



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

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Parish Hall - contact Parish Office

SPJE Parish School Reay Road, Mooroolbark 3138 Telephone 9725 0595 Fax 9723 9255 School Principal – Mrs. Maria Bast http://www.spjemooroolbark.catholic.edu.au

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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 - Tuesday - Friday: 9.15 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

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

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

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 11th August 2019 - Issue No: 29



When we sit quietly and take time to listen deeply to the desires that live in our hearts, we realize that these desires name what we really treasure and value in our lives.

Have we taken time recently to notice how much we treasure our relationship with our God in our lives. What does God means for us? Have we taken time to listen to what we might mean to God.

For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

This statement in Luke's gospel is followed by a parable about the manservants waiting for their master to return from the wedding feast. Jesus uses parables to tell us about God.

Luke 12; 37 states, "Happy those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes. I tell you solemnly, he will put on an apron, sit them down at table and wait on them."

What kind of a God does Jesus reveal to us here?

The master is delighted by the desire of his servants to wait for his coming home to them. He is overjoyed and he wants to sit down and share table with them. To wait on them.

Can we delight in a God like this? A God who loves us deeply and delights in each one of us?

Michelle McCourt (Parishioner)

Weekday Mass Times **Tuesday to Fri at 9.15am**

PARISH CALENDAR

AUGUST 2019			
10/11th Aug	19th Sunday Ordinary Time		
	BAPTISMS 9am & 11am		
	CatholicCare Special		
	Collection		
11th Aug Sun	Private Baptism - 12.30pm		
15th Aug Thu	Feast of the Assumption		
-	9.15am Mass & 11.45 Liturgy		
17/18th Aug	20th Sunday Ordinary Time		
C	Baptism - 6pm		
19th Aug Mon	Faith Development Day - SPJE		
C	& St Richards School		
24/25th Aug	21st Sunday Ordinary Time		
C C	Monthly Church Collection		
31/1st Sept	22nd Sunday Ordinary Time		
-	Priest Retirement Foundation		
	Fathers Day		
7/8th Sept	23rd Sunday Ordinary Time		
7th Sept Sat	WEDDING - 2pm		
1	BAPTISMS - 6pm, 9am		
	& 11am		

ROSTERS

Counters

Joan & Maurie Prendergast 12th Aug 19th Aug Des Delahunt, Pam Dryden & Christine Sellar

9.00 am

11.00 am

Flowers				
17th Aug	Cora Tungol			
24th Aug	Pat Harman			
<u>Cleaners</u>				
12th Aug	Jessica & Gloria Romero & Catherine Tai			
19th Aug	D'Almeida Family			
(Please collect church key from parish office Monday - Friday, 9am - 4pm)				
Ministers of Eucharist Coordinators for August				
6.00 pm	Volunteer Required			
9.00 am	Pam Delahunt			
11.00am	Mike McCann			
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Lisa Read & Tim Newcomb

Jun Romero & Lorri Hayes

Readings for Next Week – 18th Aug

Jer 38:4-6, 8-10; Heb 12:1-4; Lk 12:49-53

Prayers for the Sick

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

Brian Alan, Frank Covino, Pat McCann, Maria Cordedda, Trish Fenton, Robert Radjul, Freddy Chavez, Reg Thaggard, Mary Ovans, Peter Margerison, Brian Harman & Pam Stephens.

✤ Remembrance Diary

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

10/8 to 16/8

Bob Anguey, Felix Goodwin, Margaret Lane, Renee De Jong, Reg Watson, Nellie Garland, Mary Maffescioni, Noeline Hewerdine, Jenny Morrish, Angus Campbell, Edna Cleary, Shelia Wheatley, Marlene Campbell, Mary Wycisk, Kathleen Chadwick, Philip Crellin, John Mann, Robert Garrett, Peter Farrell, Dorothy Murfitt, Leo Trappel, Albert Victor Parkinson, Dulcie Harnetty, Norman Baron, Judith Vanderhaar, Bill Bonuda, Charles Azzopardi, Herbert Cody, Elizabeth Mary Rowan, Margot Cooney, Giovanna Crivetti, Harry Munnery, Bernard Kerin, John O'Neill, Sr Dympna Malone, Ian Gunst.

PARISH THANKSGIVING

Monthly totals for Thanksgiving from 1st January to 31st July 2019

	Pledge	Given	Percent
January	\$8,256	\$6,575	80%
February	\$8,311	\$7,477	90%
March	\$9,893	\$8,379	85%
April	\$8,466	\$7,532	89%
May	\$8,251	\$7,427	90%
June	\$9,752	\$8,103	83%
July	\$8,288	\$7,703	93%

CatholicCare Sunday Appeal 10/11th August

This weekend is the CatholicCare Sunday Appeal. Donations from our parish community will help CatholicCare to support the most vulnerable people in our community. If you have forgotten to bring your donation with you, please take an envelope home and return it directly to CatholicCare.

Envelopes available in the church pews.

SPJE SCHOOL - BOOK FAIR

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Are you on the lookout for good quality books at good prices for children, grandchildren, nephews or nieces? Over at SPJE School, a Book Fair is currently underway and is open all day for sales on Monday, 12th August from 9am until 7pm. All parishioners are very welcome!

During school hours, please enter the School via the School Office. After hours, please enter via the outside Library door.



THANKSGIVING ENVELOPES & STATEMENTS

The new set of Thanksgiving Envelopes and statements are available for you to collect from the church foyer. We encourage you all to pick up boxes at your earliest convenience. Credit card and direct debit statements are available for you to collect from the parish office. Email Mooroolbark@cam.org.au or phone 9723 4275. We encourage those who are not contributing

via Thanksgiving to consider supporting our parish.

See below example of the Thanksgiving envelope. 2 sections to the thanks giving envelopes. As displayed below. (Left side Church contribution, right side Priest offering)

ST. PETER JULIAN EYMARD & ST. RICHARD'S CATHOLIC PARISH (MOOROOLBARE, ELISYTH, MONTROSE)

THANKSGIVING OFFERING

- To pay Parish operating costs and debt.
- To subsidize Catholic education in the Parish.
- To support growth of Parish

For Charitable Works.

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ST. PETER JULIAN EYMARI A. RICHARD'S CATHOLIC PA DECOLEARK, KILSYTH, MONTH

PRESBYTERY OFFERING

- To support the Priests of this parish and meet normal household expenses.
- To support sick and retired priests.

This amount not included in your pledge. \$

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PlenaryCouncil 2020 Listen to what the Spirit is saving.

The Plenary Council 2020 moves into its next phase of preparation today with the release of the final report for Phase 1 The National Themes for Discernment invited people to reflect, to pray and to consider how God is calling the People of God to be a Christ-centred Church in Australia. The Plenary Council's final report on Phase 1—Listening and Dialogue has been published For those who wish to read this report are invited to go to:

https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/resources/ reports

August 11, 2019 - 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time "For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be." (Luke 12:34)

Jesus encourages us to build up our treasure in heaven. The world encourages us to build up our treasure in real estate, investments, and material goods. How much time are you investing in building up a worldly treasure? How much time are you investing in building up a heavenly treasure? To invest more time in the things of heaven, you must let go of some of the things of this world.



BAPTISM

We welcome the following children to our Parish through Baptism :

Lachlan & Benjamin Oosterwyk, Isla Sansom

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

Are You Called to be a Spiritual Director? - The Siloam Program is an accredited full-time or part-time program to form Spiritual Directors. It is suitable for those who wish to companion others on their spiritual journey, helping them to notice the movement of God in their hearts and in their lived experience. The program, which commences in Box Hill VIC in Feb 2020, blends academic and practical work to foster a discerning, contemplative approach. The Program may be studied as a Graduate Diploma in Spiritual Direction, with Fee-Help available to qualifying students. Apply to Heart of Life Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral Formation. Brochure and application form at www.heartoflife.melbourne or tel 03 9890 1101.



Working with Children Check

PARISH CHILD SAFETY WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECKS

All parish volunteers are required to hold a **Working With Children Card**.

Those volunteers who already have a card are asked to come to the office to have the details recorded.

Those who don't have a card need to apply for one online.

Once you have completed your application online you will need to take it to the post office who will process it and take a photo for

you at no charge.

Please remember to bring identification with you to the post office.

If you need assistance with this please contact Adriana or Brian at the parish office on 9723 4275

The Parish thanks those parishioners who have responded by providing card details or obtaining one. For those that haven't please do so.

POSITIONS VACANT - Archdiocese of Melbourne

Parish Secretary, St Ambrose Parish - Brunswick & Brunswick East

Still Accepting Applications:-

Senior Parish Real Estate Advisor, Property & Infrastructure - East Melbourne Senior Manager, Communications and Media Relations, Archbishop's Office - East Melbourne Records and Filling Administrator, Vicar General's and Archbishop's Office - East Melbourne Diocesan Fundraising Officer, Fundraising (Mission Team) - East Melbourne Catholic Chaplain-Barwon Health, University Hospital. Geelong Parish Secretary/Bookkeeper, St Macartan's Parish, Mornington Parish Bookkeeper, St Brendan's Parish - Flemington (Extended)

Further details can be found on either the Archdiocese website at: <u>http://www.cam.org.au/Jobs.aspx</u>

Catholic Mission Appeal

Thank you to all who generously donated to this appeal. Amount raised \$ 909.55

MELBOURNE CATHOLIC MAGAZINE August 2019 ISSUE

(From The Heart) August Edition of Melbourne Catholic is now available. Articles of interest include :

- The future of crisis accommodation
- A relationship of the heart with God
- Prayer that inhabits our hearts

\$2 per copy.

MULTICULTURAL LUNCH SUNDAY 20th October 2019

A great response has been received to our Multicultural Lunch

Location: Parish Hall Date: 20th October 2019 - After 11am Mass

We encourage parishioners to join us to celebrate a multicultural lunch.

We ask that you make a dish of your culture and bring a dish to share with many others. If you wish to celebrate with us please place your name on the list provided on the church Noticeboard.

More details will follow on this parish event. This is a great opportunity to get to know each other and learn about the cultural diversity that we are blessed with in this parish.

Any queries to Hyacinth on 0433 425 086 or Adriana at the parish office on 9723 4275.



CHURCH NOTICE BOARD

Please see church noticeboard for more notices, flyers, school news, etc.



RCIA - ST PETER JULIAN EYMARD PARISH Striving To Be A Welcoming Catholic Community

<u>Hello</u> All, it's again time to visit RCIA – "Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults" – a vital part of Parish life, learning & liturgy for well over 2 decades, companioning, preparing & welcoming so many new members into the Parish through that time. Despite the negative press of recent years flowing from the awful revelations of personal & institutional infidelity of Church personnel & leadership, there are many who do recognise the Church as an ever struggling & sinful yet graced Community of Jesus that they feel a call to join.

This core Parish work of evangelization is made possible by our Parish RCIA Team, a small group of parishioners who gather in the Parish House weekly with candidates over 6 months or so through the Seasons from Advent through Lent to Easter/Pentecost – usually after the Readings & Homily of Sunday Mass. Our task is to be community companions to any "candidates" or "seekers" - those who feel a call to discover more about Jesus, the Church & their own inner selves & faith life, & who may eventually decide to join the Parish as full members of the Church. After a "fallow year" in 2018-19 for the Team - a year of drawing breath & regrouping (the first year without any candidates for 20 or more years!), it's now time to seek new recruits to help form & be formed by the RCIA Team as "companion members".

Our "small group of parishioners" is smaller than ever; of our present foursome, one joined in the past couple of years & three have been with the Team since the early 2000s – "& we 3 ain't getting any younger"!! Ideally, we would like to form a group of about 8 or so parishioners across the age range, both for present need & to be able to hand on to the future & even to have a couple within the group who could work with young children (to about age 10) so that we could offer RCIA as a family programme or package; we were able to do this up to two years ago but our numbers do not allow this at the moment.

While teaching or catechist or family experience can be important, one's openness to & experience of Church & personal prayer life & enthusiasm are the greatest gifts you can bring to this ministry. Really, the first qualification is faith in Jesus & a loving, critical membership of the community we call Church - with all its/our stumbles & faults.

Training, support & guidance are available within the RCIA Team, from the Parish & from the Office for Evangelisation of the Archdiocese. In fact, there is a 3 hour learning/discerning/ training opportunity being offered Tuesday 13th August, by the Office - "Exploring the Practicalities & Possibilities of RCIA in your Parish/ School" with afternoon or evening sessions available. If you would like to participate kindly ring me or leave a message TODAY.

On behalf of the Parish & possible seekers/ candidates, I would like to invite each of you to consider whether this ministry might be for you as, a vibrant & enriching part of your own mission within Church: I can assure you that. you will find the journey worthwhile in itself. You will be rewarded in your own faith life as you help take our Jesus Community forward in hope & love - that's why Team members have given & give such long & glad service.

If you are feel any stirrings or have any questions or comments (or you'd like to sign up straight off!) kindly ring me, Michael McLindon, on 0401331131 (or leave a message), or the Parish House on 9723 4275; such a call can begin to answer or sort out any hesitations or queries – without any pressure! & feel free to chat to Father Joseph or anyone who has been part of RCIA as Team or have made the RCIA Journey themselves.

"If today you hear God's voice – open your hearts" – With thanks to all, Michael McLindon, RCIA Coordinator, 0401331131