



RICHMOND CATHOLIC PARISH

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SUN 15TH NOV 2020 – THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME- YEAR A

St Ignatius' Church

326 Church Street,
RICHMOND VIC 3121

Mass Times

Daily

12.00 noon
(Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri)

Saturday

6.00pm (Vigil)
7.00pm (Polish)

Sunday

9.30am (English)
12.00 noon (Polish)
5.30pm (Vietnamese)

Anointing of the Sick
1st Friday of the Month

St James' Church

162 Kent Street,
NORTH RICHMOND
VIC 3121

Mass Times

Sunday: 10.30am

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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.

16 November: International Day of tolerance

To celebrate an international day of tolerance might seem a bit odd: like celebrating a day of mediocrity. If when asked about our relationship with a mutual acquaintance, we replied that we tolerated her, we would sound very unenthusiastic. We might be expected to say at least that we got on well with her. To be tolerant seems only a short step away from actively disliking someone.

Yet sometimes toleration can be the difference between life and death. We would welcome the toleration shown by a border guard who merely detains us when he finds our papers are irregular rather than shooting us, for example. Though we might find fault with the tolerance of people who, without publicly demonstrating their prejudice or seeking to disadvantage people in minority groups, are prejudiced against them, we would still prefer that tolerant response to a prejudice that inspires discriminatory laws and casual violence. A society characterised by tolerance is better than one displaying intolerance.

In any society tolerance is a minimum requirement for a just and equitable social order. It needs to be ingrained in public relationships where civility and fairness can be taken for granted, whatever people's private attitudes might be. Tolerance reflects the basic respect we pay to people because they are human like ourselves. Whatever the differences may lie between us, it affirms that we do share a common humanity. Intolerance implies that other qualities are more important than our basic humanity, and that only human beings of a particular colour, religion, political views, national identity or gender are entitled to respect.

Tolerance is an important quality that we should encourage in our society. It is also a negative quality – it spells out more clearly what we do not do and how we should not relate with other people than what we do and should do. It is not the highest of human virtues. Still, a very good human quality underlies it, one to which the Latin word from which it derives points. The word means to carry or to bear.

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A Jesuit Parish Our Missions

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.

OUR PRIESTS

Fr Huy Nguyen Viet SJ PP
Fr Michael Smith SJ

MEDITATIONS ON GOD'S LOVE

- * I have found the paradox, that if you love until it hurts, there can be no more hurt, only more love."
- * "We shall never know all the good that a simple smile can do."
- * "Love cannot remain by itself – it has no meaning. Love has to be put into action, and that action is service."
- * "The most terrible poverty is loneliness, and the feeling of being unloved."
- * "If you judge people, you have no time to love them."

Mother Teresa

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Jer 29:11,12,14

The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction.

You will call upon me, and I will answer you,
and I will lead back your captives from every place.

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

Prv 31:10-13. 19-20. 30-31

A reading from the book of Proverbs

Give her a share in what she has worked for.

A perfect wife – who can find her?
She is far beyond the price of pearls.
Her husband's heart has confidence in her,
from her he will derive no little profit.
Advantage and not hurt she brings him
all the days of her life.
She is always busy with wool and with flax,
she does her work with eager hands.
She sets her hands to the distaff,
her fingers grasp the spindle.
She holds out her hand to the poor,
she opens her arms to the needy.
Charm is deceitful, and beauty empty;
the woman who is wise is the one to praise.
Give her a share in what her hands have worked for,
and let her works tell her praises at the city gates.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 127:1-5. R. v.1

(R.) Happy are those who fear the Lord.

(Đ) Hạnh phúc thay những người kính sợ Chúa.

1. O blessed are those who fear the Lord
and walk in his ways!
By the labour of your hands you shall eat.
You will be happy and prosper. (R.)
2. Your wife like a fruitful vine
in the heart of your house;
your children like shoots of the olive,
around your table. (R.)
3. Indeed thus shall be blessed
the man who fears the Lord.
May the Lord bless you from Zion
in a happy Jerusalem
all the days of your life. (R.)

SECOND READING

1 Thes 5:1-6

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the
Thessalonians

*The day of the Lord is going to come like a thief in the
night.*

You will not be expecting us to write anything to you,
brothers, about 'times and seasons', since you know
very well that the Day of the Lord is going to come
like a thief in the night. It is when people are saying,
'How quiet and peaceful it is' that the worst suddenly
happens, as suddenly as labour pains come on a
pregnant woman; and there will be no way for
anybody to evade it.

But it is not as if you live in the dark, my brothers, for
that Day to overtake you like a thief. No, you are all
sons of light and sons of the day: we do not belong to
the night or to darkness, so we should not go on
sleeping, as everyone else does, but stay wide awake
and sober.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jn 15:4. 5

Alleluia, alleluia!

Live in me and let me live in you, says the Lord;
my branches bear much fruit.

Alleluia!

CÂU XUỐNG TRƯỚC PHÚC ÂM

A-lê-lui-a, a-lê-lui-a!

Chúa nói: Hãy ở lại trong Thầy như Thầy ở lại trong anh em. Ai ở lại trong Thầy, thì sinh nhiều hoa trái.

A-lê-lui-a!

GOSPEL

Mt 25:14-30

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

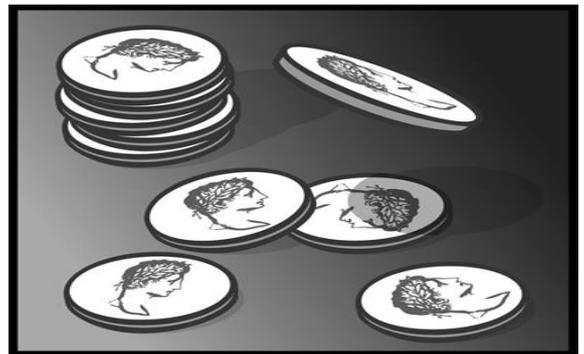
Because you have been faithful over a few things, enter into the joy of the Lord.

Jesus spoke this parable to his disciples: "The kingdom of heaven is like a man on his way abroad who summoned his servants and entrusted his property to them. To one he gave five talents, to another two, to a third one; each in proportion to his ability. Then he set out. The man who had received the five talents promptly went and traded with them and made five more. The man who had received two made two more in the same way. But the man who had received one went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. Now a long time after, the master of those servants came back and went through his accounts with them. The man who had received the five talents came forward bringing five more. "Sir," he said "you entrusted me with five talents; here are five more that I have made." His master said to him, "Well done, good and faithful servant; you have shown you can be faithful in small things, I will trust you with greater; come and join in your master's happiness." Next the man with the two talents came forward. "Sir," he said "you entrusted me with two talents; here are two more that I have made." His master said to him, "Well done, good and faithful servant; you have shown you can be faithful in small things, I will trust you with greater; come and join in your master's happiness." Last came forward the man who had the one talent. "Sir," said he "I had heard you were a hard man, reaping where you

have not sown and gathering where you have not scattered; so I was afraid, and I went off and hid your talent in the ground. Here it is; it was yours, you have it back." But his master answered him, "You wicked and lazy servant! So you knew that I reap where I have not sown and gather where I have not scattered? Well then, you should have deposited my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have recovered my capital with interest. So now, take the talent from him and give it to the man who has the five talents. For to everyone who has will be given more, and he will have more than enough; but from the man who has not, even what he has will be taken away. As for this good-for-nothing servant, throw him out into the dark, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth."

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, (ALL BOW) 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

Ps 72:28

To be near God is my happiness,
to place my hope in God the Lord.

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Laudato Si: On care for our Common Home

Pope Francis: (2015)

“Creation is of the order of love. God’s love is the fundamental moving force in all created things.”

PLEASE PRAY FOR

SICK: Kate Tynan, Paula Stuart,
Darryl Stanton, Freda Paul, Margaret Jansen,
Maria Paloglou, Bridget Moriarty, Peter West, Sue
Kunath, Declan Ferguson, Michael Ryan, Mai Dăng,
Veronica Nguyen, Thuy Hang Nguyen, Silvia Carly
and Gail Sleigh, Yiannis Korkolis, Julieta Uy, Leilani
Gelvosa, Sr. Carlos Ardos-Hedriana

DECEASED: Wendy Grace, Lourdes Morris



A Prayer to St Joseph, the great protector

St Joseph,

You were receptive to God working in your life.
Help us by your prayers at this time of trial. You kept
Jesus and Mary under your watchful care: may your
prayers assist our local church to respond to those in
need. You taught the Christ Child your trade and
prayers: help us to follow his example of love.
You were part of God’s plan for all humanity: assist
us to be vigilant and responsible this day.
You spent your life in service: may we be mindful of
others, particularly elderly and vulnerable, caring for
them in these difficult days. You trusted in the clear
primacy of God over all history and every situation:
help us to grow in faith and pray to the father,
Thy will be done.

Amen.

16 November: International Day of tolerance, continued.....

The International Day of Tolerance invites us to ask ourselves how much we are prepared to endure, and particularly how much difference we can bear, with all the uncertainties, awkwardness, fears and discomfort that we can feel in the face of difference. The day asks that question of us as persons; it asks it of the communities of which we are part; it asks, too, how we can strengthen our communities so that they can bear more difference.

That is why we should praise tolerance, be grateful for it as a gift, and pray for the even greater gift of friendship. Differences between people surely should be borne and endured. Because each human being is precious in their uniqueness and their differences are gifts, we are invited also to be curious about people in their difference and to enjoy coming to know them better. That is our challenge in our work at Jesuit Social Services with young people who are disadvantaged: to be open to them and to help them to recognise the gift that they are. When that is done the International Day of Tolerance can then spread its feathers and fly as the International Day of Friendship.

Fr Andy Hamilton SJ

The Carmelite Centre Melbourne

via zoom: Spiritual Reading Group, Saint Kassiani
the Hymnographer, with Bata Bardak, Tuesday 17
November, 4.30pm

