



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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Normal Mass Times at SPJE

Weekday Masses
Tues & Thurs: 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

Parish QR Code



16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
18th July 2021 Issue No. 25

Sunday, 18th July 2021

'He took pity on them because they were like sheep
without a shepherd.'

The Gospel today is the one I regularly share with all the teachers I lead as the basis for their own spirituality. I ask teachers to reflect carefully at what Jesus feels and what he does in this gospel passage. We are told, 'He had compassion for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd.' In my years as a primary school teacher, I often feel this way about my students. Young students often come to school with uncertainty and insecurities. There is a real sense of vulnerability as these students now leave the family nest and begin to navigate this complex world that they are living in. They are 'like sheep without a shepherd', leaderless. What adult would really like to navigate those years again?

The Gospel then gives us Jesus' response, 'and he set himself to teach them'. We know from the previous verse that he teaches with compassion. He teaches not to show how much he knows, or to brainwash but to offer the crowd a way out of the experience of being lost. Jesus' teaching is his greatest gift to these people, perhaps more important than his miracles.

Even those who are not professional teachers can experience themselves in a 'shepherding' role whenever they show someone how to do something, provided they are motivated by compassion and not arrogance; provided their teaching is genuinely educative and not an opportunity to 'put down'. The image of Jesus as the 'Good Shepherd' is a model for teachers, for parents and all who exercise Christian ministry.

With acknowledgement to Mary Coloe PBVM
Rudy Vail - Deputy Principal/RE leader
St. Richards Primary School

PARISH CALENDAR

JULY 2021

17/18th **16th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Confirmation Commitment
Mass 6pm & 11am

21st Wed FUNERAL - 10am
Marie Ginty

22nd No 9.15am Mass

23rd Fri Confirmation Reflection Day
9.15am Mass All parishioners
welcome

24/25th **17th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Catholic Missions
(Propagation of the Faith Appeal)
Special collection - All Masses

29th Thur Parish Pastoral Council Meeting
7pm - Parish House

AUGUST

31/1st Aug **18th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

2nd Mon **St Peter Julian Eymard Feast Day**

3rd Tue Ladies Lunch - Ora D'Ora
Restaurant - 12 noon

6th Aug Fri **CONFIRMATIONS - 5.30pm**
CONFIRMATIONS - 7.30pm

7/8th Aug **St Mary of the Cross**
CONFIRMATIONS - 12 noon
CatholicCare Appeal Collection

14th Sat Private Baptism - 11.30am

14/15th **The Assumption of the Virgin**

ROSTERS

Counters Month of July 2021

Mon. Jan Phippard & Eileen Goltz

Flowers July 2021

24th Philomena Turner

Church Cleaners Month of July

July Gerard Wright & Fr Joseph

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

Ministers of Eucharist Coordinators for July

No Coordinators required during Covid

Readers and Commentators - 24/25th July

6.00 pm Craig Hume & Mitchell Mazzarella
9.00 am Tim Newcomb & Florencia Marcella
11.00am Charlotte Wightman & Volunteer Req,

Musicians - 24/25th July

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

Weekday Mass Times

Tuesday 9.15 am

No morning Mass on

Thursday 22nd July

Readings for Next Week - 25th July

2 Kg 4:42-44; Eph 4:1-6; Jn 6:1-15

Prayers for the Sick

We pray for parishioners and friends who are ill;

*Frances Hau, Rose Robert, Eleanor
Thompson, Patricia Fenton, Joan Bourke,
Patricia Koblar, Sue Hoogenboom, Kris
Hibbert, Agata Rajic, Jean Blencowe, Leon
McKiernan, Marlene Cabral, Shirlene de la
Harpe, Jack Dwyer.*

† Remembrance Diary †

We remember those who have died,
Zosimo Aranco & Marie Ginty and all those
whose anniversaries occur about this time.

17/7 to 23/7

**Sr Aileen Vear, Ruby Fawkner, Mary Rose
Barlow-Barker, Emmanuel Bartoli, Keith
Pullin, John Kennedy, Dennis Stockdale, Rosa
Stevens, Maureen Harris, Nicholas Corken,
Bill Robinson, Irene Malone, MaryAnn
Bruce, Mary Carmel Dykes, Alan Morton,
Arthur Corker, Gerard Kleverkamp,
Waldemar Zangmeister, Frances Rigby,
Ronald Almond, Lil Briggs, Gary Goodwin,
Ampora Mangahas, Margaret Rigby.**

Mass 9.15 am

Friday 23rd

Mass in the church with Confirmation
children

All parishioners welcome

THANKSGIVING ENVELOPES

**Commence This weekend 18th July 2021.
Please collect your envelopes from the church
foyer.**

**Please note these will not be posted due to the
high cost of postage.**

Covid 19 – Update for parishioners, 18th July 2021

Dear Fellow Parishioners,

As you are aware the Victorian Government and the Victorian Public Health Office have changed some restrictions for Victoria.

**However,
MASKS must continue be worn inside our Church (unless you have a medical exemption).**

Social distancing still remains and must be adhered to at all Masses. Masks should also be carried at all times and worn if social distancing cannot be maintained outdoors.

Mass numbers are no longer capped, however registrations are still required. Please ensure that you arrive at the Church with sufficient time to complete the registration process.

The new mandatory **Services Victoria QR Code** remains in place. This is the only QR code that should be used when entering our Church and we ask that you bring your mobile phone with you. If you or your phone do not have the capacity to download this app or sign in to this code, we will have people at each Mass who will be able to either step you through this or sign you in using an iPad.

We have also included the new QR Code in the Newsletter, so if you would like to sign in prior to coming to the Church, ie in your home or in the carpark, you will save time and avoid blockages in the Church Foyer.

Hand sanitizing is still an essential part of our **Covid Safe Plan** and by following all of the advice above, this will keep you and our parish community safe and is critical to allowing our Church to remain open.

The Parish Leadership Team thanks you all for your patience and understanding in what has been a very difficult and challenging time. We are very pleased that we can return to increased numbers at Masses from this weekend and this has been achieved by the continued support of our parishioners in getting us through another period of restrictions.

**God Bless
Parish Leadership Team**

THANKSGIVING ENVELOPES

New envelopes will commence this weekend

18th July 2021

Please collect your thanksgiving envelopes if you have not done so. This will save on postage of \$14 per box. There are a few boxes not collected.

Parishioners on Direct Debit & Credit Card your statement can be email to you on request.

Please contact the parish office on (03) 9723 4275 leave a clear message or email your request.

mooroolbark@cam.org.au

FR JOSEPH VISITATION

Fr Joseph visited Reg Thaggard who recently turned **98 years old** on 11th July, Happy Birthday Reg.



Mary MacKillop Today - Annual Fundraising Dinner - Friday 27th August 2021

The Mary MacKillop Today Annual fundraising dinner will be held on Friday 27th August 2021 at Mt St Joseph Girls' College Altona West. The Mary MacKillop Today is a not for profit organisation, that provides community grants to organisations that support vulnerable people to enable life changing projects that build dignity as well as educate, enlighten and empower.

We are seeking your assistance by either attending or contributing to our Fundraising Dinner, through the provision of items for our major and silent auctions and raffles. All funds raised on the night go directly to supporting people in need. Please contact Kate at the Mary MacKillop Heritage Centre for further information on 9926 9300.

The Mary MacKillop Today's Community Grants program has invested grants in over 600 life-changing projects since 1995. Your contribution can help transform lives. Your donations would go directly to one of many projects that will be sponsored by Mary MacKillop Today.

You may view projects at:

<https://www.marymackilloptoday.org.au/the-impact-of-community-grants-in-australia/>

PARISHIONERS NOT RECEIVING NEWSLETTER

We have recently had a change to NBN and also internet provider with the Catholic Archdiocese.

It appears a number of parishioner's are not receiving the newsletter weekly.

This problem has been caused by Bulk Emails thru the Archdiocese server.

Alternatively you can access the newsletter via the parish website.

If you are one of these can you please contact me by email or phone so I can keep track on how many emails that are not getting out.

Thank you Adriana De Leo (03) 9723 4275 or email Mooroolbark@cam.org.au

HAPPY 102nd BIRTHDAY

Congratulations

Jack Hannan who celebrates his **102nd birthday** this Saturday 17th July.



St Peter Julian Eymard Parish Memorial Garden

For those parishioners who might be aware. Our church has a lovely memorial garden. It is a place to remember your loved ones that have departed.

The memorial wall is neatly tucked in the corner of church on the left.

If you wish to purchase a plaque or would like more information, please contact the parish office for more information.



NEW PRESIDENT SVDP

At the last meeting of the Mooroolbark Conference of St. Vincent de Paul, RICHARD KNIGHT was elected to lead the Conference for the next 4 years. There is no doubt that Richard is an excellent choice to lead our Conference in aiding the many in our Parish who are struggling and request our help. I wish Richard every success in his undertaking. I wish to thank all of you for your generosity and support during my term as President. I will still be around to support Richard and the other members of the Conference in carrying out our work with those in need.

Jan Phippard



Mary MacKillop Heritage Centre News

Mary MacKillop Today - Annual Fundraising Dinner

Friday 27th August 2021 - Mt St Joseph Girls' College Altona West.

Guest speaker will be **Robyn Miller** MacKillop Family Services CEO. Join us for our silent auctions and raffles. Your donations will help transform lives by going directly into one of many projects sponsored by Mary MacKillop Today. To purchase a ticket or make up a table, please contact Kate on 9926 9300.

Open Day (Sat 7 August) and Feast day mass to celebrate Mary MacKillop

The Open Day will include mass in the Chapel celebrated by **Fr Peter Malone** to recognise the Feast day of Mary MacKillop. For those who cannot attend, the mass will be live streamed and there will be virtual tours of the Heritage Centre. For details, please go to <https://www.mmhc.org.au/>

Mary MacKillop Gift shop and Accommodation specials

If you want to try a short term stay in a very sacred museum please contact Kate on 9926 9300. Or go into the draw for a free one night accommodation for two at the Heritage Centre in East Melbourne with a purchase from the Museum gift shop (communion & confirmation gifts, devotional items, Vatican Library collection, rosary beads, holding crosses, candles, cards, statues, crucifixes, books and Peruvian handmade items) <https://www.mmhc.org.au/facilities/gift-shop/>

Volunteers' program - Parishioners looking for a way to contribute to the community and can spare 2-3 hours per week, please contact Ted Javernik on 0419513184 or Ted.Javernik@sosj.org.au