 – 6 pm (at Balmain) and before or after any Mass and by appointment.

**EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

After Mass until 8.30 am every Friday

PLEASE NOTE THAT SINCE COVID WE HAVE NOT TAKEN UP COLLECTIONS DURING OUR SERVICES AND IT SEEMS THAT THERE IS NO DEMAND FOR THEIR REINTRODUCTION. AT THE WEST ENTRANCE IN BOTH OUR CHURCHES, THERE ARE TWO COLLECTION BOXES. THE FIRST COLLECTION GOES TO THE DIOCESAN FUND FOR THE SUPPORT OF ALL OUR PRIESTS. THE SECOND COLLECTION GOES TO THE EXPENSES OF EACH PARISH. AT BALMAIN THERE IS ALSO A TAP AND PAY SYSTEM – IT IS A BIT SLOW BUT IT WORKS (AND WILL BE IMPROVED IN THE FULNESS).

**PARISH INTERCESSIONS**

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

**With those more recently added to our list:** Lucy Tyler, Christine Mangala Frost, Michael Fitzpatrick, Bryan Fitzpatrick, Fr William Fitzgerald, O.Praem., and Patricia Dawkins.

**For the faithful departed – those recently deceased:** Lyall Cowell, Priest (08.12.21), Ross Edward Egan (09.01.22), Joyce Skelly, and John Trevor Franklin (02.02.22).

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

*Requiem aeternam dona eis, Domine, et lux perpetua luceat eis. Requiescant in pace. Amen.*

**ST AUGUSTINE'S & ST JOSEPH'S DETAILS**

**St Augustine'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

(Easier access to St Augustine's Church and the Presbytery is from Eaton and Darvall Streets – fewer steps than Jane Street but parking is metered);

**Parish Office: Tuesday to Friday 9 am to 3 pm. Parish Secretary:** Lorraine Thomy

**Sacramental Programme Coordinator:** Angela Mills: 0432 355 408;

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**Parish Safeguarding Officer:** David Kelaher 0458 352 257

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