



St Peter Julian Eymard Catholic Church Mooroolbark Parish

*We are a Welcoming Eucharistic
and Spirit Filled Parish Community.*



SPJE PARISH IS A CHILD SAFE ENVIRONMENT

We acknowledge the Wurundjeri People, the traditional custodians of this land

Parish Priest
Fr. Joseph

Parish Secretary **Parish Assistant**
Mrs. Adriana De Leo Mr. Brian Twining

Parish Office
234 Hull Road (PO Box 2) Mooroolbark 3138
Telephone: 9723 4275

Office Hours:
Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri - 9.00am - 3.00pm
(Office unattended on Wednesday)

<http://pol.org.au/mooroolbark/Home.aspx>
Email: mooroolbark@cam.org.au

Parish Hall - Contact Parish Office

SPJE Parish School
Reay Road, Mooroolbark 3138
Telephone 9725 0595 Fax 9723 9255
School Principal – Mr. Greg Thomas
<http://www.spjemooroolbark.catholic.edu.au>

St. Richard's Parish School
672 Mt. Dandenong Rd Kilsyth, 3137
Telephone 9728 4378 Fax 9728 6272
School Principal - Mr. Marcus Gill
<http://www.srkilsyth.catholic.edu.au>

Normal Mass Times at SPJE

Weekday Masses
Tues & Wed : 9.30 am
Saturday: No morning Mass
Saturday: 6.00 pm (Vigil)
Sunday: 9.00 am
Sunday: 11.00 am

Reconciliation: Saturday 5.15 pm
or by arrangement with Priest.
Sacraments (Baptism, Weddings)
Ring Parish Office 9723 4275

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT
26th March 2023 Issue No. 8

REFLECTION

Following today's Gospel the Pharisees plan the demise of Jesus, but they are only one example of a response to the miraculous raising of Lazarus. There are at least five responses in the Gospel, starting with Jesus for whom this is an experience of relationship with the Father who glorifies the Son and leads others to belief. For Martha and Mary it is an experience of the love of Jesus in their love for Lazarus who is restored to life. For the onlookers it is an event which lead them to believe in Jesus. For the Pharisees blinded by the self-concern which we saw last Sunday, this miracle challenges their identify, and they now plot the death of Jesus. The unstated but perhaps more important response belongs to Lazarus. What is his experience? It is much more than simply coming back to life. Before being raised, Lazarus had experienced life in the same way as we have experienced life. He took life for granted, it was a given. After experiencing death, his experience of life is different. Being alive is now a conscious reality through which Lazarus knows love. Life is a gift which unites us to God and each other through love.



God's Word 2023

**PARISH
CALENDAR**



MARCH

25/26th FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT
 48 hour Prayer - 5pm - 5.50pm
 Church Monthly Collection
 Baptisms - 9am & 11am
 29th Wed Eucharist Family Night - 7pm
 30th Thur FUNERAL - Judy Fitzgerald -
 10.30 am
 31st Fri Feast of St Richard's Mass - 9am
 At St Richards School Hall

APRIL

1/2nd **PALM SUNDAY**
 6pm & 9am Eucharist
 Commitment Mass
 3rd **HOLY WEEK**
 4th Tue Baptism Preparation Meeting -
 7.30 pm (Church)

(See page 3 for Easter Mass Times)

**Weekday Mass Times
Tuesday & Wednesday
9.30 am Mass**

Readings for Next Week - 1/2nd April

Palm Sunday

Mt 21:1-11: Is 50:4-7: Ps 21:8-9, 17-20, 23-24
 Phil 2:6-11: Mt 26:14 - 27:66:

Prayers for the Sick

We pray for parishioners and friends who
 are ill, especially,
*Ignatius Suan Lian Thang,
 Joseph Raborar De Sagun,
 Colleen Watson & Anna Van Reymersdael.*

† Remembrance Diary †

We remember those who have died, especially
Leon McKiernan
 and all those whose anniversaries occur about this
 time.

25/3 to 1/4

Anne Colapaolo, George Mazar,
 Joseph Francis Johnston, Len Decker,
 Maria Thi Nhi Cao, John Woodhouse,
 Patricia McCann, Victor Treloar, Antonia Tejero,
 Bernard Brown, Maragaret Kierce,
 Jim McLaughlin, Rocco Zinghini, Val Stafford,
 Jessica Tilbury, Joan Kelly, Maryanne D'Rozario,
 Patricia Stone, William Peters, Gabirel Tuck,
 Josef Deszcz, Marge Treloar, Sr. Dietlinde,
 Mawk Prest, Michele Anastasi, Roger Kelaart,
 Vincent Graves, Frieda Macro.

ROSTERS

Counters - Month of April

Jan Phipphard & Eileen Goltz

Flowers - Month of April

No flowers during Lent

Church Cleaners - Month of April

Jun Romero Family

*(Please collect church key from parish office
 Monday - Friday, 9am - 4pm)*

Readers and Commentators - 1/2nd April

6.00 pm Paul Martin & Paul Redfern
 9.00 am Tim Newcomb & Volunteer
 11.00am Auna Wernert & Volunteer

Musicians - 1/2nd April

6.00 pm Shelly & Co
 9.00 am Filipino Group
 11.00am No Music

ST VINCENT DE PAUL



If assistance is
 required, please contact
1800 305 330
 Mon to Fri 10am to 3pm



BAPTISM

We welcome to our Parish through
 Baptism

**Mark George, Harvey & Riley Young,
 Harpa Italiano, Kayleigh Cavallo**

As they receive the Holy Spirit through the
 Sacrament celebrated this weekend, may their faith
 guide them throughout their lives.

2023 EASTER TRIDUUM

APRIL
Thu 6th

Holy Thursday

No morning Mass

Mass of the Lord's Supper
7.30pm

Followed by Night prayer

Fri 7th

Good Friday

Stations of the Cross

In the Church - **10 am**

Outdoors Stations 10 am
(*weather permitting*)

Sat 8th

The Lord's Passion - 3pm

Holy Saturday

Sun 9th

Easter Vigil - 7.00pm

Easter Sunday

Mass at **9.00am & 11.00am**

Mon 10th

Easter Monday

Public Holiday - No Mass



A Note from The Vinnies

Dear Parishioners,

We thought that it would interest you to know that, over the last 10 years, we have assisted 822 families (many more than once)

This comprises 1278 adults and 814 children.

During this time, we have provided assistance with food, education expenses, some help with utility bills and some help with medical expenses and more.

We have distributed aid to the value of \$607,821 which is an amazing effort.

All this has been made possible by generous donations to us and provision of funds from Vinnies stores.

In order to continue these good works, we need the shops to prosper, and as they are in desperate need of more volunteers, this note is designed to ask you to consider if you are able to help out, even for a few hours a week or fortnight.

Lilydale Store Manager Donna Barling
9735 4976

Kilsyth Store Manager Priscilla Enwright
8199 4213

Thank you all and God Bless you.

Richard Knight

Mooroolbark Conference President

PROJECT COMPASSION FIFTH WEEK OF LENT



Project Compassion brings together Australian schools, parishes and supporters to raise funds for people in vulnerable communities across the world. This year, we introduced you to the stories of four inspiring people whose lives have been transformed with your generous support: Laxmi, Tereesa, Priscilla and Thu.

Today, they are creating a better world for their families, their communities and for all future generations.

Project Compassion is a demonstration of the faith, empathy and generosity of our supporters. It is the lifeblood of Caritas Australia – without it, we could not do the vital work we do. Thank you for helping transform lives today and for all future generations.

 Support Project Compassion today:
www.caritas.org.au/project-compassion

FUNERAL

Judy Fitzgerald

SPJE Church

Thursday 30th March - 10.30 am

Refreshments held afterwards



Maddies Embelished Garden

10am - 4pm

Sunday 2nd April

Fundraiser

All proceeds go towards Mary
McKillop East Timor Mission

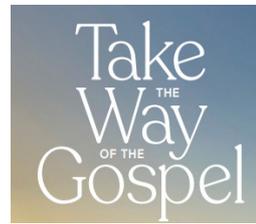


LADIES LUNCH GROUP
Our next Ladies Lunch will be on

Tuesday 4th April

Dorset Hotel
Dorset Rd Croydon
We will meet at 12 pm for 12.30 lunch

Enquiries: Nancy Gough 0411 137 251
Philomena Turner 0417 208 077



Take the Way of the Gospel

Dear parishioners,
Pope Francis has asked the Archdiocese and parishes to look at how and when we can achieve his desire to bring people back to the church and love Jesus again. Parish priests will be participating in a number of learning seminars/workshops over the coming months to inform parish leaders and staff on how we can translate this into our broader parish and local communities. In the meantime, we as parishioners are being invited to ask family and friends to join us in our faith journey.

We are currently exploring what activities we can introduce to be more welcoming, hospitable and inclusive, especially to new parishioners. This can be a number of ways, morning teas, light lunches, light supper etc. Father Joseph and Parish Leaders will also attend the Eastern Regional Consultation session in April/May (date TBC). These sessions are to help inform and shape Take the Way of the Gospel.



WORKING WITH CHILDREN CARD

WWCC is required by government legislation. All volunteers working in a parish voluntary capacity must have a current WWCC card.

Please see notice below for further information or contact can be made with the Parish Child Safeguarding Team.

CHILDSAFETY

A REMINDER ONLINE TRAINING IS REQUIRED FOR ALL VOLUNTEERS

To access the training use this link in your browser
You will need access to your email to register.
<https://safeguarding.melbournecatholic.org/>

Parish Child Safeguarding Team

If you have any child safety concerns please contact the following team members

Brian Twining

brian.twining@cam.org.au

Meg Wright

mwright@spjemoroolbark.catholic.edu.au

Michael Mc Lindon

mclinoffice@gmail.com

Or request a call back on the Parish Office
phone 9723 4275

Attached to the newsletter email is the Parish's **Code of Conduct and Declaration** for volunteers.

All volunteers, in whatever role, **are required to read and acknowledge that they have read the declaration**, by signing it on the last page and having someone witness their signature.

Please ask Mass Co-ordinators if you require assistance completing the form.

The parish can provide full printed copies on request

When completed please give the forms to any Pastoral Council member,
or to Fr Joseph