

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

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

16 October 2022 (YEAR C)

As a parish community we keep our Year 12 students warmly in our thoughts and prayers as they are now in their first week of HSC. Our prayer and wish are for all of their efforts to be richly rewarded in producing their best over the next three weeks.

God, we ask that our students feel your closeness during the HSC exam period. Give them calm hearts and quiet confidence in the knowledge that you hold them in the palm of your hand. Bless them with keen understanding and retentive memory. Give them the ability to grasp things correctly, be exact in their explanations and an ability to express themselves clearly. Point out clearly the beginning, direct their progress and help them in the completion of each of their responses. Holy Spirit send them your gifts of wisdom and knowledge. We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

Fr Richard is on leave until **28 October**. **Fr Victor Pringle** will be residing in the Presbytery and will share celebrating weekend Masses with Bishop Brady. **There will be no Masses on Monday and Tuesday.**

St Joseph's ex-students reunion will be held at Rozelle next **Sunday 23rd October at 11.30am** in the hall. All parishioners, ex-students, family, and friends are welcome. Old photos on display, raffles, and giftware.

All are welcome to attend the **All Souls Requiem Mass on Wednesday 2 November at 7pm**. Twelve professional singers will sing Faure's Requiem - arguably his most famous and much loved piece of music. Refreshments will be served afterwards.

Work on the **PA system at Balmain** will commence in November with the aim of completing it by Christmas. The estimated cost is \$50,000. Work towards finishing **the painting of Balmain's church doors** will resume at the end of October, God willing and the weather permitting.

The inaugural meeting of men's group will be held on **Wednesday 9 November at 6.30pm** in the hall. Please see flyer for more details.

October is the month of the Holy Rosary: Come and say the rosary in the church on Sunday mornings at 8.30am before the 9am mass. This powerful prayer recommended by Our Lady and the Church is highly efficacious and many blessings and miracles have been attributed to it.

Mass and Morning Tea: All are welcome to attend the **9:15am Mass on Thursday 27 October** at Balmain followed by morning tea in the presbytery. This will be a monthly event.

The proposed **Pilgrimage to Rome** is for **2023**. *We now have sufficient expressions of interest to make group travel financially viable.* Please advise the office if you are interested.

Advance notice is given of the following **events** with more details to follow:

- **Tue 29 November at 7.30 pm – The Parrot in the Mirror** – a talk by our parishioner Dr Antone Martinho-Truswell about evolutionary similarities between parrots and humans – we have a lot in common!
- **Sat 10 December 6 pm at Balmain – Gaudete Party;**
- **Tue 13 December 7 pm at Balmain – Rite 2 Sacrament of Penance**

First Communions will be celebrated on Sunday 27 November, Sunday 4 December and Sunday 11 December 2022. Register through https://www.staugbalmain.org.au/sacraments/first_reconciliation-first_eucharist-confirmation/

Catholic Weekly - 16 October 2022

- Archbishop Nona: "They took everything". Now ISIS could live among us
- Cancelling Christians: The Andrew Thorburn Affair
- Dr Miriam Rose: A voice for reconciliation

DAILY MASSES THIS COMING WEEK

Balmain: Friday 7.30 am, Wednesday, Thursday, and Saturday at 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

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: Paul Joseph Clark, Lucy Tyler, Michael Fitzpatrick, Bryan Fitzpatrick, Laura Quintili, Allan Lee, Silvana Cocilova, Elio Cacciotti, Paul Ryan, Colleen Power, Pauline Yates, Terri Leonard.

For the faithful departed – those recently deceased: John Holmes (11.09.22), Marianna Cincotta (15.09.22), and Paul Ryan (30.09.22).

For the faithful departed – year's mind: Santina Amendolia (17.09.22).

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

ST AUGUSTINE'S & ST JOSEPH'S DETAILS

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