

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

Parish Priest Fr. Joseph

Parish Secretary Mrs. Adriana De Leo

Parish Assistant Mr. Brian Twining

Parish Office 234 Hull Road (PO Box 2) Mooroolbark 3138 Telephone: 9723 4275

Office Hours:

Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri - 9.00am - 3.00pm (Office unattended on Wednesday)

http://pol.org.au/mooroolbark/Home.aspx Email: mooroolbark@cam.org.au

Parish Hall - Contact Parish Office

SPJE Parish School Reay Road, Mooroolbark 3138 Telephone 9725 0595 Fax 9723 9255 School Principal – Mr. Greg Thomas http://www.spjemooroolbark.catholic.edu.au

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 Tues & Wed : 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 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time 12th February 2023 Issue No. 2

Reflection

Matthew 5:17–37 I have not come to abolish the law and the prophets but to fulfil them.

Matthew continues the Sermon on the Mount with a three part instruction by Jesus on the Way of Life in the kingdom of heaven. Today's reading is part one and deals with the Law.

When Matthew speaks of "the Law and the prophets" he means the whole Scripture. When the Messiah brings the fullness of the kingdom none of scripture will be done away with. Instead it will be fulfilled. Matthew's Jesus does not overturn the Law of Moses, nor does he set his followers free from the Law. He requires his followers to go beyond the Law by doing more than the Law requires.

In his Sermon on the Mount, Jesus points out that the Law requires people to do the minimum. He has come to teach us how to go beyond the minimum requirements of the Law and to respond to others with love. Jesus teaches us that "you shall not kill" is the minimum requirement of the Law, but in his kingdom we must also refrain from anger that is directed toward others. In all things, Jesus challenges us to go beyond the minimum. Jesus tells us in Sunday's Gospel that the best way to understand God's Law of love, is to listen to Jesus and to live like him.

Marcus Gill - Principal St. Richard's

PARISH CALENDAR

FEBRUARY 2023

11/12th	6th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sat	Pastoral Care Appeal - all Masses St Richards Prep Angel Mass - 6pm Staff Commitment Masses - 6pm 9am & 11am Mass SPJE Prep Family Mass - 11am
12th	Private Baptism - 12.30 pm
16th Thu	Faith Development Meeting -10am
18/19th	7th Sunday in Ordinary Time Baptisms - 11 am
22nd Wed	ASH WEDNESDAY Beginning of Lent Mass 9.30 am Mass 7.30 pm
25/26th	FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT Monthly Church Collection Baptism - 11 am Baptism - 12.30 Private
4/5th	SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

ROSTERS

Counters - Month of February Office Staff & Christine Sellar

Flowers - Month of February Philomena Turner

<u>Church Cleaners - Month of February</u> Margaret Kim & Esther Ngaihte

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

Readers and Commentators - 18/19th Feb6.00 pmGeorge Nantes & Michael McLindon9.00 amLilette de la Harpe, Lilijana Stride11.00amJun Romero & Volunteer required

Musicians - 18/19th February

6.00 pm No Music 9.00 am Filipino Group 11.00am Zomi Group

ST VINCENT DE PAUL



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

Weekday Mass Times Tuesday & Wednesday 9.30 am mass

Readings for Next Week - 19th February

Lev 19:1-2, 17-18: Ps 102:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13:R Mt 5:38-48

Prayers for the Sick

We pray for parishioners and friends who are ill;

Sophia Aranco

🕆 Remembrance Diary 🕆

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

11/2 to 17/2

Bonnie McKinley, Eileen McIntyre, Bradley Waters, Fernando Del Vecchio, Noreen Studd, John Willcocks, Margarita Dunnington, Josephine Makin, Don Raffaello Rossi & Family, Jim Fitzgerald, Theresa Whitelaw, Michael Murphy, Elena Casotti, Maria Margaletic, Stephen Nowicki, Bruce Barlow-Barker, Isobel Giuffrida, Ivy Crellin.

BAPTISM We welcome to our Parish through Baptism

Dante Da Campo

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

PARISHIONERS COLUMN NEWS - STORIES - REFLECTIONS



We would like to introduce a weekly column, where we invite parishioners to contribute items of interest.

Stories, anniversaries, reflections, interesting articles that can be shared with the parish community.

The articles can be emailed or dropped off to the parish office by Thursday morning.

PASTORAL CARE APPEAL 2023 11/12th February

This weekend is the Pastoral Care Appeal.

Donations from our parish community will help the Chaplaincy programs to support the most vulnerable people in our community.

Your support and generosity will ensure that Catholic Chaplains can continue to be the messengers of God's mercy, love and compassion. Parishioners are encouraged to offer prayers and financial support to help provide continued spiritual and emotional comfort to individuals and families in Victoria facing, illness, pain, loneliness, grief and death.

You can donate using the envelopes provided or online at **www.catholiccarevic.org.au** or call (03) 9287 5513

PARISH MOBILE NUMBER

Please be advised that the parish mobile number has now been discontinued.

Please contact the parish on the usual number of 03 9723 4275.

If we miss the call it automatically sends an email with a recorded message so we can be in touch with you a.s.a.p.

Sunday Morning Tea/Cuppa after 9am Mass



Thank you to all those who have volunteered to help with morning tea. We would appreciate a few more parishioners assisting us in trying to create a spirit of togetherness and cheer in our community.



LADIES LUNCH GROUP PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE FOR FEBRUARY LUNCHEON

Our rescheduled Ladies Luncheon will now be on

TUESDAY 14th FEBRUARY

Venue: CHIRNSIDE PARK COUNTRY CLUB 68 Kingswood Drive Chirnside Park We will meet at 12 pm for 12.30 lunch

PLEASE BE SURE TO RECONFIRM YOUR BOOKING FOR THE CHANGED DATE By Sunday 12th Feb

Philomena Turner 0417 208 077 Nancy Gough 0411 137 251

POSITIONS VACANT - Archdiocese of Melbourne

Current vacant roles listed on our Melbourne Catholic website.

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

Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne https://melbournecatholic.org/job-vacancies

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Explore 35 positions by scanning the QR code below. On our website you can also see news including stories from those currently supported in Timor-Leste, Samoa, American Samoa and Thailand.

Please enquire further about potential assignments for you or someone you know:

RING: 02 9560 533 or 0422 472 567. WEB: <u>www.palms.org.au</u>



ACN AUSTRALIA

A message from Aid to the Church in Need Australia: ACN is the Pontifical Foundation dedicated to supporting the suffering and persecuted Church.

Aid to the Church in Need is still supporting the Catholic Church in Ukraine in its commitment to stay on the ground and keep serving its flock in the face of material and economic war. ACN is helping priests and religious, who are working across the country in parishes, with refugees, in orphanages and homes for the elderly. The main cities where we are sending immediate help are Kyiv, Zaporizhya, Odessa and the region of Donetsk. We are doing everything we can to assist our Ukrainian brothers and sisters to be strengthened in their faith so that they may continue to be a light in Ukraine. ACN needs your help to continue this mission.

To make an offering and learn more visit: <u>https://aidtochurch.org/ukraine</u> or scan the QR code.





Please join Catholic Theological College to celebrate 50 years of theological education at the <u>Sung Celebration of Evening Prayer</u>

Guest Speaker Dr Graeme Blackman AO Chancellor of University of Divinity

Date: Sunday 5th March 2023 at 3.30pm Location: St Patrick's Cathedral, East Melbourne

Enquiries: sarah.styring@ctc.edu.au or Phone: 9412 3333

THANKSGIVING

We ask parishioners to consider contributing to the support of the church and parish priest by joining the thanksgiving program.

If interested please pick up a census card from Fr Joseph. Thanksgiving envelopes, direct debit and credit card options are available.

Any support to our parish is greatly appreciated