

FEAST DAY- 31 JULY

RICHMOND CATHOLIC PARISH OF ST. IGNATIUS & ST. JAMES

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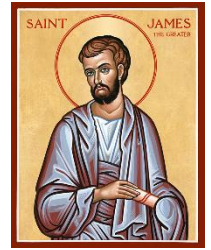
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FEAST DAY- 25 JULY

**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

**TRINITY CATHOLIC
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SACRAMENTS

Baptism

Please contact Parish
office.

Reconciliation

By appointment

Wedding

Contact Parish Office



Feast of the Most Holy Trinity

The mystery of the Most Holy Trinity is the foundation doctrine of Faith in Christianity, understandable not with our heads, but with our hearts. There is a very old story much-repeated story about St. Augustine, one of the intellectual giants of the Church. He was walking by the seashore one day, attempting to conceive of an intelligible explanation of for the Mystery of the Trinity.

As he walked along, he saw a small boy on the beach, pouring seawater from a shell into a small hole in the sand. “What are you doing, my child?” asked Augustine. “I am trying to empty the sea into his hole,” the boy answered with an innocent smile. “But that is impossible, my dear child,” said Augustine. The boy stood up, looked straight into the eyes of Augustine and replied, “What you are trying to do – comprehend the immensity of God with your small head – is even more impossible.” Then he vanished. The child was an angel sent by God to teach Augustine a lesson.

Later, Augustine wrote: “you see the Trinity if you see love.” According to him, the Father is the lover, the Son is the loved one and the Holy Spirit is the personification of the very act of loving. This means that we can understand something of the Mystery of the Holy Trinity more readily with the heart than our mind.

We need to see the Trinity as a model for our Christian families. We are created in love to be a community of loving persons, just as the Father, Son and Holy Spirit are united in love. From the day of our Baptism, we have belonged to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. The love, unity and joy in the relationship between Father, Son and Holy Spirit should be the supreme model of our relationships with our Christian families and communities. Our families and communities become truly Christian when we live in a relationship of love with God and others.

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.

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



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Blest be God the Father, and the Only Begotten Son of God, and also the Holy Spirit, for he has shown us his merciful love.

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 *Deuteronomy 4:32-34. 39-40*

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy
The Lord himself is God in heaven above and on earth below: there is no other.

Moses said to the people: 'Put this question to the ages that are past, that went before you, from the time God created man on earth: Was there ever a word so majestic, from one end of heaven to the other? Was anything ever heard? Did ever a people hear the voice of the living God speaking from the heart of the fire, as you heard it, and remain alive? Has any god ventured to take to himself one nation from the midst of another by ordeals, signs, wonders, war with mighty hand and outstretched arm, by fearsome terrors – all this that the Lord your God did for you before your eyes in Egypt?

'Understand this today, therefore, and take it to heart: The Lord is God indeed, in heaven above as on earth beneath, he and no other. Keep his laws and commandments as I give them to you today so that you and your children may prosper and live long in the land that the Lord your God gives you for ever.'

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

(R.) Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

1. The word of the Lord is faithful and all his works to be trusted. The Lord loves justice and right and fills the earth with his love. **(R.)**

2. With his word the heavens were made, by the breath of his mouth all the stars. He spoke; and they came to be. He commanded; they sprang into being. **(R.)**

3. The Lord looks on those who revere him, on those who hope in his love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine **(R.)**

4. Our soul is waiting for the Lord. The Lord is our help and our shield. May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you. **(R.)**

SECOND READING *Romans 8:14-17*

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans
You have received the Spirit that makes you God's own children, and in that Spirit we call God: Father, our Father!

Everyone moved by the Spirit is a son of God. The spirit you received is not the spirit of slaves bringing fear into your lives again; it is the spirit of sons, and it makes us cry out, 'Abba, Father!' The Spirit himself and our spirit bear united witness that we are children of God. And if we are children we are heirs as well: heirs of God and coheirs with Christ, sharing his sufferings so as to share his glory.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: to God who is, who was, and who is to come. **Alleluia!**

GOSPEL *Matthew 28:16-20*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew
Baptise them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

The eleven disciples set out for Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had arranged to meet them. When they saw him they fell down before him, though some hesitated. Jesus came up and spoke to them. He said, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, make disciples of all the nations; baptise them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teach them to observe all the commands I gave you. And know that I am with you always; yes, to the end of time.'

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

Since you are children of God, God has sent into your hearts the Spirit of his Son, the Spirit who cries out: Abba, Father.

MORNING TEA

Please join us

**Sunday 26 May –
after 9:30am Mass**

All welcome!



TRINITY PRIMARY SCHOOL FEAST DAY

A special feast day for Trinity Catholic School – Happy Feast Day to the school community. They will be acknowledging their namesake with a special Mass celebrated by our Parish Priest, Fr. Trung Nguyen, SJ, followed by a day of activities for staff and students.



PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Please keep in your prayers **Mr. Owen Paul** who is 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 the parish 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.

MELBOURNE CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION

St Patrick's Cathedral, in collaboration with Corpus Christi College Seminary, warmly invites you to participate in the Melbourne Corpus Christi Procession on **Sunday 2 June 2024**.

The day will commence at **1pm** with Mass at Sacred Heart Church in Carlton, followed by a Eucharistic procession to the Cathedral (from 2:30pm). Upon arrival at the Cathedral, we will hold Solemn Vespers and Benediction.

This event and procession echo the words of Pope St John Paul II in his encyclical letter, *Ecclesia de Eucharistia*: 'The devout participation of the faithful in the Eucharistic procession on the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ is a grace from the Lord which yearly fills with joy those who take part in it'

We look forward to walking with you in faith and fellowship.

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.

WORLD CHILDREN'S DAY – 25 MAY

On May 25 2024, the Church around the world will mark its first ever World Children's Day. The theme is "Behold, I make all things new"(Revelation 21:5)



MAY 26: NATIONAL SORRY DAY
MAY 27 – JUNE 3: RECONCILIATION WEEK

Last year many of us celebrated Sorry Day and National Reconciliation Week as signposts along a sunlit path to the Referendum on the Indigenous Voice to Parliament. This year we may honour them as scorched huts surviving on a landscape devastated by fire after the loss of the Referendum. They still bear their long history, but less as a celebration of progress than as a summons to struggle and to rebuild. The theme for National Reconciliation Week says it all. ‘Now More Than Ever, is a reminder to all of us that, no matter what, the fight for justice and the rights of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people must continue’.

In such a bleak landscape, it is worth recalling the events celebrated by the two events. National Reconciliation Week recalls the Referendum held on May 27, 1967. It held that decided Indigenous Australians must be recognised as part of the population and that the Commonwealth Government could make laws for them. The irony is that the Commonwealth Government has used the Referendum to make punitive laws against them. The Week also recalls the 1992 Mabo High Court decision that recognised the existence of native title, the April 1997 Report ‘Bringing them Home’ that examined the forced separation of Indigenous Australian children from their families, and the 2008 Apology by the Prime Minister to Indigenous peoples for the removal of their children.

These events offer some encouragement to continue to fight for ‘what needs to be done now more than ever’. They also point to the continuing conversion needed in Australian society. The bad-tempered public conversation during the Referendum revealed the continuing existence of prejudice against Indigenous Australians and the refusal of many Australians to accept the reality and effects of the dispossession of the First Peoples and the consequent need for reconciliation.

The 2028 Closing the Gap agreement between Australian governments and Indigenous representatives acknowledged and deplored the gap in health, wealth, education, employment and in other matters between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians. They also set targets for change. A 2024 review showed that only in three areas, two of them local and legal, has there been any improvement in key areas. In others that directly impinged on human lives and formed the principal concern of many Indigenous Australians, such as the lessening of the

number of children removed from their families, adults detained in the justice system, and the number of suicides, the numbers show deterioration. It seems certain, too, that the number of children detained under the justice system will increase after recent legislation in some States.

The defeat of the Referendum and the substantial failure to close the gap between the living conditions of Indigenous and other Australians mean that for many Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders this Reconciliation Week and Sorry Day will be less days of celebration than of grief. They must also be a time of sober commitment by all Australians to the unfinished task of Reconciliation.

FAMILIES WITH YOUNG CHILDREN

Over the next few weeks, we will be adding some children and baby friendly facilities in the glass chapel. Families with young children and babies are welcome to sit and use during mass.

FEAST DAYS

MAY - FOR THE FORMATION OF RELIGIOUS AND SEMINARIANS

We pray that religious women, men, and seminarians grow in their vocations through their human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, leading them to be credible witnesses to the Gospel.

- 27 Saint Augustine of Canterbury, bishop
- 29 Saint Paul VI, pope
- 31 **The Visitation Of The Blessed Virgin Mary**
- 1 Saint Justin, martyr
- 2 **The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ**

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST			
ST IGNATIUS CHURCH			
DATE	5.00PM VIGIL MASS	DATE	9.30AM SUNDAY MASS
25/05	Haydn Walters	26/05	Simon Feely
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

READERS’ ROSTER			
ST IGNATIUS CHURCH			
Saturday 25/05 5.00pm	Julia Walters	Sunday 26/05 9.30am	Leonardo Vong
Saturday 01/06 5.00pm	Therese Keogh	Sunday 02/06 9.30am	Adelia Vong
ST JAMES CHURCH			
Sunday 26/05 11:00am	Aseye Banini	Sunday 02/06 11:00am	Shane Healy

ST IGNATIUS AND ST JAMES CHURCHES	
COLLECTION WEEK – 18/19 MAY 2024	
Thanksgiving Envelopes	\$288.45
Loose Collection	\$2281.15