

St Peter Julian Eymard Catholic Church Mooroolbark Parish



We are a Welcoming Eucharistic and Spirit Filled Parish Community.

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Parish Hall - contact Parish Office

SPJE Parish School

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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 Rosary prayed on

Wednesday and Thursday after 9.15 am Mass

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

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time 16th September 2018 - Issue No: 33

Second Chances

Everybody deserves a second chance especially people whom you consider to be friends. I have been known to be an independent soul. I try to do the right thing by everyone. I also believe that if you don't owe someone any favours, you can let them go easily. But the true test of friendship comes every once in a while. They say the true test of one's character is how they treat people who can not do anything for them. I have met a few good friends, new acquaintances and others whom you would rather avoid. The test of that friendship comes when they falter and disappoint you for some reason or the other. What you consider to be of grave importance could be trivial in their minds. This could lead to a grave misunderstanding as one party would feel ignored or belittled, in this case, that party was me. Being little Miss Independent, I was truly ready to end the newfound alliance. I felt that I was too good to them, trying to please them, ringing them just to catch up and not wanting anything. I felt used and the feeling was not pleasant. Then the internet, which could bring bane or good, decided to give me some food for thought. At that moment, I read a random post which hit the nail right on its head: Everyone deserves a second chance. Everyday is a second chance. The unwavering resolve to completely ignore the people who offended me quickly melted. And how

true indeed. We are quick to judge and label the mistakes of others and forgetting our own inequities. Sometimes, in trying to be perfect friends, we forget that no one is perfect and there is always room to be better than we were yesterday.

Ana Felicia M. Alcala

Weekday Mass Times

Tue to Friday Mass at 9.15 am

PARISH CALENDAR

15/16th Sept 24th Sunday in Ord Time

Monthly Church Collection

21st Sept End of Term 3

22/23rd Sept25th Sunday in Ord Time25th Sept TuesGreeting and Welcome 7.30pm27th Sept ThursRCIA enquiry night No.1

7.30pm Parish House

29/30th Sept 26th Sunday in Ord Time

11am Mass Baptism

OCTOBER

9th Oct

6/7th Oct 27th Sunday in Ord Time

Baptisms

Monthly Church Collection Spirit Day—Preparation for

Confirmation

12th Oct Confirmations 6.30pm

13/14th Oct 28th Sunday in Ord Time

13th Oct Confirmations 1.00pm, 3.00pm

20/21st Oct 29th Sunday in Ord Time

World Mission Sunday

ROSTERS

Counters 17th Sept

Bob & Wies Dight

24th Sept

Jan Phippard & Eileen Goltz

Flowers

22nd Sept Volunteer Required

29th Sept Cora Tungol

Cleaners

17th Sept Rosemary Cullinan, D'Almeida Family 24th Sept Peter & Anne Holt, Wernert Family

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

Ministers of Eucharist Coordinators for September

6.00 pm Philomena Turner 9.00 am Karen Broughton 11.00am Viv Margaletic

Readers and Commentators - 22/23rd September

6.00 pm Michael McLindon, Michael Fenton 9.00 am leon McKiernan, Lilette De La Harpe

11.00 am Riley Acabado, Jun Romero

Readings for Next Week - 22/23rd Sept

Wis 2:12,17-20; James 3:16 - 4:3; Mark 9:30 - 37

Prayers for the Sick

We pray for parishioners and friends who are ill, especially

Kay Williams, Pat Snowball, Jim Corrigan, Claire Lindsey (Jim & Brenda Corrigan's daughter), Jessie Elliott, Linda Young, Lynette Currucan, Frank Covino, Dorothy Smith, Brian Alan, Patrick Daly, Peter Margerison, Helen Reading, Marisa Fantin, Paul Brinschwitz, Evette Proctor

廿 Remembrance Diary 廿

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

15/9 to 21/9

Benjamin Kleinman, Josephine Barrett, Ida Fuller, Paul Mallard, Richard Thompson, Maria Naudi, Patricia Carroll, Violet Horner, Agatino Giuffrida, Judith McKellar, Elizabeth Calcagno, Meryvn Goltz, Nella Vincent, Peter Campbell, Don Brown, Girlie Lummis, Paul Finck, Thomas Johnston, Zena Fraser, Alan Stuart, Clare Dent, Ambrose Commane, Mary White.

Special Monthly Church Collection 2018-19

The Parish Pastoral Council and Financial Committee have decided to introduce a special monthly collection over the next 12 months. If this is successful and meets the running costs for our parish, we will continue with this collection.

This collection is for those parishioners to contribute, who, for whatever reason, have not committed to the Thanksgiving envelopes.

Yours in Christ

Parish Pastoral Council & Financial Committee

Next Special Church Collection
This Weekend

September 16, 2018 - 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me." MARK 8:34

When we truly believe that all we have is a gift from God, then we must be willing to give up some things so that we can share our blessings as God intended. Living a stewardship lifestyle means not only being responsible for our own life, but the lives of others as well.

Australian Catholic Bishops Conference Social Justice Statement 2018 – 19.

Each year the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference issues a Social Justice Statement to coincide with Social Justice Sunday 30 September 2018.

This year the Statement is titled A PLACE TO CALL HOME

Making a Home for Everyone in our Land

The Statement discusses Homeless and Housing In order to give this Statement as much publicity as possible, we intend to hold a public

WALK OF WITNESS

led by Bishop Mark Edwards OMI **Tuesday 18th September 2018.**

The Walk of Witness will commence in Federation Square at 12.30pm with the Parable of The Good Samaritan

At 1.00 the Walk will proceed from Federation Square to St. Patrick's Cathedral, with a stop on the Steps of the Victorian Parliament (approx. 1.45pm), arriving at St. Patrick's Cathedral at 2.00pm, where Bishop Mark will officially launch the Statement for the Archdiocese of Melbourne.

[Total distance 1.5kms]

This Walk of Witness is an action of solidarity with the thousands of people who are homeless and for the many others for whom dignified housing is becoming an unrealised dream.

All are welcome to participate, and to bring school/parish/organisation banners, as we proceed through the streets of one of the world's most liveable cities.

Could you please rsvp to this email or <u>justice</u> @cam.org.au, so that we can estimate the numbers to inform Melbourne City Council.

We hope you will be able to attend ALL ARE WELCOME See Flyer on church noticeboard



THE JOURNEY CATHOLIC RADIO PROGRAM AIRS 23 September 2018

This week on The Journey, Fr Mark Delaney reflects on the Gospel of Mark, Bruce Downes, The Catholic Guy encourages us about "Staying Fresh in our Faith", the theme of Love is carried through with Sam Clear in his Walking the Walk God spot with "Agape", and continued with Fr Dave Callaghan encourages us to "Free the Love' in his segment The Call. Go to <u>WWW.jcr.org.au</u> or <u>www.itunes.jcr.org.au</u> where you can listen anytime and subscribe to weekly shows by email.

PLENARY COUNCIL 2020 LISTEN TO WHAT THE SPIRIT IS SAYING

Pope Francis has approved the Australian Bishops' decision to hold a Plenary council in Australia in 2020 and 2021. It is a significant moment for the Church in Australia to make decisions about the future.

To prepare the agenda for the Plenary Council, all of God's people are invited to reflect on the question "What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?"

Find out more about the Plenary Council 2020 at the new website, now online: www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au

NEW PARISH WEBSITE

The parish has moved to a new website hosted by the Archdiocese.

To access the website please use the following link: http://pol.org.au/mooroolbark/Home.aspx

If you have any queries please call the parish office on 9723 4275.

MELBOURNE CATHOLIC MAGAZINE September 2018 ISSUE [WALLS]

September Edition of Melbourne Catholic is now available.

This issue is about 'Walls'

- •Writing on the wall
- •Dismantling walls
- Gardens that flourish behind walls

\$2 per copy.

ST. PETER JULIAN EYMARD PARISH STRIVES TO BE A WELCOMING CATHOLIC COMMUNITY



IN THESE HECTIC TIMES, IS THE CATHOLIC CHURCH A BIT OF A PUZZLE?

WOULD YOU LIKE TO KNOW SOMETHING MORE ABOUT WHAT CATHOLICS BELIEVE & DO?

GET ANSWERS TO LONG HELD QUESTIONS OR PUZZLES?
WOULD YOU LIKE TO REFRESH YOUR OWN FAITH?
OR EVEN PREPARE FOR ADULT CONFIRMATION?

IF YOUR ANSWER IS "YES" OR "SOMETIMES" - WHY NOT COME **TO** A SERIES OF ENQUIRY EVENINGS AT THE SPJE PARISH HOUSE / CHURCH ON

THURSDAY, 27th SEPTEMBER AT 7:30PM [Parish House] THURSDAY, 4th OCTOBER AT 7:30PM. [Church Foyer] THURSDAY, 11th OCTOBER AT 7:30PM. [Church Foyer]

If these or similar questions have nagged you or one of your family or friends, you might like to join us for these Enquiry Evenings led by a Parish Group known as the RCIA TEAM.

("RCIA means "Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults).

The evenings (of about an hour) are informal and interactive, paced to those present and without any pressure, in an atmosphere that is warm and friendly - commencing with a cuppa. And you can bring along a family member, friend or neighbour as your support, if you wish.

If you would like to come – or just ask a few questions - please ring (or leave a message for)

Michael McLindon, RCIA Coordinator, on 0401331131; or call the Parish House on 9723 4275 to leave your name & details, and a Team Member will be in touch.

The address for the Gatherings is: SPJE Parish House / Church, 234 Hull Rd, Mooroolbark, 3138, There is ample car parking off Hull Road.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO WELCOMING YOU.



Jan Smith, Lynne Blackshaw, Craig Hume, Gerard Wheeler & Michael McLindon. RCIA Team 2018-19