

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

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

30 October 2022 (YEAR C)

Dear Parishioners,

Please note that **Tuesday 1 November is All Saints' Day**. At Balmain, there will be a School Mass at 9.15 am and another Mass at 6.30 pm.

Parishioners are warmly invited, even urged, to attend the **All Souls Mass on Wednesday 2 November at 7pm**. Twelve professional singers will sing **Fauré's Requiem** - arguably his most famous and much-loved piece of music.

Refreshments will be served afterwards in the Hall – wine and savouries.

Congratulations to Michael and Monica Murphy on the birth of their son on 20 October at 3:41pm, William Michael Alexander (8 pounds, 8 ounces).

November is the month for remembering the Faithful Departed. Envelopes are available from the church entrances. Please print names clearly and place in second collection. The envelopes will be bundled together and placed on the altar at each Mass during November.

Charitable Works Fund (CWF) Parish Appeal will be held next weekend **5th & 6th November**. The CWF supports a range of charities and ministries, including the Good Shepherd Seminary, CatholicCare, the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine, the Ephpheta Centre for the deaf and hearing impaired, Aboriginal Catholic Ministries, and university, hospital and prison Chaplaincies. For more information www.ourfaithhourworks.org/cwf

Balmain Pastoral Council meeting is on **Tuesday 8 November at 8pm**.

On **Wednesday 9 November at 6.30 pm**, the inaugural gathering of the **Men's Group** will be held in the Hall at Balmain. This will be a dinner with **Dr Mervyn Cross**, a distinguished surgeon, sportsman, and parishioner, as our guest speaker. Please see flyer for more details.

On **Sunday 13 November, the St Joseph's Annual International Luncheon** will be held after the 10:30 am Mass. All parishioner from both Balmain and Rozelle are welcome, just bring along your favourite dish on a plate to share with everyone, ideally one that reflects your cultural heritage. Drinks supplied. To coordinate the catering, please liaise with Sri Cannon (040 5302 355).

On **Thursday 17 November**, there will be **morning tea in the Presbytery** after 9.15 am Mass at Balmain.

Work on the **PA system at Balmain** will commence in November and work towards finishing **the painting of Balmain's church doors** will resume sometime soon, God willing and the weather permitting.

Feedback regarding the Catholic Weekly: I have been asked to gather some opinions from parishioners regarding the current format and content of the *Catholic Weekly*. I am proposing to read it cover to cover over the next four weeks for the purpose of my own comments. If you would like to participate in this exercise, please take a *Catholic Weekly* each Sunday over the next four weeks, make a note

of what you think, and I will convene a short meeting of critics at the end of the month. No need to pay for it!

The proposed **Pilgrimage to Rome** is for **September/October 2023**. Please advise the Office if you are interested. We have the numbers and will organise a meeting as soon as possible to determine details of the trip.

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/

Fr Richard Waddell

Administrator

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

* **Tuesday 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!

* **On Sunday 4 December, Rozelle will recommence their monthly morning tea after Sunday Mass at 10.30 am**. All are welcome to join in and meet some fellow parishioners.

* **Saturday 10 December** 6 pm at Balmain – **Gaudete Party**

* **Tuesday 13 December** 7 pm at Balmain – **Rite 2 Sacrament of Penance**

Catholic Weekly - 30 October 2022

- Culture Wars V Common Sense
- Archbishop Fisher: Historic US speech
- Families reclaim Halloween
- Saint John Paul II Shrine opens

DAILY MASSES THIS COMING WEEK

Balmain: Monday 9.15 am, Tuesday 9.15 am and 6.30 pm, Wednesday 7 pm, Thursday at 9.15 am, Friday 7.30 am, 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

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

For the faithful departed – those recently deceased: Margo Buckingham (26.10.22).

For the faithful departed – year's mind: Kit Grindley (26.10.18).

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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