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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#### 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



#### **ST VINCENT DE PAUL**

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



THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 27th January 2019 - Issue No: 1

#### REFLECTION

#### PLAY YOUR HAND CAREFULLY

When we play cards, sometimes we are dealt a good hand - and ' sometimes we are dealt a hand that is not so good. Everybody who plays cards experiences this. If we complain of the hand given to us, our friends usually say to us, "Relax and enjoy, just play your hand the best you can. This deal won't last very long." And they are right! We say to ourselves, "It's only a game - and a brief one at that - let me see what I can do with the cards that have been dealt to me." Life is like a card game. Some are given hands with many aces and kings - some are dealt a hand with only queens and jacks. The game of life - even the longest life - is quite brief. Never mind what cards our companions hold - just play the cards given to us the best we can. St.

Paul, in today's Second Reading (I Corinthians 12:1 2-30) says something like this. He says, "God has set each member of the body in the place he wanted it to be." St. Paul is telling us that God has dealt us our cards in life - the exact talents and education that he wanted us to work with. Let us relax and enjoy. Let us put aside complaints or jealousies. Let us play the hand - or occupy the position where we find ourselves - and let us try the best we can with the cards that

us try the best we can with the cards that have been dealt to us, by fortune and by the Lord. Anyway, the game of life is not very long.

#### Weekday Mass Times

Weekday masses will resume on Friday 1st February.

## PARISH CALENDAR

#### **JANUARY 2019**

26/27th	<b>3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
	Monthly Church Collection
28th Jan	Australia Day (Public Holiday)
29th Jan	School staff return to work

#### FEBRUARY

2/3rd February	4th Sunday in Ordinary Time
	BAPTISMS
5th Feb	Ladies Lunch - Crave Rest.
	Croydon
7th Feb Thur	Adult Baptism Preparation
	Meeting - Iris Gale - 7.30pm
	Church
8th Feb Fri	10am Start of Year Mass SPJE
9/10th	5th Sunday In Ordinary Time
9th Sat	SPJE Staff Commitment Mass -
	6pm
10th Sun	St Rich Staff Commitment Mass -
	9am & Prep Angel Mass - 9am
10th Sun	PPC & Parish Staff Commitment
	Mass - 11am
12th Feb Tue	Faith Development Meeting -
	10am
16/17th Feb	6th Sunday in Ordinary Time
	SPJE Prep Mass - 6pm
	SPJE Prep Mass - 11am
23/24th Feb	7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Counters 29th Jan Tue

4th Feb

Willingham Flowers 26th Jan Cora Tungol 2nd Feb Volunteer Required Cleaners

# 28th JanAnna & Kevin Dwyer, Margaret Kim4th FebLaurel Simpson & Francis Braganza

ROSTERS

Paul & Marianne Redfern & Norm

Bob & Wies Dight

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

Ministers of Eucharist Coordinators for February	
6.00 pm	Bernadette Brown
9.00 am	Volunteer Required
11.00am	Volunteer Required
Readers and Commentators - 2/3rd February 2019	
6.00 pm	Craig Hume & Mitchell Mazarella
9.00 am	Karen Broughton & Leon McKiernan
11.00 am	Elizabeth Acabado & Margaret
	Corker

## Readings for Next Week – 2/3rd Feb

Neh 8:2-6, 8-10; 1 Cor 12:12-30; Lk 1:1-4, 4:14-21

## 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.

## ✤ Remembrance Diary

We remember those who have died, especially Wahlee McGrae, and all those whose anniversaries occur about this time: 26/1 to 1/2 John Bramble, Maria Turk, Margaret Harriott,

John Bramble, Maria Turk, Margaret Harriott, John McVeigh, Eva Stapleton, Gordon Willey, Peter Wheaton, Michael Argus & Patricia Fry, (Baby) Cameron Buckley (Wilson), Georgina Smith, Margaret Grant, Kevin Phillips, Mary Allison, Jane Commane, Margaret McLaren, William Jansman, Agnes Buckley, Angelo La Morticella, Helen Geldens, Breda Falvey, Benjamin Morton, Michael Bowman, Brian Hegarty, Tomp Campbell, Savka Lenger, John Sullivan, Anne Cairns, John Russo, Molly Arman, Leah Talbot, Joan Walker, Margaret Trenery.

## MONTHLY CHURCH COLLECTION 2019

This weekend will be our first collection for the year.

## January 27, 2019 - 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Go, eat rich foods and drink sweet drinks, and allot portions to those who had nothing prepared..." (Nehemiah 8:10) Ezra's instructions to the people show us that

God does not forbid us from enjoying the good things in life. He wants us to be happy! However, God expects us to be grateful for all that He has given us and to generously share our blessings with those who are in need without expecting anything in return.

# Pilgrimage Information Night Friday 15 February 2019

After the overwhelming response for our 18 day Pilgrimage to the Holy land led by Father Dean Bradbury in May 2019, Christian Pilgrimage presents another exceptional opportunity to join in an 18-day pilgrimage to the Holy Land in November 2019. Join us for an information night and hear from John and Randa, who are flying specially to present the information night. They are Christian natives, who lived in the Holy Land and will travel with you from Australia.

Friday 15 February 2019 at 6.30 pm at St Christopher's Catholic Church parish Hall, 7 Doon Avenue, Syndal, Vic 3149. Please register your interest by calling Randa on 0431 125 533 or Email: <u>randa@christianpilgrimage.com.au</u>

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Fr. Joseph visiting some parishioners. Pat Snowball and Joyce Colliins





# Ladies Lunch Group



Starting up again for 2019:

Our first luncheon will be at "Crave", 93 Maroondah Hwy, Croydon (near McDonalds) **Tues. 5th February** Meetsat 12pm for 12.30pm lunch *Contacts* Philomena Turner 9727 1448, 0417 208 077 or Nancy Gough 9726 8325

THE COMBINED CATHOLIC PARISHES RAFFLE 2019 3 x CARS TO BE WON!!!

1<sup>st</sup> PRIZE KIA Rio



(valued at \$22,609 Drive Away)

2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>PRIZES KIA Picanto



(valued @ \$19,240 Drive Away)

4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Prizes - Coles / Myer Gift Cards valued @ \$1,000 ea. 6<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> Prize – Coles / Myer Gift Cards valued @ \$500 ea. Tickets will be on sale in the church foyer Tickets will be sent home through both Parish Schools and also to Parishioners **BUY or RETURN YOUR TICKETS EARLY** RAFFLE DRAWN 4<sup>th</sup> May 2019 Victorian Commission for Gambling Regulation Permit No - 10699/18 Ticket sales close in SPJE Parish on Sunday 31st March 2019 Queries regarding Raffle to: rafflespje@gmail.com Proudly supported by



# **Combined Parishes Car Raffle**

This year the St Peter Julian Eymard Parish will once again participate in the Combined parishes Car Raffle. All proceeds from the sale of tickets will directly to your Parish as the tickets have already been paid for.

Tickets in named envelopes are available for collection in the church foyer, by parishioners who contribute to Thanksgiving.

Foyer ticket sales will commence in early February at most masses until Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> March.

The prizes are fabulous: 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3rd are Kia cars while 4<sup>th</sup> to 14th are Coles/Myer Gift cards. Tickets are \$2.00 each so they are extremely good value.

Please return your money and ticket butts to the church at any of the masses, no later than Sunday, 31<sup>st</sup> March. Alternatively you could drop them into the Parish Office.

If you are unable to sell the tickets, please return the book back to the church or parish office so that they can be reallocated to other families or parishioners. Every ticket has to be accounted for to the organisers.

I can be contacted on 0403 568 302 or by email: rafflespje@gmail.com

Good luck and thank you for participating. Marg Vallence / Co-Ordinator SPJE Parish Mooroolbark Combined Catholic Parishes Raffle 2019.

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# 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

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# **Plenary Council Praver**

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.

