

St Peter Julian Eymard Catholic Church Mooroolbark Parish

Widowa is St Pater Julian Bymará Church

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

Parish Priest Fr. Joseph Xin Lu

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Normal Mass Times at SPJE

Weekday Masses
Tues & Thurs: 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

Parish QR Code



32nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 7th November 2021 Issue No. 41

Reflection



When Mark was organizing his gospel, he must have considered the story of the widow to be especially significant. Some people have many talents and they contribute generously to the community. Others, like the widow, feel that they have very little to offer, but they give what they have all the same.

We might be tempted to compare people's contributions, but we would be sure to get it wrong. Jesus draws our attention to the widow.

She has very little - only two single copper coins.

She could have thought that what
she had was not worth offering.

She could have compared her offering to that
of the people around her and been
too ashamed to make her contribution.

She could have given one piece and kept the other.
What impressed Jesus was that, simply,
without shame or false humility,
she gave all she had.

Jesus presents her as a model for us all.

He highlighted the innate goodness which leads to generous giving.

Goodness is quiet Goodness is not showy Goodness is generous

> Marg Vallence Parish Pastoral Council

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PARISH CALENDAR

NOVEMBER 2021

6/7th 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

BAPTISMS - 9am & 11am

13/14th 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat. BAPTISMS - 12 noon

Sun BAPTISMS 11am & 12.30pm -

Private

20/21st Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of

The Universe

Sat. BAPTISM - 12.30pm

Sun. BAPTISMS - 9am & 12.30pm -

Private

27/28th 1st SUNDAY OF ADVENT Sat. BAPTISMS - 12noon - Private

BAPTISMS - 6pm

Sun. BAPTISMS - 9am & 11am

DECEMBER 2021

4/5th Dec

Sun. BAPTISMS - 9am & 11am

BAPTISM - 12.30pm - Private

11/12th Dec

Sun. BAPTISMS - 11am

18/19th Dec

Sat. BAPTISM - 6pm

Sun. BAPTISM - 12.30pm - *Private*

ROSTERS

Counters Month of November 2021

Mon. Jan Phippard & Eileen Goltz

Flowers November

Church Cleaners Month of November

Jessica & Gloria Romero

(Please collect church key from parish office

Monday - Friday, 9am - 4pm)

Ministers of Eucharist Coordinators for November

No Coordinators required during Covid

Readers and Commentators 6/7th November

6.00 pm Craig Hume & Mitchell Maazarella 9.00 am Lilette de la Harpe & Lilijana Stride 11.00am Elizabeth Acabado & Volunteer Req.

<u>Musicians</u>

6.00pm

9.00am **T.B.A.**

11.00am

Weekday Mass Times

Tuesdays 9.30 am

Readings for Next Week - 14th Nov

Dan 12:1-3; Heb 10:11-14, 18; Mk 13:24-32

Prayers for the Sick

We pray for parishioners and friends who are ill; Eleanor Thompson, Patricia Fenton, Joan Bourke, Patricia Koblar, Sue Hoogenboom, Brenda Corrigan.

→ Remembrance Diary →

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

6/11 to 12/11

Mavis O'Neill, Harry Twining, Arthur Green, Maureen McKay, Edna Morrissey, Monica Stretch, John Shevlin, Gwendoline Ede, Michiel Adriaansz, Bryan Gartlan, Frances O'Donnell, Mollie Cox, Liza Chan, Anthony Cassidy, Albert Arman, Bridget Prudden, Frank Van Gorp, John Eymard O'Connor, Isabella Cochrane, Elsie Parkinson, Tess Smith, Adele Steadman, Marjory Sheedy, Anthony McCarrey, Nora Walls, Theodore Bien.

BAPTISM

We welcome to our Parish through Baptism.

Flynn & Noah Rolls, Grace Taylor.

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



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 <u>new</u> 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 is available in the church foyer.



Old man Fielding, the miser, at last went to his reward and presented himself at the Pearly Gates.

St. Peter greeted him with appropriate solemnity and escorted him to his new abode.

Walking past numerous elegant mansions finally they arrived at a dilapidated shack at the end of the street.

Fielding, much taken aback, began, "Why am I left with a rundown shack when all of these others have fine mansions?"

"Well, sir," replied St. Peter, "we did the best we could with the money you sent us."

2022 COLUMBAN CALENDARS

2022 Columban Art Calendars for sale, only \$9 each. Proceeds will assist Mooroolbark Vinnies.

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Extract - Emerging from COVID for mission in a brave new world

Melbourne Catholic - 28 Oct 2021

For the full article go to: https://melbournecatholic.org/news/emerging-from-covid-for-mission-in-a-brave-new-world

Fr Michael Casey OCSO, a Cistercian monk from Tarrawarra Abbey in the Yarra Valley, recently provided some reflections on 'emerging from the chrysalis of lockdown into a brave new world'. Speaking as part of an online gathering of clergy from across the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne, Fr Michael discussed several themes from the teachings of Pope Francis and his vision for renewal.

In considering how the Church can move forward with renewed vitality and joy, and a clear sense of mission and hope, Fr Michael discussed seven themes that closely align with the teachings of Pope Francis: a paradigm shift, joy, synodality, inclusivity, interculturality, fraternity and our common home. He noted that in a recent catechesis on 'healing the world', Pope Francis outlined his main concerns: the dignity of the person, the common good, the option for the poor, the universality of goods, solidarity, subsidiarity and our common home.

'When the Pope elaborates his vision; a mission for the whole Church,' said Fr Michael. 'It's for the Church as a whole, the Church as a plurality. And as a church, we are one body, but the members and functions within that body are differentiated. So not all of us will be able to implement to the full all the ideals that the Pope promulgates. What is important therefore is that we discern what we can do, what I as a person, what my group, my community can do. We can't all do everything, but we need this gift to discern where best to invest our energies, with the presumption that we act locally. It's better to do something concrete and real in the here and now, rather than to dream about distant wonders. And finally, to do what is possible.'

Fr Michael also suggested that we need to be aware of our own brains and the 'default mode network' that operates within. The default mode network is 'the means by which we operate on the basis of past experience without having to think through every detail,' he said. 'We can fly on auto-pilot as it were, without paying too much attention. 'Unprepared situations make us uncomfortable. And it's the default mode network that inspires the yearning "to get back to normal" so that we don't have to think and make decisions. "Business as usual" is our catch cry. We want to revert to a state of mindlessness.

'The default mode network is our constant companion and a good friend, but it can be a limitation. It tends to interpret what happens only in terms of what we have already experienced – to reduce the unknown into what is already familiar – and so we fail really, to deal with it.

'We have to deal with the default mode network, which is always trying to stop us from being creative, always trying to keep us repeating what we used to do. And so, the way ahead as we come out of lockdown will not appear at once.

We need discernment, and deconstruction, and counsel, and dialogue.'

SYNOD 2021/2022



Together with every diocese in the world, we invite you to participate in the local consultation to contribute to the Synod of Bishops - *For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission*. The local consultation phase is being held between 17 October – 17th December 2021.

You are all invited to engage in the diocesan consultation process for a sense of communion and journeying together. Individuals, parishes and other communities (schools, hospi-

tals, lay movements etc) are encouraged, wherever possible, to provide opportunities for groups and individuals to provide submissions. There are a number of resources available to understand, engage and prepare for the Synod which are available from the Melbourne Catholic website.

Weekend 6&7 November

In dioceses around the world, a period of local consultation has begun as part of a two-year process culminating in the Synod of Bishops gathering in Rome in October 2023. The Church in Melbourne join the rest of the world in embarking on an intentional process of mutual listening that will span two years and engage people in a journey of communion, participation and mission. Please join in the diocesan consultation sessions being held in the coming week:

DISCERNMENT FOCUS: COMMUNION

Tuesday 9 November, 7.30-9pm OR Wednesday 10 November, 11am-12.30pm (repeated sessions)

Sessions will be hosted online (via zoom) and registration is essential: https://www.trybooking.com/BVEVZ Visit the Melbourne Catholic Website to learn more or provide an individual submission.

Mary MacKillop Heritage Centre (MMHC)

'Çuppa with Mary' - MMHC is reopening for parishioners on Mon 8th Nov from 9 am – 5 pm. Come visit the Museum that tells Mary and the SOSJ's story, do a walking tour of the Mary MacKillop Heritage trail and Mary's place of birth. Special times have been set aside for Parish groups to have a 'Çuppa with Mary' which includes a presentation, tour and prayer reflection in the Chapel where Mary prayed, at a cost of \$20 per person. Contact Kate on 9926 9300 for a group booking.





'Advent with Mary MacKillop' - The Education Team at MMHC will be delivering an online Advent reflection program consisting of 4 one-hour sessions that will be held on Wednesdays from 7 - 8pm on 24th November and the 1st, 8th and 15th December. The sessions will be based on the Advent readings and will be combined with reflections on St Mary of the Cross. Each session will incorporate aspects of the program *Blessed*. To register click here. Access to sessions will be via a Teams link provided by MMHC after registering, where participants would be able to join using a computer, tablet or smart phone. It would be much appreciated if you would consider donating \$7.50 per session or \$25 for the 4 sessions.

Mary MacKillop Gift shop & SOSJ Calendar 2021 – With Christmas coming up, please consider supporting the work of the Sisters of St Joseph by purchasing a 2022 Josephite Calendar (\$8) and or a present from the Museum Gift Shop (communion & confirmation gifts, devotional items, Vatican Library collection, rosary beads, holding crosses, candles, cards, statues, crucifixes, books and Peruvian handmade items).



Accommodation Specials - With Melbourne opening up again, events like the Boxing Day Test and Australian Open will be big draw cards! Book your next stay at the Mary MacKillop Heritage Centre Accommodation in the heart of Melbourne. Please contact Kate on 9926 9300.