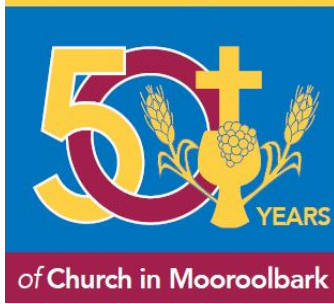


St Peter Julian Eymard Parish



# 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>  
Email: [mooroolbark@cam.org.au](mailto:mooroolbark@cam.org.au)

**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

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT 31st March 2019 - Issue No: 10

### Reflection

The Prodigal Son is a story about the state of the heart. At times our hearts are orientated towards wanting a good life—and seeking it without considering the cost. Over time, disappointment can lead to our hearts being hardened and bruised, and it can feel like a risk to return ‘home’, knowing the great hurt that has been done. Our hearts may anxiously seek forgiveness, unsure of whether it will be offered to us. At times our hearts are full of love and we are able to forgive easily—even in the face of disappointment and embarrassment. The heart of the elder son is one many of us know well: this is the heart that smarts when we feel we have been unjustly treated or overlooked. And the other heart—well, for those who believe—is the heart of God: the heart that is always ready to welcome us home; the heart of goodness, justice and mercy; the heart that constantly invites us to taste and see the goodness of the Lord.



### 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**

### Readings for Next Week – 6/7th April

Is 43:16-21 Phil 3:8-14, Jn 8:1-11,

## PARISH CALENDAR

### MARCH 2019

**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

Thur. 4th April **No 9.15 am Mass**  
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 Raffle Scrunching session - after  
9.15am Mass - Helpers required.  
Parish Pastoral Council - 7.30pm  
Parish House  
13/14th April PALM SUNDAY  
Monthly Church Collection.

### 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,  
Maria Cordedda, and Louis Wycisk**

### † Remembrance Diary †

We remember those who have died especially  
**Val Stafford** and all those whose anniversaries  
occur about this time:

**30/3 to 5/4**

**Gabriel Turk, Marge Treloar, Josef Deszcz,  
Sr.Dietlinde, Vincnt Graves, Roger Kelaart,  
Mark Prest, Michele Anastasi, Freida Macro,  
Rohan & Amanda Byrnes, Pope John Paul 11,  
Vernon Staples, Oliver Tyler-Kennedy, Chris  
Bourke, Donald Johnson, Betty Asbury, Peter  
Clancy, Agnes Hutchinson Kerr, Lucie Oswald,  
Helen Mann, Andreas Maria Bast**

## ROSTERS

### Counters

1st April Des Delahunt, Pam Dryden & Christine  
Sellar  
8th April Bob & Wies Dight

### Flowers

**Lent (No Flowers)**

### Cleaners

1st April Laurel Simpson & Wojtek Nowicki  
8th April Wojek Nowicki & Eleanor Thompson

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

### Ministers of Eucharist Coordinators for April

6.00 pm Pat Harman  
9.00 am Pam Delahunt  
11.00am Mike McCann

### Readers and Commentators - 6/7th April

6.00 pm Michael McLindon & Michael Fenton  
9.00 am Leon McKiernan & Lilette de la Harpe  
11.00 am Elizabeth Acabado & Margaret Corker

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

## FUNERAL - VAL STAFFORD

We sadly convey the news of the passing of  
Val Stafford on Thursday, 28th March.

Her funeral Mass will be held at SPJE  
Church on Thursday, **4th April at 11am.**

Celebrant Fr Andrew Jekot.  
All welcome.

## NOTICE

The Parish, School and parts of  
Mooroolbark have had no phone lines for  
the past week due to damage to the lines  
from the recent storms last week.

The problem was resolved on Friday

## HOLY WEEK & EASTER ROSTERS

If you can assist with Reading, Commentating, and other Ministries for Holy Week & Easter Masses, please place your name on the roster on the notice board.

*Thank You.*



## 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

### 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, Higgs, 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



FAMILY CIRCUS By Bill Keane



ARK Theatre presents

# Visiting Mr. Green

A Play by Jeff Baron

5 - 14  
April 2019

Directed by  
Lisa McNiven

For Bookings & Details:  
[www.arktheatremelb.com](http://www.arktheatremelb.com)



**PROJECT  
COMPASSION**

**Michaela** is a 21-year-old trainee at Purple House, a dialysis center in the Central Desert for people suffering from kidney disease. With the support of Caritas partners, Michaela is helping to build a social enterprise, a connection to culture and a new outlook for the chronically ill.

**Please donate to Project Compassion 2019 and help provide essential health care, employment and training for First Australians like Michaela**

**Lives change when we all give 100%.** You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting [www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion](http://www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion) or phoning 1800 024 413.

## 2019 Combined Parishes Car Raffle

**If you have forgotten  
your tickets this weekend  
they can be dropped off at  
the Parish Office this  
coming week.**

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](mailto:rafflespje@gmail.com)

Marg Vallence / CoOrdinator

## 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](mailto:christinesellar@bigpond.com).

**Maddies Embellished Garden... from Trash to Art....** Invites you to visit this whimsical and imaginative artists garden on:

**Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2019** from 10am till 3pm at  
80 Pembroke Road, Mooroolbark

Cost \$6 per adult and \$1 per child

Last year we celebrated our first 10 YEARS of open garden which has raised more than \$23,000 for Mary McKillop East Timor Mission.

The Secret Forest delights visitors of all ages, the Terracottary will inspire all those who love succulents...follow the pathways to discover

umpteenth "rooms" each with a different theme and colour. We have welcomed and been able to inspire many visitors over the years,

and this has been, in itself an inspiration for us to keep working, evolving and creating.

Due to the hot weather some of our "rooms" needed some extra love and refurbishment and we are delighted with the new look.

Step into "Innerspace Art Gallery" where we showcase and offer for sale artworks by local artists and gardeners....sorry CASH only..

then enjoy our legendary Devonshire teas and brewed coffee.

Well...we hope to see you soon..warm regards Maddie and Norm

## 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](http://www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au)

## WEEKLY THANKSGIVING ENVELOPES

We invite the new parishioners to our parish to consider supporting our church via Thanksgiving Envelopes/Sacrificial Giving.

Please see Fr Joseph or contact the parish office.