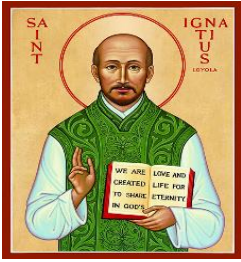


TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A
27 SEPTEMBER 2026



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

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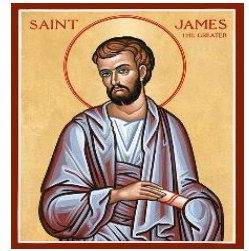
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OF ST. IGNATIUS & ST. JAMES**

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FEAST DAY- 25 JULY

**RICHMOND CATHOLIC PARISH
ACKNOWLEDGES**

**WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES
SUNDAY 4 OCTOBER 2026**

COME DRESSED IN YOUR NATIONAL COSTUME

CELEBRATION OF MASS – MULTICULTURAL MASS

- 9.30am – St Ignatius Church

**FOLLOWED BY A LIGHT LUNCHEON IN THE
PARISH HALL**

- We are asking all parishioners and all cultural groups within our parish to contribute to the luncheon, by supplying a traditional cuisine dish.

ENTERTAINMENT:

We are inviting various groups to perform during the light luncheon in the hall.

- Perform a traditional cultural dance or song.
- Teach everyone present a traditional dance.

If any group would like to perform, please contact Licia in the Parish Office, on 8420 6789 especially if you require equipment for your performance. This may be access to record music, access to musical instruments and/or microphones.

We are sure that there are many talented people out there. Share your gifts and talents with our Parish Community.



Please note, there will only be one Mass celebrated on the weekend of 3/4 October, that being 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 *Daniel 3:31,29,30,43,42*

All that you have done to us, O Lord,
 you have done with true judgement,
 for we have sinned against you
 and not obeyed your commandments.
 But give glory to your name
 and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

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 *Ezekiel 18:25-28*

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel

The word of the Lord was addressed to me as follows: ‘You
 object, “What the Lord does is unjust.” Listen, you House
 of Israel: is what I do unjust? Is it not what you do that is
 unjust? When the upright man renounces his integrity to
 commit sin and dies because of this, he dies because of the
 evil that he himself has committed. When the sinner
 renounces sin to become law-abiding and honest, he
 deserves to live. He has chosen to renounce all his previous
 sins; he shall certainly live; he shall not die.’

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM *Ps 24:4-9*

(R.) Remember your mercies, O Lord.

1. Lord, make me know your ways.
 Lord, teach me your paths.
 Make me walk in your truth, and teach me:
 for you are God my saviour. **(R.)**
2. Remember your mercy, Lord,
 and the love you have shown from of old.
 Do not remember the sins of my youth.
 In your love remember me,
 because of your goodness, O Lord. **(R.)**
3. The Lord is good and upright.
 He shows the path to those who stray,
 he guides the humble in the right path;
 he teaches his way to the poor. **(R.)**

SECOND READING

Philippians 2:1-11

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians

If our life in Christ means anything to you, if love can
 persuade at all, or the Spirit that we have in common, or
 any tenderness and sympathy, then be united in your
 convictions and united in your love, with a common
 purpose and a common mind. That is the one thing which
 would make me completely happy. There must be no
 competition among you, no conceit; but everybody is to be
 self-effacing. Always consider the other person to be better
 than yourself, so that nobody thinks of his own interests
 first but everybody thinks of other people's interests
 instead. In your minds you must be the same as Christ
 Jesus:

His state was divine,
 yet he did not cling
 to his equality with God
 but emptied himself
 to assume the condition of a slave,
 and became as men are;
 and being as all men are,
 he was humbler yet,
 even to accepting death,
 death on a cross.
 But God raised him high
 and gave him the name
 which is above all other names
 so that all beings
 in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld,
 should bend the knee at the name of Jesus
 and that every tongue should acclaim
 Jesus Christ as Lord,
 to the glory of God the Father.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

John 10:27

Alleluia, alleluia!
 My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord;
 I know them, and they follow me.
 Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Matthew 21:28-32

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people,
 ‘What is your opinion? A man had two sons. He went and
 said to the first, “My boy, you go and work in the vineyard
 today.” He answered, “I will not go,” but afterwards
 thought better of it and went. The man then went and said
 the same thing to the second who answered, “Certainly,
 sir,” but did not go. Which of the two did the father's will?’
 ‘The first’ they said. Jesus said to them, ‘I tell you
 solemnly, tax collectors and prostitutes are making their
 way into the kingdom of God before you. For John came
 to you, a pattern of true righteousness, but you did not
 believe him, and yet the tax collectors and prostitutes did.
 Even after seeing that, you refused to think better of it and
 believe in him.’

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 Cf Psalm 118:49-50

Remember your word to your servant, O Lord,
by which you have given me hope.
This is my comfort when I am brought low.

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

SEPTEMBER FEAST DAYS

-  28th St Wenceslaus and St Lawrence Ruiz
-  29th Ss. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael
-  30th St Jerome

OCTOBER FEAST DAYS

-  1st St Therese of the Child Jesus
-  2nd The Holy Guardian Angels
-  3rd St Francis Borgia



REFLECTION

by Fr Michael Tate

'No, no, no, no ... Y-yes!'

Jesus tells a little story about two brothers. One said 'Yes', but never did anything. The other said 'No', but then had a change of heart and did what was required. Jesus loved the brother who came around. He was very hard on the one who said 'Yes' but did not 'walk the talk'.

That is why he loved those tax collectors who gathered the revenue for the Roman authorities, and the prostitutes who serviced the Roman occupying army, but who switched allegiance from the Empire of Caesar to the Kingdom of God. This signalled a profound change of heart.

We may have said 'No' to God at various times with various intensity in our lives. But God is wonderfully patient and prepared to hear 'No' many times in the hope of hearing 'Yes'. God's patience never runs out. But our time to say 'Yes' does run out. We only have a relatively short life span!

At the end of Mass, I will say 'Go and announce the Gospel of the Lord.' As St Francis of Assisi put it, 'Preach the Gospel, and occasionally use words.' Walk the talk.



NEWS FROM THE CARMELITE MONASTERY IN KEW

The Carmelite Monastery is still a worksite following recent flooding. As a result of this, the following feast day Masses will not be open to the public:

1st October – Feast of St Teresa of Avila

15th October – Feast of St Therese of Lisieux

Missionary Sisters of St Peter Claver

Mission Fair

Saturday 17 October 2026

9:00am to 2:20pm

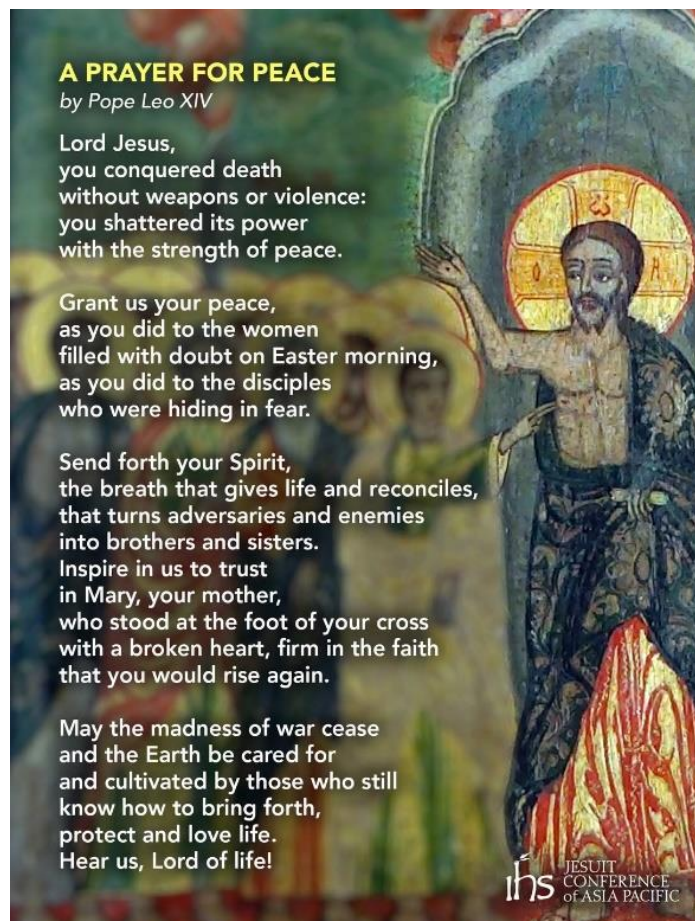
The Missionary Sisters of St Peter Claver will hold their Annual Mission Fair on Saturday 17 October 9.00 am – 2.30 pm at 154 Cotham Road, Kew. This year the proceeds will be forwarded to the Franciscan Sisters of St Joseph, Kisumu for water tanks.

Thank you for your kind help and support. We assure you of our grateful prayers and ask you to remember us in your Holy Mass.

For further information, please telephone: 9817 3715.

POPE LEO'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER

For a just and sustainable management of water, a vital resource, so that everyone may have equal access to it.



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!

ihc JESUIT CONFERENCE OF ASIA PACIFIC

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST ST IGNATIUS CHURCH			
DATE	5.00PM VIGIL MASS	DATE	9.30AM SUNDAY MASS
26/09	Haydn Walters	27/09	Simon Feely
03/10	Marlon D'Souza	04/10	Mary Ebolo
10/10	Haydn Walters	11/10	Raquel Gonzales

MINISTERS OF THE WORD ST IGNATIUS CHURCH			
DATE	5.00PM VIGIL MASS	DATE	9.30AM SUNDAY MASS
26/09	Ancita D'Cunha	27/09	Rosie Coulthard
03/10	Mary Burns	04/10	Deborah Browne
10/10	Giovanna Scollo	11/10	Anonda Le Messurier

MINISTERS OF THE WORD ST JAMES CHURCH	
DATE	11.00AM MASS
27/09	Herb Zimmer
04/10	Margaret Gibson
11/10	Louisa Luu

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.

COLLECTION WEEK – 19 th /20 th September ST. IGNATIUS CHURCH & ST. JAMES CHURCH
Thanksgiving Envelopes – \$129.95
Loose Collection – \$2154.45