

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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SPJE Parish School

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School Principal – Mr. Greg Thomas
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SPJE - Outside School Hours Care Tel: 8215 9206

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
11.00 am

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

STEP PETE

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

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

EASTER SUNDAY 12th April 2020 Issue No 12

HOLY WEEK

Holy Week holds a very special place in the hearts of all Christians

– it is a week that taps into the deepest elements of our faith in Jesus –

His death and resurrection.

As we head into our journey through this
Holy Week in 2020
it will be unlike any other Easter we have or
likely will again experience.
For many of us it will be our first Easter
Triduum without the richness
of the beautiful liturgies that we experience
gathered as a
community of faith in our parishes. We will
rightly mourn what is
lost as we stay at home in order to keep
everyone safe.

Yet, this can also be an opportunity to journey more intentionally as a domestic church through Holy Week.

As we gather in our home

– with those we live with or individually – we are gathered as domestic church.

Bless the Lord, my soul,
And bless God's holy name.
Bless the Lord, my soul,
Who leads me into life.

Pauline George - RE - SPJE School

PARISH CALENDAR

ALL WEEKEND & WEEKDAY MASSES HAVE BEEN SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

Chanel 31 (44 on digital sets) are televising live services from St Patricks Cathedral

Thursday 7.30pm Mass of the Lords Supper (Live) Friday 11.00am Way of the Cross (Live

Streamed not televised)

Saturday

3.30pm Passion of our Lord (Live) 7.30pm Easter Vigil Mass (Live)

Sunday 11.00am Easter Sunday Mass (all Sunday

11am masses are televised live)

Details can be found on the Melbourne Catholic website

Dear Parishioners,

I would like to say a big thank you for many of you who have shown great spirit of solidarity in supporting the parish in the past weeks since the suspension of all masses. I appreciate your kindness and generosity in dropping of the thanksgiving envelops to support the parish financially in this challenging time and I thank you also some parishioners who have emailed or text or call me up and shown concerns about me. Many of you have shown the great spirit of unselfishness and the spirit of community. Your good deeds and charity have shown the fact that true friendship and loyalty are shown in difficult times. I wish all of you a bless Easter. I am confident and hopeful that the time will come again where we will celebrate the Eucharist together in the church. You are all in my thoughts and prayers.

With my best wishes and Happy Easter!

Fr Joseph Xin Lu Mooroolbark Parish House



Melbourne Catholic Special Edition Link to Holy Week.

https://melbournecatholic.org.au/News/ ArtMID/416/ArticleID/24400/Easter-Triduum-Resources

Readings for Next Week – 19th April Acts 2:42-47; 1 Pet 1:3-9; Jn 20:19-31



We pray for parishioners and friends who are ill;

Trish Fenton, Freddy Chavez, Annette Andrewartha, Julia & Mabel Dana, James Heaton, Wilfred Howarth, Matthew Arrowsmith, Rose Robert, Brian Allan, Lorraine Downie, Carol Braganza.

→ Remembrance Diary →

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

11/4 to 17/4

Joseph Williams, Antony Meyer, Andrew Roudie, Eva Munro, Cecilia McMullan, Kathleen Argus, Murray Thomas, Helen Mann, Allie Allen, Madge Fox, Margaret Egan, John Van Rooden, Brenda Natoli, Jack & Dorie Cleary, Stefan Turk, Michael Coleman, Ruza Mazar, Alice Quinless, Walter Sailah, Matthew Stapleton, Cath Phippard, Lesley Mutton, Patricia Walsh, Janine Smith, Margarita Musayon, Francis Wilson, Helen Colacarro, Donette D'Rozario, Mary Wharton, Janet Lamers, Mick Maloney, Rita Bambach, Phillip Cawood, May & Bill Healy, Theresa Frisina.

THANKSGIVING PROGRAM

During this difficult time, parishioners are encouraged to continue to support the Parish financially. This support is essential to the ongoing weekly expenditure of our Parish.

Thanksgiving envelopes can be dropped off at the Parish Office. (left side of front door).

If you wish to donate via electronic funds you May wish to set up direct debit from your bank to the church account (please phone or email the office for the parish bank details)

If you prefer Credit Card payments this can be arranged by phone or email to the Parish Office.

Please leave your name and phone number and
Adriana will contact you.

Fr Joseph acknowledges your generosity and thanks you for your continued financial support.

PARISH UPDATE - 12.4.2020

No Masses until further notice.

Funerals allowed with max of 10 people Weddings max of 5 people, including the Priest, wedding couple and witnesses.

All Baptisms have been postponed until further notice.

Father Joseph will provide a homily,.
The weekly reflection will be included in the
Newsletter and our Web page.

Parishioners are encouraged to provide an email address so that they can receive weekly notices and updates.

Parish Email: mooroolbark@cam.org.au

Please refer to The Catholic Archdiocese or Parish Website for updates.

EASTER SUNDAY

Water is a sign of life, the life of Christ begun at our baptism. Place a bowl of water on the table in front of you. Easter Sunday, the Day of the Lord's Resurrection, is an opportunity to renew our baptismal faith.



Combined Parishes Car Raffle

Parishioners, would you kindly return your raffle tickets and money to the Parish House. Envelopes can be put into the letter opening to the left of the Parish House front door.

A big thank you to all those who have returned their books and money.

If you have any queries, I can be contacted on 0403 568 302 or by email: rafflespje@gmail.com

Marg Vallence / Coordinator SPJE Parish Mooroolbark Combined Catholic Parishes Raffle 2020.

LADIES LUNCH GROUP CANCELLATION TO ALL OUR LADIES WHO ENJOY OUR MONTHLY LUNCHEON GATHERINGS

In keeping with Government Guidelines we will be cancelling all our regular lunches until we are informed that it will be safe for us to get together again. In the meantime our blessings and best wishes to all

Nancy Gough 0411 137 251 Philomena Turner 0417 208 077

CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE LINK LIVE STREAM MASS

https://melbournecatholic.org.au/Mass

11am MASS ON SUNDAY



Caritas AUSTRALIA

Happy Easter from all at Caritas Australia!

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Thank you for supporting us this year as we demonstrate how love and compassion for our global community can transform lives. You will be helping to empower the world's most vulnerable communities to grow stronger and share their strengths with their communities to lift themselves out of poverty.

When we **Go Further Together** in love and compassion, the whole world thrives.

Thank you for supporting Caritas Australia's Project Compassion 2020 Lenten appeal.

www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion #project compassion 1800 024 413

Parishioners are asked to return donation boxes to the parish house from now until 30th April, Between the times of 2pm - 7pm. Please ring the door bell and Fr Joseph will collect from you.



MEDIA STATEMENT 7 April 2020

Archbishop Peter A Comensoli has today written to the laity, religious and clergy of Melbourne in light of today's decision of the High Court of Australia, which brings to completion the legal processes regarding the conviction of Cardinal George Pell [www.cam.org.au].

"This case has been an intense and painful time for all those personally involved, those who have experienced abuse, and for the Catholic community in Melbourne

"At the heart of this trial and appeal process have been the people involved. I want to firstly acknowledge the person identified through the Courts only as 'J', who brought forward his story of abuse for examination in the courts of law. This is a right we value and honour.

"I also acknowledge Cardinal Pell who has steadfastly maintained his innocence throughout. Rightly, he has been afforded the full possibilities of the judicial system. This decision means the Cardinal was wrongly convicted and imprisoned, and he is now free to live his life peaceably within the community.

"The sole matter for examination in this case was whether Cardinal Pell committed certain despicable crimes, of which he has now been acquitted, and not about the broader question of how Church authorities have dealt with sexual abuse. Yet, I fully appreciate that people have seen in this case another emblematic story of sexual abuse by a Catholic priest. And it has brought a deeper weariness of soul to people of faith.

"Healing the damage done to those who have suffered Church-related sexual abuse, and building a culture of life and goodness for all in the Church, is the task I lead, and is something in which we all have a part to play.

"As Archbishop of Melbourne I re-dedicate myself and the Archdiocese to listening to victims of sexual abuse and accompanying them on pathways to justice, redress and healing. I continue our Church-wide efforts to protect and care for our young people and our vulnerable people, and to make our faith communities safe, as Jesus Christ expects of us. And, I commit myself to encouraging and supporting the many faithful clergy, religious and lay ministers who currently serve in the Archdiocese of Melbourne."

Most Rev Peter A Comensoli

Archbishop of Melbourne For further information or media enquiries, please contract Annie Carrett, Director, Office of the Archbishop: 03 9926 5614 | 0439 600 233 | annie.carrett@cam.org.au