

**NEWSLETTER OF THE PARISHES OF BALMAIN & ROZELLE,
ARCHDIOCESE OF SYDNEY
FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

7 May 2023 (YEAR A)

FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR

Dear Parishioners,

The **Charitable Works Fund May 2023 Appeal** will be happening this weekend. 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.ourfaithhourworks/give-to-cwf or complete the parish envelope.

Preparation classes for the Sacrament of Confirmation will begin this evening after the 5 pm Mass and continue at the same time over four weeks. The Confirmation will be held at **Balmain on Saturday 3 June at 2 pm.**

Weekday Masses at Balmain will be reduced over the next four weeks. Fr Richard will be attending the Tribunal from Tuesday to Thursday inclusive during this period. Please refer below for the details of the Mass schedule.

Balmain Pastoral Council will meet on **Tuesday 9 May** at 8 pm in the Presbytery.

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

The **Family Mass** on **Sunday 21 May** at 5 pm has been **CANCELLED.**

There will be a **Guided Tour of St Mary's Cathedral and Crypt** on **Friday 26 May at 10 am.** If you are interested, please email Angela Mills balrozparishes@gmail.com.

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

Fr Richard Waddell
Administrator

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

The Sacrament of Confirmation 2023: If your child is in Year 6 or above and has received the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Eucharist, he or she is eligible to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Please enrol your child through the church website or email balrozparishes@gmail.com

Catholic Weekly – 7 May 2023

- Vaping crackdown welcomed by Catholic agencies and parents
- Four hundred and fifty men take to the streets for St Joseph's Camino
- The Christian meaning of King Charles' coronation service
- New baptism resource brings the sacrament alive
- Fr Dan McCaughan: bring back the family rosary
- Fatima procession and Corpus Christi doco show power of walking together

WEEKEND MASSES

Balmain: Saturday 5 pm; Sunday 9 am and 5 pm.

Rozelle: Sunday 10.30 am.

DAILY MASSES THIS COMING WEEK

Balmain: Monday 9.15 am, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday 7.30 am, and 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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