

FEAST DAY- 31 JULY

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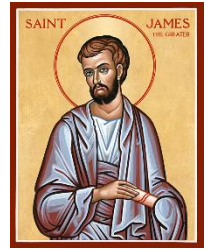
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FEAST DAY- 25 JULY

**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

1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the Month

**ST JAMES CHURCH**  
162 Kent Street,  
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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



*If your brother or sister listens to you,  
you will have won that person back.*

## Pope Francis' Intention for September

By Fr Andy Hamilton SJ

### For people living on the margins

We pray for those persons living on the margins of society, in inhumane life conditions; may they not be overlooked by institutions and never considered of lesser importance

When Pope Francis prays for people on the margins, the margins are more than the line that separates the rich from the poor. The margins are hard places in which to live but they are also privileged places of possibility. The margins are the deserts that divide civilisation from nowhere. In Jesus' time they were the deserts where heat and cold made it hard to live, snakes and demons were thought to prey. They were also burial grounds, places between life and death, between death and the hope of another life.

For Pope Francis the army field-hospital was a marginal place where priests should be. In war it divides the slaughter of the battlefield and the peace of home, between death and life. As an image it marks the relationship between the Church and the world and so is the place where God and the world meet.

When Pope Francis prays for people on the margins, he has in mind people who are pitched between isolation and society, between desperation and hope, between dirt and cleanliness, between hunger and plenty. They are the people whom God loves, our brothers and sisters. They include refugees and homeless people, forced from one place as home and desperate to find another, people with addictions living between desperation and hope, and people who are poor between the last meal and the hope of the next.

In his prayer Pope Francis is not content to pray for the people who live on the margins. He also prays that they find a home, enough food, hope and a welcome in society. In particular he prays that the societies that thrust people out to the margins might welcome them in. In this, institutions -the fixed relationships within society that shape the way in which people respond to one another - are particularly important. *(Continue next page)*

## 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

You are just, O Lord, and your judgement is right;  
treat your servant in accord with your merciful love.

## 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 *Ezekiel 33:7-9*

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel

*If you have not warned the wicked man, then I will hold you responsible for his death.*

The word of the Lord was addressed to me as follows, 'Son of man, I have appointed you as sentry to the House of Israel. When you hear a word from my mouth, warn them in my name. If I say to a wicked man: Wicked wretch, you are to die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked man to renounce his ways, then he shall die for his sin, but I will hold you responsible for his death. If, however, you do warn a wicked man to renounce his ways and repent, and he does not repent, then he shall die for his sin, but you yourself will have saved your life.'

### The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM *Ps 94:1-2.6-9. R. v.8*

**(R.) O that today you would listen to his voice!  
Harden not your hearts.**

1. Come, ring out our joy to the Lord;  
hail the rock who saves us.  
Let us come before him, giving thanks,  
with songs let us hail the Lord. (R.)

2. Come in; let us bow and bend low;  
let us kneel before the God who made us  
for he is our God and we  
the people who belong to his pasture,  
the flock that is led by his hand. (R.)

3. O that today you would listen to his voice!  
'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah,  
as on that day at Massah in the desert

when your fathers put me to the test;  
when they tried me, though they saw my work.' (R.)

## SECOND READING *Romans 13:8-10*

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

*Love is the fulfilment of the Law.*

Avoid getting into debt, except the debt of mutual love. If you love your fellow men you have carried out your obligations. All the commandments: You shall not commit adultery, you shall not kill, you shall not steal, you shall not covet, and so on, are summed up in this single command: You must love your neighbour as yourself. Love is the one thing that cannot hurt your neighbour; that is why it is the answer to every one of the commandments.

### The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Alleluia, Alleluia!**

God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself;  
and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted  
to us. **Alleluia!**

## GOSPEL

*Matthew 18:15-20*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

*If your brother or sister listens to you, you will have won that person back.*

Jesus said to his disciples: 'If your brother does something wrong, go and have it out with him alone, between your two selves. If he listens to you, you have won back your brother. If he does not listen, take one or two others with you: the evidence of two or three witnesses is required to sustain any charge. But if he refuses to listen to these, report it to the community; and if he refuses to listen to the community, treat him like a pagan or a tax collector.

'I tell you solemnly, whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.

'I tell you solemnly once again, if two of you on earth agree to ask anything at all, it will be granted to you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three meet in my name, I shall be there with them.'

### The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

## FEASTS FOR THE NEXT WEEK:

**12/9 Tuesday:     The Most Holy Name of Mary**  
**13/9 Wednesday:  Saint John Chrysostom**  
**14/9 Thursday:    The Exaltation of the Holy Cross**  
**15/9 Friday:       Our Lady of Sorrows**  
**16/9 Saturday:    Saints Cornelius and Cyprian**

## **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** *Cf Psalm 41:2-3*

Like the deer that yearns for running streams,  
so my soul is yearning for you, my God;  
my soul is thirsting for God, the living God.

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## **Pope Francis' Intention for September** *(Continue)*

*By Fr Andy Hamilton SJ*

All too often these push people out to the edges. They put children into detention centres where they lose their childhood, their roots in the families, and their hope. They keep refugees detained and unable to build their lives. They prevent people without credit cards and computers from finding the job that will help them feed their families. They patrol the boundaries that keep people outside the fence.

The reason why our institutions do this and why we don't notice is that we don't see the people whom we exclude as our sisters and brothers. That is why Pope Francis prays that people who live on the margins will never be considered of lesser importance, and so be denied entry to hotels, be put at the end of queues, refused an education or health care, denied service because of their colour, fear for their safety because of their dress.

All these things happen. This what institutions do in our name. They represent our blindness to Jesus' presence in the poorest and dirtiest of our brothers and sisters. Pope Francis' Prayer invites us to see the world as Jesus does and to go out to welcome people at the margins of our world as Jesus did. Not simply for priests but for all people within the Church our public world is a field hospital. That can be a scary place but it is also the place of possibility where we find Jesus already there as brother, as healer and as Lord.

## **Catholic Child Protection Sunday**

*By Fr Andy Hamilton SJ*

Conversations about child protection are generally serious. When we speak of protection we often think of emergencies and perhaps of military or police operations in response to

serious and immediate danger. That of course is part of protection. But mostly protection is less about responding to emergencies than about ensuring they don't happen. Protection involves careful planning, training, rules of behaviour and vigilance. That is also true of child protection.

We can understand what is involved in protection by looking at the medieval castles that kept people safe from bandits and invaders. The castle was usually built on high ground from which any threats could be seen from a long way off. It also took advantage of its natural features, such as cliffs, rivers and gorges that would make it difficult for invaders to gain entry. Castles also had many lines of defence – ditches, moats, outer walls with their towers and protection for the soldiers who defended the castle. Within the castle was the living space and the public and private rooms where people could live a protected life. The gates into the castle were guarded and strangers were obliged to identify themselves.

Of course, even if those inside the castle were protected from enemies outside the castle, they were not always free to live peaceful and creative lives. The plots of medieval stories and plays were full of murderous family conflicts as well as of betrayal to the enemy by those responsible for defending the castle. Castles could easily become dangerous places of tyranny and exploitation, not of a peaceful and protected life. The Sowers of pain within the castle could prove more dangerous and abusive than those outside.

The castle illustrates what is involved in Child Protection in Catholic schools and parishes. They, of course, are not castles. Nor are they surrounded by enemies. But they do house children who need protection. In that respect they are like castles, though with largely invisible walls that govern the access of strangers to schools and to children in them. There are badges that identify staff and visitors to the school, protocols that govern the relationship between adults and children, a clear understanding by members of staff about what respect for children means in different settings, careful supervision of children, faithful noticing, reporting and following up any claims of inappropriate behaviour by adults towards children. These are the largely unnoticed walls, moats and patrols that guarantee the safety of children in school and church settings.

Of course, too, we Catholics have a heightened duty to keep children safe. Our churches and schools where children should have been safe have too often been betrayed from within through sexual abuse by clerical and lay representatives of the Church. Abuse of children was made easy by people's trust that clergy and others were committed to following Jesus' teaching in their own lives. They believed that the threat to Catholic children came from outside the Church, not from within. We recognise now that the capacity for evil lies deep in every human heart, and that all church representatives need education, training and accountability if they are to accompany children.

Our commitment to protect children must look to the past and to the future. We must remember past failures with shame and look to the future in hope and determination. And both our memories and our hopes must focus with respect on the children who are entrusted to our care.



# The "Voice and Catholic Social Teaching"

You are invited to  
an evening with Fr Frank Brennan SJ AO



Tuesday, 12 September 2023 from 7:30 - 9:00pm  
St Ignatius Church: 326 Church Street, Richmond

Amidst the escalating debate surrounding the Voice to Parliament referendum in Australia, it is imperative to engage in thoughtful and well-informed discussions when deciding which way to vote.

When the [then] Pope John Paul II visited Alice Springs in 1986, he met with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholics and conveyed a powerful message:

*The Church in Australia will not be fully the church that Jesus wants her to be until you, the Aboriginal people, have made your contribution to her life and until that contribution has been joyfully received by others.*

*Pope John Paul II*

<https://css.org.au/applying-catholic-social-teaching-to-the-voice-referendum-and-reconciliation-insights-from-fr-frank-brennan-sj/>

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In the spirit of reconciliation, Heart of Life acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of country throughout Australia, and their connections to land, sea and community. We pay our respects to their Elders past and present and extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples today.



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**Waiting at the Well - 4x Thu, 5, 12, 19 & 26 Oct, 10am-12.30pm (in-person event)**

Carole Carmody rsm, Julie Adam

This series offers an opportunity for those waiting to have their thirst quenched at the Well of Life to explore the depths of wisdom in their own heart, to recognise wisdom in the encounter with another, and to dwell in the Heart of Contemplation. Places limited. Bookings via <https://www.heartoflife.melbourne/events/waiting-at-the-well-series/?> or email [info@heartoflife.melbourne](mailto:info@heartoflife.melbourne). Cost \$100 for the series or \$30 per session.

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Saturday 9/09/2023 5.00pm	Marlon D'Souza	Sunday 10/09/2023 9.30am	Mary Ebolo
Saturday 16/09/2023 5.00pm	Julia Walters	Sunday 17/09/2023 9.30am	Sr. Tina Lubong FDZ
ST JAMES CHURCH			
Sunday 10/09/2023	Mary Dean	Sunday 17/09/2023	Barbara Shea

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