



RICHMOND CATHOLIC PARISH

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SUNDAY 21ST MARCH 2021 – FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT - YEAR B

St Ignatius' Church

326 Church Street,
 RICHMOND VIC 3121

Mass Times

Daily

12.00 noon
 (Monday - Friday)

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.

March 20: International Day of Happiness March 21: World Poetry Day

A Day of Happiness sounds sweet, but is paradoxical. When we are happiest we don't think about ourselves. We just get on with living. But if we make it our life's business to be happy and spend our days planning it, we usually finish up being dissatisfied and discontented. It seems odd that a Day of Happiness should leave us feeling unhappy!

One sign of happiness in other people can be found in their self-forgetfulness. When we turn our attention away from ourselves to others, we feel great grief with them in their losses and sadness, and great joy with them in their good fortune. And we feel grateful for our relationship with them. Our feelings show that we are not isolated human beings who must hoard happiness. We are shaped by our relationships to others and to our world. When we attend to those relationships and go out generously to others, we live fully. When we look inwards and ask ourselves what we can get from others, our lives become shrivelled. Our hearts rattle like the kernels in fallen acorns. The more we live to be happy, the more aware we become of our unhappiness.

The key to happiness lies in our relationships and in recognising how much we depend on other people and on the world that supports us. We are happiest when those relationships are respectful and when the people in our world care for one another. A happy society is one in which the relationships between people and groups in society are just, and where people keep in mind others in business, in government and in all the groups they belong to. To build happiness is to cease thinking of ourselves as competitive individuals whose lives turn around making profit from every exchange. We come to see our good to lie in the good of all. Happiness is when all people can live freely and confidently without need to be silent, to flee or to endure in silence insults and violence. They know that other people are looking out for them.

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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

* "Discipline is the bridge between goals and accomplishment."

* "Keep the corners of your mouth turned up. Speak in a low, persuasive tone. Listen; be teachable. Laugh at good stories and learn to tell them... For as long as you are green, you can grow."

Mother Teresa

COLLECTION 14-03-2021

ST IGNATIUS

Thanksgiving Envelope:
 \$188

Loose Collection:
 \$1720.75

ST JAMES

Thanksgiving Envelope:
 \$25

Loose Collection: \$155.55

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Cf. Ps 42:1-2

Give me justice, O God,
and plead my cause against a nation that is faithless.
From the deceitful and cunning rescue me,
for you, O God, are my strength.

FIRST READING

Jer 31:31-34

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

The days are coming when I will make a new covenant with Israel and I will forgive their iniquity.

See, the days are coming – it is the Lord who speaks – when I will make a new covenant with the House of Israel and the House of Judah, but not a covenant like the one I made with their ancestors on the day I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt. They broke that covenant of mine, so I had to show them who was master. It is the Lord who speaks. No, this is the covenant I will make with the House of Israel when those days arrive – it is the Lord who speaks. Deep within them I will plant my Law, writing it on their hearts. Then I will be their God and they shall be my people. There will be no further need for neighbour to try to teach neighbour, or brother to say to brother, ‘Learn to know the Lord!’ No, they will all know me, the least no less than the greatest – it is the Lord who speaks – since I will forgive their iniquity and never call their sin to mind.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 50:3-4. 12-15. R. v.12

(R.) Create a clean heart in me, O God.

(Đ) Lạy Chúa Trời, xin tạo cho con một tấm lòng trong trắng.

1. Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness.
In your compassion blot out my offence.
O wash me more and more from my guilt.
and cleanse me from my sin. (R.)

2. A pure heart create for me, O God,
put a steadfast spirit within me.
Do not cast me away from your presence,
nor deprive me of your holy spirit. (R.)

3. Give me again the joy of your help;
with a spirit of fervour sustain me,
that I may teach transgressors your ways
and sinners may return to you. (R.)

SECOND READING

Heb 5:7-9

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

He learnt to obey and became for all the source of eternal salvation.

During his life on earth, Christ offered up prayer and entreaty, aloud and in silent tears, to the one who had the power to save him out of death, and he submitted so humbly that his prayer was heard. Although he was Son, he learnt to obey through suffering; but having been made perfect, he became for all who obey him the source of eternal salvation.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jn 12:26

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!
If you serve me, follow me, says the Lord;
and where I am, my servant will also be.
Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

CÂU XƯỚNG TRƯỚC PHÚC ÂM

"Chúa nói rằng: Ai phục vụ Thầy, thì hãy theo Thầy; và Thầy ở đâu, kẻ phục vụ Thầy cũng sẽ ở đó."

GOSPEL

Jn 12:20-33

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

If a grain of wheat falls on the ground and dies, it yields a rich harvest.

Among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. These approached Philip, who came from Bethsaida in Galilee, and put this request to him, 'Sir, we should like to see Jesus.' Philip went to tell Andrew, and Andrew and Philip together went to tell Jesus. Jesus replied to them:

'Now the hour has come
for the Son of Man to be glorified.

I tell you most solemnly,
unless a wheat grain falls on the ground and dies,
it remains only a single grain;
but if it dies,
it yields a rich harvest.

Anyone who loves his life loses it;
anyone who hates his life in this world
will keep it for the eternal life.

If a man serves me, he must follow me,
wherever I am, my servant will be there too.

If anyone serves me, my Father will honour him.

Now my soul is troubled.

What shall I say:

Father, save me from this hour?

But it was for this very reason that I have come to this hour.

Father, glorify your name!'

A voice came from heaven, 'I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.'

People standing by, who heard this, said it was a clap of thunder; others said, 'It was an angel speaking to him.'

Jesus answered, 'It was not for my sake that this voice came, but for yours.

'Now sentence is being passed on this world;
now the prince of this world is to be overthrown.

And when I am lifted up from the earth,
I shall draw all men to myself.'

By these words he indicated the kind of death he would die.

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

Jn 12: 24

Amen, Amen I say to you: Unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains a single grain. But if it dies, it bears much fruit.

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The days of happiness and poetry fit well together. A good poem takes a great deal of time and work but offers no cash benefit. Poets see something freshly. Then they labour to find words, sounds and rhythms to express, to catch that moment or insight and to share it with others. This takes great labour, is always frustrating and is never totally successful. The butterfly the poet tries to catch always flies away. But it is a happy craft in which poets who discover something new about the world and themselves share their vision and their delight in it with others.

We might not always associate happiness and poetry with Jesuit Social Services. Social Services ordinarily serve people whose lives have been difficult and who have suffered much in society. Nor have they ordinarily been encouraged to explore the possibilities of words. Yet the joy of working with young people who have known much unhappiness is to see them grow and to respond self-forgetfully to others. For many isolated young people, too, the Artful Dodgers Program which encourages them to compose songs and to paint enables them to lose themselves as they express themselves in their singing and painting, and to share their work with others who are touched by it.

Fr Andy Hamilton, SJ

Aid to the Church in Need Australia

A message from Aid to the Church in Need Australia: Across the world, tens of millions of Christian families are in exile following persecution because of their faith. Could you help stand in solidarity with our brothers and sisters and help ease their heavy burdens?

Visit www.aidtochurch.org/refugees

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

“Inner peace is closely related to care for ecology and for the common good because, lived out authentically, it is reflected in a balanced lifestyle together with a capacity for wonder which takes us to a deeper understanding of life.”

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 & Bui Van Hong

SCHEDULE OF THE HOLY WEEK

St Ignatius Church

Holy Thursday – 1 April 2021

6.30pm - English

8.00pm - Vietnamese

Good Friday - 2 April 2021

3.00pm - English

5.00pm - Vietnamese

The Easter Vigil – Saturday 3 April 2021

12.00 noon - Polish

7.00pm - English

9.00pm - Vietnamese

Easter Day – Sunday 4 April 2021

Normal Sunday Mass timetable

Easter Monday – Monday 5 April 2021

12.00 noon - Polish

St James Church

Holy Thursday – 1 April 2021

7.30pm

Good Friday - 2 April 2021

3.00pm

The Easter Vigil – Saturday 3 April 2021

9.00pm

Easter Day – Sunday 4 April 2021

10.00am

ST IGNATIUS' ROSTER

Saturday 20/03/2021 - 6.00pm Mass

Reader: Graeme Hood

Sunday 21/03/2021 - 9.30am Mass

Reader: Sr Tina Lubong FDZ

Sunday 21/03/2021 - 5.30pm Mass

Reader & Special Ministers: Vietnamese Community

Saturday 27/03/2021 - 6.00pm Mass

Reader: Stephanie Van Tatenhove

Sunday 28/03/2021 - 9.30am Mass

Reader: Sr Barbara Brown-Graham fcJ

Sunday 28/03/2021 - 5.30pm Mass

Reader & Special Ministers: Vietnamese Community



Fifth Sunday of Lent 21st March 2021

Halima is raising two children in a Bangladeshi refugee camp while caring for her mother, who has a disability. A Caritas Australia-supported program helped her with a shelter, cooking equipment and hygiene training. Halima now earns a small income as a trainer, helping to maintain the health and cleanliness of her community.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2021 to so this transformational program can continue to empower vulnerable women, men and children, and strengthen the communities around them.

You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.