

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

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B

11 February 2024 (YEAR B)

FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR

Dear Parishioners,

At the **5 pm Sunday Mass**, David Drury will be playing a selection of organ music to accompany the said celebration of Mass.

Lent begins with Ash Wednesday this week. There will be a Mass at Rozelle at 7.30 am and a FJT School Mass at 9.15 am. At 7 pm in St Augustine's, there will be a Sung Mass. Ashes will be blessed and imposed at all Masses.

There will be a **Lenten Group commencing on Friday 16 February at 7pm** and running for six Fridays, concluding on Friday March 22nd. The Lenten program will consist of a reflection on each Sunday's Gospel, guided meditations, discussion and prayer and typically last for one hour. Please call Angela Finnigan 0414684447 for further details.

Bible Study will be suspended on Ash Wednesday next week and will resume weekly again on Wednesday 21 February in the Presbytery at 7pm. They are currently studying St John's Gospel and taking direction from the early Church Fathers, particularly John Chrysostom and Augustine. Enquires: Angela Finnigan 0414684447.

For the **daily Masses**, see the schedule *infra*.

Project Compassion Boxes and Envelopes are available for collection at the entrances to both churches or visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion

Balmain Parish Council will meet this week on **Shrove Tuesday 13 February at 8 pm** in the Presbytery.

The next **Men's Dinner** is set down for **Thursday 29 February**. Flyers on the table at the back of the church and attached.

Fr Richard Waddell

Administrator

Reconciliation Sacrament will be held on **March 11-13**. Classes commence on Feb 25.

If your child is in Year 3 and above, please enrol on the church website or contact Angela balrozparishes@gmail.com

World Day of Prayer – Palestine: WDP will be held at St Mary's Anglican Church (85 Darling St. East Balmain) on **Friday 3 March** at 11am. If you would like to come along to pray for the people of Palestine and support this local ecumenical service, please email Angela balrozparishes@gmail.com

Parish Play Group: Starting soon we will be launching a playgroup in our church hall for our very little ones (0-5 years). If you have toys and books in good condition which you no longer need, please drop them off to the church office. If you are interested in lending a hand or coming along, please email Angela balrozparishes@gmail.com

Safer Internet is a global initiative to raise awareness of the importance of online safety for children and young adults. Parents can minimise online risks for these groups by educating them about expectations of online behaviour, applying safety filters and having communication protocols. There are three simple actions when discussing with children/young adults Connect, Reflect and Protect. Excellent resources to assist

navigating online are available through the eSafety Commissioner website: Safety Internet Day 2024 1 eSafety Commissioner.

Catholic Weekly – 11 February 2024

- Nation's leaders join Abdallah and Sakr families for Oatlands memorial blessing
- Prepare for Lent 2024: Ash Wednesday times and how to get ready • Cathedral college and choir go co-ed • Vaping stores targeting schools in nicotine 'nightmare'
- Simcha Fisher: Give patience another chance
- Monica Doumit: Oatlands memorial shows forgiveness paves way for renewal

MUSIC FOR LA MESSE D'ORGUE SUNDAY 5 PM

Entrance:	Improvisation	– David Drury
Offertory:	Elevation Toccata	– Girolamo Frescobaldi
Communion:	Vater unser (Our Father)	– Georg Boehm
Postlude:	Rondeau	– Jean-Joseph Mouret

MUSIC FOR ASH WEDNESDAY SUNG MASS 7 PM

Hymns: God of Mercy and Compassion, Lord Jesus Think on me, and Forty Days and Forty Nights
Choral Music: *Attende Domine, et miserere* William Byrd

Mass Intentions this Sunday

Sat 5 pm Peace in the Middle East **Sun 9 am** *Pro populo* **10.30 am** The sick.

WEEKEND MASSES IN JANUARY

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

DAILY MASSES THIS COMING WEEK

Balmain: Monday, Tuesday at 7.30 am, Ash Wednesday 9.15 am and 7 pm, Thursday and Friday 7.30 am and Saturday 8 am

Rozelle: Ash Wednesday 7.30 am.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

8.30 to 9 am Saturdays

CONFESSIONS

During Saturday Exposition, before or after any Mass, or by appointment.

PARISH INTERCESSIONS

For the sick: Paul Joseph Clark, Bernard Shane, Shirley Lowe, Paul Joseph Clark, Michael Fitzpatrick, Bryan Fitzpatrick, Laura Quintili, Silvana Cocilova, Elio Cacciotti, Terri Leonard, Phil Bawden, Keith Forbes, Moira Forrest, Pamela Cipriano, Sharron Ibbotson, Josephine Gayed, Bernard Hickey, and Brian Gallagher. **For the faithful departed – those recently deceased:** Cherelle Bailey (31.12.23) and Brian Blakemore (25.01.25). **For the faithful departed – year's minds:** Manuel Muscat (02.01.22, George Pell, Bishop (10.01.23). Mancia Cadiz McIlvenna (22.02.17), Charles McIlvenna (17.02), Francis McCaffrey (21.02), and Pam Jacob.

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

ST AUGUSTINE'S & ST JOSEPH'S DETAILS

Clergy: Revd Richard Waddell, JCL; Revd Victor Pringle.

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

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