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FEAST DAY- 31 JULY

# RICHMOND CATHOLIC PARISH

#### OF ST. IGNATIUS & ST. JAMES

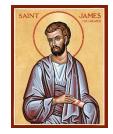
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**FEAST DAY- 25 JULY** 

#### **ST IGNATIUS CHURCH**

326 Church Street, **RICHMOND VIC 3121** 

#### **Mass Times Daily**

12.00 noon (Monday - Friday)

Saturday 5.00pm (Vigil)

#### Sunday

9.30am (English) 12.00 noon (Polish) 4.00pm (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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#### **SACRAMENTS**

#### **Baptism**

Please contact Parish office.

#### Reconciliation By appointment

Wedding Contact Parish Office



# FEAST OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

**Corpus Christi**, also known as the Feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, is a solemn celebration in the Catholic Church.

The Real Presence of Jesus: Corpus Christi commemorates the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. It is a feast that emphasizes Christ's abiding presence with us through this Sacrament. The readings remind us of Jesus' offering of His Body and Blood, which serves as a lasting memorial of His saving death for us Through the Eucharist, we renew our covenant with Him.

The Feast of Corpus Christi allows us to collectively thank God for Christ's presence in the Eucharist and honour Him there. It teaches us about the Mystery, Faith, and devotion surrounding the Eucharist. We learn to appreciate and utilize the great gift of the Holy Eucharist, both as a Sacrament and as a sacrifice.

Corpus Christi is also the feast day of the Vietnamese Eucharistic Youth Movement. Our parish have about 30 members in this movement. We wish them a happy feast day.

## Stay Connected!

If you would like to receive the weekly bulletin via email, please sign up on the parish website or simply scan the QR code.



#### 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**

He fed them with the finest wheat and satisfied them with honey from the rock.

#### **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

Exodus 24:3-8

A reading from the book of Exodus

This is the blood of the Covenant that the Lord has made with you.

Moses went and told the people all the commands of the Lord and all the ordinances. In answer, all the people said with one voice, 'We will observe all the commands that the Lord has decreed.' Moses put all the commands of the Lord into writing, and early next morning he built an altar at the foot of the mountain, with twelve standing-stones for the twelve tribes of Israel. Then he directed certain young Israelites to offer holocausts and to immolate bullocks to the Lord as communion sacrifices. Half of the blood Moses took up and put into basins, the other half he cast on the altar. And taking the Book of the Covenant he read it to the listening people, and they said, 'We will observe all that the Lord has decreed; we will obey.' Then Moses took the blood and cast it towards the people. 'This' he said 'is the blood of the Covenant that the Lord has made with you, containing all these rules.'

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

# (R.) I will take the cup of salvation, and call on the name of the Lord.

- 1. How can I repay the Lord for his goodness to me? The cup of salvation I will raise; I will call on the Lord's name.
  (R.)
- **2.** O precious in the eyes of the Lord is the death of his faithful. Your servant, Lord, your servant am I; you have loosened my bonds. (**R.**)
- **3.** A thanksgiving sacrifice I make: I will call on the Lord's name. My vows to the Lord I will fulfil before all his people. (R.)

#### **SECOND READING**

Hebrews 9:11-15

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews *The blood of Christ will purify our inner selves.* 

Now Christ has come, as the high priest of all the blessings which were to come. He has passed through the greater, the more perfect tent, which is better than one made by men's hands because it is not of this created order; and he has entered the sanctuary once and for all, taking with him not the blood of goats and bull calves, but his own blood, having won an eternal redemption for us. The blood of goats and bulls and the ashes of a heifer are sprinkled on those who have incurred defilement and they restore the holiness of their outward lives; how much more effectively the blood of Christ, who offered himself as the perfect sacrifice to God through the eternal Spirit, can purify our inner self from dead actions so that we do our service to the living God.

He brings a new covenant, as the mediator, only so that the people who were called to an eternal inheritance may actually receive what was promised: his death took place to cancel the sins that infringed the earlier covenant.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### **SEQUENCE** (short form)

Sing forth, O Zion

Behold the bread of angels, sent For pilgrims in their banishment, The bread for God's true children meant, That may not unto dogs be given: Oft in the olden types foreshowed; In Isaac on the altar bowed, And in the ancient paschal food, And in the manna sent from heaven.

Come then, good shepherd, bread divine, Still show to us thy mercy sign; Oh, feed us still, still keep us thine; So may we see thy glories shine In fields of immortality;

O thou, the wisest, mightiest, best, Our present food, our future rest, Come, make us each thy chosen guest, Coheirs of thine, and comrades blest With saints whose dwelling is with thee.

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Alleluia**, alleluia! I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord; whoever eats this bread will live for ever. **Alleluia!** 

#### **GOSPEL**

Mark 14:12-16, 22-26

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark *This is my body. This is my blood.* 

On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb was sacrificed, his disciples said to Jesus, 'Where do you want us to go and make the preparations for you to eat the passover?' So he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, 'Go into the city and you will meet a man carrying a pitcher of water. Follow him, and say to the owner of the house which he enters, "The Master says: Where is my dining room in which I can eat the passover with my disciples?" He will show you a large upper room furnished with couches, all prepared. Make the preparations for us there.' The disciples set out and went to the city and found everything as he had told them, and prepared the Passover.

And as they were eating he took some bread, and when he had said the blessing he broke it and gave it to them. 'Take it,' he said 'this is my body.' Then he took a cup, and when he had returned thanks he gave it to them, and all drank from it, and he said to them, 'This is my blood, the blood of the covenant, which is to be poured out for many. I tell you solemnly, I shall not drink any more wine until the day I drink the new wine in the kingdom of God.'

After psalms had been sung they left for the Mount of Olives.

## 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,

#### **COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

and life everlasting. Amen

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him, says the Lord.

# RICHMOND CATHOLIC PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL UPDATE

The Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) held its bimonthly meeting last week. As is our usual practice, our meeting commenced with formation in Ignatian Spirituality. This is an integral part of being leaders in a Jesuit Parish.

Agenda items included a report from Fr Trung SJ and Therese Keogh about the recent gathering of Jesuit Parishes in Sydney. The theme was Synodality, as defined by Pope Francis, and its implementation at Parish level.

We also reviewed the progress of the PPC over the past twelve months, as measured by our set goals of hospitality and a young adults' ministry. Tea and coffee after Mass at St Ignatius has prompted positive feedback. Establishing a young adults' ministry is proving more challenging. It would be good to engage the increasing number of young people attending weekend Masses.

We want to have more local content in our weekly Parish Bulletin, for example, news of those embracing the Sacraments of the Church and those who are sick and needing our prayers. It is hoped this information will enliven and deepen our connection and commitment to our mission as a faith community.

Our next meeting will be held in late July. A guest from the Archdiocese's Safeguarding Unit will outline what is required for our Parish to be compliant with current regulations, including Working with Children checks for all parish volunteers.

Therese Keogh, PPC Chair.

#### PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

# Please keep in your prayers Mr. Graeme Hood & Mr. Owen Paul who are unwell.

Richmond Catholic Faith Community would like to keep people who are ill in their prayers. If anyone has family/friends/neighbours who are sick and require their names inserted in the Parish Bulletin, please notify theparish office by Thursday 10.00am by ringing 8420 6789 or email: parish@ignatius.org.au. Their names will remain in the bulletin for three weeks. For privacy reasons people must give their permission before their names can be included.

#### ST IGNATIUS MEN'S SHED

It has come to my attention and at the suggestion of some men from our parish, to start a Men's Shed. I have never been part of one, but I believe it is time for me to gather men and do something meaningful together. Whether it just to have a cup of tea and/or sharing about their lives or spending a moment in prayer together. For those more practical, this could mean doing some carpentry, or fixing electrical equipment. Anything is possible. If you are interested, please talk to me directly, or call the parish office and leave your name and number. I hope to get this initiative started soon,

but would first have a gathering of the men in the parish to hear from you as to what you would like to see happen as part of the Men's Shed. I will set a date and time in a few weeks to meet you.

Fr Trung Nguyen SJ, PP.

## BUILDING A RELATIONSHIP WITH MELBOURNE TRANSITION INDIGNEOUS SCHOOL (MITS)

About twelve months ago, all Jesuit parishes in Australia we were asked to try and develop some outreach initiative to local indigenous



communities. A small group was formed at Saint Ignatius to respond to this, and decided that for us the greatest opportunity was to begin a conversation of friendship with the Melbourne Indigenous Transition School, which is not just a neighbour but is almost literally all around us on Richmond Hill.

The school attracts indigenous children, mainly from western Victoria and the north of the Northern Territory for a two -year programme (school years 7 and 8) to prepare them ready to take up scholarships at a number of Melbourne High Schools in both the private and public sectors. Throughout this time until they leave at the end of year 12 (mostly) they remain resident in MITS local accommodation. Currently MITS has almost 100 students in residence.

Approximately 25% of MITS students come from strong Catholic families, and for the moment that is the group with which we have focussed. With a great deal of help from the staff of MITS, our group has been meeting with varying numbers of the Catholic students on a monthly basis during the school terms, for a mix of storytelling (mainly from the Bible but has also included Stations of the Cross during Lent), prayer, reflection and meditation. This is usually followed by a chat over some ice cream, which is particularly good because the students get more relaxed and a lot "more chatty"!

Our initiative is still in its relatively early days, but we are full of optimism about progress so far. If anyone else in the parish is interested either in our group, or in involvement as a volunteer at MITS for help with craftwork or homework, then please contact us.

Haydn Walters, Group Facilitator

# POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR JUNE: FOR MIGRANTS FLEEING THEIR HOMES

We pray that migrants fleeing from war or hunger, forced to undertake journeys full of danger and violence, find welcome and new opportunities in the countries that receive them.

When asking for prayers for people who have fled from their homes, Pope Francis does not specifically mention refugees. He certainly has them in mind when he speaks of those who have been 'forced to undertake journeys full of danger and violence'

which take them to other countries. Not all, however, would fit the legal definition of refugees. Pope Francis typically focuses on persons and not on the categories into which we place them. The experience of fleeing from war and hunger which drive them from home is traumatic for all human beings, whether we call them refugees or not, and doubly so when they find no hospitality at the end of their journey. This prayer intention invites us to take our attention away from the big abstractions of war and its supposed justifications, and from refugee policy and its exclusions. We are instead to focus on the human experience of the people in Gaza and other nations who have fled death and homelessness, have often lost children, been wounded, and now face starvation, lack of medicine and new fears of attack, and are excluded from their own country and from neighbouring nations. We may be able to do little to relieve their suffering. To pray for them, however, keeps them in our hearts, minds and conversations, and perhaps may flow into the policies of our government. (Continued next week)

#### **FEAST DAYS**

#### JUNE: FOR MIGRANTS FLEEING THEIR HOMES

- 3 Saint Charles Lwanga and companions, martyrs
- 5 Saint Boniface, bishop and martyr
- 6 Saint Norbert, bishop
- 7 The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
- 8 The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- 11 Saint Barnabas, apostle
- 13 Saint Anthony of Padua, priest and doctor of the Church
- **15** The Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday
- 19 Saint Romuald, abbot
- 21 Saint Aloysius Gonzaga, religious
- 22 Saint John Fisher, bishop, and Saint Thomas More, martyrs
- 24 The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist
- 27 Saint Cyril of Alexandria, bishop and doctor of the Church
- 28 Saint Irenaeus, bishop, martyr and doctor of the Church
- 29 Saint Peter and Saint Paul, apostles

COLLECTION WEEK – 25/26 MAY 2024 ST IGNATIUS AND ST JAMES CHURCHES			
Thanksgiving Envelopes	\$325.50		
Loose Collection	\$2283.80		

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST - ST IGNATIUS CHURCH					
DATE	5.00PM VIGIL MASS	DATE	9.30AM SUNDAY MASS		
01/06	Therese Keogh	02/05	Mary Ebolo		
08/06	Marlon D'Souza	09/06	Kaye Hogan		
15/06	Julia Walters	16/06	Licia Marchese		
22/06	Giovanna Scollo	23/06	Simon Feely		

MINISTERS OF THE WORD						
ST IGNATIUS CHURCH						
Saturday 01/06 5.00pm	Therese Keogh	Sunday 02/06 9.30am	Simon Feely			
Saturday 08/06 5.00pm	Mary Burns	Sunday 09/06 9.30am	Adelia Vong			
ST JAMES CHURCH						
Sunday 02/06 11:00am	Shane Healy	Sunday 09/06 11:00am	Margaret Gibson (new update)			