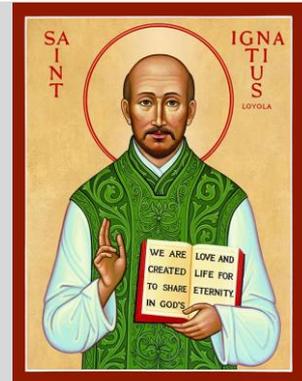


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**ST IGNATIUS'
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326 Church Street,
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Mass Times

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,
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Mass Times

Sunday: 11.00am

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SACRAMENTS

Baptism

1st & 3rd Sunday in Parish
Mass at 9.30am.
Contact Parish office.

Reconciliation

By appointment

Weddings

Contact Parish Office

FR PHIL CROTTY SJ



Fr Phil Crotty SJ was an extraordinary man. He went as a young missionary to Hazaribagh, India in 1953 and, for nearly 50 years, he gave his body and soul to the people he was missioned to serve. He was missioned back to Australia and resided at St Ignatius Presbytery from 2001

to 2007. For a number of months during that period, Fr Phil was also the acting Parish Priest of the Richmond Catholic Parish. During his 20 years back in Australia, Fr Phil was Director of Jesuit Mission for several years. He was a spiritual father and friend to all he encountered. In recent years, as a Jesuit in residence at North Sydney, he was pastorally active until he was finally called to the embrace of his Lord on the 7 April 2021. Fr Phil once shared that he experienced two deaths in his life (not physical death). The first was when he was sent to India and the second was when he had to leave India and return to Australia. The death of having to say farewell and no longer being able to see family members and friends again.



This week, we received the sad news of the death of Fr Peter Jones SJ, who passed away on 25 April 2021. Like Fr Phil, a missionary to Hazaribagh since 1961, Fr Peter dedicated 60 years of service to the most vulnerable people of Hazaribagh. A Memorial Mass will be held for him at a later date at the Immaculate

Conception Church Hawthorn.

Let us continue to pray for the people of India during this dismal surge of the pandemic. Let us pray, too, for the last four Australian Jesuits missionaries who still remain in Hazaribagh, and for all missionaries around the world that they may be filled with the grace of God to preach the Good News of God's love.

FRIDAY NIGHT SCHOOL

“Friday Night School recommenced on the 23 April 2021.

Volunteers, parents, and students were filled with excitement after being separated for more than a year due to Covid-19. This enterprise is more than just educational. It also helps to build community and relationships between parents and students from various schools. Please contact the parish office or Sheena on 0415 034 548 if you would like to volunteer or enrol your child in the Friday Night School program.



**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.

*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 hold the care,
safety and wellbeing of
children and all
vulnerable people as a
central and fundamental
responsibility for our
community.*

**COLLECTION
25-04-2021**

ST IGNATIUS

Thanksgiving Envelope: \$243
Loose Collection: \$1627.95

ST JAMES

Thanksgiving Envelope: \$75
Loose Collection: \$217.70

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Cf. Ps 97:1-2

O sing a new song to the Lord,
for he has worked wonders;
in the sight of the nations
he has shown his deliverance, alleluia.

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 sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins 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

Acts 9:26-31

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

He explained how the Lord appeared to Saul and spoke to him on his journey.

When Saul got to Jerusalem he tried to join the disciples, but they were all afraid of him: they could not believe he was really a disciple. Barnabas, however, took charge of him, introduced him to the apostles, and explained how the Lord had appeared to Saul and spoken to him on his journey, and how he had preached boldly at Damascus in the name of Jesus. Saul now started to go round with them in Jerusalem, preaching fearlessly in the name of the Lord. But after he had spoken to the Hellenists, and argued with them, they became determined to kill him. When the brothers knew, they took him to Caesarea, and sent him off from there to Tarsus.

The churches throughout Judaea, Galilee and Samaria were now left in peace, building themselves up, living in the fear of the Lord, and filled with the consolation of the Holy Spirit.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 21:26-28. 30-32. R. v.26

(R.) I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people.

1. My vows I will pay before those who fear him.
The poor shall eat and shall have their fill.
They shall praise the Lord, those who seek him.
May their hearts live forever and ever! (R.)

2. All the earth shall remember and return to the Lord,
all families of the nations worship before him.
They shall worship him, all the mighty of the earth;
before him shall bow all who go down to the dust. (R.)

3. And my soul shall live for him, my children serve him.
They shall tell of the Lord to generations yet to come,
declare his faithfulness to peoples yet unborn:
'These things the Lord has done.' (R.)

SECOND READING

1 Jn 3:18-24

A reading from the first letter of St John

His commandments are these: that we believe and that we love one another.

My children,
our love is not to be just words or mere talk,
but something real and active;
only by this can we be certain
that we are the children of the truth
and be able to quieten our conscience in his presence,
whatever accusations it may raise against us,
because God is greater than our conscience and he knows everything.

My dear people,
if we cannot be condemned by our own conscience,
we need not be afraid in God's presence,
and whatever we ask him,
we shall receive,
because we keep his commandments
and live the kind of life that he wants.
His commandments are these:
that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ
and that we love one another
as he told us to.

Whoever keeps his commandments
lives in God and God lives in him.

We know that he lives in us
by the Spirit that he has given us.

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!

GOSPEL

Jn 15:1-8

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

All who live in me, and I in them, bear much fruit.

Jesus said to his disciples:

‘I am the true vine,

and my Father is the vinedresser.

Every branch in me that bears no fruit

he cuts away,

and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes

to make it bear even more.

You are pruned already,

by means of the word that I have spoken to you.

Make your home in me, as I make mine in you.

As a branch cannot bear fruit all by itself,

but must remain part of the vine,

neither can you unless you remain in me.

I am the vine,

you are the branches.

Whoever remains in me, with me in him,

bears fruit in plenty;

for cut off from me you can do nothing.

Anyone who does not remain in me

is like a branch that has been thrown away

– he withers;

these branches are collected and thrown on the fire,

and they are burnt.

If you remain in me

and my words remain in you,

you may ask what you will

and you shall get it.

It is to the glory of my Father that you should bear much

fruit,

and then you will be my disciples.’

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. Jn 15:1,5

I am the true vine and you are the branches, says the Lord. Whoever remains in me, and I in him, bears fruit in plenty, alleluia.

MAY 1: FEAST OF ST JOSEPH THE WORKER

Pope Francis has dedicated this year to St Joseph. He did so after he saw how much pressure Coronavirus put on many families through anxiety, unemployment and fractured relationships. He emphasises St Joseph's role as father of his family.

When introducing the year Pope Francis described St Joseph as a father who worked to support his family and found himself in doing so. The importance of work in our lives is picked up in the Feast of St Joseph the Worker, celebrated on May 1. The feast is relatively new. Its date was chosen to compete with May Day which represented work as a battleground between greedy employers and oppressed workers. The Feast commended a cooperative world in which work is a central part of human life and workers are honoured for themselves and not simply for their use to their employers. Pope Francis also speaks eloquently of the importance that work plays in any human life.

Saint Joseph was a carpenter who earned an honest living to provide for his family. From him, Jesus learned the value, the dignity and the joy of what it means to eat bread that is the fruit of one's own labour.

In our own day, when employment has once more become a burning social issue, and unemployment at times reaches record levels even in nations that for decades have enjoyed a certain degree of prosperity, there is a renewed need to appreciate the importance of dignified work, of which Saint Joseph is an exemplary patron.

The world of work in St Joseph's time differs from our own. He was self-employed as a carpenter, was skilled, saw his work through from beginning to end, and supported Mary and Jesus through his work. In his work he was relatively privileged – for many others work depended on being hired each day and could be back-breaking and dangerous, was back breaking. Supporting a family was always precarious.

In our developed nation fewer people work at making things for people to buy. Women and men are more likely to work at computers in large organisations and to see only a tiny part of what the finished product. Women are consequently less reliant on men for support but are often expected to contribute to family income.

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READERS ROSTER

ST IGNATIUS' CHURCH

Saturday 01/05/2021 - 6.00pm Mass	Sr Barbara Walsh RGS	Sunday 02/5/2021 - 9.30am Mass	Kaye Hogan
Saturday 08/05/2021 - 6.00pm Mass	Martin O'Brien	Sunday 09/5/2021 - 9.30am Mass	Sr Helen Buckley fcJ

ST JAMES' CHURCH

Sunday 09/5/2021 - 11.00am Mass	Margaret Gibson	Sunday 16/5/2021 - 11.00am Mass	Shane Healy
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Let us pray for all those who have gone before us marked with sign of faith...

For the recently deceased: Sr Catherine Morrison fcJ

For those in need of healing, remembering especially:
Maurine Sharland



A PRAYER TO ST JOSEPH THE GREAT PROTECTOR

“Year of Saint Joseph”

8th December 2020 – 8th December 2021

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.

Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage,
and defend us from every evil. Amen.



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MAY 1: FEAST OF ST JOSEPH THE WORKER, CONTINUED.....

Because manufacturing is so often mechanised and computerised, requiring few workers and privileging people with a higher level of education, work for manual workers is precarious, and many can find only part-time work. People who are unemployed live on the edge of poverty and homelessness.

For both women and men work is an expression of their dignity as human beings. Respect for their dignity demands that they be seen and be able to grow as persons through their work. They are not simply cogs in a machine nor costs on a balance sheet to be hired or fired at will as profits dictate. Respect also demands that people have security of employment and participate in shaping the conditions under which they work.

Because work is so intertwined with what is most deeply human in us and connects us so strongly to our society, it is important that young people be encouraged to make connections. Because of disadvantage in their early years many of the young people whom we accompany at Jesuit Social Services struggle for connection. The stigma and punitive conditions attached to unemployment benefits intensify this difficulty.

For St Joseph work was both a gift and a struggle. It remains so today. Because individual workers are weak in relation to employers, and so are at risk of being treated as no more than a cost on their balance sheet or as a tool to be used and discarded, the relationship between them will always need to be negotiated. The Feast of St Joseph the Worker reminds us that this negotiation must be based on respect and its fairness be enforced by Governments, which must also be fair to people who are unemployed.

Fr Andy Hamilton SJ

IGNATIUSOO

10 days of Spiritual Exercises to Change Our Lives

From May 13 to 23, to celebrate the opening of the Ignatian year, the Jesuits and the entire Ignatian Family invite you to live the online retreat "Pray on the way with Ignatius".

Like Ignatius, we were hit with cannons that changed our lives. Through Spiritual Exercises, let us take the time to meditate on it in order to "See all new things in Christ."

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