

**NEWSLETTER OF THE PARISHES OF BALMAIN AND ROZELLE,
ARCHDIOCESE OF SYDNEY
FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT
27 March 2022 (YEAR C)
FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR**

Dear Parishioners,

Please remember PROJECT COMPASSION. There are boxes and envelopes at the entrance of each church.

On **Sunday evenings at 6 pm** there has been a small group studying under the banner of the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults). This seems to have morphed into an **Adult Catechesis Group** for the purpose of *formation* in the Catholic Faith (rather than a *discussion* of interesting theological issues). If you are interested in joining us, please contact either Angela Finnigan (0414 684 447) or me (through the Parish Office). We meet for 1 1/2 hours. This will be an ongoing group.

Fr Richard Waddell
Administrator



AN EVENING OF HOPE

Wednesday 30th March 6pm – 7:30pm at St Augustine's Church

Drinks and canapes on the presbytery veranda.

RSVP – community@catholiccare.org

As many as 300 babies are born to vulnerable young women in Sydney each year. Without support, these young families go on to experience various forms of poverty, disadvantage, and social exclusion. The HOPE program helps keep these families together and prevent the need for a child protection response.

Flowers for Easter: If you would like to contribute towards buying flowers to decorate the church at Easter, please place your donation no matter how small, in the pink box marked Easter Flowers at the altar rails, not far from Our Lady's statue. Thank you. J Ditton

Catholic Weekly – 27 March 2022

- Britain says 'No'! to assisted suicide
- Mary, Ukraine's strength
- Soul sisters create blessed bling
- Sydney celebrates St Patrick
- Meet the prodigal parrot
- New book explodes media's role in Pell case

Daylight Saving: Next Sunday, April 3, daylight saving ends and clocks are turned backward one hour from 3am to 2am.



Last Sunday was the annual **San Giuseppe Festival** at St Joseph's and around 60 people attended. It was wonderful to see parents, kids, and grandparents all working together to parade St Joseph around the church. The parade has strong links to Spadafora in Sicily and in the 70s it was much larger. The police closed streets in Leichhardt for 2,000 people to parade St Joseph. The Mass was held on a stage in the park near Market Town followed by a concert, one year headlined by Colleen Hewitt and John Farnham. It is wonderful that 50 years and generations later there is still such a strong community bond.

DAILY MASSES THIS COMING WEEK

Balmain: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Saturday at 9.15 am, Tuesday 6 pm, and Friday 7.30 am.

Rozelle: 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, 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., Laura Quintili, Jeanette Hickey, Graham Bouwer, John McIlvenna, Allan Lee and Silvana Cocilova.

For the faithful departed – those recently deceased: Lyall Cowell, Priest (08.12.21), Vincent Erskine (21.12.21), Ross Edward Egan (09.01.22), Joyce Skelly, Emanuel Muscat (02.01.22), John Trevor Franklin (02.02.22), Brian Davies (19.02.22) and Patricia Dawkins (06.03.22).

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

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