

St Peter Julian Eymard Catholic Church Mooroolbark Parish

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We are a Welcoming Eucharistic and Spirit Filled Parish Community.

SPJE PARISH IS A CHILD SAFE ENVIRONMENT

We acknowledge the Wurundjeri People, the traditional custodians of this land

Parish Priest

Fr. Joseph

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

Parish Office 234 Hull Road (PO Box 2) Mooroolbark 3138 Telephone: 9723 4275

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http://pol.org.au/mooroolbark/Home.aspx Email: mooroolbark@cam.org.au

Parish Hall - Contact Parish Office

SPJE Parish School

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Telephone 9725 0595 Fax 9723 9255
School Principal – Mr. Greg Thomas
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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
Tues: 9.30 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

Sunday:

29th Sunday of Ordinary Time 16th October 2022 Issue No. 38

REFLECTION

Luke 18:1-8

Jesus urges his disciples to pray and not lose heart, for God hears and answers prayers.

This is the first of two parables that Jesus tells in Luke 18 about prayer. This first parable is a lesson in persistence in prayer. While the parable seems to present prayer as nagging God for what we want, such a reading misses the point. God is not like the judge in the parable, worn down by requests and coerced to respond. The key is found in the description of the judge as corrupt and unjust. Since God can be neither, we must understand Jesus to be saying that if even an unjust judge responds to the persistence of the widow, how much more so will God listen to our prayers. God truly wants to hear our needs and respond generously. It is the final lament of Jesus that gets to the point of the parable. The lesson is about the persistence of the one who prays. God wants us to be like the persistent widow, staying in relationship with God, confident that God hears and answers prayers. Then Jesus laments, "Will such faith be found when the Son of Man comes?" In this lament, Jesus notes how easy it can be for us to lose heart.

Marcus Gill - St. Richard's Principal



PARISH CALENDAR

OCTOBER

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time 15/16th

> Baptism - 6pm Baptism - 11am

20th Thu Sacrament of Reconciliation

St Richards School Hall

9.00am - 9.45am

22/23rd **30th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

World Mission Sunday

Sat. Private Baptism - 11am

Welcome - 9am

29/30th 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Baptism - 11am

NOVEMBER

1st Tue **ALL SAINTS**

Melbourne Cup Day Public Holiday

2nd Wed ALL SOULS

All Souls Mass - 10 am T.B.C.

LILYDALE CEMETARY

ROSTERS

Counters - Month of October

Joan & Maurie Prendergast

Flowers - Month of October

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Church Cleaners - Month of October

Peter & Anne Holt & Wernert Family

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

Readers and Commentators - 22/23rd October

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

Musicians - 22/23rd October

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

ST VINCENT DE PAUL



If assistance is required, please contact 1800 305 330 Mon to Fri 10am to 3pm **Weekday Mass Times**

Tuesday 9.30am mass

Readings for Next Week - 23rd October

Sirach 35:12-14, 16-19: Ps 33:2-3, 17-19, 23:R

2 Tim 4:6-8, 16-18: Lk 18:9-14

Prayers for the Sick

We pray for parishioners and friends who are ill; James Brien, Eleanor Thompson, Brenda Corrigan, Vic Garcia, Pam Stephens, Judith Fitzgerald, Max Pisotek, Heidi Franz, Marlene Daly & Sharon Jenkins.



🕆 Remembrance Diary 🕆



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

15/10 to 21/10

Con Doensen (first death anniversary) Brian Collins, Adrian Vandermeer, Anthony Kelly, Anna Driessen, Emil Lutterberg, Kenneth Adams, Marion Doggett, Peter Basile, Ian Barker, Colin Bell, Nancy Heaney, Giuseppe Cincotta, Francis Westaway, Francesco D'Eramo, Francesco De Leo, John Simmonds, Katrina Heykoop, John Payne, Marie Cooney, Lorna Gordon, Donald Pinder.



We welcome to our Parish through **Baptism**

Tate Humble, Baden, Hugo & Alyssa Bethune, Luca Giltinan.

As she receives the Holy Spirit through the Sacrament celebrated this weekend, may her faith guide her throughout her life.

COMBINED CATHOLIC PARISHES RAFFLE

All ticket stubs and money need to be back no later than 30th October to allow for collating and delivery to the organisers ready for the drawing on 3rd December.

A big thank you to those who have returned tickets

And to those who have delivered tickets.



1st PRIZE!!

Kia Picanto S 1.25ltr Auto

2nd to 6th prizes vary in value from

\$5000 - \$500

I can be contacted on 0403 568 302 or by
email: rafflespie@gmail.com

Marg Vallence / CoOrdinator CCPR 2022 SPJE Parish Mooroolbark

CHURCH KEY MISSING

If anyone is holding onto a church key No. 3

Can you please return to the parish office a.s.a.p.

Many thanks Adriana & Brian

THANK YOU

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



Vinnies Tomato Plants

Please note that Tomato Plants will be on sale after each weekend Mass, beginning Saturday October 7th.

Various varieties will be available, all plants at \$3.00 each

Proceeds will help assist the needy in the local area.





Next week, as we celebrate World Mission Month, Catholic Mission will invite you to partner with Fr Habte and the Church in Ethiopia as they provide the community with the opportunity to build brighter futures.

Fr Habte has seen firsthand the benefits the current farm provided for his community in accessing nutritious milk and its by-products. Now, he believes that together, the Church and community can make a real difference for people seeking agricultural training and employment.

We hope you will join us in partnering with this life-changing program.





Freecall: 1800 257 296 catholicmission.org.au/families





Honouring the God of our past, present and future

When we mark and celebrate significant anniversaries, we have an opportunity to take a longer view, to pause and pay attention to the ways our faithful God has been active in our lives and our world, often in surprising ways, and sometimes in ways that we only recognise or appreciate after the event. It's a chance to trace God's gracious, loving plan for us through our whole history to the present moment, and to look with hopeful anticipation to the future.

In the coming weeks, we will be celebrating a significant milestone in the life of the Church in Melbourne: the 125th anniversary of the consecration of St Patrick's Cathedral—a building of remarkable beauty and a place of spiritual nourishment and inspiration for many generations of Melburnians. This week we hear about the extravagant three-day celebration that took place 125 years ago on the occasion of the cathedral's consecration, and about the many thousands of people, from all walks of life, who flocked to the new cathedral to marvel at its beauty and grandeur.

The people of St Peter Apostle Mission Parish in Hoppers Crossing also recently celebrated their own significant milestone as they gathered for a golden jubilee Mass, marking 50 years since the dedication and blessing of their church. We hear the story of how, from humble beginnings in a windswept paddock in our city's south-west, a vibrant and fruitful community of grace has grown and flourished through the years.

A new initiative that also seeks to trace and document our past so that it might inform and enrich our future is the <u>Australian Religious Archive</u>. Recently established in Box Hill in cooperation with the University of Divinity, the Archive will initially house and preserve valuable materials from five Australian congregations so that future generations can continue to honour their story, vision and history.

With Catholic Theological College's regular *Engaging Your Faith* series of online lectures returning this month, we enjoyed a fascinating conversation with Rev Dr Chris Mulherin, who coordinates the series and will be presenting lectures on the topics 'Can a scientist believe in God?' and 'An Introduction to AI and transhumanism for Christians'. Among other things, the conversation explored how the relationship between faith and science raises some profound questions about what it means to be human.

Finally, speaking of looking to the future with hopeful anticipation, we are aiming to send 500 young people from our Archdiocese to Lisbon next year for World Youth Day 2023. So to start inspiring you, we take a look at Pope Francis' World Youth Day message—and for those who are interested in going on this truly life-changing pilgrimage (or know someone who might be), we provide the details of some upcoming information sessions.



The significance of St Patrick's Cathedral

When St Patrick's Cathedral first opened its doors to the public on Sunday 31 October 1897, an estimated 10,000 people flooded through to see the beauty of it. Its opening and consecration were celebrated with a liturgical celebration spanning three days, from 31 October to 2 November. We take a peek back in time to see what happened and why this occasion was so significant to the people of Melbourne.

Continue reading:

The significance of St Patrick's Cathedral—then and now