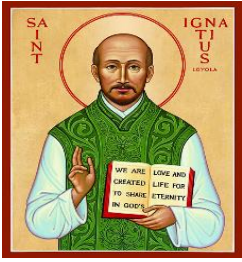


FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT – YEAR A
22 MARCH 2026



FEAST DAY – 31 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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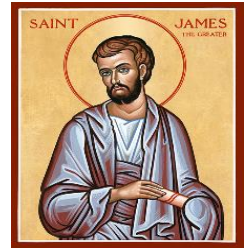
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FEAST DAY- 25 JULY

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS IN
ST IGNATIUS CHURCH**

- **Thursday 26 March – 7.00pm**
- **Wednesday 1 April - 7.00pm**



RICHMOND CATHOLIC PARISH

HOLY WEEK MASS TIMES

ST IGNATIUS CHURCH

PALM SUNDAY

Saturday 28 March - 5.00pm Vigil Mass – Meet inside St Ignatius Church

Sunday 29 March - 9.30 am Mass – Meet in the carpark of the Presbytery

Sunday 29 March - Vietnamese – Meet in the carpark of the Presbytery

HOLY THURSDAY – 2 April

7.30pm - MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER – English and Vietnamese

Table of the Repose will be in the St Mary of the Cross Mackillop Chapel

GOOD FRIDAY – 3 April

The Ecumenical 'Way of the Cross' will not be happening this year.

10.30am – THE WAY OF THE CROSS – IN ST IGNATIUS CHURCH

3.00pm – PASSION OF THE LORD – English

5.00pm – PASSION OF THE LORD – Vietnamese

EASTER VIGIL MASS – SATURDAY 4 APRIL

8.00pm – English and Vietnamese

EASTER SUNDAY – 5 April

9.30am Mass

4.00pm Vietnamese

EASTER MONDAY – 6 April

11.00am – Polish Mass

Midday - Parish Mass as usual

ST JAMES CHURCH

PALM SUNDAY – 11.00am Mass

EASTER SUNDAY – 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*Psalms 42:1-2*

Give me justice, O God,
and plead my cause against a nation that is faithless.
From the deceitful and cunning rescue me,
for you, O God, are my strength.

FIRST READING*Ezekiel 37:12-14**A reading from the prophet Ezekiel*

The Lord says this: I am now going to open your graves; I mean to raise you from your graves, my people, and lead you back to the soil of Israel. And you will know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves and raise you from your graves, my people. And I shall put my spirit in you, and you will live, and I shall resettle you on your own soil; and you will know that I, the Lord, have said and done this – it is the Lord who speaks.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM*Ps 129. R. v.7*

(R.) With the Lord there is mercy
and fullness of redemption.

1. Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord,
Lord, hear my voice!
O let your ears be attentive
to the voice of my pleading. (R.)
2. If you, O Lord, should mark our guilt,
Lord, who would survive?
But with you is found forgiveness:
for this we revere you. (R.)
3. My soul is waiting for the Lord,
I count on his word.
My soul is longing for the Lord
more than watchman for daybreak.
(Let the watchman count on daybreak
and Israel on the Lord.) (R.)
4. Because with the Lord there is mercy
and fullness of redemption,
Israel indeed he will redeem
from all its iniquity. (R.)

SECOND READING*Romans 8:8-11**A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans*

People who are interested only in unspiritual things can never be pleasing to God. Your interests, however, are not in the unspiritual, but in the spiritual, since the Spirit of God has made his home in you. In fact, unless you possessed the Spirit of Christ you would not belong to him. Though your body may be dead it is because of sin, but if Christ is in you then your spirit is life itself because you have been justified; and if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your own mortal bodies through his Spirit living in you.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION*John 11:25. 26*

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!
I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord;
whoever believes in me will not die for ever.
Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

GOSPEL (Shorter Version) John 11:3-7. 17. 20-27. 33-45*A reading from the holy Gospel according to John*

The sisters Martha and Mary sent this message to Jesus, 'Lord, the man you love is ill.' On receiving the message, Jesus said, 'This sickness will end not in death but in God's glory, and through it the Son of God will be glorified.'

Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, yet when he heard that Lazarus was ill he stayed where he was for two more days before saying to the disciples, 'Let us go to Judaea.'

On arriving, Jesus found that Lazarus had been in the tomb for four days already. When Martha heard that Jesus had come she went to meet him. Mary remained sitting in the house. Martha said to Jesus, 'If you had been here, my brother would not have died, but I know that even now, whatever you ask of God, he will grant you.' 'Your brother' said Jesus to her 'will rise again.' Martha said, 'I know he will rise again at the resurrection on the last day.' Jesus said:

'I am the resurrection and the life.

If anyone believes in me, even though he dies he will live,

and whoever lives and believes in me
will never die.

Do you believe this?'

'Yes, Lord,' she said 'I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, the one who was to come into this world.' Jesus said in great distress, with a sigh that came straight from the heart, 'Where have you put him?' They said, 'See how much he loved him!' But there were some who remarked, 'He opened the eyes of the blind man, could he not have prevented this man's death?' Still sighing, Jesus reached the tomb: it was a cave with a stone to close the opening. Jesus said, 'Take the stone away.' Martha said to him, 'Lord, by now he will smell; this is the fourth day.' Jesus replied, 'Have I not told you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?' So they took away the stone. Then Jesus lifted up his eyes and said:

'Father, I thank you for hearing my prayer.

I knew indeed that you always hear me,
but I speak

for the sake of all these who stand round me,
so that they may believe it was you who sent me.'

When he had said this, he cried in a loud voice, 'Lazarus, here! Come out!' The dead man came out, his feet and hands bound with bands of stuff and a cloth round his face. Jesus said to them, 'Unbind him, let him go free.'

Many of the Jews who had come to visit Mary and had seen what he did believed in him.

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

John 11:26

Everyone who lives and believes in me
will not die for ever, says the Lord.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ...

BAPTISMS

-  Theodore Michael Lugowski (21/03)
-  Evelyn Tang (22/03)

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
-  George Buschmann

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 IN MARCH

-  25 The Annunciation of the Lord

COLLECTION WEEK – 14 th & 15 th March ST. IGNATIUS CHURCH & St JAMES CHURCH
Thanksgiving Envelopes – \$1901.95
Loose Collection – \$376.00

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST ST IGNATIUS CHURCH			
DATE	5.00PM VIGIL MASS	DATE	9.30AM SUNDAY MASS
21/03	Haydn Walters	22/03	Kaye Hogan
28/03	Therese Keogh	29/03	Mary Ebolo
04/04	Marlon D'Souza	05/04	Raquel Gonzales

MINISTERS OF THE WORD ST IGNATIUS CHURCH			
DATE	5.00PM VIGIL MASS	DATE	9.30AM SUNDAY MASS
21/03	Ancita D'Cunha	22/03	Deborah Browne
28/03	Peter Keogh	29/03	Adelia Vong
04/04	Martin O'Brian	05/04	Simon Feely

MINISTERS OF THE WORD ST JAMES CHURCH	
DATE	11.00AM MASS
22/03	Margaret Gibson
29/03	Louisa Luu
05/04	Aseye Banini

ST IGNATIUS CHURCH
SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
AVAILABLE IN ENGLISH AND
VIETNAMESE
7.00PM TUESDAY 24 MARCH



**SUPPORTING THE ONGOING
PASTORAL AND BUILDING WORKS
OF THE RICHMOND CATHOLIC
PARISH**

**Donations can now be made via the QR code
on each pew or on the Parish Bulletin.**

**Click on to the QR and it will take you to the
Parish's donation page.**

**We thank you for your generosity in
supporting the works of the Richmond
Catholic Parish.**





Fifth Sunday of Lent

21–22 March 2026

Since October 2023, Caritas Jerusalem staff in Gaza have endured displacement, personal loss, and danger alongside the communities they serve. Despite unimaginable challenges, they remain committed to providing lifesaving support, standing in solidarity with families enduring this conflict.

Please donate today.

You can support Project Compassion 2026 through the donation boxes, envelopes or by scanning the QR code.



Or online at:

www.projectcompassion.org.au/donate

Or by calling: 1800 024 413

Thank you for standing with us, as we *Unite Against Poverty* this Lent.

HOLY LAND CRAFTS



Holy Land Crafts

Olivewood carvings come from **Bethlehem, the Holy Land**, handcrafted by Christian families from the branches of ancient olive trees of Jerusalem.

Christian families in the Holy Land need your support now more than ever. By purchasing these items, you help sustain their livelihood and preserve a sacred tradition.



Support Christian families in the Holy Land
Thank you for your kind support.

A reminder that Liana and Jeries Altawil will be speaking at our Parish Masses this weekend about the hard times facing families in the Holy Land. Jeries and Liana have taken the initiative to support these families by selling their olive wood handicraft religious artifacts.

POPE FRANCIS' PEACE PRAYER



Lord God of peace, hear our prayer!

We have tried so many times and over so many years to resolve our conflicts by our own powers and by the force of our arms. How many moments of hostility and darkness have we experienced; how much blood has been shed; how many lives have been shattered; how many hopes have been buried... But our efforts have been in vain.

Now, Lord, come to our aid! Grant us peace, teach us peace; guide our steps in the way of peace. Open our eyes and our hearts, and give us the courage to say: "Never again war!"; "With war everything is lost". Instill in our hearts the courage to take concrete steps to achieve peace.

Lord, God of Abraham, God of the Prophets, God of Love, you created us and you call us to live as brothers and sisters. Give us the strength daily to be instruments of peace; enable us to see everyone who crosses our path as our brother or sister. Make us sensitive to the plea of our citizens who entreat us to turn our weapons of war into implements of peace, our trepidation into confident trust, and our quarreling into forgiveness.

Keep alive within us the flame of hope, so that with patience and perseverance we may opt for dialogue and reconciliation. In this way may peace triumph at last, and may the words "division", "hatred" and "war" be banished from the heart of every man and woman. Lord, defuse the violence of our tongues and our hands. Renew our hearts and minds, so that the word which always brings us together will be "brother", and our way of life will always be that of: Shalom, Peace, Salaam!

Amen.

YOU ARE INVITED TO STAY AND JOIN US AFTER MASS FOR “CUPPA AFTER MASS”

✚ **Saturday 28 March after the 5.00pm Vigil Mass - in the Presbytery Kitchen**

✚ **Sunday 29 March after the 9.30am Mass - on the Presbytery Veranda**



All are welcome