

**NEWSLETTER OF THE PARISHES OF BALMAIN AND ROZELLE,
ARCHDIOCESE OF SYDNEY**

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

11 September 2022 (YEAR C)

FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR

Dear Parishioners,

Many people have been saddened by **the death of Her Majesty the Queen**. No doubt there will be some guidance from the Archdiocese as to how we mark the death of our Head of State and the accession of King Charles III as King of Australia. Meanwhile, we commend our sister Elizabeth to God's eternal care giving thanks for her long life of duty and devotion. **We pray for the King and the Queen Consort** as they assume their new duties and for all the Royal Family in this time of sorrow and mourning.

This Sunday evening in the Presbytery, after the 5 pm Mass, **Fr Pius Noonan and Br Gregory**, will tell us about the new and growing Benedictine monastery at Colebrook, Tasmania. Parishioners are warmly invited to attend. There will be something to drink and to eat and we will aim to finish by 7.30pm.

The next Balmain **Parish Pastoral Council** meeting will be on **Tuesday 13 September** in the presbytery at the new time of **8pm**.

The Dante Group will meet on **Wednesday 14 September** at 7.30pm in the Presbytery. Enquiries may be directed to Stephen Briggs: stephen.briggs@yahoo.com.au; 0450 521 670.

The proposed **Pilgrimage to Rome** is for **2023**. The plan is to spend about two weeks in late September or in October **2023** in Rome and its environs. Already, some parishioners have expressed an interest. We will plan a meeting in the very near future to sort out times and places. Please advise the office if you are interested.

Priests' Retirement Foundation 2022: On behalf of this parish, we thank you for supporting Priests' Retirement Foundation Appeal. Through your gift, we are able to continue in our mission to provide care for our growing number of sick and retired priests in the Archdiocese of Sydney. If you would like to donate visit www.ourfaithourworks.org/prf

The **Adult Catechesis Group** will meet tonight and join the monks from Colebrook after 5pm Mass in the Presbytery.

The **Parish office** will be closed until Tuesday 20 September.

There is a **scam** in my name churchcare987@gmail.com. Please do not respond to it. This has been reported to the appropriate authorities.

Fr Richard Waddell

Parish Administrator

Catholic Weekly – 11 September 2022

- Suffering in the suburbs. Cost of living drives record numbers to Lifeline.
- Elephant in the room. Behind the Knox scandal.
- The Screwtape Letters goes on stage.
- One step closer. Couple nearer to seeing children.
- Movie review: Mother Teresa: No Greater Love

First Communions will be celebrated on Sunday 27 November and Sunday 4 December 2022. All candidates are expected to participate in a **4-week preparation course** and to go to Confession prior to making their First Communions. Register through

https://www.staugbalmain.org.au/sacraments/first_reconciliation-first_eucharist-confirmation/

This week the Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney celebrated **National Child Protection Week** for the sixth year in a row, and today, the week culminates with the celebration of Safeguarding Sunday. The celebration of this past week, leading up to Safeguarding Sunday, has provided us with an opportunity to reflect on how we celebrate and embrace differences within our community. To help us reflect, the Safeguarding Office has developed a new resource for Children; the Celebrating Differences – We are all special Activity Book. These resources can be accessed on the Safeguarding website:

<https://www.sydneycatholic.org/safeguarding-and-child-protection/>

DAILY MASSES THIS COMING WEEK

Balmain: Friday 7.30 am, Monday, Thursday, and Saturday at 9.15 am, and Tuesday at 6 pm.

NO MASS AT BALMAIN ON WEDNESDAY. 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; before or after any Mass and by appointment

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

After Mass until 8.30 am every Friday at St Augustine's.

PARISH INTERCESSIONS

With those more recently added to our sick list: Lucy Tyler, Christine Mangala Frost, Michael Fitzpatrick, Bryan Fitzpatrick, Laura Quintili, Allan Lee, Silvana Cocilova, Peter Kingston, Elio Cacciotti, Paul Ryan, Colleen Power, Pauline Yates, Terri Leonard, and John Holmes.

For the faithful departed – those recently deceased: Christine Leaver, Barbara Gallagher (19.08.22), Mary Ferguson (1.09.22).

For the faithful departed – year's mind: Wayne McIlvenna (7.09.81).

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

ST AUGUSTINE'S & ST JOSEPH'S DETAILS

Parish Office: Tuesday to Friday 9 am to 3 pm.

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