



FEAST DAY- 31 JULY

**RICHMOND CATHOLIC PARISH
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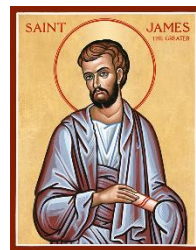
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FEAST DAY- 25 JULY

ST IGNATIUS CHURCH

326 Church Street,
RICHMOND VIC 3121

Mass Times

Daily

12.00 noon
(Monday - Friday)

Saturday

5.00pm (Vigil)

Sunday

9.30am (English)
12.00 noon (Polish)
4.00pm (Vietnamese)

Anointing of the Sick

1st Friday of the Month

ST JAMES CHURCH

162 Kent Street,
NORTH RICHMOND,
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Mass Times

Sunday: 11.00am

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SACRAMENTS

Baptism

Please contact Parish office.

Reconciliation

By appointment

Wedding

Contact Parish Office

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD



*All authority in heaven and on
earth has been given to me.*

Mt 28:16-20

LAUDATO SI WEEK : May 16-24, 2023

The theme for 2023 is

Hope for the Earth, Hope for Humanity.

Common Prayer

for the 8th Anniversary of Laudato Si'

Loving God,

*Creator of heaven and earth and all that is in them,
You created us in your own image and made us stewards
of all your creation.*

*You blessed us with the sun, water and bountiful land
so that all might be nourished.*

Open our minds and touch our hearts,

so that we may attend to your gift of creation.

*Help us to be conscious that our common home
belongs not only to us, but to all of your creatures and to
all future generations, and that it is our responsibility to
preserve it.*

*May we help each person secure the food and resources
that they need.*

*Be present to those in need in these trying times,
especially the poorest and those most at risk of being left
behind.*

*Transform our fear and feelings of isolation into hope
and fraternity so that we may experience a true
conversion of heart.*

*Help us to show creative solidarity in addressing the
consequences of this global pandemic.*

*Make us courageous to embrace the changes that are
needed in search of the common good.*

*Now more than ever may we feel that we are all
interconnected and interdependent.*

*Enable us to listen and respond to the cry of the earth
and the cry of the poor.*

*May the present sufferings be the birth pangs of a
more fraternal and sustainable world.*

*Under the loving gaze of Mary, Help of Christians,
we make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

**A JESUIT PARISH
OUR MISSION**

We share responsibility to:
Practise and promote
gospel values, recognise
and respond to the ever-
changing needs of the
community and foster a
faith that leads to justice.
As a parish open to change
desiring to be a community,
we strive to live the gospel
values of: Diversity,
Hospitality and Inclusivity.

We respectfully
ACKNOWLEDGE the
Wurundjeri people of the
Kulin nation, as the
traditional caretakers of
the land which is the
Richmond Catholic
Parish.

We acknowledge the
Elders, past & present.
May we too, be good
stewards of this land.

**SAFETY OF
CHILDREN & ALL
VULNERABLE
PEOPLE**

Richmond Catholic Parish
holds the care, safety and
wellbeing of children and
all vulnerable people as a
central and fundamental
responsibility for our
community.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON Acts 1:11

Men of Galilee, why gaze in wonder at the heavens?
This Jesus whom you saw ascending into heaven will
return as you saw him go, alleluia.

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to
people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we
adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your
great glory, Lord God, Heavenly King, O God, almighty
Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord
God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, You take away
the sin of the world, have mercy on us; You take away
the sin of the world, receive our prayer; You are seated
at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For
you alone are the Holy One; you alone are the Lord. You
alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy
Spirit, in the glory of God, the Father. Amen.

FIRST READING Acts 1:1-11

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

**Why are you standing here looking into the sky? Jesus
has been taken into heaven.**

In my earlier work, Theophilus, I dealt with everything
Jesus had done and taught from the beginning until the
day he gave his instructions to the apostles he had
chosen through the Holy Spirit, and was taken up to
heaven. He had shown himself alive to them after his
Passion by many demonstrations: for forty days he had
continued to appear to them and tell them about the
kingdom of God. When he had been at table with them,
he had told them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait
there for what the Father had promised. 'It is' he had
said, 'what you have heard me speak about: John
baptised with water but you, not many days from now,
will be baptised with the Holy Spirit.'

Now having met together, they asked him, 'Lord, has
the time come? Are you going to restore the kingdom
to Israel?' He replied, 'It is not for you to know times or
dates that the Father has decided by his own authority,
but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes
on you, and then you will be my witnesses not only
in Jerusalem but throughout Judaea and Samaria, and
indeed to the ends of the earth.'

As he said this he was lifted up while they looked on,
and a cloud took him from their sight. They were still
staring into the sky when suddenly two men in white
were standing near them and they said, 'Why are you
men from Galilee standing here looking into the sky?
Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven, this

same Jesus will come back in the same way as you have
seen him go there.'

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 46:2-3. 6-9. R. v.6

**(R.) God mounts his throne to shouts of joy:
a blare of trumpets for the Lord.**

1. All peoples, clap your hands,
cry to God with shouts of joy!
For the Lord, the Most High, we must fear,
great king over all the earth. (R.)

2. God goes up with shouts of joy;
the Lord goes up with trumpet blast.
Sing praise for God, sing praise,
sing praise to our king, sing praise. (R.)

3. God is king of all the earth.
Sing praise with all your skill.
God is king over the nations;
God reigns on his holy throne. (R.)

SECOND READING Eph 1:17-23

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians

He made Jesus to sit at his right hand in heaven.

May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of
glory, give you a spirit of wisdom and perception of
what is revealed, to bring you to full knowledge of him.
May he enlighten the eyes of your mind so that you can
see what hope his call holds for you, what rich glories
he has promised the saints will inherit and how
infinitely great is the power that he has exercised for us
believers. This you can tell from the strength of his
power at work in Christ, when he used it to raise him
from the dead and to make him sit at his right hand, in
heaven, far above every Sovereignty, Authority, Power,
or Domination, or any other name that can be named,
not only in this age, but also in the age to come. He has
put all things under his feet, and made him, as the ruler
of everything, the head of the Church; which is his
body, the fullness of him who fills the whole creation.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Mt 28:19. 20

Alleluia, alleluia!

Go and teach all people my gospel.

I am with you always, until the end of the world.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mt 28:16-20

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.

The eleven disciples set out for Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had arranged to meet them. When they saw him they fell down before him, though some hesitated. Jesus came up and spoke to them. He said, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, make disciples of all the nations; baptise them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teach them to observe all the commandments I gave to you. And know that I am with you always; yes, to the end of time.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father
almighty; from there he will come to judge the living
and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting. Amen

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Mt 28:20

Behold, I am with you always,
even to the end of the age, alleluia.



May 21: WORLD COMMUNICATIONS DAY

By Fr Andy Hamilton, SJ.

World Communications Day has been written into the Catholic Church diary since the Second Vatican Council. The Council recognised the importance of spreading the faith by modern communications technology. It also reassured Catholic writers and communicators who cast their bread on the waters that they fish for Jesus who provides the shoals of fish. The Day has also allowed Popes, too, to reflect on the gift that modern forms of communication are and on the qualities that distinguish good from bad ways of communicating.

Pope Francis' yearly addresses for World Communications Day have focused on the elements that make for good communication – truthful speaking, careful listening, attractive words and images and good intentions. In this year's address he reflects on the charge 'to speak the truth in love', which means 'speaking with heart'. In communication accuracy is not enough. It needs to be accompanied with empathetic listening and well-wishing.

Pope Francis emphasises the importance of the heart in communicating. In this he echoes St Francis de Sales, a sixteenth Century French Bishop who, in a time of sharp religious conflict between Catholic and Protestants when many writers on both sides engaged with one another with verbal battle axes, lived, spoke and acted with courtesy and respect. His favourite phrase was 'heart speaks to heart'. This is echoed in the wonderful Uluru Statement from the Heart in which the Indigenous leaders proposed the Voice as reflecting the love of country, the wounded heart of people whose culture and lives have been crushed in the colonial invasion, and the desires for a just and respectful Australia.

The Uluru Statement of the Heart is a model of the conversation that we Australians should be conducting about the Referendum – speaking truth from the heart. It needs to be based on listening, especially to Indigenous Australians and their representatives and to people who disagree with us, to sit with what we hear, and to speak our mind with respect.

The theme of World Communications Day this year is Listening with the Ear of the Heart. This suggests a form of communication that involves sympathetic listening. In it we listen not only to what others say but also to the feelings and desires that lie under what they say. We listen with respect for the person who speaks to us and for the positive passions that may underlie them. We do not focus on searching for arguments to refute their position or criticise the careless words that they may use, but take time to understand both their words and where the speaker is coming from. Then we shall be ready to speak.

Pope Francis regrets that this kind of listening is not common in public life. Much journalism involves waiting to catch a public figure out in small inaccuracies and ill-chosen words. This has also been true of much discussion of the Referendum. It is more concerned to find faults with opponents than to listen. This is particularly dangerous because it affects persons who have been the objects of vicious words, prejudiced laws and inhuman arguments since the beginning of settlement. An initiative taken with a desire for reconciliation risks alienating vulnerable people even more.

PARISH STAFF CHANGES

Thao Tran, our Administrative Assistant has been working in the Parish Office since 2018.

Thao manages the many phone calls, emails and inquiries to Parish Office. She also books the many Weddings and Baptisms which are celebrated within the Richmond Catholic Parish of St. Ignatius and St. James. She is the first point of call for all inquiries and ensures that all procedures and processes are followed in order to have a positive outcome for all.

Thao has also supported the members of the Vietnamese community acting as an interpreter when parishioners came to the office with any inquiries.

Thao will be leaving her role as Administrative Assistant on Friday 19 May. Thao and Truc (her husband) are moving to Sydney to be close to family, in particular their two grandchildren.

We thank Thao for her years of service and supporting the Parish and its parishioners not only administratively, but pastorally. We are certain that Thao and Truc will visit us whenever they come to Melbourne.

Our blessings and prayers go with you Thao and Truc.

We welcome Sr. Yen Phung from the Order of Lovers of the Cross who will be taking up her role as Administrative Assistant from Monday 22 May. Sr. Yen Phung will work on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

We welcome back, Mrs. Lorraine Cappozzo who will be working as Administrative Assistant on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Please feel free to come and welcome Sr. Yen Phung and Mrs. Lorraine Cappozzo as they take on their new roles.



**“He who carries God in his heart
bears Heaven with him wherever he goes.”**
Ignatius of Loyola

ST IGNATIUS AND ST JAMES CHURCHES COLLECTION WEEK 20/21 MAY 2023

Thanksgiving Envelopes	\$498.40
Loose Collection	\$2708.15

READERS' ROSTER ST IGNATIUS CHURCH

Saturday 20/05/2023 5.00pm Mass	Theresa Keogh	Sunday 21/05/2023 9.30am Mass	Sr Barbara Brown- Graham FCJ
Saturday 27/05/2023 5.00pm Mass	Mary Burns	Sunday 28/05/2023 9.30am Mass	Sr. Tina Lubong FDZ

ST JAMES CHURCH

Sunday 21/05/2023 11.00am Mass	Margaret Gibson	Sunday 28/05/2023 11.00am Mass	Thuy Nguyen
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