

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

5 May 2024 (YEAR B)

**FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR**

Dear Parishioners,

The **Charitable Works Fund May 2024** 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 caring and compassionate place. All donations contribute to our Parish target. Donate [www.ourfaithourworks/give-to-cwf](http://www.ourfaithourworks/give-to-cwf) or complete the parish envelope.

**Morning tea after 10.30 am Mass at Rozelle** today. All welcome. **Fr Victor will be celebrating his 81<sup>st</sup> birthday.**

**David Drury** will be playing the organ at the **Sunday 5 pm Mass.**

**Bible Study on Wednesdays**, all are welcome in the Presbytery at 7pm. The group is studying the Acts of the Apostles and no prior knowledge is needed. We are taking direction from the early Church Fathers, particularly St John Chrysostom and St Augustine. Angela Finnigan 0414684447.

Next Sunday is **Mother's Day.**

There will be **classes for aspiring altar servers on Sundays 19 and 26 May at 4 pm** at the Balmain Church. Please contact Angela Mills if you are interested.

**Balmain Parish Council:** After many years of service, our Chairman John Dickie and our Secretary David Kelaher are both retiring. We are very grateful to them both for all that they have done for Balmain Parish and are glad that they will still be around and willing to give wise counsel when requested. The Balmain Parish Council is a self-selecting body of parishioners – if you are interested in serving on it, please come to a meeting or contact Lorraine for further details. The Parish Council meets every two months on a Tuesday evening at 8 pm and finishes at 9.30 pm precisely. The appointment of a new Chairman and Secretary will be announced soon.

Fr Richard Waddell

**Administrator**

**Please note change of date** - Our Little Saints Playgroup will begin on Wednesday 8 May 2024 at 9.30am in the church hall. If you can help with making a cup of tea or making sandwiches or singing with us, welcoming parents, and creating community together please let me know [balrozparishes@gmail.com](mailto:balrozparishes@gmail.com). Please see attached flyer or on the tables at the back of the church.

**Sacrament of Confirmation** will be held at St Mary's Cathedral on 18 August at 12.30pm. If your child is in Year 6 or above and would like to enrol please contact Angela Mills [balrozparishes@gmail.com](mailto:balrozparishes@gmail.com) or see details on the parish website.

**Catholic Weekly - 5 May 2024**

- More than 600 unite for men's Camino
- Bishops push against proposed Census change
- Bishop Peter Ingham remembered as a man of faith and joy
- Mid-life malaise led me back to faith
- Anzac Day a reminder to serve and sacrifice
- 'On fire' with the Spirit at youth Purpose Conference

A **Warning Working with Children Checks (WWCC)** must be obtained and verified before Parish volunteers can assist with any activity or event that involves children. The Parish can face substantial fines of up to \$5,000 if it allows a volunteer to participate in such an activity/event who is required to obtain a WWCC but know or have reason to believe that the person does not hold one.

**USUAL WEEKEND MASSES**

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

**DAILY MASSES THIS COMING WEEK**

**Balmain:** Monday at 9.15 am, Tuesday, Thursday (BUT TBC) and Friday at 7.30 am, and Saturday at 8 am

**Rozelle:** Wednesday at 7.30 am.

**EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

8.30 to 9 am Saturdays

**CONFESSIONS**

Saturday 8.30 to 9 am or before or after a Mass or by appointment.

**PARISH INTERCESSIONS**

**For the sick:** Victoria Vildzius, Paul Joseph Clark, Bernard Shane, Shirley Lowe, Michael Fitzpatrick, Bryan Fitzpatrick, Laura Quintili, Silvana Cocilova, Elio Cacciotti, Terri Leonard, Phil Bawden, Moira Forrest, Pamela Cipriano, Sharron Ibbotson, Josephine Gayed, Bernard Hickey, Brian Gallagher, Stephanie Zehnal, Jennifer Heywood, Antony Faisandier, and Precy Centeno. **For the faithful departed – those recently deceased:** 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), Katherine Kenna, Ramon Burke, and Elizabeth Aranibar Ayala (30.04).

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

**ST AUGUSTINE'S & ST JOSEPH'S DETAILS**

**Clergy:** Rev. Richard Waddell, JCL (Rev. Victor Pringle, Assisting Priest)

**Parish Office (at the Balmain Presbytery):** **Wednesday this week 9 am to 3 pm only**

**Parishes Secretary:** Lorraine Thomy **Phone:** 61 2 9810 1157 (both parishes)

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