

FEAST DAY- 31 JULY

RICHMOND CATHOLIC PARISH OF ST. IGNATIUS & ST. JAMES

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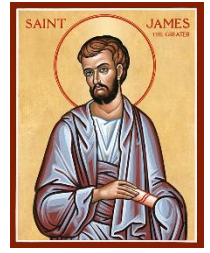
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FEAST DAY- 25 JULY

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

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SACRAMENTS

Baptism

Please contact Parish
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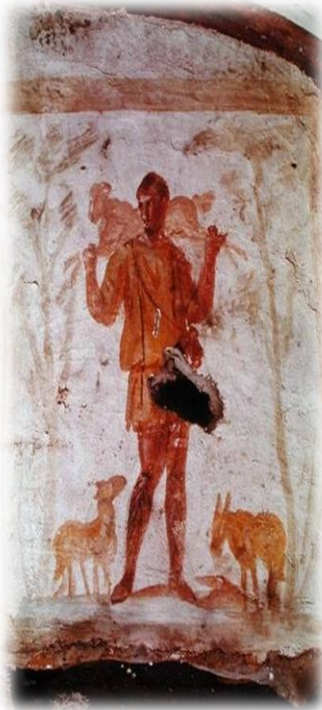
Reconciliation

By appointment

Wedding

Contact Parish Office

GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS



Today is the World Day of
Prayers for Vocations. Pope
Francis tells us:

*There can be no greater joy than
to risk one's life for the Lord! I
would like to say this especially
to you, the young. Do not be
deaf to the Lord's call. If He
calls you to follow His path, do
not pull your oars in to the boat,
but trust him.*

Let us pray for the young people
in our community, and in our
families and circle of friends.
May our prayers help them to be
open to the Lord's call to
consecrated life or priesthood.

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS WITH THE DAUGHTERS OF DIVINE ZEAL (FDZ)

The Daughters of Divine Zeal invites
parishioners to join them in prayer for
vocations in their Chapel, from
3:30pm - 4:30pm, TODAY
Sunday 21 April.

Chapel Address:
Madre Nazarena Students' House
311 Church Street, Richmond



Stay Connected!

If you would like to receive the
weekly bulletin via email, please sign up
on the parish website
www.melbcatholic.org/richmond
or simply scan the 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

The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth; by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, 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 4:8-12*

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

This is the only name by which we can be saved.

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Peter said: 'Rulers of the people, and elders! If you are questioning us today about an act of kindness to a cripple, and asking us how he was healed, then I am glad to tell you all, and would indeed be glad to tell the whole people of Israel, that it was by the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene, the one you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, by this name and by no other that this man is able to stand up perfectly healthy, here in your presence, today. This is the stone rejected by you the builders, but which has proved to be the keystone. For of all the names in the world given to men, this is the only one by which we can be saved.'

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

(R.) The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

1. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end. It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in men: it is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in princes. **(R.)**

2. I will thank you for you have given answer and you are my saviour. The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone. This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes. **(R.)**

3. Blessed in the name of the Lord is he who comes. We bless you from the house of the Lord; I will thank you for you have given answer and you are my saviour. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good; for his love has no end. **(R.)**

SECOND READING

1 John 3:1-2

A reading from the first letter of St John

We shall see God as he is.

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us, by letting us be called God's children; and that is what we are. Because the world refused to acknowledge him, therefore it does not acknowledge us. My dear people, we are already the children of God but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed; all we know is, that when it is revealed we shall be like him because we shall see him as he really is.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep, and mine know me. **Alleluia!**

GOSPEL

John 10:11-18

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

The good shepherd lays down his life for his sheep.

Jesus said:

'I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd is one who lays down his life for his sheep. The hired man, since he is not the shepherd and the sheep do not belong to him, abandons the sheep and runs away as soon as he sees a wolf coming, and then the wolf attacks and scatters the sheep; this is because he is only a hired man and has no concern for the sheep. I am the good shepherd; I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for my sheep. And there are other sheep I have that are not of this fold, and these I have to lead as well. They too will listen to my voice, and there will be only one flock and one shepherd. The Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me; I lay it down of my own free will, and as it is in my power to lay it down, so it is in my power to take it up again; and this is the command I have been given by my Father.'

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

The Good Shepherd has risen, who laid down his life
for his sheep and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.

JESUIT MISSION MAYTIME FAIR SATURDAY 4 MAY 2024



A tradition at Xavier College since 1952, the Jesuit Mission Maytime Fair is back!

The Fair will include entertainment for parents and children with a huge array of food, music, rides, arts and

crafts, games, a wine auction, sport, face painting, show bags and more. All proceeds from the day will support the work of Jesuit Mission to empower vulnerable communities in over 10 countries in South East Asia and Africa. Come join us on **Saturday 4 May from 9am to 5pm at Xavier College** Kew and together we can uplift communities in need. All Day Rides Passes can be purchased at jesuitmission.org.au/rides.

RICHMOND CATHOLIC PARISH SUPPORT OF THE MAYTIME FAIR

Richmond Catholic Parish will be running a stall at this year's Maytime Fair. The stall will be selling Vietnamese spring rolls and chicken wings. We ask that you support this stall, as all money collected will go to Jesuit Mission to continue their great work. We are **seeking volunteers** to help work in the stall. If you able to assist, please contact Licia Marchese in the parish office on 8420 6789.

READERS' ROSTER			
ST IGNATIUS CHURCH			
Saturday 20/04 5.00pm	Therese Keogh	Sunday 21/04 9.30am	Mary Ebolo
Saturday 27/04 5.00pm	Mary Burns	Sunday 28/04 9.30am	Sr. Tina Lubong FDZ
ST JAMES CHURCH			
Sunday 21/04 11:00am	Barbara Shea	Sunday 28/04 11:00am	Margaret Gibson

STAY FOR A CUPPA

IN THE PRESBYTERY:

**Saturday 27 April – after the
5.00pm Vigil Mass**

VERANDAH OF THE PARISH

**HOUSE: Sunday 28 April -
After the 9.30am Mass**



FEAST DAYS

APRIL - FOR THE ROLE OF WOMEN

We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognised in every culture and for the end of discrimination that they experience in different parts of the world.

- 23rd Saint George, martyr & Saint Adalbert, bishop and martyr
- 24th Saint Fidelis of Sigmaringen, priest and martyr
- 26th **SAINT MARK, EVANGELIST**
- 27th Saint Louis Grignion de Montfort, priest
- 29th Saint Catherine of Siena, virgin and doctor of the Church
- 30th Saint Pius V, pope

MESSAGE FROM HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS FOR THE 61st WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS 2024

(Continued from last week)

Pilgrims of hope and builders of peace

Yet what does it mean to be *pilgrims*? Those who go on pilgrimage seek above all to keep their eyes fixed on the *goal*, to keep it always in their mind and heart. To achieve that goal, however, they need to concentrate on *every step*, which means travelling light, getting rid of what weighs them down, carrying only the essentials and striving daily to set aside all weariness, fear, uncertainty and hesitation. Being a pilgrim means setting out each day, *beginning ever anew*, rediscovering the enthusiasm and strength needed to pursue the various stages of a journey that, however tiring and difficult, always opens before our eyes new horizons and previously unknown vistas.

This is the ultimate meaning of our Christian pilgrimage: we set out on a journey to discover the love of God and at the same time to discover ourselves, thanks to an interior journey nourished by our relationships with others. We are *pilgrims because we have been called*: called to love God and to love one another. Our pilgrimage on this earth is far from a pointless journey or aimless wandering; on the contrary, each day, by responding to God's call, we try to take every step needed to advance towards a new world where people can live in peace, justice and love. We are pilgrims of hope because we are pressing forward towards a better future, committed at every step to bringing it about.

This is, in the end, the goal of every vocation: to become men and women of hope. As individuals and as communities, amid the variety of charisms and ministries, all of us are called to

embody and communicate the Gospel message of hope in a world marked by epochal challenges. These include the baneful spectre of a third world war fought piecemeal; the flood of migrants fleeing their homelands in search of a better future; the burgeoning numbers of the poor; the threat of irreversibly compromising the health of our planet. To say nothing of all the difficulties we encounter each day, which at times risk plunging us into resignation or defeatism.

In our day, then, it is decisive that we Christians cultivate a gaze full of hope and work fruitfully in response to the vocation we have received, in service to God’s kingdom of love, justice and peace. This hope – Saint Paul tells us – “does not disappoint” (*Rom 5:5*), since it is born of the Lord’s promise that he will remain always with us and include us in the work of redemption that he wants to accomplish in the heart of each individual and in the “heart” of all creation. This hope finds its propulsive force in Christ’s resurrection, which “contains a vital power which has permeated this world. Where all seems to be dead, signs of the resurrection suddenly spring up. It is an irresistible force. Often it seems that God does not exist: all around us, we see persistent injustice, evil, indifference and cruelty. But it is also true that in the midst of darkness something new always springs to life and sooner or later produces fruit” (*Evangelii Gaudium*, 276). Again, the Apostle Paul tells us that, “in hope we were saved” (*Rom 8:24*). The redemption accomplished in the paschal mystery is a source of hope, a sure and trustworthy hope, thanks to which we can face the challenges of the present.

To be pilgrims of hope and builders of peace, then, means to base our lives on the rock of Christ’s resurrection, knowing that every effort made in the vocation that we have embraced and seek to live out, will never be in vain. Failures and obstacles may arise along the way, but the seeds of goodness we sow are quietly growing and nothing can separate us from the final goal: our encounter with Christ and the joy of living for eternity in fraternal love. This ultimate calling is one that we must anticipate daily: even now our loving relationship with God and our brothers and sisters is beginning to bring about God’s dream of unity, peace and fraternity. May no one feel excluded from this calling! Each of us in our own small way, in our particular state of life, can, with the help of the Spirit, be a sower of seeds of hope and peace.

The courage to commit

In this light, I would say once more, as I did at World Youth Day in Lisbon: “*Rise up!*” Let us awaken from sleep, let us leave indifference behind, let us open the doors of the prison in which we so often enclose ourselves, so that each of us can discover his or her proper vocation in the Church and in the world, and become a pilgrim of hope and a builder of peace! Let us be passionate about life, and commit ourselves to caring lovingly for those around us, in every place where we live. Let me say it again: “Have the courage to commit!” Father Oreste Benzi, a tireless apostle of charity, ever on the side of the poor and the defenseless, used to say that no one is so poor as to have nothing to give, and no one is so rich as not to need something to receive.

Let us rise up, then, and set out as pilgrims of hope, so that, as Mary was for Elizabeth, we too can be messengers of joy, sources of new life and artisans of fraternity and peace.

ANZAC DAY – 25th April

This year Anzac Day both recalls the death of those who died in a military campaign of the past and draws our attention to those dying in current wars. The bringing together of past and present is important. It encourages a realistic view of the war in which the landing on Gallipoli was a small part and invites us to attend to the full reality of what we see around us in Myanmar, Gaza, Ukraine and Sudan. That view draws our attention to the United Nations Observance on the eve of Anzac Day – the Day for Multilateralism and Diplomacy for Peace.

Anzac rightly commemorates those who served, were injured and died on the Turkish beach. They fought on behalf of the Australian people, and they, their families and children should remain in our memory. The battle, which we remember, however, was a defeat that failed in its goal. Much of the fighting there was hand-to-hand. It was part of a long war, however, in which massive developments in weaponry meant that killing and dying were done on an industrial scale often without any sight of opposing troops. It was an introduction to the war of machines. That war that took so many lives, too, did little more than prepare the seeds for an even more destructive war in which citizens as well as soldiers were fair game.

It was a step on the road to the helicopters of Myanmar, the drones in Ukraine and the destroyed cities of Ghaza, wars in which what counts, as victory is the destruction of homes, of lives and of civil society, and the embitterment of generations. It was the expression of a geopolitics in which millions of people are expendable for the prize of a passing advantage. As a Roman writer said of their legions, ‘They make a desert and call it peace’.

Anzac Day is a day of remembering its future. It is also a day of compassion for those who suffer in war in both the past and the present. As we think of the soldiers who fought and died at Gallipoli, we imagine also the families they left behind and returned too, the soldiers who returned wounded inwardly by the war and the burden borne by their families, the women widowed and left single by the death of so many marriageable men, the small towns stripped of a generation of young men, and the grief that enveloped so many people. Anzac was sometimes described as the making of Australia. If so, it did so by stripping not by adorning.

That is why in the face of present conflicts Pope Francis follows earlier Popes in speaking of war as the enemy and calling for diplomacy to end them. This is always unpopular with people who see diplomacy as appeasement and anything short of unqualified victory as defeat. Anzac Day reminds us of the price that people pay for the wars their leaders join. The present wars remind us of the destruction of peoples and of their culture made possible in war today. Both call on us to support the work of people who try to make peace. In the heat of war, they are often accused of appeasement. But their words contribute more to human happiness than do their critics’ bombs. – *Fr. Andy Hamilton, SJ*

ST IGNATIUS AND ST JAMES CHURCHES COLLECTION WEEK – 13/14 APRIL 2024	
Thanksgiving Envelopes	\$293.00
Loose Collection	\$2184.75