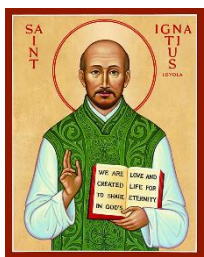


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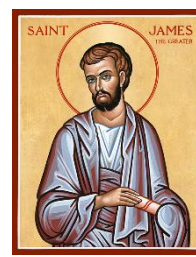


FEAST DAY- 31 JULY

RICHMOND CATHOLIC PARISH
OF ST. IGNATIUS & ST. JAMES

Parish Priest: Fr. Trung Hoang Nguyen, SJ
Parish Manager: Ms. Licia Marchese (Mon-Fri)
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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**
www.tcs.catholic.edu.au

Principal
Nigel Rodrigues
Tel: 03 9428 7180

A BLESSING PRAYER FOR FATHER'S DAY

**God of Kindness and Compassion,
we are your children and you are Father to us all.
We give honour and thanks to:
those who reflect your fatherly example;
those who are dads and grandads; step-dads, foster dads,
godfathers and fathers-in-law;
those who are coaches, leaders and mentors;
and those who are elders and wisdom-men in our communities.**

**We look to these men for strength of body and strength of character.
We look to them to pass on skills and pass on stories.
We look to them to protect and provide.
We look to them for care and compassion.
We look to them to be co-creators and stewards of the world.**

**For all who embrace their role as father, we give thanks.
For those who struggle with being fathers, give them strength.
For those who are distanced from the children, give them comfort.
For those who have passed from this world, give them peace.**

**Bless these men that we call father.
Bless them for their strength and in their weakness.
Bless them in their joy and their sorrow.
Bless them in their work and in their play.
And bless them, Father, for being fathers.**

**We make this prayer through the one
who taught us to call you Father;
Your Son, Our Lord, Jesus Christ.**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into
temptation, but deliver us from evil.
Amen**

Greg Sunter



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 *Psalm 118:137, 124*

You are just, O Lord, and your judgement is right; treat your servant in accord with your 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 *Wisdom 9:13-18*

A reading from the book of Wisdom

What man can know the intentions of God?
Who can divine the will of the Lord? The reasonings of mortals are unsure and our intentions unstable; for a perishable body presses down the soul, and this tent of clay weighs down the teeming mind. It is hard enough for us to work out what is on earth, laborious to know what lies within our reach; who, then, can discover what is in the heavens? As for your intention, who could have learnt it, had you not granted Wisdom and sent your holy spirit from above? Thus have the paths of those on earth been straightened and men been taught what pleases you, and saved, by Wisdom.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL *Ps 89:3-6. 12-14. 17*

(R.) In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

1. You turn men back into dust
and say: 'Go back, sons of men.'
To your eyes a thousand years
are like yesterday, come and gone,
no more than a watch in the night. (R.)
2. You sweep men away like a dream,
like grass which springs up in the morning.
In the morning it springs up and flowers:
by evening it withers and fades. (R.)
3. Make us know the shortness of our life
that we may gain wisdom of heart.
Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever?
Show pity to your servants. (R.)
4. In the morning, fill us with your love;
we shall exult and rejoice all our days.
Let the favour of the Lord be upon us:
give success to the work of our hands. (R.)

SECOND READING *Philemon 12-17:Phlm 9-10, 12-17*

A reading from the letter of St Paul to Philemon

This is Paul writing, an old man now and, what is more, still a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for a child of mine, whose father I became while wearing these chains: I mean Onesimus. I am sending him back to you, and with him – I could say – a part of my own self. I should have liked to keep him with me; he could have been a substitute for you, to help me while I am in the chains that the Good News has brought me. However, I did not want to do anything without your consent; it would have been forcing your act of kindness, which should be spontaneous. I know you have been deprived of Onesimus for a time, but it was only so that you could have him back for ever, not as a slave any more, but something much better than a slave, a dear brother; especially dear to me, but how much more to you, as a blood-brother as well as a brother in the Lord. So if all that we have in common means anything to you, welcome him as you would me.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *Psalm 118:135*

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Let your face shine on your servant, and teach me your laws.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL *Luke 14:25-33*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Great crowds accompanied Jesus on his way and he turned and spoke to them. 'If any man comes to me without hating his father, mother, wife, children, brothers, sisters, yes and his own life too, he cannot be my disciple. Anyone who does not carry his cross and come after me cannot be my disciple.

'And indeed, which of you here, intending to build a tower, would not first sit down and work out the cost to see if he had enough to complete it? Otherwise, if he laid the foundation and then found himself unable to finish the work, the onlookers would all start making fun of him and saying, "Here is a man who started to build and was unable to finish." Or again, what king marching to war against another king would not first sit down and consider whether with ten thousand men he could stand up to the other who advanced against him with twenty thousand? If not, then while the other king was still a long way off, he would send envoys to sue for peace. So in the same way, none of you can be my disciple unless he gives up all his possessions.'

This is 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 *Psalm 41:2-3*

Like the deer that yearns for running streams, so my
soul is yearning for you, my God; my soul is thirsting
for God, the living God.

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.*

✙ Kate Franklyn
✙ Sophie Hogan
✙ Nick van der Pligt

RECENTLY DECEASED

*If in company with Christ, who died and now lives, may
they rejoice in Your kingdom, where all our tears are
wiped away.
Unite us together again in one
family,
to sing Your praise forever and
ever. Amen.*



Rocco Di Masi (01/09)

*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 (September):

- 8th The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- 9th St Peter Claver SJ
- 10th Francis Garate, Rel, SJ
- 12th The Most Holy Name of Mary
- 14th The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

AUSTRALIAN JESUIT FOUNDATION TRUST



Father's Day Collection for 6th and 7th September 2025

As we prepare to celebrate
Father's Day, it is timely to remember the Jesuit
Fathers who have ministered to our Parish
Community and to express our support through
a collection on Father's Day for the retired and
sick Jesuits.

This weekend, we will have a special collection
in support of Australian Jesuit Foundation.
Envelopes will be provided, should you wish to
donate via bank transfer or credit card. All
donations of \$2 or more are tax deductible.
Thank you for your support.

Australian Jesuit Trust Foundation

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST ST. IGNATIUS CHURCH			
DATE	5.00PM VIGIL MASS	DATE	9.30AM SUNDAY MASS
06/09	Haydn Walters	07/09	Kaye Hogan
13/09	Martin O'Brian	14/09	Simon Feely
20/09	Giovanna Scollo	21/09	Raquel Gonzales

MINISTERS OF THE WORD ST. IGNATIUS CHURCH			
DATE	5.00PM VIGIL MASS	DATE	9.30AM SUNDAY MASS
06/09	Mary Burns	07/09	Adelia Vong
13/09	Marlon D'Souza	14/09	Leonardo Vong
20/09	Henry Mai	21/09	Simon Feely

MINISTERS OF THE WORD ST. JAMES CHURCH	
DATE	11.00AM MASS
07/09	Louise Luu
14/09	Aseye Banini
21/09	Shane Healy

COLLECTION WEEK – 30 th and 31 st August 2025 ST. IGNATIUS AND ST. JAMES CHURCHES	
Thanksgiving Envelopes – \$501.00	
Loose Collection – \$2484	

SAFEGUARDING SUNDAY, 14 SEPTEMBER



September 14 is “Safeguarding Sunday,” a day when we pause to focus on our responsibility

to protect and care for those who are vulnerable. In the Bible, we find a clear and strong message about justice, compassion, and speaking up for those who cannot speak for themselves. We are called to be a safe, welcoming and hope-filled church. In our everyday lives, let’s be mindful of those around us who are vulnerable or marginalised. Who are the “silent” ones in our society, the ones without a voice? Today, God may be calling you to stand up for them. Whether it’s through prayer, support, or direct action, we are invited to participate in God’s work of justice.



Thank you to the Richmond Catholic Community, for once again so generously contributing to the Brigidine Asylum Seeker Project.

WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES SUNDAY 5 OCTOBER 2025 FORTHCOMING PARISH CELEBRATION



The late Pope Francis, chose “*Migrant, Missionaries of Hope*” as the theme to the 2025 “World Day of

Migrants and Refugees.” This day will be celebrated on Sunday 5 October.

The occasion would be a chance to reflect on “the courage and tenacity of migrants and refugees, who bear daily witness to hope in the future.”

Refugees and Migrants are very much of part of the richness that is the Richmond Catholic Parish.

As a Parish faith community, we will be celebrating “World Day of Migrants and Refugees” on Sunday 5 October. There will be only one Parish Mass that weekend, being the 9.30am Mass on Sunday 5 October.

We look forward to having as many as possible cultures represented at the Mass.

Come along in national costume.

It is an opportunity for us to acknowledge the many cultures in our Parish Community and the contributions that they make to our Parish.

We are asking each culture to provide a traditional dish, in which everyone present can indulge.

Part of this wonderful celebration would be some entertainment. **Each cultural group could lead us in a dance or song, thus having some great fun together.**

Mark this date in your diary. More information forthcoming in the coming weeks. So, please stay tuned.

THE JUBILEE PRAYER OF HOPE



Father in Heaven,
may the faith you have given us
in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother,
and the flame of charity enkindled
in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,
reawaken in us the blessed hope
for the coming of your kingdom.

May your grace transform us
into tireless cultivators of the seeds of
the Gospel.
May those seeds transform from within
both humanity and the whole cosmos
in the sure expectation
of a new heaven and an a new earth,
when, the powers of Evil vanquished,
your glory will shine.

May the grace of the Jubilee
reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope,
a yearning for the treasures of heaven.

May the same grace spread
the joy and peace of our Redeemer
throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed,
be glory and praise for ever.
Amen.

Franciscus