

St Peter Julian Eymard Catholic Church Mooroolbark Parish

We are a Welcoming, Encharistic and Spirit Filled Community

SPJE IS A CHILD SAFE ENVIRONMENT

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SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 5th May 2024 Issue No: 15

PARISH CALENDAR

MAY

4/5th Sixth Sunday of Easter

Visiting Priest

Catholic Care Appeal

FIRST EUCHARIST -St Richards

School - Week.1 6pm & 11am Mass

7th Tue Ladies Lunch - 12 noon -

Chirnside Park Country Club Baptism Information Meeting 7pm Church Bernadette & Naomi

8th Wed Musicians - 7.30pm Church

11/12th The Ascension of the Lord

Visiting Priest Mothers Day

18/19th Pentecost Sunday

Fr Joseph returns

Church Monthly Collection FIRST EUCHARIST - SPJE

6pm & 11am Mass

22nd Musicians - Church - 7.30pm 23rd Faith Development Meeting

10am

25/26th The Most Holy Trinity

Baptism - 11am

REFLECTION

This weekend's Gospel offers a profound insight into living fuller lives in God's abundant love. In this passage, Jesus speaks to His disciples about the essence of love, highlighting a love that goes beyond mere emotions.

At the core of this teaching is the commandment to love one another as Jesus has loved us. The depth of Christ's love, as demonstrated through His sacrifice, becomes the model for our relationships. It calls us to a selfless and sacrificial love, where we put the wellbeing of others before ourselves.

Living fuller lives in God's abundant love involves actively practicing this love in our daily interactions. It means reaching out to others with kindness, forgiveness, and understanding, mirroring the love that Jesus showed to us. This love extends beyond personal circles to encompass all humanity.

By abiding in God's love and following Christ's example, we tap into a source of joy and fulfillment. Embracing this love empowers us to navigate life's challenges with resilience and compassion. It fosters a sense of community and unity among believers.

In practical terms, living in God's abundant love involves intentional acts of kindness, forgiveness, and generosity. It requires fostering a spirit of unity and cooperation with others, recognizing the inherent worth and dignity of each person.

As we internalise Jesus's teachings in this weekend Gospel, we discover that living fuller lives in God's abundant love is not only a personal benefit but also a transformative force that positively impacts the world around us.

Greg Thomas— SPJE Principal

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Normal Mass Times at SPJE

Weekday Masses Tues & Wed : 9.30 am Rosary after Tuesday morning Mass No weekday Mass during Fr Joseph's Leave

Saturday: No morning Mass
Saturday: 6.00 pm (Vigil)
Sunday: 9.00 am
Sunday: 11.00 am

Reconciliation: Saturday 5.15 pm by arrangement with Priest. Sacraments (Baptism, Weddings) Ring Parish Office 9723 4275

ROSARY

While Fr Joseph is on leave, we will continue to pray the Rosary together on Tuesday Mornings at 9.30, after a short Holy Communion service.

This Week's Readings - 5th May 2024

Acts: 10:25-26, 34-5-35, 44-48: Ps 97:1-4:R 1 Jn 4:7-10: Jn 15:9-17: Jn 17:11-19

Prayers for the Sick

We pray for parishioners and friends who are ill, especially

Adrian Klep, Maria Cordedda, Ignatius Suan Lian Thang, Abigail, Alan, Allison & Aidan Cruz Family, Renate Dittberner & Julia Coleman.

† Remembrance Diary **†**

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

4/5 to 10/5

Bernie MCann, Bertha Thelma Cieslikowski, Dorothy Smith, Catherine & Alfred Brandle, Anna Muller, Rita Monks, Bernard Lazzaro, Mavis Kennedy, Peter Pannowitch, Sheila Smith, John Rees, Luca Morice, Elvira Placido Pascetta, Peter Vos, Carmen Caruana, Kevin Collins, Isabel Clancy.

WELCOME FIRST EUCHARIST CHILDREN

This weekend the parish community welcomes our First Eucharist children and their families as they receive the Body and Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ.



ROSTERS

Counters - Month of May

Jan Phippard & Philomena Turner

Flowers - Month of May

Margaret Kim

Cleaning - Month of May

Margaret Kim

(Please collect church key from parish office Monday, Tue, Thur & Friday, 9am - 3.30pm)

Readers & Commentators - 4/5th May

6.00pm Craig Hume & Mitchell Mazarella 9.00am Muzzena D'Almeida & Volunteer req 11.00am Auna Wernert & Geraldine O'Hare

Readers & Commentators - 11/12th May

6.00pm Paul Redfern & Paul Martin

9.00am Karen Broughton & Lilette de la Harpe

11.00am Elizabeth & Reilly Acabado

Musicians - 4/5th May

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

Musicians - 11/12th May

6.00pm Paul & Co 9.00am No Music 11.00am Shelly & Co

ANNIVERSARY MASS INTENTIONS

A gentle reminder that any mass intentions for death anniversaries we kindly ask that these be submitted to the parish office by no later than 12 noon on the Friday prior to weekend Masses.



Ladies Lunch May

Chirnside Park Country Club 68 Kingswood Drive Chirnside Park Tuesday 7th May

Meet at 12 noon for lunch at 12.30pm

Contact Philomena Turner 0417 208 077 or Nancy Gough 0411 137 251



CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal

This weekend is the CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal (previously held during the month of August).

CatholicCare Victoria works with individuals, families and communities to build strength, resilience, and empowerment to reach their full potential. Your generous donation will help the most vulnerable members of our community – those facing unemployment and homelessness, those experiencing mental health challenges, families struggling with relationship problems, people in hospitals and prisons, newly arrived refugees, and those experiencing grief and trauma.

Please donate to CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal. Your compassion and generosity will help the most vulnerable and marginalised in our community.

You can donate using the appeal envelope available, donate online at www.catholiccarevic.org.au or call (03) 9287 5513.

All gifts of \$2 and above are tax deductible.

Caritas Australia's 60th Anniversary Online Photo Exhibition – Vote for your chance to win!

To mark the 60th anniversary of Caritas Australia, we have compiled a selection of our favourite 60 photos. Vote for your favourite photo to go into the draw to win a beautiful Indigenous Australian artwork from Djilpin Arts, our First Australian partner in the Northern Territory. The artwork is a painting by Harry Malibirr which depicts five dreaming stories.

Simply visit our website <u>caritas.org.au/faces-of-caritas-australia-60th-anniversary</u>, choose a photo from the gallery and vote via the online form. Entries close 30 June 2024



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

Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne

- Head of Office Clergy Life and Ministry
- Parish Relations Officer

Communications Officer

Catholic Development Fund

Business Analyst

Parish Positions

Parish School Sacramental Coordinator, St. Clement of Rome

Further details of the above positions can be found on the Archdiocese website at: <u>Job vacancies | Melbourne Catholic</u>

We encourage all parishes to have these positions listed in their weekly bulletins so that the parishioners are aware of the job opportunities.

Should you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact Human Resources at hradmin@cam.org.au



The above pilgrimage is from Tues, 1/10/2024 to Tues, 22/10/2024.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR – FATHER GEORGE JAMES, Sacred Heart parish, Thornlie

The first part of the pilgrimage will cover The Great Saints of Italy and will include Rome (Vatican, St. Peter's Basilica, St. Paul, St. John Lateran, St. Alphonso, etc), San Giovanni Rotondo (Padre Pio), Assisi (St. Francis of Assisi), Sienna (St. Catherine), Padua (St. Anthony), Venice (St. Mark), etc. We will also visit Our Lady of Revelation, Manopello, Lanciano, Loreto and the Shrine of the Mystical Rose. The second part of the pilgrimage will see us drive through Slovenia to spend two nights in Marija Bistrica (Croatia) and then to Medjugorje (Hercegovina) for a week. If you wish to join us for the pilgrimage, please contact Pilgrimage Coordinators, EDMAN/RADHA ANTHONY at <u>0424 437 251</u> and/or email <u>edmanpilgrimage@gmail.com</u> for more details.