## FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - Year C

9 February 2025



**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** 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the Month

#### ST JAMES CHURCH

162 Kent Street, NORTH RICHMOND, VIC 3121

> Mass Times Sunday: 11.00am

#### **SACRAMENTS**

**Baptism** 

Contact Parish office.

**Reconciliation**By appointment

Wedding

Contact Parish Office

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# Gospel Reflection - Greg Sunter

The theme that comes through this week's readings is one of 'being called'. The first reading is the call of the prophet Isaiah (Is 6:1-8). Isaiah experiences a vision of the glory of God and is humbly reminded of his own deficiencies: he believes himself to be 'a man of unclean lips'. As such, he is certainly unfit to speak on behalf of God as his unclean lips would taint whatever message he may speak. But his lips are cleansed by God who then asks, 'Whom shall I send?' Demonstrating a complete conversion of heart and mind, Isaiah immediately replies, 'Here I am, send me!'

This first reading provides a perfect balance to the gospel. Jesus is being closely pressed by the crowd when he asks a nearby fisherman to take him just off shore to preach without being overwhelmed by the crowd. Seemingly at random, he has selected the boat of the fisherman Peter. Having finished preaching for the day, Jesus tells Peter to set out into deeper water and pay out his fishing nets. Peter is certainly not keen on the idea! Out of some interest or good nature he had agreed to allow this preacher to use his boat for a while, but now this country bumpkin is trying to tell him how to fish! Just to prove Jesus wrong, Peter agrees to go through the futile exercise and is overwhelmed by the enormous catch of fish. Like Isaiah in the first reading, Peter is suddenly acutely aware of his own deficiencies - 'Leave me Lord; I am a sinful man'. Like Isaiah, he recognises that he has just seen the glory of God revealed and he feels unworthy to be part of the experience. But Jesus reassures him, 'Do not be afraid,' and calls Peter to follow.

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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

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

## **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

Isaiah 6:1-8

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

In the year of King Uzziah's death I saw the Lord seated on a high throne; his train filled the sanctuary; above him stood seraphs, each one with six wings.

And they cried out to one another in this way, 'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts. His glory fills the whole earth.'

The foundations of the threshold shook with the voice of the one who cried out, and the Temple was filled with smoke. I said:

'What a wretched state I am in! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips and I live among a people of unclean lips, and my eyes have looked at the King, the Lord of hosts.'

Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding in his hand a live coal which he had taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. With this he touched my mouth and said:

'See now, this has touched your lips, your sin is taken away, your iniquity is purged.'

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying: 'Whom shall I send? Who will be our messenger?'

I answered, 'Here I am, send me.'

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### RESPONSORIAL

Ps 137:1-5, 7-8.

- (R.) In the sight of the angels I will sing your praises, Lord.
  - I thank you, Lord, with all my heart, you have heard the words of my mouth.
     Before the angels I will bless you.
     I will adore before your holy temple. (R.)
  - 2. I thank you for your faithfulness and love which excel all we ever knew of you. On the day I called, you answered; you increased the strength of my soul. (R.)
  - 3. All earth's kings shall thank you when they hear the words of your mouth. They shall sing of the Lord's ways; 'How great is the glory of the Lord!' (R.)
  - 4. You stretch out your hand and save me, your hand will do all things for me. Your love, O Lord, is eternal, discard not the work of your hands. (R.)

## **SECOND READING** 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

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

Brothers, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, the gospel that you received and in which you are firmly established; because the gospel will save you only if you keep believing exactly what I preached to you — believing anything else will not lead to anything.

Well then, in the first place, I taught you what I had been taught myself, namely that Christ died for our sins, in accordance with the scriptures; that he was buried; and that he was raised to life on the third day, in accordance with the scriptures; that he appeared first to Cephas and secondly to the Twelve. Next he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers at the same time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died; then he appeared to James, and then to all the apostles; and last of all he appeared to me too; it was as though I was born when no one expected it.

I am the least of the apostles; in fact, since I persecuted the Church of God, I hardly deserve the name apostle; but by God's grace that is what I am, and the grace that he gave me has not been fruitless. On the contrary, I, or rather the grace of God that is with me, have worked harder than any of the others; but what matters is that I preach

what they preach, and this is what you all believed.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, alleluia! Come follow me, says the Lord, and I will make you fishers of my people. Alleluia!

GOSPEL Luke 5:1-11

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Jesus was standing one day by the lake of Gennesaret, with the crowd pressing round him listening to the word of God, when he caught sight of two boats close to the bank. The fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats – it was Simon's – and asked him to put out a little from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat.

When he had finished speaking he said to Simon, 'Put out into deep water and pay out your nets for a catch.' 'Master,' Simon replied 'we worked hard all night long and caught nothing, but if you say so, I will pay out the nets.' And when they had done this they netted such a huge number of fish that their nets began to tear, so they signalled to their companions in the other boat to come and help them; when these came, they filled the two boats to sinking point.

When Simon Peter saw this he fell at the knees of Jesus saying, 'Leave me Lord; I am a sinful man.' For he and all his companions were completely overcome by the catch they had made; so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were Simon's partners. But Jesus said to Simon, 'Do not be afraid; from now on it is men you will catch.' Then, bringing their boats back to land, they left everything and followed him.

## 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**

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.

## PLEASE PRAY FOR ...

## THE SICK IN OUR PARISH

God of gentleness and love,
We entrust to your care all those in
need of any form of healing, and ask you to guide and
sustain all who offer them healing and hope.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

♣ Charlotte Weekley (9 Feb)

#### **RECENTLY DECEASED:**

**♣** *Margaret Therese May* 

Johanna Henrica op't Hoog

**♣** *Dr. Paul Power* 

(long time parishioner of Richmond Catholic Parish).

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

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#### CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

The Richmond Catholic Parish will continue with "Children's Liturgy of the Word" at St James during the 11.00am Mass. Children from Prep to Year 6 are welcome to participate.



The first session will begin on Sunday 9 February. The children leave the main body of the Church just after the beginning of Mass and rejoin the congregation at the Offertory Procession. They meet in the library to hear the Word of God and participate in discussion and do appropriate activities with a Mrs Annabelle Marinelli and parent volunteers

Dates for future "Children's Liturgy of the Word":

- 16 February
- 23 February
- 2 March
- 9 March
- 16 March
- 23 March
- 30 March

We look forward to many children participating in the "Children's Liturgy of the Word".

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST - ST IGNATIUS CHURCH					
DATE	5.00PM VIGIL MASS	DATE	9.30AM SUNDAY MASS		
01/02	Hadyn Walters	02/02	Licia Marchese		
08/02	Giovanna Scollo	09/02	Simon Feely		
15/02	Hadyn Walters	16/02	Mary Ebolo		

MINISTERS OF THE WORD – ST IGNATIUS CHURCH				
DATE	5.00PM VIGIL MASS	DATE	9.30AM SUNDAY MASS	
01/02	Therese Keogh	02/02	Kaye Hogan	
08/02	Mary Burns	09/02	Sr Barbara Brown- Graham fcJ	
15/02	Peter Keogh	16/02	Mary Ebolo	

MINISTERS OF THE WORD – ST JAMES CHURCH				
DATE	11.00AM MASS			
02/02	Shane Healy			
09/02	Barbara Shea			
16/02	Margaret Gibson			

COLLECTION WEEK – 1 <sup>st</sup> /2 <sup>nd</sup> FEB 2025 ST IGNATIUS AND ST JAMES CHURCHES
Thanksgiving Envelopes - \$627.00
Loose Collection - \$2076.65

## WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE SICK

Tuesday, February 11 is World Day Of The Sick.

This observation day introduced by Pope John Paul II as a way for believers to offer prayers for those suffering from illnesses. The day coincides with the commemoration of Our Lady of Lourdes and is an



important opportunity for those who serve in Catholic health ministry to reflect on caring for those who are sick as well as those who provide care to them.

## Message from Pope Francis:

"To those of you who experience illness, whether temporary or chronic, I would say this: Do not be ashamed of your longing for closeness and tenderness! Do not conceal it, and never think that you are a burden on others. The condition of the sick urges all of us to step back from the hectic pace of our lives in order to rediscover ourselves"

#### START OF YEAR MASS

Fr Trung Nguyen SJ celebrated Mass for the beginning of the school year for Trinity Catholic School in St James Church.

The Yr. 6 2025 School Leaders were presented to the school community and were given their leadership badges.

They then recited a prayer, asking for guidance in their various leadership roles for the 2025 school year.

## **FEAST DAYS - FEBRUARY**

- 10 St. Scholastica
- 11 Our Lady of Lourdes
- 14 Sts. Cyril, Monk and Methodius
- 15 St. Claude La Columbiere