

**NEWSLETTER OF THE PARISHES OF BALMAIN AND ROZELLE,
ARCHDIOCESE OF SYDNEY
EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
27 February 2022 (YEAR C)
FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR**

Dear Parishioners,

This Sunday evening at 5 pm is a Family Mass with children of the parish serving and singing. **We will be giving a special welcome to new families and welcoming back our 2021 Pope Francis students.** It is good for families, young and old, to worship together – as Archbishop Fulton Sheen said: **The family that prays together stays together.**

Wednesday 2 March this week is Ash Wednesday. There is a schedule of Masses below.

Please remember PROJECT COMPASSION. There are boxes which may be collected at the entrance of each church.

The **list of faithful departed** we pray for every week will be shown on the notice board at the back of the two churches. We need the space in the Bulletin.

I have ordered some materials for a **Lenten Study Group** and look forward to some expressions of interest. I am looking to lay leadership in the two parishes to get this underway and will provide assistance and support as required. It would be good to get started after the first Sunday in Lent. Let me know if you would like to convene a group and I can publish contact details.

Saturday, 19 March, is **St Joseph's Day**. It is proposed to celebrate **Mass at Rozelle at 7.30 am** and to then adjourn to the **Old Rosebud** (corner of Darling and National Streets) for **breakfast**. It will be necessary to book ahead so, if you would like to join us, please contact the Parish Office.

Last week, I mentioned an excellent app for daily prayer and meditation and for following the daily Mass liturgy. It is **"Laudate"** and it is free.

Some weeks ago, I mentioned a report into why Catholics don't go to Mass. Some parishioners have asked me for a link. If you type **"Catholics Who Have Stopped Going to Mass"** into your browser, it will come up. It is a document produced by the Australian Catholic Bishops' Conference in October 2006 and makes interesting reading.

Fr Richard Waddell

Administrator

World Day of Prayer:

This year's ecumenical World Day of Prayer service for our area will be hosted by Campbell Street Presbyterian Church. This an Annual celebration on the first Friday of March each year when Christian congregations of many denominations around the world pray together. Details: **Campbell Street Presbyterian Church on Friday 4 March at 11.00am.**

Contact Jocelyn Morris 0451 114 145.

Safeguarding – Volunteers Induction Training:

As a requirement to undertake volunteer tasks, volunteers must undertake an Induction Training Course. Volunteers who teach in catholic schools must undertake this course to complete the Safeguarding requirements. The training will be conducted after the 9am mass on Sunday 13 March 2022. Any parishioners who wish to volunteer are welcome to attend.

Catholic Weekly - 27 February 2022

- Sydney Prays for Ukraine
- 'Reformers' demand: Stop the Plenary
- Death Duel: Upper House debates euthanasia law
- Somascan Parish Rocks
- Movie review: Conviction: The Case of Stephen Lawrence
- Why I became a Catholic

LENT 2022 WITH THE CATHOLIC GUY BRUCE DOWNES:

Be inspired, Be refreshed, Be renewed! For 40 days you will receive a short, practical and inspiring video in your inbox every morning to help you make this Lenten journey more powerful and prayerful. This program is FREE and you can sign up here: <https://BruceDownes.org/Lent22> Call 1300 734 880

DAILY MASSES THIS COMING WEEK

Balmain: ASH WEDNESDAY 7:30 am, 9.15 am, and 7 pm.

Friday at 7.30 am, Monday, Thursday, and Saturday at 9.15 am; and Tuesday 6 pm **Rozelle: ASH WEDNESDAY 7.30 am.**

WEEKEND MASSES

Balmain: Vigil Mass on Saturday at 5 pm; Sunday at 9 am and 5 pm. **Rozelle:** Sunday at 10.30 am.

CONFESSIONS

Tuesdays 5 – 6 pm (at Balmain) and 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

For the sick and those in old age: Mary Rooney, Keith Yates, John, Karen, Ray, Jaime Aponte, Brenda Atkinson, Nela and Brian Blakemore, Margo Buckingham, Pina Borg, 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, Roger Parsons, Anna Pasqua, Patricia Webster, Lyn Wilson.

With those more recently added to our list: Lucy Tyler, Christine Mangala Frost, Michael Fitzpatrick, Bryan Fitzpatrick, Fr William Fitzgerald, O.Praem., Patricia Dawkins, Laura Quintili, Jeanette Hickey and Graham Bouwer.

For the faithful departed – those recently deceased: Lyall Cowell, Priest (08.12.21), Ross Edward Egan (09.01.22), Joyce Skelly, Emanuel Muscat (02.01.22), John Trevor Franklin (02.02.22) and Brian Davies (19.02.22).

Anniversaries of death: Millie Leung (22.02.21).

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

ST AUGUSTINE'S & ST JOSEPH'S DETAILS

Parish Office: Tuesday to Friday 9 am to 3 pm. Parish Secretary: Lorraine Thomy

Phone: 61 2 9810 1157 (for both parishes)