

St Peter Julian Eymard Catholic Church Mooroolbark Parish

We are a Welcoming Eucharistic and Spirit Filled Parish Community.



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SPJE Parish School

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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

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

CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE 25th November 2018 - Issue No: 43

Christ the King

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

The conversation that Pilate has with Jesus in this weeks gospel displays lots of word play on the part of Jesus and has Pilate in a state of confusion. Pilate grapples with Jesus' understanding of what it means to be a King. For Pilate, claiming kingship was to challenge the authority and power of Rome and more directly, his own personal authority. Jesus however, has a different idea of 'Kingdom'. He does believe he is indeed a king however not the type of king that seeks a position of power and authority. When Jesus teaches about the 'kingdom of God' he declares the people of highest status – the first – in the kingdom to be the lowliest of this world. It is the poor, the sick, the outcast, the children and the widows who will hold the highest places in the kingdom of God. In a kingdom such as this, what does it mean to declare oneself as king?

There are not too many Kings or Queens, or even people in positions of high authority and power who love their people so much that they would die for them. Throughout history we have seen when the going get tough many monarchs get going. But what we get in Jesus as King is one who did not compromise his humanity, who would not yield from his preaching and does not abandon us in our desolation.

Rudy Vail
Deputy Principal/Religious Education leader
St. Richards Primary School



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Weekday Mass Times

Tue to Fri - 9.15am

PARISH CALENDAR

NOVEMBER

25th Nov Sun Baptism - 11am

27th Nov Tue Greeting & Welcome - 7.30pm

DECEMBER

1/2nd Dec 1st Sunday of Advent

Social Justice Appeal Baptisms - 9am & 11am

4th Dec Tue Mass of Anointing -

9.15am

Christmas Ladies Lunch -

12 noon.

Advent Penitential Service -

7pm Church

10th Dec Mon Baptism Meeting - 7.30pm

Newcomb Family

8/9th Dec 2nd Sunday of Advent

13th Dec Thur St Richards School Graduation

Mass

15/16th Dec 3rd Sunday of Advent

Monthly Church Collection

18th Dec Tue NO 9.15am Mass

10 am End of Year Mass -

SPJE School Oval

19th Dec Wed NO 9.15am Mass

9.15am End of Year Mass -

St Richard's School SPJE Graduation Mass -

ROSTERS

Counters

26th Nov Paul & Marianne Redfern & Norm

Willingham

3rd Dec Jan Phippard & Eileen Goltz

<u>Flowers</u>

24th Nov Cora Tungol

Dec Advent (no flowers)

Cleaners

26th Nov Fr Joseph & Francis Braganza
3rd Dec Anna & Kevin Dwyer & Margaret Kim

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

Ministers of Eucharist Coordinators for December

6.00 pm Bernadette Brown 9.00 am Pam Delahunt 11.00am Mike McCann

Readers and Commentators - 1/2nd December

6.00 pm Michael McLindon & Michael Fenton
9.00 am Muzeena D'Almeida & Karen Broughton
11.00 am Auna Wernert & Charlotte Wightman

Readings for Next Week - 1/2nd Dec

Dan 7:13-14; Apoc 1:5-8;; Jn 18:33-37

Prayers for the Sick

We pray for parishioners and friends who are ill, especially,

Linda Young, Lynette Carrucan, Brian Alan,
Peter Margerison, Jessie Eliz Elliott, Jim
Corrigan, Claire Lindsey, Paul Brinschwitz,
Evette Proctor, Kay Williams, Pat Snowball,
Jim Cornford, Bob Roberts, Richard Corrigan,
Jenny Fitzgerald

廿 Remembrance Diary 廿

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

24/11 to 30/11

Annette McGuane, Kathleen Viney, Mark La Morticella, Rae Sailah, Bernard Trappel, Carlos Bateman, Frank Klepac, Therese Pritchard, Joan Cavanagh, Maria Rosa Piccolo, Emily Kate Plant, Carmel Hayes, Angelina D'Eramo, Conrod Lenz, Angela Tewes, Colin Fitch, Esther O'Leary, James Peter Bennett, Frank Sheehan, Helen Starr, Joseph Keeley, Katherine Williams, Nellie Bell, Margaret Tait, John Plaues, Salus Bernabe, Frances Jamieson, John Francis Kelly, Helen Marshall, Jack Clancy, Jean Hardacre, Margaret Tait, Greg Dwyer, Joan Cowie, Frank Zappia.

BAPTISMS



We welcome the following children to our Parish through Baptism :

May & Eimear Murphy

As they receives the Holy Spirit through the Sacrament celebrated this weekend, may their faith guide him throughout their life.

ST VINCENT de PAUL Christmas Tree Appeal

The St. Vincent de Paul Christmas tree will be in the foyer of the church from the 17th November.



There will, as usual, be tags for gifts for children stating age and gender or, if you prefer it, a donation which will be used to help brighten Christmas for the needy in our Parish.

There is no need to wrap the gifts as they are put in with the hampers we supply at Christmas. We would be most grateful if you could take a tag and return it with a gift or donation by the weekend of the 15/16th December.

Return date for Toys weekend of **8/9th December**. You have been most generous in previous years and this has enabled us to give the children of the families to whom we deliver hampers Christmas gifts as well.

We usually deliver 90 hampers and supply gifts to over 120 children.

We thank you for your generosity in helping us make Christmas brighter for the people we help on a regular basis throughout the year.



ST VINCENT de PAUL

We will again selling Columban Calendars and Christmas Cards at all Masses commencing 17th November 2018

Columban Calendars \$9.00 Christmas Cards (pack of 8) \$5.00



November 25, 2018 - Feast of Christ the King

"Jesus answered, 'My kingdom does not belong to this world." JOHN 18:36

How often do we put all our time and energy into building a kingdom here on earth, forgetting that life here is short? The real kingdom is in the next life. Yet, how much time and energy do we invest in working for that eternal kingdom?



CHRISTMAS ROSTER

The Christmas roster is available in the Church foyer.

Please note that Midnight Mass is a traditional Mass and assistance is required to allow the Parish to continue to offer this service. Readers, Eucharistic Ministers and people to assist Father Joseph are essential to ensure that a Midnight Mass is available at SPJE.

Please approach or contact Bernadette
Brown at Church
or on mobile: 0447743138.
Bernadette will co-ordinate these rosters.



The parish is not an outdated institution precisely because it possesses great flexibility, it can assume quite different contours depending on the openness and missionary creativity of the pastor and the community.

While certainly not the only institution which evangelizes, if the parish proves capable of self-renewal and constant adaptively, it continues to be "the Church living in the midst of the homes of her sons and daughters."

Pope Francis - Evangelii Gaudium, n. 28



Our Christmas luncheon will be at Yering Meadows Golf Club on Tuesday, **4th December**.
On the day please bring \$25 in an envelope with

your name.

Any of our visitors who joined us for our 50th

Any of our visitors who joined us for our 50th celebration are most welcome to join us again.

We have a limit of 50, so any questions or expressions of interest please don't hesitate to contact us:

Philomena Turner 0417 208 077 or 9727 1448 Email: turner.pm@bigpond.com Nancy Gough 0411 137 251 or 9726 8325



TOILETRY DONATIONS



Thank you to all the wonderful parishioners of SPJE who have been generously donating toiletries to the St Vinnies toiletries group. We follow the Fitzroy St Vinnies run soup vans around five stops in the city to deliver toiletries to those in need. The people that visit our service include homeless, those in boarding houses and those who are struggling to make ends meet. We go out every four weeks and have many people who look forward to their donation of toiletries. I have had many people tell me how grateful they are to have a large bottle of shampoo or even a new toothbrush and toothpaste to help them out. We rely on donations to keep this service going as we are just a group of friends who saw a need for this service after going out with the soup vans to observe one night. There are many parents from the school and local community who help us out and the children from SPJE have done a fabulous job in helping collect and pack toiletries for us. There is a tub in the fover of the church to collect any toiletries you would like to donate. We are always looking for men's spray deodorant, razors, toothpaste and medium size shampoos. We can only take unopened toiletries. Thank you to everyone for your ongoing support

Kelly Bourke-Finn

SPECIAL MONTHLY CHURCH COLLECTION

Our Church special collection for November raised \$891.80 We thank you for your generosity.

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, visit: www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au

Week 3.

You are invited to host or join a small group for Plenary Council Listening and Dialogue Encounters. Register your interest with the parish office on 9723 4275. We are gathering to pray, talk and listen to one another about our experiences of faith, and the Church. Read more about this at plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au

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.

