



# 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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**School Principal - Mr. Marcus Gill**  
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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

**14th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**9th July 2023    Issue No 23**

## REFLECTION

This Sunday's readings are full of joy. Just look at the first two lines of the first reading from Zechariah. They say "Rejoice heart and soul", and 'Shout with gladness'. And what is the reason for this joy? God has come in kindness and compassion, as the responsorial psalm says. And not only that, but as St Paul writes, God's Spirit has made his home in us. These are certainly things to be joyful about. The Yoke of Jesus is light, but sometimes may bring us challenges and burdens. Yet we can always trust in Jesus' promise that in him we will find rest for our souls and joy for our hearts. What are the challenges I face in living out my faith? Do I trust in Jesus' closeness and his desire to carry them with me?



**God's Word Daily Reflections 2023**

## PARISH CALENDAR JULY

- 8/9th 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 Wedding - 1.00 pm  
 Catholic Missions Appeal  
 All masses  
 Baptisms - 11am
- 13th Thu FDT Meeting - 10am  
 14th Fri Confirmation Spirit Day
- 15/16th 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 15/16th Guest Speaker - Fr George  
 Hogarth will celebrate all Masses  
 Promoting Columban Far East  
 Magazine
- 20th Thu Parish Pastoral Council Meeting  
 5.30pm (Parish House)
- 21st Fri **CONFIRMATIONS 5.30 & 7.30pm**
- 22/23rd 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 Monthly Church Collection  
 Baptism—11am
- 27th Thur Baptism Preparation Meeting -  
 7.30 pm Church—Tim Newcomb

## ROSTERS

### Counters - Month of July

Paul & Marianne Redfern

### Flowers - Month of July

Volunteer required

### Church Cleaners - Month of July

Margaret Kim & Esther Ngaihte

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

### Readers & Commentators this weekend 8/9th

- 6.00pm Volunteer & Michael McLindon  
 9.00am Lilijana Stride & Vanessa Walker  
 11.00am Elizabeth & Reilly Acabado

### Readers and Commentators - 15/16th July

- 6.00 pm Craig Hume & Mitchell Mazarella  
 9.00 am Tim Newcomb & Volunteer  
 11.00am Charlotte Wightman & Volunteer

### Musicians - 8/9th July

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

### Musicians—15/16th July

- 6.00 pm Paul & Co  
 9.00 am No Music  
 11.00 am ZOMI Group

## Weekday Mass Times Tuesday & Wednesday 9.30am Mass

## This Week's Readings - 8/9th July

**Zech 9:9-10: Ps 144:1-2, 8-11, 13-14:  
 Rom 8:9, 11-13: Mt 11:25-30:**

## Prayers for the Sick

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

**Max Pisotek, Ignatius Suan Lian Thang,  
 Mateo Bandiling & Reji.**

## ✠ Remembrance Diary ✠

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

**8/7 to 14/7**

Eril Prenderast, Josephine O'Hara, Fillippo Giuffrida,  
 Margaret Kirley, Andy Brown, Nancy Findlay, Robert  
 Stewart, John Dollery, Phillip D'Orival, Walter Hardacre,  
 Fr Joseph Cairns, Maria Incoronata Del Giudice, Robert  
 Delzoppo, Glenda Chavez, Drago Safar, Alfie Kirby, Jack  
 Lynch, Francis O'Leary, Kevin Trappel, Victor Lyons,  
 Louis Matthews, Joan Mary Cameron, Gerda Bakker,  
 Lum Poyang Yee, Marie Ginty, Michelle Bleumink, Judy  
 Shaw, Claire Joiner, Veronica Gormon, Hugh Boyd,  
 Sarah Scanlon, Joan Newcombe, Paul Krix, Mary  
 Waters, Sydney Monks, Zosimo Aranco

## NEW THANKSGIVING ENVELOPES

Please pick up your new thanksgiving  
 envelopes from the church foyer this weekend.  
**These envelopes will commence on  
 16th July.**

Please continue to use the current remaining  
 envelopes until finished

**Note:** NO statement is included in the box  
 as we have had a system upgrade.  
 This will follow in the coming weeks.





We welcome to our Parish through  
Baptism

***Mari Tan, Lucy & Phoebe Tomlin.***

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

### **Parish Thanksgiving Pledge / Census Card**

If you are new to the parish—Welcome !

Thanksgiving Pledge / Census cards are  
available next to the newsletters for you to  
provide your contact details.

If you wish to donate to support the  
church and Parish Priest via the  
Thanksgiving Program please complete  
the pledge details

Thank you.



### **MULTI CULTURAL / FEAST DAY HAMPER RAFFLE**

**Tickets are now on sale at all  
masses.**

**The Raffle will be drawn at the lunch-  
eon on 30<sup>th</sup> July**

**Raid those money boxes -  
Tickets are \$1 each**



**We would be very grateful to have  
volunteers to sell tickets at all mass-  
es.**

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### **55 Years Anniversary MULTICULTURAL MASS & LUNCH**

We are only 3 weeks away from our 55th  
Anniversary of Church in Mooroolbark and the  
Multicultural Mass & Lunch on 30th July, we  
now need to get an understanding of how many  
people will be attending to the lunch and what  
food you will bring to share.

This day is considered a wonderful and exciting  
opportunity to bring our parish community  
together, welcome new parishioners to our  
parish family and enjoy the rich cultural  
diversity that we are privileged to have in  
Mooroolbark.

It will be a fun day, with music, many  
conversations, reminiscing, lots of laughter,  
delicious food and the drawing of our raffle.

The working group has met on two occasions to  
plan the day including the celebration of Mass  
and cuisines from a range of cultures as well as  
the logistics needed to prepare the Church and  
Parish Hall for this event.

Members of the working group will be  
available after each Mass in the foyer and can  
answer any questions you may have about this  
day of celebration.

You are also welcome to contact:

Bernadette Brown on 0447 743 138  
or  
Margaret Vallence on 0403 568 302.



## A LETTER TO ALL SPJE PARISHIONERS

We are a Welcoming Eucharistic  
and Spirit Filled Parish Community

Dear Parishioners,

I write to you on behalf of Fr Joseph, and the SPJE Parish Leadership team.

Some of you may have heard from friends and relatives that Parishes around Melbourne have been conducting Renewal Programmes, at the behest of the Archdiocese.

Renewal of our Faith is very rewarding for everyone.

Part of the suggested programme is also a renewal of financial commitment in the form of conducting a Thanksgiving Campaign.

When I wrote to you last year, I said that the Leadership team had considered conducting a Campaign with the purpose of increasing contributions and attracting newcomers to the support of SPJE Church. I further said that after much deliberation and attributed to the past years affected by covid and financial hardship being suffered by some families, it was decided that conducting a Campaign was not in the best interests of the parish and our community.

We are still of the same opinion.

### **HOWEVER,**

The Parish still needs to bolster Church income which has diminished in recent years. Holding our Monthly Collections, our participation in the upcoming Combined Parishes Car Raffle, and conducting Hamper Raffles (one of which will be held to coincide with the upcoming Multi Cultural mass and luncheon ) helps but more support would be wonderful.

If you are a newcomer to the Parish, or if you have never contributed to the Church, please be assured your contributions would be much appreciated.

If you, as a dedicated St Peter Julian Eymard parishioner, could manage to increase your weekly church contribution, that would also be very much appreciated.

To alter or join the SPJE Thanksgiving, please contact the parish office on 9723 4275 or mooroolbark@cam.org.au, noting that the office is closed Wednesdays.

***Pledge cards are available in the church foyer beside the newsletters.***

Thanking you for your continued support.

*Marg Vallence*

Chairperson Parish Finance Committee

On behalf of Fr Joseph and the SPJE Parish Leadership Team.