

FEAST DAY- 31 JULY

**RICHMOND CATHOLIC PARISH
OF ST. IGNATIUS & ST. JAMES**

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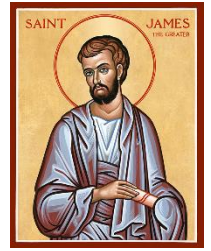
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FEAST DAY- 25 JULY

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



*He leased his vineyard to other
farmers.*



The Voice Prayer

Dear Lord

*We invite all Australians to join us, their Aboriginal
and Torres Strait Islander Brothers and Sisters in
prayer.*

*We pray for a bright and just shared future for all who
call Australia home.*

*We ask that Your grace of acceptance and compassion
will guide us.*

*Let the Creator Spirit lead our journey with the
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples of this
land.*

*May we share Your Spirit more deeply & celebrate the
gifts You have given us.*

*Help us appreciate true harmony and peace just as
our Old People did;*

*Keep us strong, make us resilient and remember us in
this time.*

*Now is an opportunity to change our Nation's history
for the better.*

*Walk with us as we write a new chapter together and
may we be one in Your love.*

Amen.

The Voice Prayer

The members of NATSICC came together to develop a prayer to guide our journey to the Indigenous Voice to Parliament Referendum. We invite all Christians to use the prayer.

**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

Within your will, O Lord, all things are established,
and there is none that can resist your will.
For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth,
and all that is held within the circle of heaven;
you are the Lord of all.

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 *Isaiah 5:1-7*

A reading from the prophet Isaiah
*The vineyard of the Lord God of hosts is the House of
Israel.*

Let me sing to my friend
the song of his love for his vineyard.
My friend had a vineyard
on a fertile hillside.
He dug the soil, cleared it of stones,
and planted choice vines in it.
In the middle he built a tower,
he dug a press there too.
He expected it to yield grapes,
but sour grapes were all that it gave.
And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem
and men of Judah,
I ask you to judge
between my vineyard and me.
What could I have done for my vineyard
that I have not done?
I expected it to yield grapes.
Why did it yield sour grapes instead?
Very well, I will tell you
what I am going to do to my vineyard:
I will take away its hedge for it to be grazed on,
and knock down its wall for it to be trampled on.
I will lay it waste, unpruned, undug;
overgrown by the briar and the thorn.
I will command the clouds
to rain no rain on it.
Yes, the vineyard of the Lord of hosts
is the House of Israel,
and the men of Judah
that chosen plant.

He expected justice, but found bloodshed,
integrity, but only a cry of distress.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM *Ps 79:9. 12-16. 19-20.*

(R.) The vineyard of the Lord is the House of Israel.

1. You brought a vine out of Egypt;
to plant it you drove out the nations.
It stretched out its branches to the sea,
to the Great River it stretched out its shoots. (R.)
2. Then why have you broken down its walls?
It is plucked by all who pass by.
It is ravaged by the boar of the forest,
devoured by the beasts of the field. (R.)
3. God of hosts, turn again, we implore,
look down from heaven and see.
Visit this vine and protect it,
the vine your right hand has planted. (R.)
4. And we shall never forsake you again:
give us life that we may call upon your name.
God of hosts, bring us back;
let your face shine on us and we shall be saved. (R.)

SECOND READING *Philippians 4:6-9*

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians
Do these things and the God of peace will be with you.
There is no need to worry; but if there is anything you
need, pray for it, asking God for it with prayer and
thanksgiving, and that peace of God, which is so much
greater than we can understand, will guard your hearts
and your thoughts, in Christ Jesus. Finally, brothers, fill
your minds with everything that is true, everything that
is noble, everything that is good and pure, everything
that we love and honour, and everything that can be
thought virtuous or worthy of praise. Keep doing all the
things that you learnt from me and have been taught by
me and have heard or seen that I do. Then the God of
peace will be with you.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia!

I call you friends, says the Lord,
because I have made known to you
everything I have learnt from my Father.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Matthew 21:33-43

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew
He leased his vineyard to other farmers.

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, 'Listen to another parable. There was a man, a landowner, who planted a vineyard; he fenced it round, dug a winepress in it and built a tower; then he leased it to tenants and went abroad. When vintage time drew near he sent his servants to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his servants, thrashed one, killed another and stoned a third. Next he sent some more servants, this time a larger number, and they dealt with them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them. "They will respect my son," he said. But when the tenants saw the son, they said to each other, "This is the heir. Come on, let us kill him and take over his inheritance." So they seized him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?' They answered, 'He will bring those wretches to a wretched end and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will deliver the produce to him when the season arrives.' Jesus said to them, 'Have you never read in the scriptures:

It was the stone rejected by the builders
that became the keystone.

This was the Lord's doing
and it is wonderful to see?

'I tell you, then, that the kingdom of God will be taken
from you and given to a people who will produce its
fruit.'

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 *Lam 3:25*

The Lord is good to those who hope in him,
to the soul that seeks him.

World Mental Health Day

By Fr Andy Hamilton, SJ.

The history of the treatment of mental illness in Australia is chastening. Initially in Victoria, for example, most people were looked after at home. With the huge growth in population and rootlessness during the gold rush the number of people with mental illnesses grew and places of asylum were built. Subsequently new theories about how to treat people were discovered and welcomed. But the financial resources always lagged behind the need and mentally ill people often lived under appalling conditions. These would be exposed by the Press, leading to public concern and Government Enquiries. These demanded heavy investment which, however, was delayed and only partially delivered.

Now modern science has contributed to a fuller understanding of different forms of mental illness. As a result there are many forms of treatment, chemical and psychological, that can improve the health and life of people who are mentally ill. The gap between need and the availability of resources to people who need them, however, remains large. For this reason the theme of the World Mental Health Day this year is timely. It insists that mental health is a universal human right. That right, however, is only incompletely respected.

Part of the reason for this neglect is the stigma associated with mental illness. When we are confronted with mental illness in our friends and relatives we often fail to comprehend it. We see persons who perhaps have displayed great gifts of intelligence and personality become withdrawn, unable to concentrate and participate in society, and perhaps seeking relief in addictive behaviour.

If we do not understand the pain of their condition we can easily be led to blame them for refusing to make an effort to lift themselves out of it. We can become resentful, and perhaps secretly fearful that the condition may be contagious. A person who suffers from mental illness may then withdraw further as their friends and acquaintances avoid them and as their social world shrinks. As a result the stigma that attaches to mental illness causes both the ill person and those who love them become further isolated. They cannot talk about or find people to listen to their feelings and experience. Mental illness then magnifies and spreads.

The experience of mental illness and our exposure to it test the value we place on human beings and their lives. If we value people by their charm, their ability to build easy relationships, by their success in work and

making money, then people who are mentally ill may seem to fail on all counts. They can be seen as having no value. That led to them once being put out of sight and out of mind in institutions.

The right approach to mental illness is to focus on and value the persons afflicted by it as persons, not as problems. That means caring for them by listening to them, staying with them even if we do not receive a response, encouraging them to talk about it, and rejoicing in their attempts to reach out that may seem so small to us but is very significant to them.

CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION



Next Tuesday 10 October at 7.00pm in St. Ignatius Church,

- ✚ Students from our Parish
- ✚ Students from Trinity Catholic School
- ✚ Students from St. Kevin's Year 9 Waterford Campus

will be celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation. Bishop Leslie Tomlison DD will be the main celebrant on this special occasion in the lives of our young people. We ask that you keep these young people in your prayers as they continue on their faith journey. We pray for their families and our Parish community that we continue to be role models for these young people.

RICHMOND CATHOLIC PARISH OPPORTUNITY FOR EMPLOYMENT

Richmond Catholic Parish is seeking an experienced Administrative Assistant to undertake administrative duties in the Parish Office. This is a part time role reporting to the Parish Priest. The role of the Administration Assistant will be to build solid relationships and work collaboratively to provide support for the Parish Priest, Parish Manager, volunteers and visitors to the Parish Office.

The successful applicant must be well motivated to work for the Church and ideally possess a strong commitment to its practices and values. He/she must be able to recognise and respect the pastoral aspect of the Parish and an understanding of Liturgy and Sacraments would be highly advantageous.

This part time position is based at the Parish Office in Richmond. The role is required to work 35 hours per week, Monday to Friday 9.00am-4.00pm. The successful applicant will work with the Parish Priest and Parish Manager. Terms and conditions governed by the Archdiocese of Melbourne. For full role description, contact Licia Marchese, Parish Manager on 8420 6789

FEASTS FOR THE NEXT WEEK:

9 October	Saints Denis and companions Saint John Leonardi
11 October	Saint John XXIII
14 October	Saint Callistus I

For the Synod

By Fr Andy Hamilton, SJ.

We pray for the Church, that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a lifestyle at every level, and allow herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit towards the peripheries of the world.

Pope Francis asks for prayers for the Church during the month of the Synod. In doing so he reminds us that the Church is bigger than the Synod and that the Holy Spirit is bigger than the Church as we experience it. Those truths, of course, are what the Synod is designed to embody.

In his Intention Pope Francis brings us back to basics. In a recent talk he drew on the Gospel story where Jesus ticks off Peter for thinking as the world does and not as God does. Peter had tried to talk Jesus out of speaking pessimistically about being crucified. The Pope applied Jesus' words to Catholics who judged the health of the Church by the number of converts it made, by the size of its congregations and its numerical growth. He insisted that the Spirit is often to be found in the small things and people of life, and through working at the edges of the Church rather than at its centres. Just before the Synod Pope Francis underlined Christ's presence at the margins by visiting Morocco with its thousand or so Catholics spread throughout the whole nation.

This spirit is also embedded in his dream for the Synod. The effectiveness of the Synod will not lie in the quality of the speeches that are made, the majorities that are won on significant votes, nor in the changes to Church structures that are agreed upon. It will lie in the quality of the interchange between people at every level that is generated by the Synod. It is about commending a way of living and relating among Catholics that will be practiced at the Synod. The Synod will then be an attractive model for the whole Church in all its relationships at parish, diocesan and national levels. *(Continue next week)*

READERS' ROSTER

ST IGNATIUS CHURCH

Saturday 7/10/2023 5.00pm	Peter Keogh	Sunday 8/10/2023 9.30am	Kaye Hogan
Saturday 14/10/2023 5.00pm	Martin O'Brien	Sunday 15/10/2023 9.30am	Sr. Barbara Brown-Graham fcJ

ST JAMES CHURCH

Sunday 8/10/2023	Stephen Game	Sunday 15/10/2023	Margaret Gibson
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ST IGNATIUS AND ST JAMES CHURCHES COLLECTION WEEK 23/24 SEPTEMBER 2023

Thanksgiving Envelopes –	\$ 1697.30
Loose Collection	\$ 516.65