



# 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**      **Parish Assistant**  
Mrs. Adriana De Leo      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](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 – 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

## **FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT** **26th March 2023      Issue No. 8**

### **REFLECTION**

Following today's Gospel the Pharisees plan the demise of Jesus, but they are only one example of a response to the miraculous raising of Lazarus. There are at least five responses in the Gospel, starting with Jesus for whom this is an experience of relationship with the Father who glorifies the Son and leads others to belief. For Martha and Mary it is an experience of the love of Jesus in their love for Lazarus who is restored to life. For the onlookers it is an event which lead them to believe in Jesus. For the Pharisees blinded by the self-concern which we saw last Sunday, this miracle challenges their identify, and they now plot the death of Jesus. The unstated but perhaps more important response belongs to Lazarus. What is his experience? It is much more than simply coming back to life. Before being raised, Lazarus had experienced life in the same way as we have experienced life. He took life for granted, it was a given. After experiencing death, his experience of life is different. Being alive is now a conscious reality through which Lazarus knows love. Life is a gift which unites us to God and each other through love.



*God's Word 2023*

## PARISH CALENDAR



### MARCH

**25/26th** **FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT**  
 48 hour Prayer - 5pm - 5.50pm  
 Church Monthly Collection  
 Baptisms - 9am & 11am  
 Eucharist Family Night - 7pm  
**29th Wed** **FUNERAL** - Judy Fitzgerald -  
**30th Thur** 10.30 am  
**31st Fri** Feast of St Richard's Mass - 9am  
 At St Richards School Hall

### APRIL

**1/2nd** **PALM SUNDAY**  
 6pm & 9am Eucharist  
 Commitment Mass  
**3rd** **HOLY WEEK**  
**4th Tue** Baptism Preparation Meeting -  
 7.30 pm (Church)

**(See page 3 for Easter Mass Times)**

## Weekday Mass Times Tuesday & Wednesday 9.30 am Mass

### Readings for Next Week - 1/2nd April Palm Sunday

Mt 21:1-11: Is 50:4-7: Ps 21:8-9, 17-20, 23-24  
 Phil 2:6-11: Mt 26:14 - 27:66:

### Prayers for the Sick

We pray for parishioners and friends who  
 are ill, especially,  
*Ignatius Suan Lian Thang,*  
*Joseph Raborar De Sagun,*  
*Colleen Watson & Anna Van Reyersdael.*

### † Remembrance Diary †

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

**25/3 to 1/4**

Anne Colapaolo, George Mazar,  
 Joseph Francis Johnston, Len Decker,  
 Maria Thi Nhi Cao, John Woodhouse,  
 Patricia McCann, Victor Treloar, Antonia Tejero,  
 Bernard Brown, Maragaret Kierce,  
 Jim McLaughlin, Rocco Zinghini, Val Stafford,  
 Jessica Tilbury, Joan Kelly, Maryanne D'Rozario,  
 Patricia Stone, William Peters, Gabirel Tuck,  
 Josef Deszcz, Marge Treloar, Sr. Dietlinde,  
 Mawk Prest, Michele Anastasi, Roger Kelaart,  
 Vincent Graves, Frieda Macro.

## ROSTERS

### Counters - Month of April

Jan Phipphard & Eileen Goltz

### Flowers - Month of April

No flowers during Lent

### Church Cleaners - Month of April

Jun Romero Family

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

### Readers and Commentators - 1/2nd April

6.00 pm Paul Martin & Paul Redfern  
 9.00 am Tim Newcomb & Volunteer  
 11.00am Auna Wernert & Volunteer

### Musicians - 1/2nd April

6.00 pm Shelly & Co  
 9.00 am Filipino Group  
 11.00am No Music

## ST VINCENT DE PAUL



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



## BAPTISM

We welcome to our Parish through  
 Baptism

**Mark George, Harvey & Riley Young,**  
**Harpa Italiano, Kayleigh Cavallo**

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

## 2023 EASTER TRIDUUM

**APRIL**  
Thu 6<sup>th</sup>

### Holy Thursday

No morning Mass

### **Mass of the Lord's Supper**

7.30pm

Followed by Night prayer

Fri 7<sup>th</sup>

### Good Friday

### **Stations of the Cross**

In the Church - **10 am**

Outdoors Stations 10 am

(weather permitting)

### **The Lord's Passion - 3pm**

Sat 8<sup>th</sup>

### Holy Saturday

### **Easter Vigil - 7.00pm**

Sun 9<sup>th</sup>

### Easter Sunday

Mass at **9.00am & 11.00am**

Mon 10<sup>th</sup>

### Easter Monday

Public Holiday - No Mass



## *A Note from The Vinnies*

Dear Parishioners,

We thought that it would interest you to know that, over the last 10 years, we have assisted 822 families (many more than once)

This comprises 1278 adults and 814 children.

During this time, we have provided assistance with food, education expenses, some help with utility bills and some help with medical expenses and more.

We have distributed aid to the value of \$607,821 which is an amazing effort.

All this has been made possible by generous donations to us and provision of funds from Vinnies stores.

In order to continue these good works, we need the shops to prosper, and as they are in desperate need of more volunteers,, this note is designed to ask you to consider if you are able to help out, even for a few hours a week or fortnight.

Lilydale Store Manager Donna Barling  
9735 4976

Kilsyth Store Manager Priscilla Enwright  
8199 4213

Thank you all and God Bless you.

Richard Knight

Mooroolbark Conference President

## **PROJECT COMPASSION FIFTH WEEK OF LENT**



Project Compassion brings together Australian schools, parishes and supporters to raise funds for people in vulnerable communities across the world. This year, we introduced you to the stories of four inspiring people whose lives have been transformed with your generous support: Laxmi, Tereesa, Priscilla and Thu.

Today, they are creating a better world for their families, their communities and for all future generations.

Project Compassion is a demonstration of the faith, empathy and generosity of our supporters. It is the lifeblood of Caritas Australia – without it, we could not do the vital work we do. Thank you for helping transform lives today and for all future generations.

 Support Project Compassion today:  
[www.caritas.org.au/project-compassion](http://www.caritas.org.au/project-compassion)

## **FUNERAL**

**Judy Fitzgerald**

SPJE Church

**Thursday 30th March - 10.30 am**

Refreshments held afterwards



## **Maddies Embelished Garden**

10am - 4pm

Sunday 2nd April

Fundraiser

All proceeds go towards Mary  
McKillop East Timor Mission



LADIES LUNCH GROUP  
Our next Ladies Lunch will be on

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> April

Dorset Hotel  
Dorset Rd Croydon  
We will meet at 12 pm for 12.30 lunch

Enquiries: Nancy Gough 0411 137 251  
Philomena Turner 0417 208 077



## Take the Way of the Gospel

Dear parishioners,  
Pope Francis has asked the Archdiocese and parishes to look at how and when we can achieve his desire to bring people back to the church and love Jesus again. Parish priests will be participating in a number of learning seminars/workshops over the coming months to inform parish leaders and staff on how we can translate this into our broader parish and local communities. In the meantime, we as parishioners are being invited to ask family and friends to join us in our faith journey.

We are currently exploring what activities we can introduce to be more welcoming, hospitable and inclusive, especially to new parishioners. This can be a number of ways, morning teas, light lunches, light supper etc. Father Joseph and Parish Leaders will also attend the Eastern Regional Consultation session in April/May (date TBC). These sessions are to help inform and shape Take the Way of the Gospel.



## WORKING WITH CHILDREN CARD

WWCC is required by government legislation.  
All volunteers working in a parish voluntary capacity must have a current WWCC card.

*Please see notice below for further information or contact can be made with the Parish Child Safeguarding Team.*

## CHILDSAFETY

A REMINDER ONLINE TRAINING IS  
REQUIRED FOR ALL VOLUNTEERS

To access the training use this link in your browser  
You will need access to your email to register.  
<https://safeguarding.melbournecatholic.org/>

## Parish Child Safeguarding Team

If you have any child safety concerns please  
contact the following team members

**Brian Twining**

brian.twining@cam.org.au

**Meg Wright**

mwright@spjemoroolbark.catholic.edu.au

**Michael Mc Lindon**

mclinooffice@gmail.com

Or request a call back on the Parish Office  
phone 9723 4275

Attached to the newsletter email is the  
Parish's **Code of Conduct and Declaration**  
for volunteers.

All volunteers, in whatever role, **are required to read and acknowledge that they have read the declaration**, by signing it on the last page and having someone witness their signature.

**Please ask Mass Co-ordinators if you require assistance completing the form.**

The parish can provide full printed copies on  
request

When completed please give the forms to  
any Pastoral Council member,  
or to Fr Joseph