

St Peter Julian Eymard Parish



St Peter Julian Eymard Catholic Church Mooroolbark Parish

*We are a Welcoming Eucharistic and Spirit Filled
Parish Community.*



Parish Priest
Fr. Joseph Xin Lu

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Mrs. Adriana De Leo

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Parish Hall - contact Parish Office

SPJE Parish School

Reay Road, Mooroolbark 3138

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School Principal – Mrs. Maria Bast

<http://www.spjemooroolbark.catholic.edu.au>

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

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time 23rd September 2018 - Issue No: 34

A Reflection for the 25th Sunday

Jesus took a little child, setting him in front of the Twelve, put his arms around him and said to them,

“Whoever welcomes one of these little children in my name, welcomes me; and anyone who welcomes me, welcomes not me but the one who sent me.”

Mark 9.37

Jesus said, Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these.”

Matthew 19.14

“The test of a morality of a society is what it does for its children.”

Dietrich Bonhoeffer, 1906-1945

If we take Jesus seriously, each child is a God-bearer; too often our society, including Church, has discounted or trivialized children despite their intrinsic worth as images and pathways to knowing God. We should also remember our faithful priests, in our prayer and support, often hurt by the wilful actions of one-time confreres or leaders and so often battered in public opinion. And we might also encourage those who might hesitate about becoming or remaining Catholic that we ordinary People of God are the essential Church.

We are baptised not into an institution but into a relationship with Jesus, who reminds us,

“I am with you always.”

Matthew 28.20 .

And let us pray for one another.

Michael McLindon, Parish RCIA Coordinator

Weekday Mass Times

This week -Tue to Thursday - Mass at 9.15 am

Friday 28th - Mass 9.30am

Readings for Next Week - 29/30th Sept

Num 11:25-29; James 5:1-6;
Mk 9:38-43, 47-48

PARISH CALENDAR

22/23rd Sept	25th Sunday in Ord Time
25th Sept Tues	Greeting and Welcome 7.30pm
27th Sept Thurs	RCIA Enquiry Night No.1 7.30pm Parish House
28th Sept Fri	Public Holiday - Mass 9.30am
29/30th Sept	26th Sunday in Ord Time Social Justice Sunday 11am Mass Baptism
OCTOBER	
4th Oct Thurs	RCIA Enquiry Night No.2 7.30pm Church Foyer
7th Oct	Day Light Saving Starts
6/7th Oct	27th Sunday in Ord Time Baptisms <i>Monthly Church Collection</i>
9th Oct Tues	Spirit Day—Preparation for Confirmation
11th Oct Thurs	RCIA Enquiry Night No.3 7.30pm Church Foyer
12th Oct Fri	Confirmations 6.30pm
13th Oct Sat	Confirmations 1.00pm, 3.00pm
13/14th Oct	28th Sunday in Ord Time
20/21st Oct	29th Sunday in Ord Time Fr Michael Knight World Mission Sunday Appeal
27/28th Oct	30th Sunday in Ord Time Fr Michael Knight

Prayers for the Sick

We pray for parishioners and friends who are ill,
especially

Ron Irwin, Jim Cornford, 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

✠ Remembrance Diary ✠

We remember those who have died, and all those
whose anniversaries occur about this time:
22/9 to 28/9

Joy Ratten, Moya Collins, Catherine Johnston, Ellen Bennett, Frank Scundi, John Kelly, Mary Zahra, Noreen Gilby, Elaine Reading, Fr Bill Van Kooy, Mary Edna Stone, Pauline George, Scott Ruzicka, Anthony Borg, Fran Keyhoe, Jacqueline Ten, Johanna Van Est, Maria Sison, Phillip Pearson, Jack Probert, Nellie Collins, Ray Commene, Robbie Reardon, Joan Paton, Lina Beaumont, Maureen Green, Robert Basile, Vincent O'Brien, Ank Van Rooden, Carmel Buhagiar, Dobre Rajic, John Michael Stewart, Marg Stephen.

ROSTERS

Counters

24th Sept Jan Phippard & Eileen Goltz
1st Oct Joan & Maurie Prendergast

Flowers

29th Sept Cora Tungol
6th Oct Bernadette Bates

Cleaners

24th Sept Peter & Anne Holt, Wernert Family
1st Oct Fr Joseph, Francis Braganza

*(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 - 29/30th September

6.00 pm Mitchell Mazarella, Craig Hume
9.00 am Lilijana Stride, Lisa Read
11.00 am Auna Wernert, Charlotte Wightman

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
6/7th October**

September 23, 2018 - 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Stewardship Awareness Sunday

"If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all." MARK 9:35

Jesus teaches us that we are called to serve one another. Sacrifice is not a word that many people like to hear. We think it means that we must give up something that we want. However, the literal meaning of sacrifice is "to make holy," from the words "sacer" = *sacred* and "facere" = *to make*. In other words, we make our lives holy by sharing our gifts in the service of God.

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 can be downloaded at: <http://www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au/publications/social-justice-statements>

Find out about...

Assignments Abroad

Could your skills assist communities overseas?
How does the Palms approach work?
Just want to know more?

Palms Info Night

Tuesday 16 Oct, 5:30 pm
Ross House, Jenny Florence Room
247 Flinders Lane, Melbourne.



Palms Australia

Find out more at www.palms.org.au/events
or contact Palms on 02 9560 5333

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.

March for the Babies Rally

Join us for the 2018 March for the Babies, Saturday, 13th October at 1pm from Treasury Gardens, Cnr Spring Street & Wellington Parade, East Melbourne, a two minute walk from Parliament train station.

A peaceful rally to defend the rights of unborn babies and their mothers against the 2008

Abortion Law Act

www.facebook.com/March-For-The-Babies-105936922804480/

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

*Invest in your most precious asset
Your Marriage!*

Forget life's tensions and interruptions and rekindle the closeness, intimacy, love and romance that brought you together. Recharge your relationship batteries and explore the precious nature of your marriage, allowing you both to share your feelings, hopes and dreams with each other in ways that normal, daily living tends to inhibit.

There is no group sharing. Couples and a priest present the weekend. It is based around Catholic values but couples of all faiths are welcome.

2018 Melbourne weekend dates:

9-11 November 2018

Starts 7pm on Friday. Ends 5pm Sunday.

Accommodation and all meals provided.

Information/Bookings:

PH: Andre and Maria 0411 225 992

Email: vicbookings@wwme.org.au

Website: www.wwme.org.au

THE JOURNEY CATHOLIC RADIO PROGRAM

AIRS 30 September 2018

Just a reminder, that all Journey Catholic Radio information is always a week in advance



This week on The Journey, Fr Mark Delaney reflects on the Gospel of Mark, Our Wisdom from the Abby with Sr Hilda in an interesting topic, "I'm not qualified", Pete Gilmore reminds us to live our "Faith in Action" in his Living the Gospel God spot, and Bruce Downes, The Catholic Guy reminds us about "Staying Young and Fresh" in our Faith. Our music is an inspiration and a blessing to have such talented contributors.

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

#IN THESE HECTIC TIMES, DOES BELONGING TO OR JOINING THE CATHOLIC CHURCH SEEM QUITE A PUZZLE?

***#WOULD YOU LIKE TO FIND OUT WHY MANY CATHOLICS STILL HANG IN?
OR PERHAPS WANT TO KNOW SOMETHING MORE ABOUT WHAT AND WHY THEY
BELIEVE, AND TRY TO DO?***

#OR GET ANSWERS TO LONG HELD QUESTIONS OR MYSTERIES?

***#WOULD YOU LIKE TO REFRESH YOUR OWN FAITH
OR EVEN PREPARE FOR ADULT CONFIRMATION?***

**IF YOUR ANSWER IS “YES” OR “SOMETIMES” – YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN
IN A SERIES OF ENQUIRY EVENINGS STARTING THIS WEEK**

Thursday, 27th September at 7:30pm (at Parish House)

Thursday 4th October at 7:30pm (at SPJ Church).

Thursday, 11th October AT 7:30pm (at SPJ Church).

The Enquiry Evenings are led by a group of parishioners known as the RCIA TEAM. ("RCIA means "Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) to help you respond to questions which may have nagged you or one of your family or friends. The evenings (of about an hour) are informal and interactive, paced to those present and without any pressure, in a warm and friendly atmosphere - commencing with a cuppa.

And, if you wish, feel free to bring along a family member, friend or neighbour for support.

FEEL FREE TO COME

Even if just to ask a few questions or to find out more

KINDLY RING MICHAEL McLINDON, RCIA COORDINATOR, ON 0401331131;

OR THE PARISH OFFICE ON 9723 4275

(Leave your name & details and a Team Member will be in touch).

We Gather at

SPJE Parish House, 234 Hull Rd, Mooroolbark, 3138,

Adjacent to St Peter Julian Eymard Church with ample car parking off Hull Road



**WE LOOK FORWARD TO
WELCOMING YOU
THIS THURSDAY FOR NIGHT 1**

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



ST PETER JULIAN EYMARD PARISH
RCIA
Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

***WHY NOT CONSIDER JOINING THE RCIA TEAM
FOR THE 2018 -19 CATECHUMENAL JOURNEY?***

This is a very rewarding ministry through which Enquirers or Catechumens – those seeking to join or rejoin the Catholic Church in St Peter Julian Eymard Parish - are companioned and guided by parishioners of the Parish RCIA Team.

Parishioners will often think or say – “But I’m just an ordinary Catholic I don’t know enough, how can I help someone else learn?”. But YOU are the key gift – with your own faith experience of Jesus & your enduring love of Church; guidance, support & training will add to this along the way as you engage with those seeking to share your/ our faith. And in the process, you will come to appreciate & understand your own faith more deeply & sweetly.

Dear fellow parishioners - *"If today you hear God's voice, open up your hearts":*
you will find the journey worthwhile and rewarding for yourself as well as sharing in the excitement of the faith growth you assist in Enquirers.

If you feel any stirrings or have a tentative interest or even random questions, kindly ring *the RCIA Coordinator, Michael McLindon on 0401331131* or call the *Parish House on 9723 4275*; such a call can readily sort out hesitations or queries! And feel free to chat with Father Joseph or a Team member.

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RCIA Team 2018-19



"Striving to be a Welcoming Community"