

## 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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#### **SPJE Parish School**

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#### St. Richard's Parish School

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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

# The Holy Spirit as Advocate Sunday, 26 May 2019 Sixth Sunday of Easter - Year C

6th SUNDAY of EASTER

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In this week's gospel the disciples come to face the reality of Jesus' absence. He is returning to the Father and will no longer be a physical presence with them. Jesus assures them that even though he is leaving, he will return and still be a presence amongst them.

To compensate for the loss of his teaching, guidance, and encouragement that Jesus provided to them during his earthly life, they will have the presence of the Holy Spirit. For the community the Paraclete Spirit will play an important role in teaching and 'reminding' the faithful the of the messages of Jesus. In this way, the teaching Jesus gave them during his earthly life will be kept alive.



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

## If

#### ST VINCENT DE PAUL

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

#### **Weekday Mass Times**

No Weekday Mass 28th May - 14th June

#### PARISH CALENDAR

**MAY 2019** 

Sixth Sunday of Easter 25/26th May

First Eucharist 6pm & 11am

Mass Count - Week 4

Baptism 9am Pallotti Weekend

27th May Fr Joseph on Leave

Funeral 11am - Linda Young 30th May

1/2nd June The Ascension of the Lord

Propogation of the Faith

Celebrant: Fr.Michael Knight

Welcome Mass - 11am

7th June Fri School Closure Day

9/10th June **Pentecost Sunday** 

Celebrant: Fr.Michael Knight

**Baptisms** 

Church Special Monthly

Collection

10th June Mon Queens Birthday (public

holiday)

15/15th June **The Most Holy Trinity** 

Baptisms - 11am

#### Readings for Next Week – 1/2nd June

Acts 1:1-11; Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28, 10:19-23; Lk 24:46-53

#### **Prayers for the Sick**

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

Brian Alan, Peter Margerison, Jessie Elliott, Kay Williams, Richard Corrigan, Frank Covino, Simon Bissonette, Pat McCann, Maria Cordedda, Louis Wycisk, Robert Azzopardi, Filomeno Ursua & Jenny Fitzgerald

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We remember those who have died especially Linda Young and all those whose anniversaries occur about this time: 25/5 to 31/5

Lindsay Trappel, William Wrigglesworth, Chris Rinderhagen, Lawrence Devitt, Emma Duke, Ron Mutton, Angelo Cachia, Elizabeth McMahon, Freda Sutton, Yvonne Devey, Peter Kerr, Albertina Anastasi, Rohan & Amanda Byrnes, Emma Safar, Ivy Blandel, Don Campbell, George Cottin, Nora Walsh, Margaret Merlo, Keith John Westaway, Kathleen Commane, Loys Turner.

#### ROSTERS

Counters

27th May Jan Phippard & Eileen Goltz Joan & Maurie Prendergast 3rd June

**Flowers** 

1st June Pat Harman 8th June Routley Family

Cleaners

27th May Laurel Simpson & Francis Braganza 3rd June Wojtek Nowicki & Eleanor Thompson (Please collect church key from parish office

Monday - Friday, 9am - 4pm)

#### **Ministers of Eucharist Coordinators for June**

6.00 pm Bernadette Brown 9.00 am Karen Broughton 11.00am Mike McCann

Readers and Commentators - 1/2nd June

6.00 pm Dympna Beard & Angela Stainwall Andrea Braganza & Lilette de la Harpe 9.00 am Joseph Mung & Auna Wernert 11.00 am

The Readers and Commentators roster is an interim one.

#### PARISH THANKSGIVING

Monthly totals - thanksgiving period from 1st January to 30th April 2019

PLEDGE	GIVEN
\$8,256	\$6,575
\$8,311	\$7,477
\$9,893	\$8,379
\$8,466	\$7,532
\$34,924	\$29,963
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#### REQUIEM MASS

LINDA YOUNG

SPJE CHURCH 10.30am Rosary

11am Requiem Mass

Celebrant Fr. Brian McDermott



#### PARISH CHILD SAFETY

#### WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECKS

All parish volunteers are required to hold a **Working With Children Card**.

Those volunteers who already have a card are asked to come to the office to have the details recorded.

Those who don't have a card need to apply for one either online or at the post office.

If you need assistance with this please contact Adriana or Brian at the parish office on 9723 4275

All Volunteers means anyone who assists the parish in any capacity.

#### Chaplaincy Sunday Appeal



Amount raised last weekend \$455.85.

#### **LADIES LUNCH**



The next Ladies' Lunch will be held at:

Dorset Gardens Hotel

4th June, 2019

12 noon for 12.30 lunch

To book please ring either 
Philomena on 0417 208 077 or

Nancy on 0411 137 251



Lilydale Conference are looking for a cheaper rental house or ½ house for a mother with 3 children if available.
\$350 or under.
Please ring Brenda 0421 011 326

#### **CAN YOU HELP?**

The parish needs to replace two sections of timber garden walls along the HULL ROAD frontage.

If you are able to assist us with this, please contact the Parish office on 9723 4275 for details

#### May 26, 2019 6th Sunday of Easter

"...do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid." (John 14:27)

Our limited human understanding cannot begin to understand the immense power of God. Instead of trusting in God, we think we can control every outcome. Do you want to make God laugh? Tell Him your plans. The next time worry, anxiety or fear creeps in, thank God for all He has given you and trust that He has a better plan for you.

#### **BAPTISM**

We welcome the following child to our Parish through Baptism :

#### Mae Fogarty

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



### Bring your Palms Together...

As we prepare for Pentecost, join Palms Australia to **celebrate diversity**, cross-cultural understanding, and our **Call to peaceful development of global family**.

Palms Together
Thursday June 6<sup>th</sup> from 5:30pm
Irish Times Pub
427 Little Collins St
MELBOURNE
RSVP by June 2<sup>nd</sup> to Robert@palms.org.au or call
02 9560 5333 www.palms.org.au





#### ST. BERNADETTE OF LOURDES

On the occasion of the official opening of the pilgrimage season, which began on April 7, Father Nicolas Brouwet, Bishop of Tarbes and Lourdes, talks at the Shrine of the significance of this 2019 dedicated to Bernadette Soubirous, the 14-year-old young woman (this year celebrating the 175th anniversary of her birth and the 140th anniversary of her death) to whom Our Lady repeatedly appeared in 1858

Before plunging in the daily life of meetings, service activities and celebrations, those who go to the Shrine of Lourdes in France for the first time, are struck by three facts: the sick can be seen in this town, they are everywhere; they crowd the immense area of the Shrine and the surrounding streets on wheelchairs or stretchers: the beautiful and vulnerable humanity, here, shows itself completely, unlike what happens in the hectic streets of the great western cities, where the sick seem almost disappeared. The second fact is the climate you breathe. This place - which like a hospitable womb collects the pain, the anxieties, the sufferings of thousands of people - is not dominated by a dark sense of despair, but a light breeze of tenacious hope and mild reliance on the Lord. The third fact is the gestures of care and concern, the firm, kind and obstinate complicity against the evil that ignites among people, each aware of their own vulnerability.

#### What faces does poverty take on in Bernadette's life?

"I am convinced that Bernadette is a figure for our time. Many men and women wonder with pain and bewilderment whether they still hold a place in society: this question, at least here in France, has unfortunately become frequent: in the face of a well-organized and "winning" elite there is a deeply uncomfortable crowd, made of many who feel excluded and left aside. Little Bernadette would be part of this crowd: she was the last one in Lourdes and the Lord looked at her, the last one, with tenderness, calling her to see Mary and to be her messenger. God forgets no one.

It should be noted that Bernadette's poverty was not romantic. She suffered material misery with her family and was afflicted by physical poverty, illness, which prevented her from doing much of what she would have liked, for example going to school and following the catechism; her poverty was also spiritual. And then there was the poverty of he character: Bernadette was stubborn, she was impulsive: she knew it and fought against her temperament. But she was humble: she let herself be led by the Church, both when she lived in Lourdes and later, in the convent of Nevers. She lived obedience, which for her was not natural: she wanted to be a daughter of the Church even when it cost her many efforts: for example, when, invited by her parish priest or superior, she had to meet the people who wanted to meet her".

#### What can Bernadette teach the men and women of our time?

"She teaches us how to stand before God: with simplicity, in an authentic way, without hiding our poverty. And she teaches us to receive, through Mary's smile, the mercy and tenderness of the Father. Lourdes is a place of truth: here the pilgrims understand that, like Bernadette, they can stand "naked" before God, with their weaknesses, their sins, their wounds, dropping the masks worn to defend themselves or to give a false image of themselves, ceasing to want to make a good impression in front of others.

## Seventy healings, considered inexplicable by science, took place in Lourdes, of which the Church has recognized the prodigious and miraculous character and the value of divine sign. But they are not the only miracles of Lourdes.

"That's right. The miraculous healings are a visible sign of the care that the Lord has for each of us, of what He does in the human heart, of the invisible graces that people receive daily: they are countless. On the site of the Shrine we wanted to introduce a space where pilgrims can tell the wonders done by the Lord for them, the invisible miracles. There are those who, for example, have approached the sacrament of confession after decades, those who have made peace with a family member, those who have decided to take care of others, those who, in prayer, have found peace. I could give a great many examples".

One could say that Lourdes is a beautiful image of the Church: not of the bureaucratic one, but of the Catholic Church, universal, in which one lives in the love for the Lord, in praise of Him through the liturgy, and one takes care of one another, beginning with the most fragile, according to the commandment of Jesus.