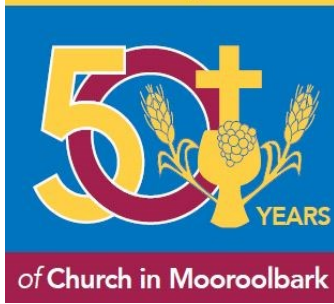


St Peter Julian Eymard Parish



St Peter Julian Eymard Catholic Church Mooroolbark Parish

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



Parish Priest
Fr. Joseph Xin Lu

Parish Secretary
Mrs. Adriana De Leo

Parish Assistant
Mr. Brian Twining

Pastoral Associate Emeritus
Michael Sellar

RCIA Coordinator
Michael Mc Lindon

Parish Office

234 Hull Road (PO Box 2)
Mooroolbark 3138
Telephone: 9723 4275 Fax: 9725 4377
<http://pol.org.au/mooroolbark/Home.aspx>
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Parish Hall - contact Parish Office

SPJE Parish School

Reay Road, Mooroolbark 3138
Telephone 9725 0595 Fax 9723 9255
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

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT
24th March 2019 - Issue No: 9

Reflection Repentance and Faith

“If you do not repent, you will all perish”. With these words, Jesus strikes fear in the hearts of his hearers and in us. He uses tough love to call us to repentance, especially during this season of Lent.

Repentance and faith are the fruits that Jesus expects us to produce in response to his preaching. The parable of the Barren Fig Tree shows that Jesus is not after applause or outward show of devotion (even though these are good in themselves). He wants fruit, not outward show. And repentance is a deep change: a change of mind (our way of seeing things), of heart (our attitude toward things), and of behavior (our actions).

Without this deep change, the apostle Paul tells us, even if the Israelites experienced the same things (being under the cloud and passing through the sea), “God was not pleased with most of them” (Second Reading)

We must pray for true repentance, and not allow this precious Lenten time to be spent only on doing devotional acts, rituals, and spiritual exercises, all of which are good but are not enough. For if we are content with these and do not repent, then after Lent we will go back to our usual ways and usual selves.



ST VINCENT DE PAUL

If assistance is required, please
contact 1800 305 330, Mon - Fri
10 am-3 pm



Weekday Mass Times

Weekday Mass Tue - Fri 9.15am
Reconciliation during Lent will be available
9.45am - 10.30am each weekday morning &
5pm each Saturday - by request

MARCH 2019

PARISH CALENDAR

23/24th March	3rd Sunday of Lent
23rd Mar Sat	Private Baptism - 4pm
25th Mar Mon	English Classes - 10am - 12noon
27th Mar Tue	English Classes - 7pm - 8.30pm
30/31st March	4th Sunday of Lent
	Monthly Church Collection - All Masses
	Year 4 Family Eucharist Commit Mass - 6pm & 11am
APRIL	
1st Mon	English Classes - Church 10am-12
2nd Tue	Faith Development Meeting-10am
	Ladies Lunch - 12noon - Croydon Hotel
3rd April Wed	Baptism Meeting -Church 7.30pm
5th April	End of Term 1
6/7th April	5th Sunday of Lent
	BAPTISMS - 6pm, 9am & 11am
8th April	English Classes - 10-12noon
	Church
11th April Thur	Parish Pastoral Council - 7.30pm
	Parish House
13/14th April	PALM SUNDAY
	Monthly Church Collection.

ROSTERS

Counters

25th Mar Joan & Maurie Prendergast
1st April Des Delahunt, Pam Dryden & Christine Sellar

Flowers

Lent (No Flowers)

Cleaners

25th Mar Anna & Kevin Dwyer & Margaret Kim
1st April Laurel Simpson & Wojtek Nowicki

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

Ministers of Eucharist Coordinators for March

6.00 pm Bernadette Brown
9.00 am Karen Broughton
11.00am Viv Margaletic

Readers and Commentators - 30/31st March 2019

6.00 pm Special Roster
9.00 am Muzeena D'Almeida & Karen Broughton
11.00 am Special Roster

The Readers and Commentators roster is an interim one. To be finalised

Readings for Next Week – 30/31st March

Yr C: Joshua 5:9-12; 2 Cor 5:17-21;
Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Prayers for the Sick

We pray for parishioners and friends who are ill, especially,
Linda Young, Brian Alan, Peter Margerison, Jessie Eliz Elliott, Claire Lindsey, Paul Brinschwitz, Kay Williams, Richard Corrigan, Frank Covino, Simon Bissonette, Pat McCann.

† Remembrance Diary †

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

23/3 to 29/3

Leo O'Leary, Josephine Dennany, Amanda Clancy, James Cairns, Hilda Joyce, William Collins, Fr Wally Silvester, Nicle Rose, George Mazar, Len Decker, Anne Colapaolo, Joseph Johnston, Maria Thi Nhi Cao, Victor Treloar, John Woodhouse, Sr. Brenda Keary RSJ, Bernard Brown, Antonia Tejero, Margaret Kierce, Antonio Zicari, Jim McLaughlin, Rocco Zinghini, Joan Kelly, Jessica Tilbury, Patricia Stone, Maryanne D'Rozario.

Third Sunday of Lent 24th March 2019

**PROJECT
COMPASSION**



Peter is thrilled to now have clean water on tap at his boarding school. Long walks to unsafe water sources were tiring for Peter, who is living with a disability. With more free time and fewer illnesses caused by dirty water, Peter can fulfil his hope of focusing on his studies, providing him with brighter future

Please donate to Project Compassion 2019 and help young people with disabilities gain access to clean water in the Solomon Islands, providing hope for a brighter future.

Lives change when we all give 100%! You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.

BAPTISM

We welcome the following child to our Parish through Baptism :



Aylah Pezzimenti

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

LADIES LUNCHEON

Next Ladies Lunch
Tuesday 2nd April -

Croydon Hotel

Meet at 12pm for 12.30pm lunch
If you are coming to the lunch but your name isn't already on the list please call or text 24 hours ahead so we can be sure of our numbers for booking.

Philomena 0417 208 077
Nancy 0411 137 251



The Lenten Pilgrim “Daily Reflections - Lent 2019”

Please pick up your free copy of the Lenten Pilgrim Calendar from the Church Foyer

CONGRATULATIONS

Jillian Beddoes & Jeffrey Harrington who were married at SPJE Church last Friday 15th March.



Can't find slavery-free Easter eggs in your supermarket?

Ten years ago there was almost no slavery-free chocolate in our supermarkets in Australia. Now, because of public pressure and consumer demands, most supermarkets will sell some. Thank you for contributing to the demand for slavery-free chocolate, but we have a long way to go.

Good news: There is now slavery-free chocolate available in so many places. It tastes delicious and is no more expensive than other chocolate. Try ALDI, Haighs, OXFAM and leading supermarkets. When you go to your local supermarket, look for chocolate that has one of these three symbols. If you can't find any, ask the manager



THE LENTEN PILGRIM DAILY REFLECTION

As we journey with the disciples, we grow with them in our understanding that God is present in Jesus.

- *What do I want to ask of Jesus at this moment in my life?*
- *What is welling up from deep within that I can bring to prayer this week ?*

SMILE

Gary was having a garage sale. A minister bought a lawn mower but returned it a few days later, complaining that it wouldn't run.

“It'll run,” said Gary. “But you have to curse at it to get it started.” The minister was shocked. “I have not uttered a curse in 30 years.”

“Just keep pulling on the starter rope—the words will come back to you.”

NURSING HOME VISITS Fr Joseph recently visited Jim Cairns



2019 Combined Parishes Car Raffle

**Please return money and
ticket butts to the Church,
or
Parish Office no later than
Sunday, 31st March**

All tickets have to be collated and returned to the organisers at St Simon's in early April, So I am urging everyone to help me by returning their tickets [sold or unsold] You can contact me on 0403 568 302 or by email: rafflespje@gmail.com Marg Vallence / Co-Ordinator

Annual Ladies Pallotti Weekend

This years Ladies weekend will be held on the last weekend of May; 24 - 26th May.
Price \$200 pp. Single rooms allocated.
Meals provided. Please bring your own linen & Toiletries.

Christine is now taking bookings
Phone. Home 97260407, Mobile 0447638024.
Email christinesellar@bigpond.com.

FORUM ON HOMELESSNESS

On Saturday 8 June, 2019, with the onset of Winter, Catholic Social Services Victoria will host a forum "Homelessness – What can Parishes do?" at Cardinal Knox Centre, 383 Albert Street, East Melbourne, from 9.30am-1.00pm. The forum will focus on demonstrating practical ways participants can increase or renew support for homeless people in our communities. Cost: \$20, includes lunch. Bookings: <https://www.trybooking.com/BBQOR>; enquiries to Adrian Foley, Adrian.foley@css.org.au, tel 0497 780 233.

Plenary Council Prayer

*Come, Holy Spirit of Pentecost.
Come, Holy Spirit of the great South Land.*

*O God, bless and unite all your people in Australia
and guide us on the pilgrim way of the Plenary Council.*

*Give us the grace to see your face in one another
and to recognise Jesus, our companion on the road.*

*Give us the courage to tell our stories
and to speak boldly of your truth.*

*Give us ears to listen humbly to each other
and a discerning heart to hear what you are saying.*

*Lead your Church into a hope-filled future,
that we may live the joy of the Gospel.*

*Through Jesus Christ our Lord,
bread for the journey from age to age.*

Amen.

*Our Lady Help of Christians, pray for us.
St Mary MacKillop, pray for us.*



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?"**

PLENARY COUNCIL 2020

To find out more about the Plenary Council
2020.

Website : www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au

WEEKLY THANKSGIVING ENVELOPES

A gentle reminder to those who contribute
via envelopes.

The money counters would greatly appreciate if
parishioners can write amounts on both sides of
Thanksgiving Envelopes.
Many thanks. Parish Office.