



RICHMOND CATHOLIC PARISH

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SUNDAY 7TH FEBRUARY 2021 – FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B

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: 11.00am

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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.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for February: Violence Against Women

We pray for women who are victims of violence, that they may be protected by society and have their sufferings considered and heeded.

In recent years Australians have recognised more fully the extent and harm of domestic violence. In earlier times its signs in bruised faces and scared children were often overlooked or regarded as part of secret family business of no concern to outsiders. We recognise, too, that the victims of family violence are predominantly women and children. Our growing awareness is also reflected in changes to the law and to its enforcement. Penalties are heavier. Police now routinely bring charges against charge perpetrators and enforce the protection orders imposed on violent partners. Those found guilty are likely to be jailed. Alongside these changes to legal enforcement, public attitudes have also changed. It is no longer acceptable to blame women for bringing on violence, or to accept it as an inevitable aspect of relationships between men and women.

Reflection on the extent of violence against women has also focused attention on the reasons why men act violently towards women and on what must be done to nurture respectful relationships. Jesuit Social Services, which works with many young men suffering from disadvantage, has focused on exploring ways of helping men to develop respectful relationships with women and to learn non-violent ways of responding to frustration.

Pope Francis' prayer intention calls on us to build change both in society and in our own attitudes. To protect women from domestic or casual violence requires the sustained support of society. Domestic violence must be made unlawful and the laws be enforced. Women escaping from abusive relationships must be found accommodation and other support for themselves and their family where they can live free from fear of violent partners.

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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 Trung Nguyen SJ PP
 Fr Michael Smith SJ

MEDITATIONS ON GOD'S LOVE

- * "If you are humble nothing will touch you, neither praise nor disgrace, because you know what you are."
- * "Do ordinary things with extraordinary love."
- * "Any country that accepts abortion is not teaching its people to love but to use violence to get what they want."
- * "Words which do not give the light of Christ increase the darkness."
- * "We shall never know all the good that a simple smile can do."

Mother Teresa

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Ps 94:6-7

O come, let us worship God
and bow low before the God who made us,
for he is the Lord our God.

FIRST READING

Jb 7:1-4. 6-7

A reading from the book of Job

I am filled with sorrow all day long.

Job began to speak:

Is not man's life on earth nothing more than pressed
service,

his time no better than hired drudgery?

Like the slave, sighing for the shade,

or the workman with no thought but his wages,

months of delusion I have assigned to me,

nothing for my own but nights of grief.

Lying in bed I wonder, 'When will it be day?'

Risen I think, 'How slowly evening comes!'

Restlessly I fret till twilight falls.

Swifter than a weaver's shuttle my days have passed,
and vanished, leaving no hope behind.

Remember that my life is but a breath,

and that my eyes will never again see joy.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 146:1-6. R. v.3

(R.) Praise the Lord who heals the broken-hearted.

(Đ) Hãy ca ngợi Chúa đi! Người chữa trị bao cõi lòng
tan vỡ.

1. Praise the Lord for he is good;
sing to our God for he is loving:
to him our praise is due. (R.)

2. The Lord builds up Jerusalem
and brings back Israel's exiles,
he heals the broken-hearted,
he binds up all their wounds.
He fixes the number of the stars;
he calls each one by its name. (R.)

3. Our Lord is great and almighty;
his wisdom can never be measured.
The Lord raises the lowly;
he humbles the wicked to the dust. (R.)

SECOND READING

1 Cor 9:16-19. 22-23

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

Punishment will come to me if I do not preach the Gospel.

I do not boast of preaching the gospel, since it is a duty
which has been laid on me; I should be punished if I
did not preach it! If I had chosen this work myself, I
might have been paid for it, but as I have not, it is a
responsibility which has been put into my hands. Do
you know what my reward is? It is this: in my
preaching, to be able to offer the Good News free, and
not insist on the rights which the gospel gives me.

So though I am not a slave of any man I have made
myself the slave of everyone so as to win as many as I
could. For the weak I made myself weak. I made
myself all things to all men in order to save some at
any cost; and I still do this, for the sake of the gospel,
to have a share in its blessings.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mt 8:17

Alleluia, alleluia!

He bore our sickness,
and endured our suffering.

Alleluia!

CÂU XƯỚNG TRƯỚC PHÚC ÂM

Halleluia, Halleluia!

Đức Ki-tô đã mang lấy các tật nguyên của ta,
và gánh lấy các bệnh hoạn của ta.

Halleluia!

GOSPEL

Mk 1:29-39

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

He cured many who suffered from diseases of one kind or another.

On leaving the synagogue, Jesus went with James and John straight to the house of Simon and Andrew. Now Simon's mother-in-law had gone to bed with fever, and they told him about her straightaway. He went to her, took her by the hand and helped her up. And the fever left her and she began to wait on them.

That evening, after sunset, they brought to him all who were sick and those who were possessed by devils. The whole town came crowding round the door, and he cured many who were suffering from diseases of one kind or another; he also cast out many devils, but he would not allow them to speak, because they knew who he was.

In the morning, long before dawn, he got up and left the house, and went off to a lonely place and prayed there. Simon and his companions set out in search of him, and when they found him they said, 'Everybody is looking for you.' He answered, 'Let us go elsewhere, to the neighbouring country towns, so that I can preach there too, because that is why I came.' And he went all through Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and casting out devils.

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

Cf. Ps 106:8-9

Let them thank the Lord for his mercy,
his wonders for the children of men,
for he satisfies the thirsty soul,
and the hungry he fills with good things.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for February: Violence Against Women, Continued...

The response of society to violence against women must go deeper still. Because the roots of men's violent behaviour often lie in their own childhood experience of family violence, boys and their families need support to help them build mature relationships with women. Otherwise they will learn a disrespect for women, which is likely to be intensified through peer group attitudes in their adolescence.

The protection from violence for which Pope Francis prays is far reaching. He also asks that we consider and heed the suffering of women who are treated violently. To consider someone's suffering means attending to it. We refuse to turn our faces away because it is too painful to consider or because we feel helpless when confronted with it. We allow ourselves to enter the pain, the shame, the helplessness, the anger and self-blame that people feel when they are subject to repeated violence. We do not keep ourselves at a distance from it, like detached observers, but are compassionate, letting our heart go out to women in their suffering. We think of them as our mothers, our sisters, our daughters.

Pope Francis also invites us to heed the suffering of women who are victims of violence. To heed is not to pass lightly on from this to our next prayer intention, but to make it our business to walk with women who suffer violence and to encourage respect for women in all the relationships of our domestic, social and public lives. Praying, protecting, considering and heeding go together.

Fr Andy Hamilton, SJ

POPE VIDEO

I thought I'd share with you the link to the latest Pope video - which is on Pope Francis' prayer intention for February - for women who are victims of violence - since I've discovered that some of you weren't aware of the existence of these videos. It can be found on thePopevideo.org as a part of the Pope's World wide Prayer Network.

In addition, other various supporting resources are also available at <https://www.popesprayer.va/>

Regards,
Dave

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Laudato Si: On care for our Common Home Pope Francis: (2015)

“Nature cannot be regarded as something separate from ourselves or as a mere setting in which we live”

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 Đăng,
Veronica Nguyen, Thuy Hang Nguyen, Silvia Carly
and Gail Sleight, Yiannis Korkolis, Julieta Uy, Leilani
Gelvosa, Jerry Bazant, Anita Bayer, Minda Wright &
Andres Crisanto Victa

ANNIVERSARY: Kam Sim Lo, Vince Phelan &
Nell Phelan



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.

ST IGNATIUS' ROSTER

Saturday 06/02/2021 - 6.00pm Mass
Reader: Elizabeth Ball

Sunday 07/02/2021 - 9.30am Mass
Reader: Mary Ebolo

Sunday 07/02/2021 - 5.30pm Mass
Reader & Special Ministers: Vietnamese Community

Saturday 13/02/2021 - 6.00pm Mass
Reader: Therese Keogh

Sunday 14/02/2021 - 9.30am Mass
Reader: Liza Recto

Sunday 14/02/2021 - 5.30pm Mass
Reader & Special Ministers: Vietnamese Community

Don Bosco Retreat Centre Lenten Retreats 2021

Week Lent Easter Retreat with Fr Peter Varengo
21 - 26 February

Saturday 13 March: Family Retreat Day
Saturday 20 March: Youth and Young Adult
Reflection Day

Friday 26 March: Seniors Retreat Day

Further information: donboscoretreats.org.au
Online registrations essential as Covid number limits
apply

