TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B

22 September 2024



FEAST DAY- 31 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

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SACRAMENTS

Baptism Please contact Parish office.

> **Reconciliation** By appointment

Wedding Contact Parish Office

RICHMOND CATHOLIC PARISH OF ST. IGNATIUS & ST. JAMES

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A reminder to join us for a tea or coffee after Mass next Sunday under the Presbytery verandah. All welcome.



We will be joined by Fr Michael Smith SJ who will be the celebrant for the 9.30am Mass next Sunday.

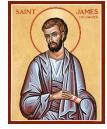
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This year's theme is:



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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

I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord. Should they cry to me in any distress, I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for ever.

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

Wisdom 2: 12, 17-20

A reading from the book of Wisdom

Let us condemn him to a most shameful death.

The godless say to themselves,

'Let us lie in wait for the virtuous man, since he annoys us

and opposes our way of life,

reproaches us for our breaches of the law

and accuses us of playing false to our upbringing. Let us see if what he says is true,

let us observe what kind of end he himself will have.

If the virtuous man is God's son, God will take his part

and rescue him from the clutches of his enemies. Let us test him with cruelty and with torture, and thus explore this gentleness of his

and put his endurance to the proof.

Let us condemn him to a shameful death since he will be looked after – we have his word for it.'

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM *Ps 53: 3-6. 8*

Response: The Lord upholds my life.

- O God, save me by your name; by your power, uphold my cause. O God, hear my prayers; listen to the words of my mouth. (**R**.)
- For proud men have risen against me, ruthless men seek my life. They have no regard for God. (R.)

 But I have God for my help. The Lord upholds my life. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart and praise your name for it is good. (R.)

SECOND READING

James 3: 16 – 4:3

A reading from the letter of St James Justice is the harvest of peacemakers from seeds sown in a spirit of peace.

Wherever you find jealousy and ambition, you find disharmony, and wicked things of every kind being done; whereas the wisdom that comes down from above is essentially something pure; it also makes for peace, and is kindly and considerate; it is full of compassion and shows itself by doing good; nor is there any trace of partiality or hypocrisy in it. Peacemakers, when they work for peace, sow the seeds which will bear fruit in holiness.

Where do these wars and battles between yourselves first start? Isn't it precisely in the desires fighting inside your own selves? You want something and you haven't got it; so you are prepared to kill. You have an ambition that you cannot satisfy; so you fight to get your way by force. Why you don't have what you want is because you don't pray for it; when you do pray and don't get it, it is because you have not prayed properly, you have prayed for something to indulge your own desires.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION 2 Thessalonians 2: 14

Alleluia, alleluia!

God has called us with the gospel to share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mark 9: 30-37

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark The Son of Man will be delivered into the hands of humanity ... All who wish to be first must make themselves the servants of all.

After leaving the mountain Jesus and his disciples made their way through Galilee; and he did not want anyone to know, because he was instructing his disciples; he was telling them, 'The Son of Man will be delivered into the hands of men; they will put him to death; and three days after he has been put to death he will rise again.' But they did not understand what he said and were afraid to ask him.

They came to Capernaum, and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the road?' They said nothing because they had been arguing which of them was the greatest. So he sat down, called the Twelve to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be first, he must make himself last of all and servant of all.' He then took a little child, set him in front of them, put his arms round him, and said to them, 'Anyone who welcomes one of these little children in my name, welcomes me; and anyone who welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'

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 *Psalm 118: 4-5*

You have laid down your precepts to be carefully kept; may my ways be firm in keeping your statutes.

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM Romeo Toto Russo (21/09)



THE SICK IN OUR PARISH

ANNIVERSARY OF THE DECEASED Antonietta Ziino (1 month anniversary)

Please notify the parish office by Thursday 10.00am by ringing 8420 6789 or email: <u>parish@ignatius.org.au</u> if you would like to add to our prayer list.

IGNATIUS MEN'S GROUP UPDATE

The Ignatian Men's Group plans to meet again. Interested men in our parish should make contact with Simon Feely (<u>simonrfeely@gmail.com</u>).

FEAST DAYS

SEPTEMBER

- 23 St Pius (Padre Pio) of Pietrelcina
- 27 St Vincent de Paul, Priest

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL (April 24, 1581- September 27, 1660) was a French priest who dedicated his life to helping the poor, and is considered one of the most important figures in the history of charity. He was canonized by Pope Clement X in 1737



and declared the patron saint of all charitable works.

Saint Vincent De Paul was the son of a poor peasant farmer. At the age of 19, he was sent to study theology at the University of Toulouse, where he earned a doctorate in theology. In 1605, Vincent was ordained a priest.He developed a deep commitment to helping the poor and the disadvantaged. He established the Congregation of the Mission in 1625, which was a group of priests dedicated to evangelizing to the poor and providing them with spiritual, material and educational assistance. In 1633, Vincent founded the Daughters of Charity, a religious order of nuns devoted to providing physical, spiritual and educational aid to the poor and disadvantaged.

Vincent organized and directed numerous charitable works, such as founding hospitals, orphanages, and schools for the poor. He also established credit unions and bank loans to help the poor become self-sufficient. His life's work earned him the nickname of the "Apostle of Charity" and he was widely admired for his dedication to helping the less fortunate.

Saint Vincent De Paul's feast day is celebrated on September 27th, the day of his death. His canonization date was July 16th, 1737. He is also the patron saint of charitable societies, hospitals, prisoners and volunteers.

Saint Vincent De Paul is remembered as one of the most influential figures in the history of charity. His legacy of selfless service to the poor and disadvantaged is still remembered today, and his example of charity and compassion is an inspiration to many.

CLASS MASSES AT ST JAMES CHURCH:

The Year 5 and 6 students of Trinity Catholic School prepared a lovely celebration at St James last Sunday. Thankyou to the children, staff and Bernadette and the school choir.

WORKS IN OUR PARISH

1. Painting of interior of St. Ignatius Church:

Work continues on the interior painting of our church. The job is expected to take about two months to complete at a total cost (including machinery to



access the Church's height, repairs and preparation for painting) of **\$189,499.00.**

"Programme Property Services" is working closely with the Parish to ensure minimal disruption to our liturgical celebrations.

2. Upgrade/Repair Stairs and Balconies:

We are awaiting reports and quotes to upgrade and/or repair the stairs and balconies of the North and South wings of the Ignatius Centre.

The Parish is investing its own cash reserves in the above projects. Anyone wishing to contribute to the cost of these projects, please contact Fr. Trung Nguyen SJ, our Parish Priest. All contributions will be gratefully accepted.

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST - ST IGNATIUS CHURCH				
DATE	5.00PM VIGIL MASS	DATE	9.30AM SUNDAY MASS	
21/09	Peter Keogh	22/09	Mary Ebolo	
28/09	Therese Keogh	29/09	Kaye Hogan	
5/10	Giovanna Scollo	6/10	Simon Feely	
12/10	Marlon D'Souza	13/10	Licia Marchese	

MINISTERS OF THE WORD – ST IGNATIUS CHURCH				
DATE	5.00PM VIGIL MASS	DATE	9.30AM SUNDAY MASS	
21/09	Marlon D'Souza	22/09	Gabrielle Keenan	
28/09	Martin O'Brien	29/09	Sr Helen Buckley fcJ	
5/10	Therese Keogh	6/10	Ancita D'Cunha	
12/10	Mary Burns	13/10	Leonardo Vong	

MINISTERS OF THE WORD –				
ST JAMES CHURCH				
DATE	11.00AM MASS			
22/09	Margaret Gibson			
29/09	Greg Strange			
6/10	Herb Zimmer			
13/10	Louise Luu			

COLLECTION WEEK – 14/15 SEPTEMBER 2024 ST IGNATIUS AND ST JAMES CHURCHES Thanksgiving Envelopes - \$261.35

Loose Collection - \$2207.15

INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEACE 2024



This year marks the 25th anniversary of the United Nations General Assembly's adoption of the <u>Declaration and Programme of Action on a</u> <u>Culture of Peace</u>.

In that declaration, the United Nations' most inclusive body recognized that peace "not only is the absence of conflict, but also requires a positive, dynamic participatory process where dialogue is encouraged and conflicts are solved in a spirit of mutual understanding and cooperation."

In a world with rising geopolitical tensions and protracted conflicts, there has never been a better time to remember how the UN General Assembly came together in 1999 to lay out the values needed for a culture of peace. These include: respect for life, human rights and fundamental freedoms; the promotion of non-violence through education, dialogue and cooperation; commitment to peaceful settlement of conflicts; and adherence to freedom, justice, democracy, tolerance, solidarity, cooperation, pluralism, cultural diversity, dialogue and understanding at all levels of society and among nations.

In follow-up resolutions, the General Assembly recognized further the importance of choosing negotiations over confrontation and of working together and not against each other.

The Constitution of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (<u>UNESCO</u>) starts with the notion that "wars begin in the minds of men so it is in the minds of men that the defences of peace must be constructed". It is this notion that framed the theme and logo of this year's observance of the International Day of Peace. The ideas of peace, the culture of peace, need to be cultivated in the minds of children and communities through formal and informal education, across countries and generations.

The International Day of Peace has always been a time to lay down weapons and observe ceasefires. But it now must also be a time for people to see each other's humanity. Our survival as a global community depends on that.