THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B

10 November 2024



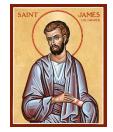
FEAST DAY-31 JULY

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.

Reconciliation

By appointment

Wedding

Contact Parish Office

TRINITY CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

57-61 Davison Street. NORTH RICHMOND **VIC 3121**

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Principal

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THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION TOOK PLACE AT ST IGNATIUS CHURCH ON TUESDAY 29 OCTOBER.



Congratulations to the students who celebrated their Sacrament of Confirmation on Tuesday, 29 October. The Very Reverend Fr Anthony Kerin JCL VG, together with Fr Trung Nguyen SJ PP, led a beautiful celebration of the Sacrament.



The celebration was supported by the Trinity Primary School choir.



Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful. And kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And you will renew the face of the earth.

Stay Connected!

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

Let my prayer come into your presence. Incline your ear to my cry for help, O Lord.

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 the Lord. You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God, the Father. Amen.

FIRST READING 1 Kings 17: 10-16 A reading from the first book of Kings

The widow made a little scone from her flour meal and brought it to Elijah.

Elijah the Prophet went off to Sidon. And when he reached the city gate, there was a widow gathering sticks; addressing her he said, 'Please bring a little water in a vessel for me to drink.' She was setting off to bring it when he called after her. 'Please' he said, 'bring me a scrap of bread in your hand.' 'As the Lord your God lives', she replied, 'I have no baked bread, but only a handful of meal in a jar and a little oil in a jug; I am just gathering a stick or two to go and prepare this for myself and my son to eat, and then we shall die.' But Elijah said to her, 'Do not be afraid, go and do as you have said; but first make a little scone of it for me and bring it to me, and then make some for yourself and for your son. For thus the Lord speaks, the God of Israel:

"Jar of meal shall not be spent, jug of oil shall not be emptied, before the day when the Lord sends rain on the face of the earth."

The woman went and did as Elijah told her and they ate the food, she, himself and her son. The jar of meal was not spent nor the jug of oil emptied, just as the Lord had foretold through Elijah.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 145: 7-10

Praise the Lord, my soul!

- 1. It is the Lord who keeps faith forever who is just to those who are oppressed. It is he who gives bread to the hungry, the Lord who sets prisoners free. (**R.**)
- 2. It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind, who raises up those who are bowed down. It is the Lord who loves the just, the Lord who protects the stranger. (R.)
- 3. The Lord upholds the widow and orphan but thwarts the path of the wicked.

 The Lord will reign for ever,

 Zion's God, from age to age. (R.)

SECOND READING Hebrews: 9: 24-28 A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

Christ offered himself only once to take the faults of many on himself.

It is not as though Christ had entered a man-made sanctuary which was only modelled on the real one; but it was heaven itself, so that he could appear in the actual presence of God on our behalf. And he does not have to offer himself again and again, like the high priest going into the sanctuary year after year with the blood that is not his own, or else he would have had to suffer over and over again since the world began. Instead of that, he has made his appearance once and for all, now at the end of the last age, to do away with sin by sacrificing himself. Since men only die once, and after that comes judgement, so Christ, too, offers himself only once to take the faults of many on himself, and when he appears a second time, it will not be to deal with sin but to reward with salvation those who are waiting for him.

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 12: 38-44

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

This poor widow has put more in than all who contributed.

In his teaching Jesus said, 'Beware of the scribes who like to walk about in long robes, to be greeted obsequiously in the market squares, to take the front seats in the synagogues and the places of honour at banquets; these are the men who swallow the property of widows, while making a show of lengthy prayers. The more severe will be the sentence they receive.'

He sat down opposite the treasury and watched the people putting money into the treasury, and many of the rich put in a great deal. A poor widow came and put in two small coins, the equivalent of a penny. Then he called to his disciples and said to them, 'I tell you solemnly, this poor widow has put more in than all who have contributed to the treasury; for they have all put in money they had over, but she from the little she had has put in everything she possessed, all she had to live on.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

APOSTLES' CREED

and life everlasting.

Amen

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 *Psalm 22: 1-2*

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want

Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose,

near restful waters he leads me.

IGNATIUS MEN'S GROUP UPDATE



The group meets are now scheduled for the 2nd Monday of each month at 7pm at the Presbytery.

The next meeting is to be on Monday, 11 November.
New members welcome.

Enquiries to parish@ignatius.org.au

BRIGIDINE ASYLUM SEEKERS PROJECT

Thankyou to all the wonderful parishioners who have so generously continued to donate to the Brigidine Asylum Seekers Project (BASP).

Your generosity and words of encouragement are much appreciated.

Our contributions will make a big difference to the assistance provided by BASP.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Children from Prep to Year 6 are invited to participate in the Children's Liturgy of the Word, at St James during the 11.00am Mass today (Sunday 10th) and on:

- November 17 and 24
- December 1 and 8

The children will leave the main body of the Church just after the beginning of Mass and return for the Offertory Procession.

This activity is facilitated by Mrs Annabelle Marinelli, Deputy Principal at Trinity Catholic School with the assistance of a number of school parents.



PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS



THE SICK IN OUR PARISH

Nicola Collins

ANNIVERSARY OF DEATH

† Andrew McKenna (1st Anniv on 8/11)

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.

FEAST DAYS

NOVEMBER

- 11 St Martin of Tours
- 15 St Albert the Great
- 21 Presentation of Mary
- 22 St Cecilia



Please note:

A REMINDER THAT:

THE VIETNAMESE MASS ON SUNDAY 17 NOVEMBER **HAS BEEN MOVED TO 5:00PM** (instead of 4:00pm).

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST - ST IGNATIUS CHURCH					
DATE	5.00PM	DATE	9.30AM		
DATE	VIGIL MASS		SUNDAY MASS		
9/11	Julia Walters	10/11	Mary Ebolo		
16/11	Haydn Walters	17/11	Kaye Hogan		
23/11	Giovanna Scollo	24/11	Simon Feely		
30/11	Marlon S'Souza	1/12	Licia Marchese		

MINISTERS OF THE WORD – ST IGNATIUS CHURCH					
DATE	5.00PM VIGIL MASS	DATE	9.30AM SUNDAY MASS		
9/11	Therese Keogh	10/11	Sr Barbara Brown- Graham fcJ		
16/11	Julia Walters	17/11	Mary Ebolo		
23/11	Mary Burns	24/11	Sr Tina Lubong FDZ		
30/11	Peter Keogh	1/12	Gabrielle Keenan		

MINISTERS OF THE WORD – ST JAMES CHURCH				
DATE	11.00AM MASS			
10/11	Margaret Gibson			
17/11	Greg Strange			
24/11	Herb Zimmer			
1/12	Louise Luu			

COLLECTION WEEK – 2/3 NOVEMBER 2024
ST IGNATIUS AND ST JAMES CHURCHES
Thanksgiving Envelopes - \$270
Loose Collection - \$2331.15

SCRIPTURE COMMENTARY

by Dianne Bergant CSA

The woman in the first reading has very few resources to call upon. Despite the fact that she is a widow, she is still required by custom to provide hospitality to whoever approaches her, regardless of the cost this might exact of her. She followed the word of the prophet, and God's word came to pass. Her miraculous supply of flour and oil lasted for a year. In her oath, she had declared that Elijah's God lives. She made this proclamation in the face of what appeared to be inevitable death. The miracle showed the woman that this God who lives can and will grant life even in the face of death.

The psalm is a hymn of praise of the Lord – Hallelujah in Hebrew. The word is used as a refrain, a response to a series of statements that offer examples of God's indescribable graciousness. 'God of Jacob' (v.7) refers to the special protection that was given to the ancestor after whom the nation was named. God's graciousness to the vulnerable is next extolled (vv.8-9). The final verse praises God as sovereign and eternal ruler in Jerusalem. All of the verses of the psalm testify to the glory of this God who reigns forever from the very hill that is at the centre of the lives of the people. Such a God surely deserves praise.

The argument in the second reading plays on the difference between the true sanctuary and the one patterned after it. It claims that while high priests performed their sacrificial duties in the earthly temple, the exalted Jesus entered the true sanctuary. It insists that the cultic system, established to enable people to participate in cosmic events by re-enacting them, was only able to actualise those events for a short time. This explains why the ritual of the Day of Atonement was reenacted year after year. In contrast to this, Jesus offered himself once for all. His sacrifice, like all cosmic acts, was unrepeatable. Earthly ritual may re-enact his sacrifice, but there is no need for Jesus himself to repeat it.

In the gospel, Jesus condemns ostentation. Some men wore religious robes in public, hoping that people would consider them prayerful. Others sought the most important seats in the synagogue or at banquets. Still others made sure that their temple offerings were acknowledged. In contrast to this, Jesus pointed out the offering of a poor widow. She offered the smallest coins in circulation at that time, but she gave out of the generosity of her heart. Jesus spoke of the source of the offering. The wealthy donated from their surplus, what they did not need. The woman gave what she herself needed. Her total giving implied absolute trust in God. The passage that opened with a condemnation of the false piety of the unscrupulous, closes with praise of the genuine piety of the simple.