



**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

We acknowledge the Wurundjeri People, the traditional custodians of this land

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Fr. Joseph Xin Lu**

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Normal Mass Times at SPJE

Weekday Masses
Tues: 9.30 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

**PENTECOST SUNDAY
5th June 2022 Issue No. 19**

JESUS DID WHAT NAPOLEON COULD NOT DO

Napoleon Bonaparte, General and Emperor of France, was a spellbinding leader. He once said, "I have inspired thousands of men who would die for me. One word from me and they would march into hell."

One time a soldier of Napoleon was captured. He told his torturers that he didn't know where Napoleon was, but if they wanted to find Napoleon they could cut open his heart and there they would find Napoleon.

England's Duke of Wellington said, "Napoleon's presence on the battlefield is worth 40,000 soldiers."

More than once, Napoleon lamented the fact that he could not pass on to any of his generals this "magic power" to inspire.

What Napoleon could not do, however, Jesus did. In the days before the Ascension of Jesus into heaven, he said to the apostles, "When the Holy Spirit comes upon you, you will receive power to testify about me with great effect" (Acts 1:8). This power which Jesus said he would give to the apostles was the Holy Spirit who was given to the apostles on Pentecost Sunday, and by the power of the Holy Spirit the apostles were transformed from being fearful to being fearless.

A little later, we hear that the apostles were preaching powerful sermons about the resurrection of the Lord (Acts 4:33).

What Napoleon could not do, Jesus did, and Jesus continues to do with the baptized. We have the power of the spirit of Jesus. What we cannot do along, Jesus can do through his power (the spirit) dwelling within us.

PARISH CALENDAR 2022

JUNE

- 4/5th June PENTECOST SUNDAY**
Propagation of the Faith Appeal
All Masses
4th Sat Private Baptism - 11am
FIRST EUCHARIST SPJE - 6pm
5th Sun **FIRST EUCHARIST SPJE - 11am**
Baptism Welcome - 9am
9th Thur Baptism Meeting Church - 7pm
Margaret Vallence & Lili Stride
- 11/12th June THE MOST HOLY TRINITY**
Baptism - 9am & 11am
15th Wed Confirmation Family Night
Church 7.30pm
- 18/19th June THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST**
SVDP Winter Appeal - all Masses
Baptisms & Welcome Mas - 9am
Confirmation Commitment Mass -
6pm & 11am
22nd Wed Private Anniversary Mass - 7pm
Church

Weekday Mass Times

Tuesday 9.30am

Readings for Next Week - 12th June

Prov 8:22-31 Ps 8:4-9:
Rom 5:1-5: Jn 16:12-15:

Prayers for the Sick

We pray for parishioners and friends who are ill;

*James Devlin, James Brien,
Eleanor Thompson, Patricia Fenton,
Patricia Koblar, Brenda Corrigan,
Vic Garcia, Pam Stephens,
Hyacinth Pereira & Judith Fitzgerald .*

ROSTERS

Counters - Month of June

Joan & Maurie Prendergast

Flowers - Month of June

Visi Maka

Church Cleaners - Month of June

Kevin Dwyer, Ged Wright

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

Readers and Commentators - 11/12th June

6.00 pm George Nantes & Michael McLindon
9.00 am Marinella Mack & Karen Broughton
11.00am Auna Wernert & Volunteer req.

Musicians - 11/12th June

6.00 pm Shelly & Co
9.00 am Filipino Group
11.00am Zomi Group

✝ Remembrance Diary ✝

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

4/6 to 10/6

**Patricia Commerford, Gwenneth Key,
Mavis Morgan, Harold Dobson, Robert Haynes,
Gisela Liedtke, Anna Alvar, Connie Di Pilla,
Harold Redfern, Louisa Verdaasdonk, Edmond
& Eden Pannawitch, Michael Collins, Chester
Seagle, Tony Azzopardi, Mary Robinson,
Cathy Sheerin, Kevin Mackey, Sarah Bone,
Giuseppe Zappia, Ted Blow, Jack Grant,
Jean Goodman, Jim Hicks, Nancy Gatens,
Anne & Jack Saunders, Honey Biesinger, Ron
Reilly, Nell Commene, Frank Lenger,
Marinus Hoogenboom Snr.**

MONEY COLLECTIONS

With the approval from The Archdiocese of
Melbourne, the normal collections will resume
this weekend.

Collection bags will be passed along the
pews as per pre-covid.

The money collection will take place after the
Prayers of the Faithful.

THANK YOU

Fr Joseph wishes to thank all the parishioners who
generously donated **Glen 20** to sanitize our
church.

THANK YOU



Baptism

BAPTISM

We welcome to our Parish through Baptism.

Abigail Munro

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

FIRST EUCHARIST - Week 4

SPJE Children

We welcome the following children this weekend as they receive the sacrament of First Eucharist

Saturday 4th June



Israel Besek, Millie Broome, Charli Broome, Blake Conboy, Zariah Hamilton, Mikayla Jarvis, Ava Littlepage, Deegan Mahoney-Stephenson, Isabella Nyssen, Noah Penhale, Sharni Semmens, Noah Taylor, Hudson Varga

Sunday 5th June

Joseph Blatnik, Chloe Brown, Lachlan Coffey, Taylor Coates, Ethan Mack, Nathaniel Mack, Orlando McKrell-Bonacci, Alexis Milliken, Marina Pieroni, Evy Lewin

SPECIAL COLLECTION This weekend 4/5th June Propagation of the Faith Appeal

BRING HOPE TO NEELA AND HER FAMILY

This week Catholic Mission offers us the opportunity to be part of a life-changing program which aims to help prevent malnutrition, especially in babies and young children, and help disadvantaged families provide food for their loved ones. The Deberety Goat Rearing Centre is a dream of the local Church and community in Emdibir. When established, the Centre aims to provide nutritious goats milk for families in need, like Neela's*, so that babies like Ajani* can be healthy and strong. Please give generously today to help kickstart this life-giving program by using the appeal envelope provided, going online at catholicmission.org.au/ethiopia, or scanning the QR code. Your gift will also help many other similar Church-run mission programs around the world.
Envelopes will be available in the church.



LADIES LUNCH GROUP

Our next Ladies Lunch will be on
Tuesday 7th June
At The Dorset Hotel
Croydon

We will meet at 12 pm for 12.30 lunch

Enquiries/RSVP Nancy Gough 0411 137 251
Philomena Turner 0417 208 077

ST. VINCENT de PAUL ANNUAL WINTER APPEAL 2022



*It is time again for the SVDP Winter Appeal. This will be held at all the Masses on the weekend of the **18th and 19th June**. All money received will go towards assisting people from Kilsyth, Montrose and Mooroolbark who are struggling to make ends meet and who ask for our help. Please place your donations in the marked collection boxes as you exit at the conclusion of Mass. For those who wish to donate by credit card or require a receipt there will be envelopes on the seats which can be placed in the collection box or posted to SVDP.*

*Direct Debit is available and, if doing this, please mark that it is for the Mooroolbark Conference
**Direct Debit details are
BSB: 063 003
Account No: 1008 1787**
Thank you very much for your previous and continued support.*

**THE POWER TO CHANGE A LIFE
IS IN YOUR HANDS.**

DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT.
Please donate to the Vinnies Winter Appeal.



*Richard Knight
Mooroolbark Conference President*



Over the Sundays of Eastertide we have been privileged, blessed, to witness and support so many children of our Parish embracing the Mystery of Eucharist in their First Holy Communion, accompanied by families & friends & teachers & applauded by us. Perhaps we dipped deeply into memories of our own First Communion Day and perhaps, more recently, our children's. Certainly I did – and what a journey! Including the countless other First Communion Days and celebrations I have been so blessed to be part of.

This year, though, I was given a new insight. The walls of the church were decorated with posters featuring the classic Cup and Host, but in the centre of each host was the smiling face of a girl or boy, then preparing for their Communion Day. I was immediately reminded of words of St Augustine from the 4th-5th century, *“You become what you receive”*. Pentecost is the feast of the Church, its Birth in the gift of the Holy Spirit; In receiving Christ, we become Christ in our world now, we become Church. To reflect on this can lead to a profound awareness: wherever I go, there is Jesus Christ, there is Church; *“Wherever two or three gather in my name, there I am”, “I am with you to the ends of the earth”*. God knows, our world needs Jesus, needs Church.

Not pomp splendour, regulation, clericalist dictate; hiding from or attempting to rule the world, but love, kindness, openness, non-judgmental acceptance & welcome to all. *“If anyone loves me, they will keep my word, my Father will love them, we shall come to them, make our home with them..... the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything.”* . To me.

The Scripture readings of the Vigil Feast of Pentecost, the ancient Jewish Feast of Gathering, focus on two Salvation events thousands of years apart: the scattering of the People and confusing of their language in the Creation Stories, as they set out to build a Tower to the heavens and “be like God; the culmination of the sin stories of separation in their Babel climax. The other event is that of the Church being brought into being by the Holy Spirit, the inspire/ inspired/ inspiring proclamation by the Apostles in their Words of Life & Liberation, now understood by all, despite their differing languages and countries of origin.

Humankind can again become one. And around the walls of our church our day, the faces were of children born, or whose parents/ grandparents were born, in lands around the globe. Coming together as one in love, kindness welcome and joy. May they be our teachers we their loving guides.

Let our prayer for the week be the Pentecost prayer of the Church in its liturgy:-

Father of light, from whom every good gift comes, Send your Spirit into our lives with the power of a mighty wind by the flame of your wisdom open the horizons of our mind; we could never raise our voices Loosen our tongues to sing your praise in words beyond the power of speech, for without your Spirit we could never raise our voices in words of peace or announce to the world that Jesus is Lord; Jesus the Christ, who is with you and the Holy Spirit, One God forever. AMEN. AMEN. AMEN. ALLELUIA!!!

*Michael Mc Lindon.
A fellow parishioner in our “Spirit-filled Community”*