

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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Normal Mass Times at SPJE

Weekday Masses - Tuesday - Friday: 9.15 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

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

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 27th October 2019 - Issue No: 40

Jesus tells a story of TWO MEN "AT PRAYER" in a Synagogue_ - (Luke 18:10-13)

...a PHARISEE... standing by himself, was praying thus 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector.

I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income to the poor and needy...' - and on he goes.
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.... a TAX COLLECTOR... standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast & saying - 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!'Of this man, Jesus said, 'I tell you he went home at rights with God, the other did not'.

So, in Jesus' view, the one who boasts and boosts himself before God and the world will be eventually come undone; the one who recognizes their shortcomings and everyday need for God but keeps doing their best will be truly honoured in grace and truth.

In my prayer & my other relationships, with which individual & with which attitude do I start?

Am I prepared to respond to the question Jesus asks each one of us each day, in our family living, in membership of Church or our busy, busy society? Am I game to question or challenge the so-highly-charged (and charging!) competition, perfection and consumption-driven world that greets and continually urges me through almost every media? Just as it also neglects, blames or makes invisible those who struggle to make their way in the same world? Do I expect or challenge those in various levels of power to honour and honestly exercise that power in truth & humility for "the common good", the good of all? This can be in my ordinary conversations, through letters, personal or group actions, in my thoughtful vote; and in my prayer. Am I prepared to be with and for those on the margins or even stand in their place?

And of our greatness, our depths and our possibility; and also our tendency to moral frailty or silence, self-deception, greed, hurt & hurting. Humility opens us up. It frees us to love, bringing us face-to-face with the essential Jesus-words, 'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.' As I love you: right here, right now.

Michael Mc Lindon

Weekday Mass Times

Weekday Masses Tue - Fri - 9.15am

PARISH CALENDAR

OCTOBER

26/27th Oct 30th Sunday in Ord. Time

World Mission Sunday Special Collection

26th Oct Sat Private Baptism - 12 noon

6pm Year 3 Commitment Mass

27th Oct Sun 11am Year 3 Commitment

Mass

29th Oct Reconciliation - St Richards

NOVEMBER

1st Nov Fri ALL SAINTS DAY

2/3rd Nov 31st Sunday in Ord. Time

ALL SOULS DAY BAPTISMS - 6pm

7th Nov Thur Baptism Meeting - Church

7.30pm Iris Gale

9/10th 32nd Sunday in Ord. Time

10am All Souls Mass at Lilydale Cemetery - 10am BAPTISMS - 6pm, 9am &

11am

ROSTERS

Counters

28th Oct Des Delahunt, Pam Dryden & Christine

Sellar

4th Nov Bob & Wies Dight (Swap)

<u>Flowers</u>

26th Oct Volunteer Required

2nd Nov Visi Maka

Cleaners

28th Oct Margaret Kim & Esther Ngaihte
4th Nov Anna & Kevin Dwyer & Fr Joseph

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

Ministers of Eucharist Coordinators for November

6.00 pm George Nantes 9.00 am Pam Delahunt 11.00am Mike McCann

Readers and Commentators - 2/3rd November

6.00 pm George Nantes & Mitchell Mazarella 9.00 am Lilette de la Harpe & Lilijana Stride

11.00am Jun Romero & Lorri Hayes

Readings for Next Week - 2/3rd Nov

Wis 11:22 - 12:2; 2 Thess 1:11 - 2:2; Lk 19:1-10

Prayers for the Sick

We pray for parishioners and friends who are ill,

Pat McCann, Maria Cordedda, Trish Fenton, Freddy Chavez, Reg Thaggard, Mary Ovans, Peter Margerison, Judith Griffith, Kath Robinson, Brett Delzoppo & Annette Andrewartha

骨 Remembrance Diary 骨

We remember those who have died especially Fr Joseph YU PE & Fr Christopher Toms and all those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

26/10 to 1/11

Tony Geldens, Constance Elliott, Eva Johnston, Edwina & John Ligertwood, Jim George (baby) Reilly Fitzgerald, Michael Douthwaite, Kevin McVeigh, Helen Jane Bowie, Caroline Devlin, Len Andrewatha, Jess Freeman, Giuseppe Cincotta, Domenica Mancini, Ian Lowe, Lionel Mitchell, Flora Watson.

Ministers of the Eucharist

Pam Delahunt will conduct an information session for anyone who would like to learn more about the role of Minister



of the Eucharist. If you are interested in this valuable opportunity to serve the parish community please contact Pam on 9726 0454.

BAPTISM

We welcome the following children to our Parish through Baptism:



Grace Mezzina, Jaxon & Kobi Dellar

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



MASS FOR ALL SOULS' DAY Sat. 9th November 2019

Celebrant: Fr Joseph Lu Xin

10 am Lilydale Memorial Park

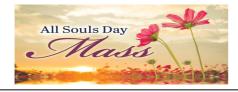
(Federation Chapel)

10.50 am Lilydale Memorial Park

(Yarra Valley Mausoleum)

11.45 am Lilydale Lawn Cemetery

(Near front entrance)



POSITIONS VACANT Archdiocese of Melbourne

Applications are invited from suitably qualified and experienced people for the positions of: New Positions

Service Manager, Corpus Christi Community, Greenvale

Human Resource Partner, Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne

General Counsel, Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne

Still Accepting Applicants

Cook & Domestic Support, Hampton Park Pastoral Worker, St Mary of the Immaculate Conception Parish, Williamstown

Pastoral Associate, St Clement of Rome, Bulleen Residential Tutors at St Mary's College, University of Melbourne - Click here for application

Safeguarding Project Officer - Professional Standards Unit, East Melbourne

Sacramental Co-ordinator, St Joseph's Parish, Malvern

Further details can be found on the Archdiocese website at: http://www.cam.org.au/Jobs.aspx

Should you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact Human Resources at hradmin@cam.org.au



Prayerful and Eucharistic

When they were at table, Jesus took bread, said the blessing, broke it and gave it to them. Their eyes were opened and they recognised him." (Luke 24:30-31)

How is God calling us to be a Christ-centred Church in Australia that is Prayerful and **Eucharistic?**

As we move into this second stage of the Plenary Council journey we continue to seek the wisdom of the Holy Spirit. Beginning in July 2019, we are called to reflect on Scripture,

Church teaching and our contemporary situation, in order to discern the answer to this question. The fruits of what is discerned during this time will help shape the agenda of the first session of Plenary Council in October 2020.

This National Theme for Discernment is inspired by the voices of the People of God who shared how deeply they treasured the Eucharist and the sacramental and liturgical life of the Church. There was a call for stronger and more engaging preaching, with an emphasis on the Word of God and connection to daily life, some seeking a uniquely Australian expression of prayer and Eucharistic celebration, drawing from the wisdom and rituals of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and also bringing together the many migrant communities which make up the

Church in Australia. There were many divergent expressions of ways in which people and communities encounter God through their experiences of prayer, music and liturgy, and a desire for catechesis, training and formation for those in ministries related to these.

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

During the month of November we remember all those who have passed away. Many of these names are recorded in our Book of Remembrance.

If you would like a **new** name recorded and have not submitted the name in previous years please place the name of your loved one including first name & surname on the sheet provided. Any new names will be included in the book next year.

Remembrance book will be available in the church foyer from the weekend of 26/27th October.



LADIES CHRISTMAS LUNCH

This will be at Yering Meadows Golf Club 178-180 Victoria Road, Yering

Tuesday 3rd December - Meet 12pm for **12.30** Lunch - Cost \$25 pp

Any parish ladies past or present who are not able to make it to our regular monthly lunches are most welcome to join us and we would love to see you there.

We are now taking bookings for this lunch. If attending please contact Philomena or Nancy by Wednesday 13th November.

A final number for booking will be needed on the 15th November.

Payment can be made direct to Philomena or Nancy or dropped into the Parish Office in an envelope with your name on the front.

> Contacts: Philomena Turner 9727 1448

Mob: 0417 208 077

Nancy Gough 9726 8325 Mob: 0411 137 251



LADIES LUNCH

Next ladies' lunch will be at the Croydon Hotel Maroondah Hwy, Croydon Tuesday 12th November (week two because of Melbourne Cup) Meet 12 pm for 12.30 lunch



VOLUNTEER **OPPORTUNITY ASSISTING** REFUGEE STUDENTS

MERCY CONNECT MELBOURNE

Mercy Works Ltd. is currently recruiting volunteers to support

Refugee Students and Asylum Seekers in Primary and Secondary schools across the Melbourne Archdiocese. The volunteer commitment is approximately half a day per week for four school terms. Experience working in an educational setting is preferred but not limited to. Please contact Sr. Mary Lewis RSM for an application form and further information. Training Day for new volunteers end of November 2019.

Email: somml@bigpond.com (preferred for

contact)

Website: www.mercyworks.org.au

Mercy Connect Melbourne

Tel: 9326 1895

THANK YOU FROM SVDP

A special thanks to the generous parishioners who donate non perishable food items weekly to SVDP. Your generosity is much appreciated.

FREE

Timber Dining Table - can be extended Burgess brand. Only has 4 chairs. If you are interested please contact Nancy on 0411 137 251.



SVDP **Tomato Plants for Sale**



The Mooroolbark Conference of Saint Vincent de Paul will have Tomato plants for sale at all the weekend Masses in October.

There will be 8 varieties to choose from and the cost per plant is \$2.50.

The proceeds will help the Conference to continue to aid those people requesting our assistance in the Parish. Note: some varieties will be in short supply this year.



Last Sunday's "Multicultural Extravaganza"!

Wow! What a fabulous Multicultural Celebration we experienced last Sunday!

Firstly, our Mass was a beautiful celebration of many cultures coming together joined as one parish family expressing our faith in both word & song. Beautiful prayers spoken in many diverse languages with the English translation shown on the power point. And hymns were sung by both Filipino & Tongan groups - what magnificent harmonies! The whole mass was a very moving & uplifting experience. And it was great to see the numbers attending spilling out into the foyer area.

And then how about the Luncheon that followed mass! Have we ever seen such a magnificent & diverse spread of such appetising & colourful dishes. In addition to all this wonderful food prepared with love & pride, the parish hall was overflowing with all our multicultural parish family members sharing, caring, and generally extending a hand in friendship! Much fun & laughter prevailed, and then to top it off, a few of our Tongan, Filipino, & Indian members entertained us with music & song.

In our modern world in which we live today, we are subjected to so much negative & depressing news on a daily basis! Our multicultural celebration was in stark contrast to this and proved that we have so much to be thankful here in our SPJE Parish. The contribution of all who participated was truly uplifting and a real boost to all our spirits! As a result of last Sunday, it would be wonderful if somehow we could harness all the positives, & continue to develop this wonderful parish spirit by encouraging one another to build our community together!

God bless all who contributed to and participated in such a wonderful experience.

Notice written by Graeme Vear - Parishioner

Next week there will be an evaluation of the day and we encourage everyone to provide feedback on how we shape our future events.