TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B

13 October 2024

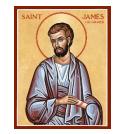


FEAST DAY-31 JULY

RICHMOND CATHOLIC PARISH OF ST. IGNATIUS & ST. JAMES

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FEAST DAY- 25 JULY

ST IGNATIUS CHURCH

326 Church Street, RICHMOND VIC 3121

Mass Times

12.00 noon (Monday - Friday)

Saturday

5.00pm (Vigil)

Sunday

9.30am (English) 12.00 noon (Polish) 4.00pm (Vietnamese)

Adoration & Benediction 11.00am Friday

Anointing of the Sick 1st Friday of the Month

ST JAMES CHURCH

162 Kent Street, NORTH RICHMOND, VIC 3121

> Mass Times Sunday: 11.00am

SACRAMENTS

Baptism

Contact Parish office.

ReconciliationBy appointment

Wedding

Contact Parish Office

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WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY

By Fr Andy Hamilton SJ

The theme of World Health Day this year held on October 10th is 'Let's talk about it'. It's down to earth and invites us to reach out to others and to start a conversation. This may seem natural and easy, but it is a big change from the way in which people have responded to mental illness in the past. Think of how the welcoming words for the homes of people who suffered from mental illness became horrible words. Bethlehem became Bedlam. Asylum, meaning a place of rescue, was seen as a place for locking people up. And the words used to describe people suffering with mental illnesses also became cruel words.

These names and changes of name reflected contempt for people with mental illness, a contempt that arose out of fear of people who act differently from us. Fear made people hide the mental illness of family members, lock up children who suffered with it, and avoid talking with people who were mentally ill for fear of catching it. Mental illness carried a stigma that shut down conversation. The silence harmed both the person with mental illness and their family and friends. To talk together, to hang in when relationships become difficult, and to listen even when you cannot understand, are the beginning of healing. (cont. back page)

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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

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand?
But with you is found forgiveness,
O God of Israel.

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 Wisdom 7:7-11

A reading from the book of Wisdom

In comparison to wisdom, I held riches as nothing.

I prayed, and understanding was given me; I entreated, and the spirit of Wisdom came to me. I esteemed her more than sceptres and thrones; compared with her, I held riches as nothing. I reckoned no priceless stone to be her peer, for compared with her, all gold is a pinch of sand, and beside her silver ranks as mud. I loved her more than health or beauty, preferred her to the light, since her radiance never sleeps. In her company all good things came to me, at her hands riches not to be numbered.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 89:12-17. R. v.14 **Response: Fill us with your love, O Lord,**

and we will sing for joy!

- Make us know the shortness of our life that we may gain wisdom of heart. Lord, relent! Is your anger forever? Show pity to your servants. (R.)
- 2. In the morning, fill us with your love; we shall exult and rejoice all our days. Give us joy to balance our affliction for the years when we knew misfortune. (R.)
- 3. Show forth your work to your servants; let your glory shine on their children. Let the favour of the Lord be upon us: give success to the work of our hands. (R.)

SECOND READING Hebrews: 4: 12-13

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews *The word of God discerns the thoughts and intentions of the heart.*

The word of God is something alive and active; it cuts like any double-edged sword but more finely: it can slip through the place where the soul is divided from the spirit, or joints from the marrow; it can judge the secret emotions and thoughts. No created thing can hide from him; everything is uncovered and open to the eyes of the one to whom we must give account of ourselves.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Matthew 5:3

Alleluia, alleluia!

Happy the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs! Alleluia!

GOSPEL *Mark* 10:17-30

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark Go and sell whatever you have and come follow me.

Jesus was setting out on a journey when a man ran up, knelt before him and put this question to him, 'Good master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' Jesus said to him, 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: You must not kill; You must not commit adultery; You must not steal; You must not bring false witness; You must not defraud; Honour your father and mother.' And he said to him, 'Master, I have kept all these from my earliest days.' Jesus looked steadily at him and loved him, and he said, 'There is one thing you lack. Go and sell everything you own and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' But his face fell at these words and he went away sad, for he was a man of great wealth.

Jesus looked round and said to his disciples, 'How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God!' The disciples were astounded by these words, but Jesus insisted, 'My children,' he said to them, 'how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.' They were more astonished than ever. 'In that case' they said to one another, 'who can be saved?' Jesus gazed at them. 'For men' he said, 'it is impossible, but not for God: because everything is possible for God.'

Peter took this up. 'What about us?' he asked him. 'We have left everything and followed you.' Jesus said, 'I tell you solemnly, there is no one who has left

house, brothers, sisters, father, children or land for my sake and for the sake of the gospel who will not be repaid a hundred times over, houses, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and land – not without persecutions – now in this present time and, in the world to come, eternal life.'

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 *Psalm 33:11*

The rich suffer want and go hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD



Children from Prep to Year 6 will be participating in the Children's Liturgy of the Word, at St James during the 11.00am Mass on Sunday 13 October.

Next "Children's Liturgy of the Word" will be on 20 October.

We look forward to increased participation as the children and families become accustomed to the process.

IGNATIUS MEN'S GROUP UPDATE

Members of the group are actively involved in helping prepare generously provided accommodation for refugees in our parish.

Men wishing to join the group are most welcome. Please send enquiries to parish@ignatius.org.au

NEWS FROM THE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

The Richmond Catholic Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) met for its bi-monthly meeting last week. As usual, the first part of the meeting was spent in Formation in Ignatian Spirituality led by Fr Chris Gleeson, SJ. The theme for this meeting was 'Befriending our shadow side – leaning into vulnerability'.

Prior to giving his report, our Parish Priest, Fr Trung, SJ, reflected on his recent formation experience at a Jesuit gathering in Chiang Mai, Thailand.

Painting of St Ignatius Church is nearing completion and new CCTV has been installed in and around the church and presbytery. A new telephone system is being installed in the presbytery.

Opportunities to build our Parish faith community include the following:

- The Ignatian Men's Group have held two meetings and are in the process of discerning a shared vision. Simon Feely is the co-ordinator of the group. Other men in the Parish are welcome to join.
- Some interest has been expressed about forming a Women's Group. If you would like to be involved, please let Fr Trung know.
- Children's Liturgy of the Word is occurring each Sunday during School Term at St James. Years 5 and 6 students at Trinity School prepared the Sunday Mass on a Sunday in Term 3. It is hoped this might become an ongoing activity.
- Mr Henry Do is the new Chair of the re-established Vietnamese Leadership Team.

Trinity School Principal, Mr Nigel Rodrigues, provided a report about a very busy Term 3 at Trinity Primary School which included children making their First Communion and preparing students for Confirmation in Term 4. The School Concert held at Hawthorn Town Hall was enjoyed by the whole school community.

Hannah Do reported on the Vietnamese Eucharistic Youth Group's celebration of Mid-Autumn Moon Festival which was held in the Parish Hall recently. The event was well attended and a great success.

As a Jesuit Parish, we are missioned to reach out to others. In this spirit, the PPC has agreed to establish a Parish Project. A special collection will be held on the last weekend in October to support the Brigidine Asylum Seekers' Project (BASP). Parishioners will be invited to donate grocery items and other identified goods that can help those in desperate need. Further updates will be in the Parish Bulletin. Some very generous parishioners have also offered accommodation to support this project.

Our last meeting for the year will be held on 25th November.

Therese Keogh, Chair.

WORKS IN OUR PARISH

We continue to see progress on the painting of the interior of our beautiful church.

FEAST DAYS

OCTOBER

- 15 St Teresa of Jesus (Ávila)
- 18 St Luke, Evangelist
- 22 St John Paul II
- 28 St Simon and St Jude

Solemn Mass for the Feast of ST THERESA OF AVILA

CARMELITE MONASTRY TUESDAY 15 OCTOBER, 10.30am

Celebrant: Rev. Terence Kennedy CSSR ALL WELCOME

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

If you have anyone to add to our prayer list, please notify the parish office by Thursday 10.00am by ringing 8420 6789 or email: parish@ignatius.org.au.



MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST - ST IGNATIUS CHURCH					
DATE	5.00PM	DATE	9.30AM		
DATE	VIGIL MASS		SUNDAY MASS		
12/10	Marlon D'Souza	13/10	Licia Marchese		
19/10	*Volunteer	20/10	Kaye Hogan		
26/10	Marlon D'Souza	27/10	Mary Ebolo		
2/11	*Volunteer	3/11	Simon Feely		

MINISTERS OF THE WORD – ST IGNATIUS CHURCH					
DATE	5.00PM VIGIL MASS	DATE	9.30AM SUNDAY MASS		
12/10	Mary Burns	13/10	Leonardo Vong		
19/10	*Volunteer	20/10	Adelia Vong		
26/10	Martin O'Brien	27/10	Simon Feely		
2/11	Marlon D'Souza	3/11	Kaye Hogan		

MINISTERS OF THE WORD -					
ST JAMES CHURCH					
DATE	11.00AM MASS				
13/10	Louise Luu				
20/10	Aseye Banini				
27/10	Shane Healy				
3/11	Barbara Shea				

COLLECTION WEEK – 14/15 SEPTEMBER 2024
ST IGNATIUS AND ST JAMES CHURCHES
Thanksgiving Envelopes - \$326.00
Loose Collection - \$2337.75

WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY

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For that reason, the change from seeing mental illness as a curse, a punishment or a mystery to seeing it as illness that can be understood and treated with help from psychologists or doctors has been very helpful. It takes away fear and opens closed doors. The change, however, is also accompanied by risks. We can be tempted to see all our anxieties, fears, lostness and unhappiness as an illness for which we should take medicine. Pharmaceutical firms can cash in on this temptation! These feelings may be signs of mental illness, but they may also be a part of human life which we do best to accept, to talk about, and to battle through.

That said, although looking after our personal health is necessary for building a healthy world, it is not sufficient. People do not have an equal chance of contracting physical or mental illness. Geographical where in which people face multiple disadvantage are particularly vulnerable to mental illness. The Jesuit Social Services sponsored Centre for Just Places has drawn on the ground-breaking Dropping Off the Edge research to respond to the multiplication of disadvantage in some local areas. In them, vulnerability to physical and mental illness is accompanied by higher rates of domestic violence and less access to health services, open space, good food, education and counselling. If unaddressed these conditions will make for intergenerational poverty and poor health.

Pope Francis has written much about the connections between inequality, illness and social conflict. He has also stressed the importance of a more just society. This is one in which people look out for one another, and in which the government ensures that all people can live in decent conditions, where people matter more than profits, and wealth has a social bond. These conditions will not stop people falling ill, but they will ensure that they will find encouragement to live healthy lives, have access to free medical attention when they fall ill, and support as they receive the care they need.

This is the large picture. In the personal picture, however mental health week as all about persons and their relationship to themselves, to those close to them and to the world. And those relationships need to be characterised by love, openness and mutual trust.