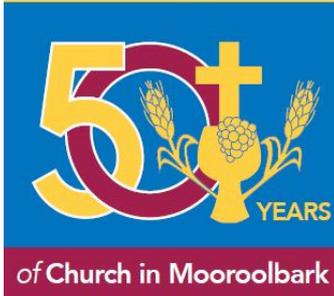


St Peter Julian Eymard Parish



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

Parish Priest
Fr. Joseph Xin Lu

Parish Secretary
Mrs. Adriana De Leo

Parish Assistant
Mr. Brian Twining

Pastoral Associate Emeritus
Mr. Michael Sellar

RCIA Coordinator
Mr. Michael Mc Lindon

Parish Office

234 Hull Road (PO Box 2)
Mooroolbark 3138

Telephone: 9723 4275 Fax: 9725 4377

<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 – Mrs. Maria Bast

<http://www.spjemooroolbark.catholic.edu.au>

SPJE - Outside School Hours Care

Tel: 8215 9206

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 - Tuesday - Friday: 9.15 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



ST VINCENT DE PAUL

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

TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Reflection

*When you hold a banquet, invite the poor,
the crippled, the lame, and the blind.*

Meals played an important role in the society in which Jesus lived. More than a time for sharing nourishment, they were a time to share ideas and to model different aspects of social relationships. The places that a person ate, the people with whom a person ate, whether a person washed before eating, and, the place that a person sits while eating are all important.

Jesus warns guests to wait before taking their places at the table lest they be asked to move if someone more important arrives. This is more than just a lesson about dinner etiquette. Jesus advises hosts not to invite people who would be expected to repay them to dinner but to invite those who could not repay: the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. This is Jesus' vision of a good society.

How many of us does this resonate with?
At the end of a party, the table is still full of
leftover goodies.

What do we do with all this stuff?
Have we invited the wrong people: people who
were not hungry.

*Marg Vallence
Parish Pastoral Council*



Weekday Mass Times
Tue, Wed, Thurs at 9.15am
No 9.15am Mass Friday

Funeral Mass for Flora Cristofaro at
 10.30am Friday

Readings for Next Week – 7/8th Sept

Wis 9:13-18; Philemon 9-10, 12-17;
 Lk 14:25-33

Prayers for the Sick

We pray for parishioners and friends who are ill,
 especially,
Brian Alan, Pat McCann,
Maria Cordedda, Trish Fenton, Robert Radjul,
Freddy Chavez, Reg Thaggard, Mary Ovans,
Peter Margerison, Judith Griffith,
Sue Hoogenboom & Anne O'Brien

PARISH CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER

31st Aug/1st Sep 22nd Sunday Ordinary Time
 Priest Retirement Foundation -
 Special Collection
 Fathers Day

7/8th Sept 23rd Sunday Ordinary Time
 7th Sept Sat WEDDING - 2pm
 BAPTISMS - 6pm, 9am
 & 11am

9th Sept Baptism Meeting - Tim & Lucy
 Newcomb Home
 Fr Joseph on Leave

10th Sept Tue Faith Development Meeting -
 10am

14/15th Sept 24th Sunday Ordinary Time
Visiting Priest - Fr Andrew Chan
 Monthly Church Collection
 End of Term 3.

20th Sept

21/22nd Sept 25th Sunday Ordinary Time
Visiting Priest - Fr Michael Knight

28/29th Sept 26th Sunday Ordinary Time

✠ Remembrance Diary ✠

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

31/8 to 6/9

Anthony Barbaro-Sant, Sheila McVeigh,
Marlene Livingstone, Joseph Steane,
Roger Galea, Nancy Walsh, Dan Harnetty,
George Drummond, Margaret Collins,
Michael McGrath, Patrick Sheehan,
John Michael Stewart, Tess Ryan, Ken Collins,
George Graves, Ronald Bell, Ray Kiker,
Emma Collins, Gabriel Margaletic,
James Collins, Mary Murphy, Betty Code,
Harry Quarmbly, Jean Bowman, Adrian Clark,
Rosemary Ekanayake,
Mons. Francis Lyons PE AM,
Thelma Whitehouse, Leigh Matheson,
Angela Raudino, Matija Jelenc,
Jennifer Watson, Charles Stafford,
Ada Casotti, Mark Kowacki.

ROSTERS

Counters

2nd Sept Paul & Marianne Redfern & Norm
 Willingham

9th Sept Jan Phippard & Eileen Goltz

Flowers

1st Sept Routley Family
 7th Sept Philomena Turner

Cleaners

2nd Sept Margaret Kim & Esther Ngaihte
 9th Sept Kevin Dwyer & Fr Joseph

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

Ministers of Eucharist Coordinators for September

6.00 pm Philomena Turner
 9.00 am Karen Broughton
 11.00am Viv Margaletic

Readers and Commentators - 7/8th September

6.00 pm Mitchell Mazarella & Volunteer Required
 9.00 am Lilette de la Harpe & Lilijana Stride
 11.00 am Margaret Corker & Marie Mutton

**Project Compassion 2019
 Melbourne**

*This year the Catholic community of Melbourne
 donated \$1,528,032 to Project Compassion to
 support Caritas Australia's work with the poorest
 of the poor. Thanks very much for your
 outstanding generosity – we are all doing the work
 of Christ.'*

REQUIEM MASS

for
Flora Cristofaro

Friday 6th September 10.30 am
 All Welcome

LADIES LUNCH

The next Ladies lunch will be held on
Tuesday 3rd September
12 noon for 12.30 Lunch

Lilydale International
Maroondah Hwy, Lilydale

To book, please phone Philomena on
0417 208 077 or Nancy on 0411 137 251



September 1, 2019 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Rather, when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you." (Luke 14:13-14)

We have a difficult time with the concept of giving without expecting something in return. Even when we give to charity we often want something in return – a raffle ticket, a dinner, a chance to play golf or our name in print. Yet, as Christian stewards, we need to remember that the true reward for our giving awaits us in heaven.

MEDITATION ON JESUS For Healing and Wellbeing Of Body & Soul

(Through gentle postures and breathing exercises)

John 17:11; "Holy Father, protect them by the power of your name, the name you gave me..."

One Day Retreat:
9.30am – 4pm
Saturday September 21.

3 Hours Meditation:
10am – 1pm
Saturday October 12.

Guided by Fr. Gilbert Carlo SVD
At: Janssen Spirituality Centre,
22 Woodvale Road, Boronia, Victoria 3155.
RSVP Tel: 03 9762 6625 or
Email: enquiries@janssencentre.org



The **Plenary Council 2020** moves into its next phase - Listening and Discernment.

Continuing the journey to the Plenary Council

As you may be aware, the **Listening and Dialogue** phase of the Plenary Council has now concluded and we are moving into a period of **Listening and Discernment**. During this phase, we continue to seek the wisdom of the Holy Spirit as we discern how we can best respond to how God is calling us to be a Christ-centred Church in Australia.

1. The National Themes for Discernment

There are six national themes for discernment. How is God calling us to be a Christ-centred Church in Australia that is:

- missionary and evangelising?
- inclusive, participatory and synodal?
- prayerful and Eucharistic?
- humble, healing and merciful?
- a joyful, hope-filled and servant community?
- open to conversion renewal and reform?

2. Information about the National Themes for Discernment

There are two key reports available to parishes and individuals who wish to learn more about each of the themes:

- Each theme has a 'snapshot dialogue' report, which provides a sample of the voices and answers that inspired the theme.
- The final report for the Listening and Dialogue phase contains a more detailed overview of each theme, more examples of the issues that were raised, detail about the research process and so on.

Reports can be accessed via:
plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/resources/reports/

Refer to our notice board also



Working with
Children Check

PARISH CHILD SAFETY WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECKS

All parish volunteers are required to hold a
Working With Children Card.

Please note that when applying for a Card you
need to nominate

**St Peter Julian Eymard Catholic Church
234 Hull Road Mooroolbark
03 9723 4275**

as one of the organizations you need the card
for.

You can nominate several organizations on
your application, one of which needs to be
St Peter Julian Eymard Catholic Church

If you have a card and haven't nominated our
church as an organization you are able to do so
by visiting

[https://online.justice.vic.gov.au/wwccu/
mycheck](https://online.justice.vic.gov.au/wwccu/mycheck)

and either logging in to your account or
registering for one

MULTICULTURAL LUNCH SUNDAY 20th October 2019

A great response has been received to our
Multicultural Lunch

Location: Parish Hall

Date: 20th October 2019. After 11am Mass

We encourage parishioners to join us to celebrate a
multicultural lunch.

We ask that you make a dish of your culture and
bring a dish to share with many others.

If you wish to celebrate with us please place your
name on the list provided on the church
Noticeboard.

More details will follow on this parish event. This
is a great opportunity to get to know each other and
learn about the cultural diversity that we are
blessed with in this parish.

Any queries to Hyacinth on 0433 425 086 or
Adriana at the parish office on 9723 4275.



BACKGROUND FOR 2019 FATHER'S DAY APPEAL

- Some 40 years ago with the introduction of the "new" canon law Archbishop Knox introduced the practice of priests retiring at age 75. Until then, priests literally "died with their boots on" because an elderly diocesan priest had nowhere to live, apart from his presbytery.
- In 1990 Archbishop Little established the Priests Retirement Foundation with the motto "caring for those who cared".
- Priests are not employees of the Archbishop or the Parish so they are not eligible for Superannuation.
- Like everyone else in the workplace priests provide for their retirement by contributing 12.5% of the weekly presbytery collection to the Foundation.
- Last financial year the Foundation spent \$3.9 million dollars "caring for those who cared" - our retired priests.
- The Foundation depends on your support. As Archbishop Comensoli says on the Appeal Envelope.

"It has been a wonderful custom in the Archdiocese of Melbourne to allow the faithful of the Archdiocese to show something of their own appreciation through an annual Fathers' Day Appeal. The appeal goes to the care of retired and sick priests by providing suitable accommodation, medical assistance and a comfortable standard of living for them. May I commend the Appeal to you.

Please pray for your priests, as they pray for you!"



RCIA – “Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults”
- ST PETER JULIAN EYMARD PARISH
Striving To Be A Welcoming Catholic Community

August is our month for promoting the RCIA Team & hopefully recruiting new members, women & men, younger & older, to join this vital work of our Parish life; companioning, preparing & welcoming those who maybe discerning an inner call to think about becoming members of the Church.

And, despite the huge & deserved negative press of recent years flowing from awful revelations of personal & institutional infidelity of Church personnel & leadership locally & globally, there are still many people who recognise the Church as an ever struggling & sinful yet graced & life-giving Community of Jesus that they feel a call to join.

Have you ever asked yourself if the Holy Spirit may be inviting you to consider this essential ministry of evangelization? Have you perhaps thought about it- but felt shy or unqualified or not having much to offer? In fact, that probably describes how many of the Team members felt, who have since gone on as active members over the years – & often for many years to retirement. Consider how much our generally smallish band has given to the Parish & especially to the individuals & families whom they have accompanied on their journey to the Church.

If you are feel any stirrings or have any questions or comments (or you'd like to sign up straight off!) kindly ring me, Michael McLindon, on 0401331131 (or leave a message), or the Parish House on 9723 4275; such a call can begin to answer or sort out any hesitations or queries – without any pressure! & feel free to chat to Father Joseph or anyone who has been part of RCIA as Team or have made the RCIA Journey themselves.

