



# 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**

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

**Parish Priest**  
**Fr. Joseph Xin Lu**

**Parish Secretary**  
Mrs. Adriana De Leo

**Parish Assistant**  
Mr. Brian Twining

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**Parish Hall - Contact Parish Office**

**SPJE Parish School**  
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**School Principal – Mr. Greg Thomas**  
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**St. Richard's Parish School**  
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**School Principal - Mr. Marcus Gill**  
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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**



## **30th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME** **24th October 2021 Issue No. 39**

### **THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME** **YEAR B**

In this week's Gospel the blind beggar Bartimaeus hears that it is Jesus of Nazareth who is passing by him, he identifies Jesus as a descendant of David and the long-awaited one who would fulfil religious and political expectations and asks for healing. The Gospel account highlights the energy of the man's response. When Jesus calls for him, Bartimaeus throws his cloak aside, leaving behind the alms he had already collected as well as his life of begging. Bartimaeus once healed is willing to leave his former life behind, and become a disciple of Jesus as a follower on the way.

Bartimaeus is described by Mark as sitting by 'the way', and by the end of the gospel passage we see Bartimaeus follows Jesus 'on the way'. This term, 'the Way', appears to be one of the earliest names for the Church – 'followers of the Way' (see Acts 9:2; 19:9, 23; 24:14, 22). Mark seems to use this term to mean 'the way of discipleship'.

Bartimaeus interprets Jesus' words in this way. The man who was blind had eyes of faith and he acted on this faith, publicly proclaiming it. As a consequence of his profession, Jesus tells him that it is this faith that has given him his sight. In his eagerness to respond to Jesus' call, he had already left everything. Having been cured, he now follows Jesus. This episode is more than just a simple miracle story, it's a lesson for all of us in discipleship.

**Rudy Vail**  
**Deputy Principal/Religious Education leader**

## PARISH CALENDAR

### OCTOBER 2021

23/24th 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
World Mission Sunday  
6pm Mass - School Undercroft  
24th 9am & 11am Mass - SPJE  
School Undercroft (bookings  
essential)  
30/31st 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

### NOVEMBER

1st Nov Mon ALL SAINTS  
Mass Via Video Link - 10am  
(see notice on page 3)  
2nd Tue ALL SOULS  
Melbourne Cup Day - (public  
Holiday)  
6/7th 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time  
13/14th 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time  
20/21st Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of  
The Universe  
27/28th 1st SUNDAY OF ADVENT

## ROSTERS

### Counters Month of October 2021

TBA

### Flowers October 2021

TBA

### Church Cleaners Month of October

TBA

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

### Ministers of Eucharist Coordinators for October

No Coordinators required during Covid

### Readers and Commentators

6.00 pm  
9.00 am T.B.A.  
11.00am

### Musicians

6.00pm  
9.00am T.B.A.  
11.00am

## Weekday Mass Times

Tuesdays 9.30 am  
Fully vaccinated attendees

## Readings for Next Week - 31st Oct

Duet 6:2-6; Heb 7:23-28; Mk 12:28-34

## Prayers for the Sick

We pray for parishioners and friends who are ill;  
*Eleanor Thompson, Patricia Fenton, Joan  
Bourke, Patricia Koblar, Sue Hoogenboom,  
Brenda Corrigan.*

## † Remembrance Diary †

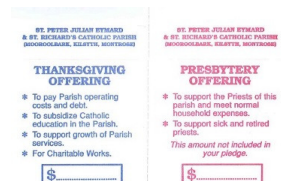
We remember those who have died, especially  
**Cornelius Doensen**  
and all those whose anniversaries occur about this  
time.

23/10 to 29/10

Allan Panozza (first death anniversary), James  
Cudmore, Francis Burke, Margaret Russell, Sr.  
Win Mahony, Leila Walker, Marjorie Morton,  
Mary Tuohy, Laurie Lynch, Monica D'Orival, Bill  
Paton, Rosemary Tynan, Tony Geldens, Constance  
Elliott, Eva Johnston, Edwina & John Ligertwood,  
Jim George, (baby) Reilly Fitzgerald, Michael  
Douthwaite, Kevin McVeigh, Helen Jane Bowie,  
Caroline Devlin, Len Andrewartha, Jess Freeman,  
Giuseppe Cincotta.

## THANKSGIVING ENVELOPES

During this time of our  
lockdown, you may wish  
to drop off your  
Thanksgiving Envelopes  
to the Parish Office.



(left side of the front door).

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

## A Message from Parish Pastoral Council

Fellow Parishioners,

It is with great excitement that we open up for the celebration of Holy Mass this weekend.

As you are aware, we will be having our Masses at SPJE School undercroft with a limit of 50 people who are fully vaccinated. We need to adhere to not only our Church Covid 19 Safety Plans, but those of the school. Please ensure that you have proof of being fully vaccinated, arrive at least 10 minutes before Mass time to allow for the registration process and wear warm clothing.

Unfortunately we will not have the use of toilets as the school has a very strict cleaning regime.

We acknowledge that this lockdown has been very long and difficult, we will be doing everything we can to ensure that any environment that we celebrate our Masses will meet the health advice guidelines regarding the wearing of **masks, social distancing and hand sanitizing**. We ask that you appreciate that these rules ensure the health and safety of everyone and allows us to remain open to support our parish family and to offer the Celebration of Holy Mass in whatever our "Covid Normal" future make look like.

Looking forward so much to seeing you all again.

Father Joseph and the Parish Leadership Team



### ALL SOULS MASS

Monday 1st November 2021 - 10am

Lilydale Cemetery

Celebrant: Fr Joseph

**Via Video Link below**

Login Page

<https://www.oneroomstreaming.com/login>

Email

precki-muzic@gmct.com.au

Password

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## 2022 COLUMBAN CALENDARS

2022 Columban Art Calendars for sale.  
Only \$9 each.  
Proceeds will assist Mooroolbark Vinnies.  
Please contact:

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## TOMATO SALES

Please note that no further orders can be accepted after Wednesday 20th October. Thank you to all who supported this project to raise money to help in bringing joy to others at Christmas. Enjoy your home-grown tomatoes!

## PARISH UPDATES

To see all current mass times and updates on attendance rules in place, please take the time to look at the Parish website.

Simply type into google SPJE Parish then click onto website, scroll down the page and you will see the current advice.



## ST VINCENT DE PAUL

If assistance is required, please contact

1 800 305 330  
Mon – Fri 10 am - 3 pm



## Parish Child Safeguarding Team

If you have any child safety concerns please contact the following team members

**Brian Twining**

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**Michael Mc Lindon**

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Or request a call back on the Parish Office  
phone 9723 4275





**A weekly series bringing 'light' to this time of lockdown...**

As we slowly emerge out of lockdown, aware of that many aspects of life—including our parishes are only able to gradually open up, here's one last edition of lockdown light for your coming week.

### **PODCASTS FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING**

*Quality podcasts navigating marriage and family life*

#### **Parenting teens**

In this podcast, well known Catholic speaker Jason Evert discusses how to keep an open and ongoing dialogue with your children around topics related to love, dating and other serious issues as well as tips for internet and phone safety.

Listen here [www.bit.ly/ChristianLiving8](http://www.bit.ly/ChristianLiving8)

### **GETTING TO KNOW YOUR BIBLE**

*Resources to help you explore the Bible*

#### **The Acts of the Apostles—The Church begins**

Getting started: In this interesting video introduction to the Book of Acts, The Bible Project provides an overview of Pentecost and the beginning of the early Church.

Watch at [www.bit.ly/BibleGettingStarted8](http://www.bit.ly/BibleGettingStarted8)

Going deeper: In this video, Bishop Barron speaks about the spread of the Gospel during the early Church, challenging us to share in the same work as St Paul and the early Apostles in proclaiming the message of Jesus to the world.

View here [www.bit.ly/BibleGoingDeeper8](http://www.bit.ly/BibleGoingDeeper8)

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# FATHER JOSEPH'S HOMILY

## 30<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B, 2021

Sometimes, we have “blind spots” in our thinking. Sometimes, other people see a truth clearly, but we do not see it because of prejudice, tradition, our cultural conditioning or our human limitations.

For example, for 100 years many people saw clearly that the slavery of black people was wrong. But many other people, even very religious people, did not see the wrongness of slavery. Today we know that these people had a “blind spot” in their thinking.

The same is true for the right of women to vote in election. For a long time, good people saw this right of women, but for a long time many good people did not see this right to vote. These people were blinded by tradition, culture, or even by a kind of prejudice.

We all have blind spots.

Some parents have blind spots. One hundred years ago parents thought that it was terrible if their daughters exposed their ankles to the public.

It would be good if every day we prayed to God for the removal of our unknown blind spots. It would be good if we could make the prayer of the blind man in today's gospel (Mark 10:46-52) our own prayer. “And Jesus said to the blind man, “What do you want me to do for you? “And the blind man said, “Lord, that I might see!”

