



# St Peter Julian Eymard Catholic Church Mooroolbark Parish

*We are a Welcoming, Eucharistic and Spirit Filled Community*

SPJE IS A CHILD SAFE ENVIRONMENT

WE ACKNOWLEDGE THE WURUNDJERI PEOPLE, THE TRADITIONAL CUSTODIANS OF THIS LAND

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**Fr. Joseph**

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

**Parish Office**  
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**Office Hours:**

**Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri - 9.00am - 3.00pm**  
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**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

**21st Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**27th August 2023    Issue No 30**

**Reflection**

The key to this Sunday's Scripture is found in Paul's rhetorical question in the second reading: 'Who could ever know the mind of the Lord?' Isaiah could have posed this question to Shebna

And his replacement Eliakim as one was supplanted by the other. In the Gospel, when Peter declares 'You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God' we know that Peter has only an inkling of what his declaration actually means. He has responded correctly without fully comprehending what he is saying. Yet his words are sufficient to be given an extensive affirmation of authority by Jesus: the keys of the kingdom and power to bind and loose. When, much later, Peter came to exercise this authority, perhaps Isaiah's oracle to Shebna and Eliakim would remind him of its provisional nature. In our exercise of authority, large or small, may we remain conscious that it ultimately comes from God and is to be directed towards his kingdom.



*Daily Reflections 2023*

## PARISH CALENDAR AUGUST

**26/27th** 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Fr Brian Kelty  
Social Justice Sunday

### SEPTEMBER

**2/3rd** 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Welcome back Fr Joseph  
Fathers Day  
Priest Retirement Fund Collection-  
All Masses

**5th Tue** Baptism Preparation Meeting -  
7pm Bernadette & Naomi

**6th Wed** Reconciliation Family Night—6pm

**9/10th** 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Reconciliation Commitment Mass  
6pm & 9am  
Baptisms—11am

**16/17th** 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Baptisms—11am

**23/24th** 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Baptisms—9am & 11am  
Private Baptism—12.30pm

## Weekday Mass Times

**No Weekday Masses**

## This Week's Readings - 26/27th Aug

**Is 22:19-23: Ps 137:1-3,6,8  
Rom 11:33-36: Mt 16:13-20**

## Prayers for the Sick

We pray for parishioners and friends who are ill,  
especially,

**Stephen O'Neill, Harry Janssen,  
Max Pisotek, Ignatius Suan Lian Thang, Mateo  
Bandiling, Cora Fitzsimons, Reji,  
Sr Moira Sheedy.**

## ✠ Remembrance Diary ✠

We remember those who have died especially  
**Joy McLaren & Alice Devlin Kane** and all those  
whose anniversaries occur about this time.

**26/8 to 1/9**

**Nic Ellis, Eileen Watson, John Grant, Rosalina  
Ignacio, Maree Cambridge, Wilhelmina  
Commandeur, Szymanski & Moran Families,  
Mafalda Villella, Patricia Devoy, Tony Colella,  
Bernard McLindon, Margaret Bramble, Peter  
Adams, Dorothy Anderson, Basil Bingham, Edward  
Malone, Kevin Fenton, Nick Brown, Edward  
McMahon, Vernon Smith, Francesco Zinghini,  
Flora Cristafaro, Jack Dwyer, Gabrielle Mills,  
Christine Bolton, Anthony Barbaro-Sant, Sheila  
McVeigh, Marlene Livingstone, Joseph Steane,  
Roger Galea, Nancy Walsh, Dan Harnetty, George  
Drummond, Margaret Collins, Michael McGrath.**

## ROSTERS

### Counters - Month of August

Maurie & Joan Prendergast

### Flowers - Month of August

Philomena Turner

### Church Cleaners - Month of August

Francis Braganza & Laurel Simpson

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

### Readers & Commentators— 26/27th August

6.00 pm Paul Redfern & Paul Martin  
9.00 am Lilijana Stride & Tim Newcomb  
11 am Auna Wernert & Volunteer

### Readers & Commentators— 2/3rd September

6.00pm Pat Harman & Iris Gale  
9.00am Muzeena D'Almeida & Volunteer  
11 am Elizabeth & Reilly Acabado

### Musicians—26/27th August

6.00 pm Paul & Co  
9.00 am No Music  
11 am No Music

### Musicians—2/3rd September

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

## 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

## Combined Catholic Parishes Raffle

Tickets are available now in the church foyer for collection by parishioners who are registered for Thanksgiving.

Church Foyer ticket sales will also commence this weekend at most masses, until end of October. The raffle will then be drawn early December.

### The prizes are:

- 1st Prize: Kia Picanto S 1.25ltr Auto
- 2nd Prize: Coles/Myer Gift Card - to the value of \$5000
- 3rd Prize: Coles/Myer Gift Card - to the value of \$3000
- 4th & 5th Prize: Coles/Myer Gift Card - to the value of \$1000
- 6th & 7th Prize: Coles/Myer Gift Card - to the value of \$500

Tickets are \$2.00 each or \$20 per Book.

I would be most grateful for assistance with the selling of the tickets and the distribution of the named books.

If you have any queries, I can be contacted on 0403 568 302

or by email: [rafflespje@gmail.com](mailto:rafflespje@gmail.com)

Marg Vallence / CoOrdinator SPJE Parish  
Mooroolbark/CCPR 2023



## HELP!

**The 8th prize in our recent Multicultural Lunch Raffle is still unclaimed by Leo Bishop**

**If anyone knows him could you please contact, Marg Vallence on 0403 568 302.**

**If the prize is still unclaimed by 31/8/2023 we will draw a new winner of the hamper.**

(the tickets have been retained in the event of a prize not being claimed)



### LADIES LUNCH GROUP

Our next Ladies Lunch will be on

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September

At YORK ON LILYDALE

We will meet at 12 pm for 12.30 lunch

Enquiries: Nancy Gough 0411 137 251

Philomena Turner 0417 208 077



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mission**

*Reach out. Give life.*

### Gratitude for Your Support!

We extend our heartfelt thanks for your generous backing of this year's Appeal for the Propagation of the Faith. Through your help, Church workers in 1047 mission dioceses have been able to share the Good News within their local communities. Thank you for contributing to the amount of \$500.05 which was raised by St Peter Julian community for Catholic Mission. Your support this year will enable Sr. Carolina to continue to provide life-saving treatment and access to resources on health and well-being. Your gift also supports mission programs around the world that reach out and give life to those in most need.

The Sisters of Saint Joseph have prepared an Australian Pilgrimage, "In the Footsteps of Mary MacKillop" commencing in Melbourne on 17 October, journeying through Victoria and South Australia, and ending at Mary MacKillop Place, North Sydney on 28 October 2023. During the pilgrimage we visit many places associated with Mary MacKillop's life and ministry.

Could you please advertise this Pilgrimage in your Parish Bulletin and post the attached brochure on your notice board, time and space permitting?

I am happy to answer any questions and provide an itinerary and application form, and may be contacted at [national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au](mailto:national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au) or on 89124818.



MARY MACKILLOP PLACE

OUT OF THE Ordinary



## ***National Child Protection Week: 3 – 9 September 2023***

### **Overarching message: ‘Every child in every community needs a fair go’**

This year National Child Protection Week will continue to champion the message

***‘Every child in every community needs a fair go’.***

This message captures the essence of National Child Protection Week which aims to promote a safe and supported life for every child, now and into the future.

Many of our supporters may choose to continue to focus on this overarching message.

However, many of our partners tell us that they value having a fresh annual theme to focus their local conversations each year.

### **2023 theme: ‘Where we start matters’.**

In 2023, the message that ‘Every child in every community needs a fair go’ will be complemented with the theme ‘Where we start matters’.

*Where we start* our lives in terms of where we live, the resources available to us, and the opportunities presented to us make a significant difference to our life outcomes.

*Where we start* as a service sector in offering children and their families support and assistance makes a significant difference to life outcomes.

*Where we start* as decision makers in addressing large complex policy problems such as child abuse and neglect, also has a significant personal, social and economic outcomes.

We invite you to use this theme to explore and talk about the many ways that ‘where we start matters’ for children, young people and their families.

Of course *where we start isn’t where we finish*.

The aim of Child Protection Week is to bring together partners to focus on addressing the significant harms being experienced by children in Australia. By working collectively to change the trajectory of these children and families, we can reduce the number of children who may come in contact with the child protection system. The time to act is now.

You can use this theme in ways that are most relevant to those you work with.

For instance, this could include focusing on:

- Supporting parents to access services so that all families have the opportunity to give every child a great **start**
- Supporting organisations to be safe and child-focused so they can give every child a great **start**
- Supporting communities and making sure that every neighbourhood has what it needs to give every child a great **start**