

**NEWSLETTER OF THE PARISHES OF BALMAIN & ROZELLE,  
ARCHDIOCESE OF SYDNEY  
SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER  
14 May 2023 (YEAR A)  
FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR**

Dear Parishioners,

**Mother's Day.** Today, each one of us gives thanks and prays for his or her mother, whether in this life or the next. We reflect upon the unique task and vocation of motherhood and we ask for the vision and the strength to make each family and home an experience and a place where we give generously and receive gratefully the love which is integral to human flourishing and which is, essentially, a participation in the universal and all pervasive love of God.

**Charitable Works Fund May 2023 Appeal** envelopes are still available if you would like to donate. 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](http://www.ourfaithourworks/give-to-cwf) or complete the parish envelope.

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

**Confirmation preparation** will continue with the second session at 6 pm on Sunday. Confirmation will be administered by Bishop Meagher on Saturday 3 June at 2 pm in. Confessions of the *confirmandi* in preparation for their Confirmation will be heard on Tuesday 23 May between 6 and 7 pm. All these events will take place in St Augustine's.

On **Monday 15 May**, St Aloysius' College (Year 9) will move into the splendidly renovated premises at 48 Victoria Road. This is an historical development and the beginning of a completely new phase of Catholic education and involvement in the local community. *Deo gratias.*

This week, I will continue to work at the **Tribunal of Inquiry for the Cause of Eileen O'Connor** from Tuesday to Thursday inclusive. My duty as Promotor of Justice is to read through all the evidence which has been gathered and to identify issues which may require further investigation, if any. While it is concentrated work it is also fascinating. The weekday Mass timetable has been modified – see *infra*.

**Advance Notice:** Pentecost Solemn Mass Saturday 27 May at 5 pm and Corpus Christi Solemn Mass, Procession of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction on Saturday 10 June at 5 pm.

**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](mailto:balrozparishes@gmail.com)

**Online Safety:** Parents and Guardians, it is important to closely monitor the children's and young adults use of their devices on the internet. The Diocese has also provided advice on this matter " Information for Young People about Online Safety" Copies are on the table inside the Church.

**Catholic Weekly – 14 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 only, 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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