

**BULLETIN OF THE PARISHES OF BALMAIN AND ROZELLE,  
ARCHDIOCESE OF SYDNEY  
THIRTY THIRD YEAR IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B (14 NOV 21)  
FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR**

Dear Parishioners,

Last Sunday night during the 6 pm Mass, **Harry Kantor**, 9 years old, was received into the Catholic Church during Mass. This Saturday night, during the 5 pm Mass, **Samuel Langsford**, also 9 years old, will be received. Both boys will make their First Holy Communion on Sunday. Also, at the Vigil Mass, **Thomas Hall** will make his First Communion. Congratulations to all the boys and to their families.

**THE FIRST COMMUNION MASSES** on **Sunday 14 November**, are both at St Augustine's, **the first at 10.30 am and the second at 12 noon**. This is to accommodate the increased numbers. It will be possible to make First Communions at normal parish Masses with due notice so we can make some special arrangements. One family has already arranged this.

**Balmain Parish Council meeting: Tuesday 16 November at 7.30 pm.**

**Dante study group:** The first meeting will be on **Wednesday 17 November at 7.30 pm in the Presbytery**. Our convener Stephen Briggs, will present some material about the literary significance of the *Divine Comedy*, its historical context, and the life of Dante himself. We will also settle on a plan of attack and a schedule for our meetings in the future. Stephen's contact details are: [stephen.briggs@yahoo.com.au](mailto:stephen.briggs@yahoo.com.au); 0450 521 670.

**GAUDETE PARTY SATURDAY 11 December at 6 pm:** This will be a family occasion. Food, non-alcoholic drinks and, now, wine will be provided (**Paul Ryan of Union Wine Cellars, Terry Street, Rozelle**, has donated 60 bottles of high-quality wine!). The Hall and the Presbytery grounds will be used for the occasion. There will be a charge for adults and families. We will need some volunteer help. Joanne Navarra is the convener: 0419 608 194; [jnavarra@westnet.com.au](mailto:jnavarra@westnet.com.au). Posters are being produced and details will be on them. When I have further details, they will also be in the *Bulletin*.

**Planned Giving Envelopes, Envelopes for the November Masses** and notices about the **Appeal for the Priests' Retirement Fund** are at the back of the churches.

**There have been some scams using my name and asking for money. One parishioner has lost \$500 as a result. Please do not respond to these.**

I purchased four-inch votive candles for the candle stand at Balmain but, unfortunately, the candles are a little bit thicker and difficult to put in the stand. Regrettably, I think we will have to return to the three-inch candles. Anyway, nothing ventured, nothing gained.

Fr Richard Waddell

**Parish Administrator**

**ST AUGUSTINE'S CHURCH WILL BE CLOSED FOR THE INSTALLATION  
OF NEW LIGHTING FROM MONDAY 15 NOVEMBER UNTIL  
FRIDAY 26 NOVEMBER. ALL MASSES WILL BE CELEBRATED AT  
ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH (BUT BAPTISMS WILL BE HELD AT ST AUGUSTINE'S)**

## WEEKDAY MASSES AND CONFESSIONS (ALL AT ROZELLE)

**MASSES: Monday 9.15 am Tuesday 6 pm, Wednesday 7.30 am AND 9.15 am Thursday 9.15 am Friday 7.30 am Saturday 9.15 am; CONFESSIONS: Tuesday 5 - 6 pm; Saturday 9.45-10.15 am; 4.15-4.45pm**

**THE WEEKEND SCHEDULE REMAINS UNCHANGED AT PRESENT**

### PARISH INTERCESSIONS

**For the sick and those in old age:** Michael Fitzpatrick, Mary Rooney, John, Karen, Ray, Jaime Aponte, Brenda Atkinson, Nela and Brian Blakemore, Pina Borg, Margo Buckingham, Tony Carbon, Paul Joseph Clark, Ann Diver, Brent Egan, Vincent and Catherine Erskine, Mary Ferguson, Christine Forner, Sylvia Gallagher, Martha Lucia Gomez, Marcella Holsten, Beverley Kerin, Joan Leonard, Jill Losurdo, Shirley Lowe, Marie Meyrick, Roger Parsons, Anna Pasqua, Patricia Webster, Lyn Wilson, Keith Yates.

**With those more recently added to our list:** Henry Nicholls, John Coorey (and his wife Rebecca, at this time), Lucy Tyler, Christine Mangala Frost, Fr Lyall Cowell.

**For the faithful departed – those recently deceased:** Elaine Eleanor Salvestro (20.09.21), Lucien Leech-Larkin (26.09.21), and Santa Amendolia (20.09.2021), Anna Scarpellino (11.11.21).

### VINNIES GIFTS FOR THE CHRISTMAS TREE

*The Vinnies Christmas tree will be at the back of St Joseph's next Sunday. Please help us brighten someone's Christmas by taking a numbered card and putting a gift-wrapped present under the tree with the card firmly attached. Presents could be personal gifts, Christmas food, or anything to make Christmas special. Gift vouchers, e.g., store vouchers such as Woolworths, K Mart, etc, or movie vouchers, are very welcome. If vouchers are included, it would be helpful if you indicate this on the gift. Our Vinnie's volunteers will deliver the gifts with a Vinnie's hamper.*

**GIFTS MUST BE UNDER THE TREE BY THE WEEKEND OF 11/12 DECEMBER.**

*N.B. From 28 November, both St Augustine's and St Joseph's will have their own trees.*

### CHRISTMAS EVE (Friday)

5 pm FAMILY MASS at Balmain; 7 pm FAMILY MASS at Rozelle;

9 pm FIRST MASS OF CHRISTMAS at Balmain

### CHRISTMAS DAY MASSES (Saturday)

9 am Balmain; 10.30 am. Rozelle; 5 pm. Balmain

### ST AUGUSTINE'S & ST JOSEPH'S DETAILS

St Augustine's Church, Eaton Street, Balmain

St Joseph's Church, Cnr Victoria Road and Gordon Street, Rozelle

The Presbytery/Office: 3 Jane Street, Balmain NSW 2041

**Parish Office:** 9.30 am to 3.30 pm Tuesday to Friday

**Parish Secretary:** Lorraine Thomy

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