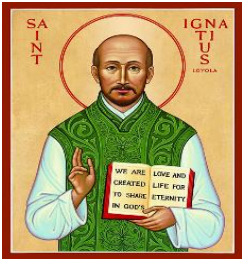


# FEAST OF ST JAMES THE GREATER - YEAR A

## 26 JULY 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

1<sup>st</sup> 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](http://www.tcs.catholic.edu.au)

#### Principal

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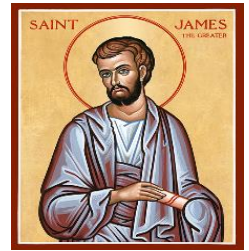
## RICHMOND CATHOLIC PARISH OF ST. IGNATIUS & ST. JAMES

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FEAST DAY- 25 JULY

## HAPPY FEAST DAY ON THE FEAST OF ST JAMES THE GREATER (25 JULY)

### TO BE CELEBRATED ON SUNDAY, 26 JULY

To all members of our Parish Faith Community at St James, the whole Richmond Catholic Parish joins with you in celebrating the Feast of St James the Greater.

## CELEBRATION OF THE FEAST OF ST IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA – SUNDAY 2 AUGUST



*The feast of St Ignatius of Loyola, founder of the Society of Jesus and the patron saint of our Church is on Friday 31 July, but the Richmond Catholic Parish will be celebrating St Ignatius Feast Day on Sunday 2 August.*

*Our main celebrant will be Bishop Thinh Nguyen DD. Concelebrating will be Fr Trung Nguyen SJ, PP and some of his Jesuit brothers.*

*Students from Trinity Catholic School will be receiving their First Eucharist on this special celebration.*

***There will be only one Mass celebrated in the Parish on Sunday 2 August, that being the 9.30am Mass in St Ignatius Church.***

***Therefore, for the weekend of 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> of August, the following Masses will not be celebrated within the Richmond Catholic Parish.***

-  **5.00pm Vigil Mass in St Ignatius Church**
-  **11.00am Mass in St James Church**
-  **4.00pm Sunday Vietnamese 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

As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, Jesus saw James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, mending their nets and he called them.

## 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

*James 2: 1-17*

*A reading from the letter of St James*

My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, "Have a seat here, please," while to the one who is poor you say, "Stand there," or, "Sit at my feet," have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you? You do well if you really fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. For the one who said, "You shall not commit adultery," also said, "You shall not murder." Now if you do not commit adultery but if you murder, you have become a transgressor of the law. So speak and so act as those who are to be judged by the law of liberty. For judgment will be without mercy to anyone who has shown no mercy; mercy triumphs over judgment.

What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, "Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill," and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So, faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

**This is the Word of the Lord.**

Thanks be to God.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**(R.)** Those who sow in tears, shall reap with shouts of joy.

1. When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage, it seemed like a dream. Then was our mouth filled with laughter, on our lips there were songs. **(R.)**
2. The heathens themselves said: 'What marvels the Lord worked for them!' What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we were glad. **(R.)**
3. Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage as streams in dry land. Those who are sowing in tears will sing when they reap. **(R.)**
4. They go out, they go out, full of tears, carrying seed for the sowing; they come back, they come back, full of song, carrying their sheaves. **(R.)**

## SECOND READING

*2 Corinthians 4:7-15*

*A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Corinthians*

We are only the earthenware jars that hold this treasure, to make it clear that such an overwhelming power comes from God and not from us. We are in difficulties on all sides, but never cornered; we see no answer to our problems, but never despair; we have been persecuted, but never deserted; knocked down, but never killed; always wherever we may be, we carry with us in our body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus, too, may always be seen in our body. Indeed, while we are still alive, we are consigned to our death every day, for the sake of Jesus, so that in our mortal flesh the life of Jesus, too, may be openly shown. So death is at work in us, but life in you.

But as we have the same spirit of faith that is mentioned in scripture – I believed, and therefore I spoke – we too believe and therefore we too speak, knowing that he who raised the Lord Jesus to life will raise us with Jesus in our turn, and put us by his side and you with us. You see, all this is for your benefit, so that the more grace is multiplied among people, the more thanksgiving there will be, to the glory of God.

**This is the Word of the Lord.**

Thanks be to God.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! I have chosen you from the world, says the Lord, to go and bear fruit that will last. Alleluia!

## GOSPEL

*Matthew 20:20-28*

*A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew*

The mother of the sons of Zebedee came with them to make a request of him, and bowed low; and he said to her, 'What is it you want?' She said to him, 'Promise that these two sons of mine may sit one at your right hand and the other at your left in your kingdom.' 'You do not know what you are asking' Jesus answered. 'Can you drink the cup that I am going to drink?' They replied, 'We can.' 'Very well,' he said 'you shall drink my cup, but as for seats at my right hand and my left, these are not mine to grant; they belong to those to whom they have been allotted by my Father.'

When the other ten heard this they were indignant with the two brothers. But Jesus called them to him and said, 'You know that among the pagans the rulers lord it over them, and their great men make their authority felt. This is not to happen among you. No; anyone who wants to be great among you must be your servant, and anyone who wants to be first among you must be your slave, just as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.'

**This is 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

They drank the chalice of the Lord, and became the friends of 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.*



-  Dorothy Paul
-  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](mailto:parish@ignatius.org.au)

### JULY FEAST DAYS

-  25<sup>th</sup> St James the Greater
-  31<sup>st</sup> St Ignatius of Loyola

### AUGUST FEAST DAYS

-  1<sup>st</sup> St Alphonsus Mary Liguori

### POPE LEO'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR JULY

For the respect and protection of human life in all its stages, recognising it as a gift from God.

## FEAST OF SAINT JAMES THE GREATER



Nothing is known of St. James the Greater's early life, though it has been established that he is the son of Zebedee and Salome and brother of John the disciple.

The title "the Greater" was added to St. James' name to help distinguish him from the Apostle James "the Less," who is believed to have been shorter than James "the Greater."

Saint James the Greater was one of Jesus' first disciples. James was

fishing with his father and John the Apostle when Jesus came to the shores of the Sea of Galilee and called for the fisherman, who were unable to catch any fish that day, to dip their nets in the water once again.

When the fishermen followed Jesus' instructions, they found their nets full, and after emptying the fish on board, the boats nearly sank from their weight.

Later, James was one of only three called by Jesus to witness his Transfiguration, and when he and his brother wanted to call fire upon a Samaritan town, both were rebuked by Jesus.

Following Christ's Ascension, James spread the Gospel across Israel and the Roman kingdom as well. He travelled and spread the Word for nearly forty years in Spain.

It is said that one day, as he prayed, The Blessed Virgin Mary appeared to him and asked him to build her a church, which he did.

Later, James returned to Jerusalem but was martyred for his faith by King Herod, who decapitated him. Saint James the Greater is known as the first apostle to die.

As he was not allowed to be buried following his martyrdom, his remains were taken to Compostela, Spain, by some of his followers, who buried him.



### PRAYER TO SAINT *James the Greater*

O glorious Apostle, St. James,  
who by reason of thy fervent and  
generous heart wast chosen by  
Jesus to be a witness of His glory  
on Mount Tabor, and of His  
agony in Gethsemane;

Thou, whose very name is a  
symbol of warfare and victory;  
obtain for us strength and  
consolation in the unending  
warfare of this life, that, having  
constantly and generously  
followed Jesus, we may be victors  
in the strife and deserve to  
receive the victor's crown in  
heaven. Amen.

Our Father...  
Hail Mary...  
Glory Be...

Apostle Saint James the Greater,  
pray for us!

## CELEBRATION FOR THE FEAST OF ST IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA

On Sunday 2 August, at the 9.30am Mass, we as a Parish community will be celebrating the Feast of St Ignatius of Loyola, - founder of the Society of Jesus and the patron saint of our Church.

After Mass, we will enjoy a light meal together in the Parish Hall. We are asking parishioners to contribute to the refreshments by bringing along a salad, cakes or sandwiches and traditional food from your culture to be shared with each other.

We are seeking volunteers, about three, to begin setting up the hall prior to the celebration. The setting up will begin at 8.45am, prior to the 9.30am Mass. We are also seeking volunteers, about four, to make themselves available to stay behind and clean up after the celebration.

If you are available to volunteer, please contact the Parish Office on 8420 6789.



### ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY WINTER APPEAL

**This Winter, you can help people experiencing or at risk of homelessness get the support they need.**

Your generous support can help vulnerable people in our community. Funds raised through the Vinnies Winter Appeal will directly support Vinnies' core programs, providing vital assistance to people experiencing or at risk of homelessness, poverty and cost-of-living pressures.

The Richmond Catholic Parish is supporting Vinnies' Winter Appeal. The Society's Richmond Conference was established in our parish in 1900 and has been serving those in need since then. During the last 12 months our Conference members have made 233 visits to needy households and provided food vouchers and Vinnies' shop cards to the value of \$21,305 as well as providing furniture to 15 households.

Parishioners are encouraged to donate to help continue the Society's work of helping those most in need. Please do so by donating in any of the following ways:

- **Online at [vinnies.org.au](http://vinnies.org.au)**
- **Phone by calling 13 18 12**
- **Collect an envelope in the Church and either post the envelope or return it to the Parish Office.**

| COLLECTION WEEK – 18 <sup>th</sup> /19 <sup>th</sup> July |  |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|--|
| ST. IGNATIUS CHURCH & ST. JAMES CHURCH                    |  |
| Thanksgiving Envelopes – \$402.00                         |  |
| Loose Collection – \$1957.50                              |  |

### A PRAYER FOR PEACE

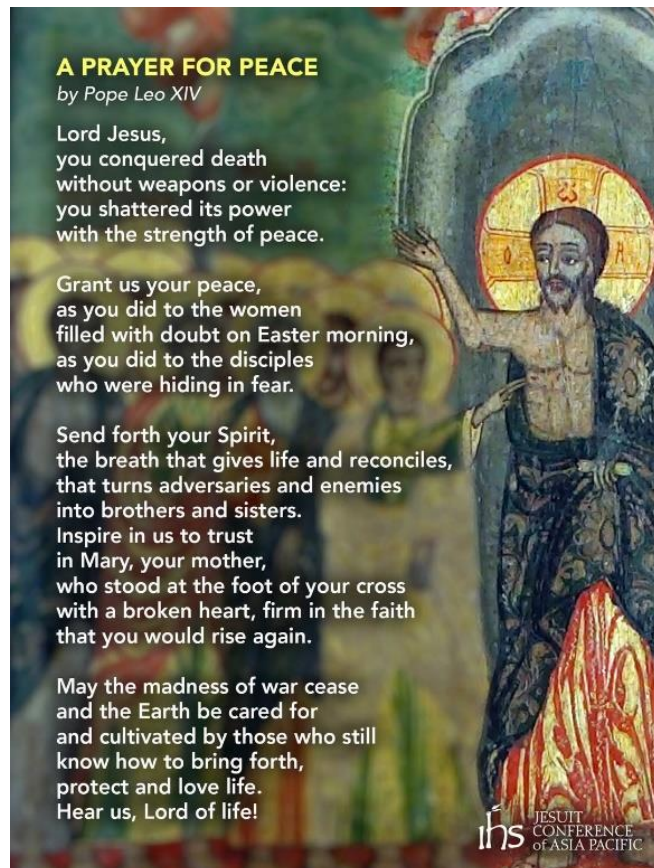
by Pope Leo XIV

Lord Jesus,  
you conquered death  
without weapons or violence:  
you shattered its power  
with the strength of peace.

Grant us your peace,  
as you did to the women  
filled with doubt on Easter morning,  
as you did to the disciples  
who were hiding in fear.

Send forth your Spirit,  
the breath that gives life and reconciles,  
that turns adversaries and enemies  
into brothers and sisters.  
Inspire in us to trust  
in Mary, your mother,  
who stood at the foot of your cross  
with a broken heart, firm in the faith  
that you would rise again.

May the madness of war cease  
and the Earth be cared for  
and cultivated by those who still  
know how to bring forth,  
protect and love life.  
Hear us, Lord of life!



### 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.**



**Thank you to everyone who has supported the works of the Parish by donation through our QR Code. Your support is greatly appreciated.**

| MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST<br>ST IGNATIUS CHURCH |                      |       |                       |
|--------------------------------------------------|----------------------|-------|-----------------------|
| DATE                                             | 5.00PM<br>VIGIL MASS | DATE  | 9.30AM<br>SUNDAY MASS |
| 25/07                                            | Therese Keogh        | 26/07 | Mary Ebolo            |
| 01/08                                            | <b>NO MASS</b>       | 02/08 | <b>TBC</b>            |
| 08/08                                            | Haydn Walters        | 09/08 | Raquel Gonzales       |

| MINISTERS OF THE WORD<br>ST IGNATIUS CHURCH |                      |       |                       |
|---------------------------------------------|----------------------|-------|-----------------------|
| DATE                                        | 5.00PM<br>VIGIL MASS | DATE  | 9.30AM<br>SUNDAY MASS |
| 25/07                                       | Peter Keogh          | 26/07 | Sr Tina Lubong FDZ    |
| 01/08                                       | <b>NO MASS</b>       | 02/08 | <b>TBC</b>            |
| 08/08                                       | Marlon D'Souza       | 09/08 | Cory Gonzales         |

| MINISTERS OF THE WORD<br>ST JAMES CHURCH |                     |
|------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| DATE                                     | 11.00AM MASS        |
| 26/07                                    | Natasha Karunarathe |
| 02/08                                    | <b>NO MASS</b>      |
| 09/08                                    | Barbara Shea        |