

**NEWSLETTER OF THE PARISHES OF BALMAIN & ROZELLE,
ARCHDIOCESE OF SYDNEY
FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
30 April 2023 (YEAR A)
FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR**

Dear Parishioners,

Mass this **Sunday 5 pm** will be a **Pope Francis group Mass**.

Please note also that **the daily Mass timetable** is varied in this coming week. No Mass on Monday and no 9.15 am Mass on Tuesday.

St Vincent de Paul Society will meet on **Tuesday 2 May** at 7.30 pm. For further details, contact Maureen Robinson: **0414 634208**.

The Dante Group will reconvene on **Wednesday 3 May** at 7.30 pm at the Presbytery. Stephen Briggs in the convenor: 0450 521 670.

Fr Victor Pringle celebrates his Eightieth Birthday on 4 May. He will offer Mass at 9.15 am at Balmain. Parishioners are invited to join him for a celebratory drink and nibble afterwards in the Presbytery. If you are able to come, please let the Parish Office know so we can cover the comestibles.

A parishioner who will be remembered by many - **Guglielmina Rinaldi** – known as Mina, died on 14 April 2023. Her funeral will be at St Augustine's on **Friday 5 May at 10.30 am**.

To mark the **Coronation of our Australian Head of State and the Queen Consort**, on **Saturday 6 May at 9.15 am** a **Votive Mass for Their Majesties King Charles III and Queen Camilla** (as provided for in the Roman Missal) will be celebrated. Some singers will lead us in the *Missa de Angelis* and will also sing some appropriate motets. There will be some light refreshments in the Presbytery afterwards.

Preparation classes for the Sacrament of Confirmation will begin on **Sunday 7 May** after the 5 pm Mass.

Balmain Pastoral Council will meet on **Tuesday 9 May** at 8 pm. The planned April meeting has become impracticable.

David Drury will be playing at *la messe d'orgue* at 5 pm on **Sunday 14 May**.

The Bible Study Group is taking a break while its convener Angela Finnigan is away. It will resume in July or thereabouts.

I am away this weekend in Tasmania, attending the **Solemn Profession of a Monk of Colebrook Priory**. Please remember **Brother Francisco** in your prayers and all the members of this young community.

Fr Richard Waddell

Administrator

The **Charitable Works Fund May 2023 Appeal** will be happening on **6 and 7 May**. Please keep alive the vital ministries of the Church in service to those who need it most. In hospitals, churches, schools, communities and families, your donation is making our world a loving, caring and compassionate place. Donate at www.ourfaithourworks/give-to-cwf or complete the parish envelope. All donations contribute to our Parish target.

Children's Liturgy is offered at every Sunday 9am Mass. Parents are welcome to drop their lower primary and preschool aged children to the hall before the start of Mass. The children will pray, listen to the readings, learn about them and do suitable craft activities. If you are interested in helping with the liturgy, please email Angela balrozparishes@gmail.com

Preparation classes for the **Sacrament of Confirmation** start on Sunday 7 May 6pm at St Augustine's. If your child is in Year 6 or above and has received the sacraments of Reconciliation and First Eucharist, they are eligible to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Please enrol your child through the church website or email balrozparishes@gmail.com

Bel a cappella's first concert with our new Musical Director, Monica Buckland to perform a collection of works featuring Sir James MacMillan's 'A New Song', Bach's 'Jesu Meine Freude', and Nigel Butterley's 'Morning Fanfare' as well as other favourite choral works. Organist David Drury plus cello and double bass will join us for the Bach. *A New Song* is on **Sunday 30th April at 2:30pm** in St Augustine's Church, Eaton St, Balmain. Tickets are available through [trybooking](http://trybooking.com) and student and pensioner discounts are available. Tickets will also be available at the door. We hope to see you there.

WEEKEND MASSES

Balmain: Saturday 5 pm; Sunday 9 am and 5 pm. **Rozelle:** Sunday 10.30 am

DAILY MASSES THIS COMING WEEK

Balmain: No Mass on Monday this week, Tuesday 7.30 am only, Wednesday 9.15 am, Thursday 7.30 am and 9.15 am, Friday 7.30 am, Saturday 9.15 am. **Rozelle:** 7.30 am Wednesday.

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: Norma Robinson, Allan Thom, Bill Warner, Paul Joseph Clark, Lucy Tyler, Michael Fitzpatrick, Bryan Fitzpatrick, Laura Quintili, Allan Lee, Silvana Cocilova, Elio Cacciotti, Pauline Yates, Terri Leonard, Phil Bawden, Keith Forbes, Moira Forster, Lois Blakemore, Paul Clark, Valerie Tattersall. **For the faithful departed – those recently deceased:** John Keeble, Priest (01.04.23), Guglielmina Rinaldi (known as Mina) (14.04.23).

For the faithful departed – year's minds: Mary Haylen (23.04.21).

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

ST AUGUSTINE'S & ST JOSEPH'S DETAILS

Parish Office (at the Balmain Presbytery): **Tuesday to Friday 9 am to 3 pm**

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