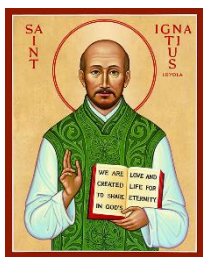


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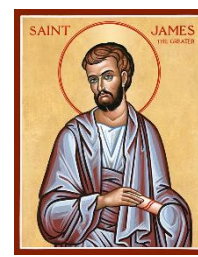


FEAST DAY- 31 JULY

RICHMOND CATHOLIC PARISH
OF ST. IGNATIUS & ST. JAMES

Parish Priest: Fr. Trung Hoang Nguyen, SJ
Parish Manager: Ms. Licia Marchese (Mon-Fri)
Administrative Assistant: Miss Julia Cappozzo

Operation hours: Monday – Friday 9.00am – 4.00pm
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Website: <https://www.melbcatholic.org/richmond>



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

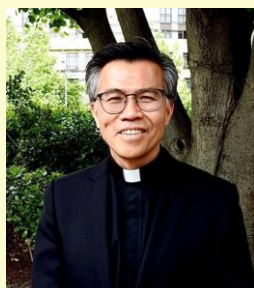
Wedding
Contact Parish Office

TRINITY CATHOLIC
PRIMARY SCHOOL

**57-61 Davison Street,
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VIC 3121**

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Principal
Nigel Rodrigues
Tel: 03 9428 7180



A WARM WELCOME TO
BISHOP THINH XUAN NGUYEN DD

On the evening of 8 November 2024, Rev Fr Thinh Xuan Nguyen was appointed by Pope Francis as an Auxiliary Bishop for the Archdiocese of Melbourne.

Born in 1973 in Saigon, Vietnam, to Hang Xuan Nguyen and Coi Thi Nguyen (nee Pham), Fr Thinh Nguyen is the 3rd youngest of nine brothers and four sisters.

Fr Thinh has served in the Melbourne Archdiocesan parishes of Deer Park; Fitzroy and Bennettswood, and has also served as Chaplain to Archdiocesan Office of Youth, Chaplain to the University of Melbourne, Formator at Corpus Christi College (Regional Seminary), and Assistant Vocations Director for the Archdiocese. He also holds a Master's Degree in Theological Studies, and a Master of Arts in Spirituality.

Bishop Thinh Nguyen will be the main celebrant at the 9.30 Mass on Sunday 1 June. He will be staying on after Mass and mingling with parishioners at the Parish's end of the month morning tea. This will be a wonderful opportunity for him to meet our parishioners and get a real sense of what it is like to belong to the wonderful Richmond Catholic Parish.



STAY FOR A CUPPA AFTER MASS

Our next "cuppa" after Mass will be on Sunday 1 June after the 9.30am Mass.

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*Isaiah 48:20*

Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard;
 proclaim to the ends of the earth:
 The Lord has freed his people, alleluia.

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 *Acts of the Apostles 15:1-2. 22-29**A reading from the Acts of the Apostles*

It has been decided by the Holy Spirit and ourselves not to burden you beyond what is essential.

Some men came down from Judaea and taught the brothers, 'Unless you have yourselves circumcised in the tradition of Moses you cannot be saved.' This led to disagreement, and after Paul and Barnabas had had a long argument with these men it was arranged that Paul and Barnabas and others of the church should go up to Jerusalem and discuss the problem with the apostles and elders.

Then the apostles and elders decided to choose delegates to send to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas; the whole church concurred with this. They chose Judas known as Barsabbas and Silas, both leading men in the brotherhood, and gave them this letter to take with them: 'The apostles and elders, your brothers, send greetings to the brothers of pagan birth in Antioch, Syria and Cilicia. We hear that some of our members have disturbed you with their demands and have unsettled your minds. They acted without any authority from us, and so we have decided unanimously to elect delegates and to send them to you with Barnabas and Paul, men we highly respect who have dedicated their lives to the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Accordingly we are sending you Judas and Silas, who will confirm by word of mouth what we have written in this letter. It has been decided by the Holy Spirit and by ourselves not to saddle you with any burden beyond these essentials: you are to abstain from food sacrificed to idols, from blood, from the meat of strangled animals and from fornication. Avoid these, and you will do what is right. Farewell.'

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM*Ps 66:2-3. 5-6. 8. R. v.4***(R.)** O God, let all the nations praise you!

1. O God, be gracious and bless us
 and let your face shed its light upon us.
 So will your ways be known upon earth
 and all nations learn your saving help. **(R.)**
2. Let the nations be glad and exult
 for you rule the world with justice.
 With fairness you rule the peoples,
 you guide the nations on earth. **(R.)**
3. Let the peoples praise you, O God;
 let all the peoples praise you.
 May God still give us his blessing
 till the ends of the earth revere him. **(R.)**

SECOND READING*Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23**A reading from the book of the Apocalypse*

He showed me the holy city coming down out of heaven.

In the spirit, the angel took me to the top of an enormous high mountain and showed me Jerusalem, the holy city, coming down from God out of heaven. It had all the radiant glory of God and glittered like some precious jewel of crystal-clear diamond. The walls of it were of a great height, and had twelve gates; at each of the twelve gates there was an angel, and over the gates were written the names of the twelve tribes of Israel; on the east there were three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. The city walls stood on twelve foundation stones, each one of which bore the name of one of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

I saw that there was no temple in the city since the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb were themselves the temple, and the city did not need the sun or the moon for light, since it was lit by the radiant glory of God and the Lamb was a lighted torch for it.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION*John 14:23*

Alleluia, Alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words,
 and my Father will love them and we will come to them.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

John 14:23-29

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

The Holy Spirit will teach you everything and remind you of all I have said to you.

Jesus said to his disciples:

‘If anyone loves me he will keep my word,
and my Father will love him,
and we shall come to him
and make our home with him.
Those who do not love me do not keep my words.
And my word is not my own:
it is the word of the one who sent me.
I have said these things to you
while still with you;
but the Advocate, the Holy Spirit,
whom the Father will send in my name,
will teach you everything
and remind you of all I have said to you.
Peace I bequeath to you,
my own peace I give you,
a peace the world cannot give, this is my gift to you.
Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid.
You heard me say:
I am going away, and shall return.
If you loved me you would have been glad to know
that I am going to the Father,
for the Father is greater than I.
I have told you this now before it happens,
so that when it does happen you may believe.’

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

John 14:15-16

If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord, and I will ask the Father and he will send you another Paraclete, to abide with you forever, Alleluia.

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.*



*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*

RECENTLY DECEASED

✠ Francis Xavier Dunin

BAPTISM

✠ Archie John Green

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST ST. IGNATIUS CHURCH

DATE	5.00PM VIGIL MASS	DATE	9.30AM SUNDAY MASS
24/05	Martin D'Souza	25/05	Simon Feely
31/05	Therese Keogh	01/06	Raquel Gonzales
07/06	Giovanna Scollo	08/06	Kaye Hogan

MINISTERS OF THE WORD ST. IGNATIUS CHURCH

DATE	5.00PM VIGIL MASS	DATE	9.30AM SUNDAY MASS
24/05	Mary Burns	25/05	Gabrielle Keenan
31/05	Peter Keogh	01/06	Sr Helen Buckley fcJ
07/06	VOLUNTEER	08/06	Ancita D'Cunha

MINISTERS OF THE WORD ST. JAMES CHURCH

DATE	11.00AM MASS
25/05	Margaret Gibson
01/6	Herb Zimmer
08/6	Pat Kelly

COLLECTION WEEK – 17th /18th May 2025 ST. IGNATIUS AND ST. JAMES CHURCHES

Thanksgiving Envelopes - \$571.00
Loose Collection - \$2,319.95



**Fr Maciej Obzazgiewicz SJ will be
leading talks on Ignatian Spirituality.**

The talks over four weeks will begin at 7.00pm.

**More information can be found on the flyers
available at the entrance of the Church.**

RETREAT IN DAILY LIFE

“We have come to know and believe in the love that God has for us”. (1J 14,16) is a four week retreat in daily life, which is an adaptation of St Ignatius’ Spiritual Exercises. The retreat will be an opportunity for you to slow down and **look into your heart together with Jesus**. You will learn basic spiritual exercises, practiced by Jesuits in almost five centuries, that will help you live more consciously, closer to yourself and closer to God.

The retreat is **only** for those who are ready to:

- devote about **65 minutes** a day to various spiritual exercises
- participate in weekly meetings (Holy Mass, conference and introduction to prayer – about two hours)
- meet with an assigned spiritual director once a week or share in group

*There are few people who sense
how great things God would do with
their lives if they gave them to Him.
(Ignatius Loyola)*

TENTATIVE DATES: From 26 May to 23 June.

Time to be confirmed

Anyone who is interested in participating, please email or phone the Parish office, in order for us to gauge interest.



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 Small/Medium Jar; Oil – Olive and Vegetable; Basmati Rice – 1 Kg; Instant Noodles; Honey; Strawberry Jam; Dates; Sweet Biscuits; Salt and Pepper; Tuna in Oil; Shaving Cream; Razors; Shampoo; Tooth Brushes; Tooth Paste; Sponges; Glad Wrap; Bin Liners (large); Dish Washing Liquid; Spray n’ Wipe; Toilet Duck

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

To the Richmond Catholic Community,

The Brigidine Asylum Seekers Project (BASP) wishes to thank the Parishoners of Richmond Catholic Parish for their donation of \$3000 and of food and household items.

All contributions are put to good use as we continue to support some very destitute people.

We are very encouraged and enabled by such generous gestures.

Sincere gratitude from all at BASP.

Sr Brigid Arthur

Co-Ordinator

Brigidine Asylum Seekers Project



REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA

The new city of God is built on the foundation of the apostles, but on its gates are inscribed the names of the tribes of Israel. These names represent the openness to all nations, races, peoples and tongues. The resurrection of Jesus has radically transformed the way we live together and the way we live with God.

What must we do to be saved? The question put to Jesus centuries ago is still asked today, and the answer is still the same. We must believe and we must love God and love one another. We will be recognised as resurrection people by our active faith and by our unselfish love, not by an exterior mark, regardless of how sacred. This change in requirements for membership does not diminish the rigour of our religious obligations. Rather, it suggests that we may always have to reinterpret the law, for what is appropriate at one time and in one place may be inappropriate in another. With the early Christians, we will need the guidance of the Holy Spirit in this very delicate process. This is why the departing Jesus assures us that the Spirit will come to us to teach us all things.

The final gift that Jesus promises to give is his own peace, a peace that he has won by overcoming sin and death. This peace issues from the union that Jesus enjoys with God, a union which we are now invited to share.