

**NEWSLETTER OF THE PARISHES OF BALMAIN & ROZELLE,
ARCHDIOCESE OF SYDNEY**
PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD
24 March 2024 (YEAR B)
FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR

Dear Parishioners,

Palms will be blessed and distributed at the beginning of each of our Masses for this weekend.

Holy Mass in honour of San Giuseppe Protector of Spadafora at **Saint Joseph Church** at 3.00pm today. After Mass there will be a procession with the statue inside the Church. Tea and coffee will be served in the church hall immediately after the procession. All are welcome.

Ceremonies for the Triduum will follow our familiar pattern.

Maundy Thursday	Mass of the Last Supper at Balmain at 7 pm
Good Friday	Stations of the Cross at Balmain at 10.30 am
	Liturgy of the Passion at Rozelle at 3 pm
Holy Saturday	Paschal Vigil at Balmain at 8 pm
Easter Sunday	The usual Sunday Masses

Confessions

Good Friday 11.00 – 12 noon at Balmain; after the Liturgy of the Passion at Rozelle
Holy Saturday 11 – 12 noon at Balmain.

Masses this week from Monday to Wednesday – see schedule *infra*.

Bible Study on Wednesdays in the Presbytery at 7pm. The group is about to begin studying the Acts of the Apostles and taking direction from the early Church Fathers, particularly John Chrysostom and Augustine. Enquires: Angela Finnigan 0414684447.

Volunteers for choir to sing at Maundy Thursday and Easter Sunday 9am Mass. Please contact John Benjamin on 0449 911 161.

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

The **Men's Group** are having a **Dinner on Thursday 4 April – Barry Neilsen from the Genesian Theatre** will be speaking. See the posters and handbills in both our churches.

Sunday 7 April 5 pm Family Mass.

Fr Richard Waddell
Administrator

PLEASE PRAY for **Brother Bede**, Monk of Colebrook Priory, to be ordained priest on Wednesday in Easter Week in Hobart. He will be the first (of many, God willing) monk to be ordained for this community. I will be attending. Pray also for vocations to this young, vibrant, and very hopeful community of monastic spirituality and hospitality.

Parish Play Group: Soon we will be launching a playgroup in our church hall for our very little ones. Thank you to those parishioners who have donated toys and books.

Catholic Weekly – 24 March 2024

- DISCIPLE DIARIES: Mullet champion returns to Christ
- Biggest-ever women's retreat
- Papal awards for public service
- Conversion therapy bill 'sincere' but flawed
- St Patrick's Day shows enduring power of Irish heritage
- Professor Bernard Doherty: How did the "Little Pebble" lead so many astray?

USUAL WEEKEND MASSES BUT NOT THIS WEEK

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

DAILY MASSES THIS COMING WEEK

Balmain: Monday and Tuesday at 7.30 am

Rozelle: Wednesday at 7.30 am

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

NOT THIS WEEK

CONFESSIONS

SEE ADMINISTRATOR'S LETTER *supra*.

PARISH INTERCESSIONS

For the sick: Victoria Vildzius, 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, Brian Gallagher, Stephanie Zehnal, and Jennifer Heywood.
For the faithful departed – those recently deceased: Brian Blakemore (25.01.24), Vicky Muscat (10.02.24) and Marion Walshe (20.02.24). **For the faithful departed – year's minds:** Mancia Cadiz McIlvenna (22.02.17), Charles McIlvenna (17.02), Ciaran Tynan (17.02), Francis McCaffrey (21.02), Pam Jacob, Valerie Staggs (19.02.23), Veronica Jardine (27.02) and Katherine Kenna.

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

ST AUGUSTINE'S & ST JOSEPH'S DETAILS

Clergy: The Reverend Richard Waddell, JCL.

Parish Office (at the Balmain Presbytery): Tuesday to Thursday this week 9 am to 3 pm

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