



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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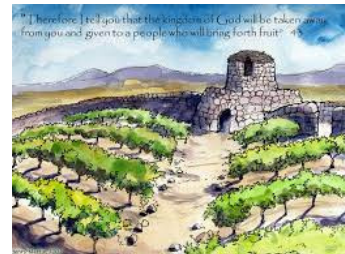
Normal Mass Times at SPJE

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

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
8th October 2023 Issue No 36

The Parable of the Tenants in the Vineyard - Mathew 21: 33-43



Meaning of this parable: This was initially a tricky parable to unpack however, this is what the students from SPJE thought when they reflected on the 'Parable of the Tenants in the Vineyard'.

We think God is represented by the landowner and the landowner's son represents Jesus.

We are all 'tenants' on God's Earth.

When people show kindness to you, show kindness back and don't take advantage of their kindness. You should show kindness even when no one is looking.

Not everyone is who they seem.

God always gives us lots of chances just like the landlord gave his tenants lots of chances to do the right thing.

Try to be grateful for what you have and not want more.

Go well and have a wonderful week.

Mrs Aedin Braun and the students of 6C,
SPJE Primary School.

PARISH CALENDAR OCTOBER

7/8th	27th Sunday in Ordinary Time Private Baptism—3.30pm Baptisms—9am & 11am Private Baptism—12.30pm
12th Thu	Reconciliation Students—Church Time: T.B.A.
14/15th	28th Sunday in Ordinary Time Child Safeguarding Presentation All masses Baptism—6pm Baptism—11am
17th Tue	Reconciliation Students—Church 12 noon
19th Thu	Reconciliation Students—9.15am
19th	Parish Pastoral Council Meeting 5.00 pm—Parish House
21/22nd	29th Sunday in Ordinary Time World Mission Sunday Collection Monthly Church Collection Bush Dance—Parish Hall 7.15pm Baptism—9am & 11am
25th Wed	MASS OF ANNOINTING 9.30 am

ROSTERS

Counters - Month of October

Karen Broughton & Christine Sellar

Flowers - Month of October

Margaret Kim

Church Cleaners - Month of October

Xavier & Muzeena D'Almeida

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

Readers & Commentators— 7/8th October

6.00pm	Pat Harman & Iris Gale
9.00am	Lillette de la Harpe & Vanessa Walker
11.00am	Charlotte Wightman & Volunteer

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6.00pm	Dympna Beard & Angela Stainwall
9.00am	Tim Newcomb & Volunteer
11.00am	Jun Romero & Volunteer

Musicians — 14/15th October

6.00pm	Paul & Co
9.00am	No Music
11.00am	No Music

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6.00pm	Shelly & Co
9.00am	Filipino Group
11.00am	Zomi Group

Weekday Mass Times Weekday Masses Tue & Wed—9.30 am

This Week's Readings - 7/8th October

Is 5:1-7: Ps 79:9, 12-16, 19-20: R
Phil 4:6-9: Mt 21:33-43

Prayers for the Sick

We pray for parishioners and friends who are ill,
especially

**Harry Janssen, Max Pisotek, Ignatius Suan
Lian Thang, Cora Fitzsimons, Reji,
Annette, Sr Moira Sheedy, Prem D'Cruz.**

✠ Remembrance Diary ✠

We remember those who have died and all those
whose anniversaries occur about this time.

7/10 to 13/10

**Reginald Leslie, Vera Boness, Jack Gatens,
Michael Gorman, Hiran Johnpillai, Carmel
McCourt, Colleen McCormack, Theo Driessen,
Domenico Del Guidice, Giuseppe La Morticella,
Alice Malone, Frank Mateuszcyk, Bill Smith,
Alice Trayers, Vonie Beary, Joseph Martin,
Margaret Galway, Brenda Hamilton, Elise
Cottin, Jack Smith, Julie Gawronska, Adela
Rehtman, Joe Villarin Helen Saint, Glen
Chapman, Vina Trudgen, Yin On Ho, Ilze
Plaues, Joan Clancy, Albert Barr, Krystal
Malvaso, Edna Agnes Petterson, Paul Krupjak.**

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

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Michael Mc Lindon

mclinoffice@gmail.com

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

Combined Catholic Parishes Raffle

**Thank you to everyone who has
been buying tickets
Could you please start returning
your books
by end of October so
I can return them for the draw**

The prizes are:

1st Prize: Kia Picanto S 1.25ltr Auto

2nd to 7th Prizes are Coles/Myer Gift Cards
Ranging in value \$5000 down to \$500

**Thank you to the weekend tickets
sellers**

You are much appreciated.

Queries - Text me on 0403 568 302

or email: rafflespje@gmail.com

Marg Vallence / Coordinator
SPJE Parish Mooroolbark/CCPR 2023

ARTICLE FROM CRUX

Pope offers cautious 'yes' on blessing some
same-sex unions, 'no' on woman priests

By Elise Ann Allen.

<https://cruxnow.com/2023-consistory-and-synod-for-synodality/2023/10/pope-offers-cautious-yes-on-blessing-some-same-sex-unions-no-on-woman-priests?s=03>

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A Prayer for Referendum Week

Dear Lord

*We invite all Australians to join us, their
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander
Brothers and Sisters in prayer.*

*We pray for a bright and just shared
future for all who call Australia home.*

*We ask that Your grace of acceptance and
compassion will guide us.*

*Let the Creator Spirit lead our journey
with the Aboriginal and Torres Strait
Islander Peoples of this land.*

*May we share Your Spirit more deeply;
celebrate the gifts You have given us.*

*Help us appreciate true harmony and
peace just as our Old People did;*

*Keep us strong, make us resilient and
remember us in this time.*

*Now is an opportunity to change our
Nation's history for the better.*

*Walk with us as we write a new chapter
together and may we be one in Your love.*

Amen.

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Woman of Vision,

With an unwavering spirit.

Pioneer educator of disadvantaged, isolated and
bush children.

Comforter of prisoners and the unwanted.
Extraordinary friend to all faiths and none.
Fearless advocate who lifted the vulnerable to
greater things.

Shining example of complete belief in the
providence of God.

Pray for us to be fair and courage, and walk
beside us as we face our daily journey.

Sr Sandra Hopkins rsj.

Accepting the Invitation

In August, Aboriginal Catholic Ministry extended an invitation to members of Melbourne parishes to visit and explore Social Justice and Aboriginal Spirituality, in the light of the Uluru Statement of the Heart and the Voice Referendum. I warmly embraced this opportunity to listen and learn in September when I visited the Aboriginal Catholic Ministry. The day involved learning and discussion led by Olkola/Djabaguy woman Sherry Balcombe, supported by Sr Joan Healy, with Eucharist celebrated by Fr Bruce.

As an Art teacher myself, I was in awe of the symbolism intertwined in each space - rich in stories, culture and tradition. Sherry explained each element of the stain glass window, beginning with the Creator Spirits, Bunjil and the Rainbow Serpent, moving into plants, animals and people.

There is a plaque next to the tabernacle quoting Pope John Paul II during his address in Alice Springs 1986. In our current context, It is important we are continually reminded of these words, particularly in light of the Referendum;

“The Church herself in Australia will not be fully the Church that Jesus wants her to be until you have made your contribution to her life and until that contribution has been joyfully received by others.”

Together we explored the Uluru Statement, with Sherry emphasizing the notion of Makarrata – the coming together after struggle, the significance of truth telling of history and ultimately accepting the invitation to *“walk with us in a movement of the Australian people for a better future.”*

I am thankful for the hospitality shown by all at Aboriginal Catholic Ministry – for Sherry’s openness, passion and knowledge which allowed me to deepen my understanding of Aboriginal Spirituality.

Charlotte Wightman, parishioner.

