SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C

16th February 2025



FEAST DAY- 31 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.

> **Reconciliation** By appointment

Wedding Contact Parish Office

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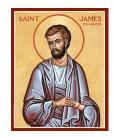


GOSPEL REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA

Paul teaches us that, united to Christ through faith and in baptism, we are united in his death and resurrection. With Christ we die to sin; with him we rise to a new life. We cannot wait to see proof of our transformation before we change our actions. The proof is in the lives we live in faith. To deny that we have died and been raised is to deny the resurrection of Christ. Paul insists that they cannot be separated. The challenge is to live in and out of this faith. Both Jeremiah and Jesus introduce us to such a way of living. It is a way of paradox, a way that moves us beyond the self-centred standards of the world. The poor, the hungry, those who weep, and those who are persecuted are really the ones who are blessed. The victims of our social and economic systems, those who have been ravaged by war or have been made vulnerable by life itself are the ones who, if they place their trust in God, will be blessed in the end. They may appear to be the outcasts of this world, but, if they are filled with faith, they will inherit heaven. The wealth of this world and its pleasures are not the blessings that we might think they are. They can blind us to the real values of life and prevent us from dying to the world and living resurrected lives in Christ.

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FEAST DAY- 25 JULY

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

Be my protector, O God, a mighty stronghold to save me. For you are my rock, my stronghold! Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name.

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, 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

Jerimiah 17:5-8

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

The Lord says this:

'A curse on the man who puts his trust in man, who relies on things of flesh, whose heart turns from the Lord. He is like dry scrub in the wastelands: if good comes, he has no eyes for it, he settles in the parched places of the wilderness, a salt land, uninhabited.

'A blessing on the man who puts his trust in the Lord, with the Lord for his hope. He is like a tree by the waterside that thrusts its roots to the stream: when the heat comes it feels no alarm, its foliage stays green; it has no worries in a year of drought, and never ceases to bear fruit.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM *Ps1:1-4.*

(R.) Happy are they who hope in the Lord.

- 1. Happy indeed is the man who follows not the counsel of the wicked; nor lingers in the way of sinners nor sits in the company of scorners, but whose delight is the law of the Lord and who ponders his law day and night. (R.)
- 2. He is like a tree that is planted beside the flowing waters, that yields its fruit in due season

and whose leaves shall never fade; and all that he does shall prosper. (R.)

 Not so are the wicked, not so! For they like winnowed chaff shall be driven away by the wind. For the Lord guards the way of the just but the way of the wicked leads to doom. (R.)

SECOND READING Corinthians 15:12, 16-20

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

If Christ raised from the dead is what has been preached, how can some of you be saying that there is no resurrection of the dead? For if the dead are not raised, Christ has not been raised, and if Christ has not been raised, you are still in your sins. And what is more serious, all who have died in Christ have perished. If our hope in Christ has been for this life only, we are the most unfortunate of all people. But Christ has in fact been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Luke 6:23

Luke 6: 17, 20-26

Alleluia, alleluia! Rejoice and be glad; your reward is great in heaven. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

Jesus came down with the Twelve and stopped at a piece of level ground where there was a large gathering of his disciples with a great crowd of people from all parts of Judaea and from Jerusalem and from the coastal region of Tyre and Sidon who had come to hear him and to be cured of their diseases.

Then fixing his eyes on his disciples he said: 'How happy are you who are poor: yours is the kingdom of God.

Happy you who are hungry now: you shall be satisfied.

Happy you who weep now: you shall laugh.

'Happy are you when people hate you, drive you out, abuse you, denounce your name as criminal, on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice when that day comes and dance for joy, for then your reward will be great in heaven. This was the way their ancestors treated the prophets.

'But alas for you who are rich: you are having your consolation now.

Alas for you who have your fill now: you shall go hungry.

Alas for you who laugh now: you shall mourn and weep.

'Alas for you when the world speaks well of you! This was the way their ancestors treated the false prophets.'

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

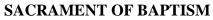
COMMUNION ANTIPHON

They ate and had their fill, and what they craved the Lord gave them; they were not disappointed in what they craved.

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.



- Alexander David Ruffolo (15 Feb)
- 🖊 Halle Bride Kaldawi (16 Feb)

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

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 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	
15/02	Haydn Walters	16/02	Mary Ebolo	
22/02	Peter Keogh	23/02	Kaye Hogan	
01/03	Therese Keogh	02/03	Raquel Gonzales	

MINISTERS OF THE WORD – ST IGNATIUS CHURCH				
DATE	5.00PM VIGIL MASS	DATE	9.30AM SUNDAY MASS	
15/02	Peter Keogh	29/09	Sr Helen Buckley fcJ	
22/02	Martin O'Brien	6/10	Ancita D'Cunha	
01/03	Julia Walters	13/10	Leonardo Vong	

MINISTERS OF THE WORD –		
ST JAMES CHURCH		
DATE	11.00AM MASS	
16/02	Margaret Gibson	
23/02	Pat Kelly	
02/03	Shane Healy	

COLLECTION WEEK – 8 th /9 th FEB 2025 ST IGNATIUS AND ST JAMES CHURCHES	
Thanksgiving Envelopes - \$2376.40	
Loose Collection - \$2817.15	

2025/2026 THANKSGIVING ENVELOPES

I take this opportunity to thank everyone who generously supports the ongoing works of the Richmond Catholic Parish through their weekly Thanksgiving contributions.

Your support enables the Parish to carry out its pastoral and building commitments within the Richmond Catholic Parish.

Thanksgiving Envelopes beginning 2 March 2025 to 22 February 2026 are now available for collection from the back of St. Ignatius Church and St. James Church.

If anyone who contributes to the Thanksgiving, via envelopes and would like to change to Direct Debit, please contact Licia Marchese for further information.

If there are any current or new parishioners who would like to contribute to the Parish's Thanksgiving Program, via Direct Debit, please contact Licia Marchese at the Parish office for *further details.*

Once again, thank you for your support.

Fr. Trung Nguyen SJ Parish Priest



IN THE PRESBYTERY KITCHEN SATURDAY 22 FEBRUARY – AFTER THE 5.00PM VIGIL MASS

VERANDAH OF THE PRESBYTERY SUNDAY 23 FEBRUARY AFTER 9.30AM MASS



BRIGIDINE ASYLUM SEEKER PROJECT

Once again, next weekend, as a Parish we are assisting with the work of the "Brigidine Asylum Seekers Project" (BASP) by organising the collection of the items as suggested below.

BASP helps over 250 people a month with housing or rental payments. It also provides groceries to many people – some delivered to their home and some collected by individuals from the centre.

It covers bills and daily expenses for people who are unable to work due to illness or because the government has not given them the right to work.

BASP volunteers provide social support and friendship to many of the people we assist. BASP is also involved in advocating for a fair, just and timely process for people seeking asylum. There are people who have been in Australia for 12 years still waiting for a visa. These years of uncertainty have a damaging impact on individuals and families.

FOOD AND HOUSEHOLD ITEMS TO ASSIST **BASP:**

Black Tea	Coffee Sm/Med
Oil- Olive and Vegetable	Basmati Rice –
Honey	Instant Noodles
Salt and Pepper	Strawberry Jam
Sweet Biscuits	Tuna in oil
Dates	Bin Liners – Lar
Spray n' Wipe	Toilet Duck
Gladwrap	Shampoo

Shaving Cream and **Dishwashing Liquid** Toothpaste/Toothbrushes

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Jar

Razors **Sponges**

Please place your items in a shopping bag and place the bag in the collect boxes in the Church