



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

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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

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

15th March 2020 Issue No 8

3rd Sunday of Lent Reflection

Lent is a season for repentance. It is a season during which we are called to reflect upon and to live deeply the promises of Baptism. The well and the conversation about water immediately recall for us the Sacrament of Baptism. As the Samaritan woman was converted and sent on a mission because of the conversation about water, we too are converted and sent by our Baptism to preach the good news of Jesus to others.

Take this opportunity to reflect upon the importance of Baptism with your family. If you have photos or other mementos of your family's Baptisms, bring them out and take some time to recall the day of Baptism and its importance to you and your family. Create a prayer table that includes these mementos and a bowl of holy water.

After you have spent some time talking about Baptism, invite everyone to listen carefully and prayerfully to today's Gospel. Read John 4:5-42 together. Ask how Jesus' meeting with the woman at the well is like Baptism. (Jesus knows the woman's sin and forgives her. The woman comes to know Jesus as the Messiah. The woman invites others to meet Jesus.)

Pray a prayer of blessing for each member of the family that God will help each one live the promises of his or her Baptism.
Pray together the Lord's Prayer.

Marg Vallence
Parish Pastoral Council

For St Patrick's Day



PARISH CALENDAR

MARCH 2020

14/15th Mar Third Sunday of Lent
17th Tue ST PATRICK'S DAY

21/22nd Mar Fourth Sunday of Lent
SPECIAL MONTHLY
COLLECTION
WEDDING - Sat 2pm Church
Year 4 Commitment Mass - 6pm
Year 4 Commitment Mass - 11am

25th Wed **The Annunciation of the Lord**
School Term 1 Ends
27th Fri **No 9.15am Mass in the Church**
9.15am Mass will be at St Richards
School on their Feast Day

28/29th Mar Fifth Sunday of Lent
WEDDING - Sat 4pm Church

APRIL 2020

4/5th **Passion Sunday**
BAPTISMS
6th **HOLY WEEK**

Weekday Mass Times

Tuesday to Friday 9.15am

Readings for Next Week – 21/22nd Mar

1 Sam 16:1, 6-7, 10-13; Eph 5:8-14;
Jn 9:1-41



We pray for parishioners and friends who are ill;

**Pat McCann, Trish Fenton, Freddy Chavez,
Judith Griffith, Annette Andrewartha, Julia &
Mabel Dana, Jan Smith, James Heaton, Wilfred
Howarth, Matthew Arrowsmith, Rose Robert ,
Brian Allan , Lorraine Downie & Carol
Braganza.**

† Remembrance Diary †

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

14/3 to 20/3

**Elizabeth Elms, June Gunst, Patrick Corrigan,
Carmel Barro, James O'Connell, Maria
Antonetta Bast 'Riet', Maria Cincotta, John
Malone, Maureen Plostins, Eric James, Maria
Nyhuis, Leon Watson, Rita & Frank Carrolan,
Bernadette Fairbrother, Kevin Johnson, Brian
Mitchell, William Douglas, Molly Butcher,
Emily Keely, Gregory Commane, Peter Bright,
Felicidad Villarino, Catherine Doensen,
Geertruida Hanegraaf, Mary Hanks, Nellie
Hubbard.**

ROSTERS

Counters

16th Mar Des Delahunt, Pam Dryden & Christine
Sellar

23rd Mar Bob & Wies Dight

Flowers

Lent - NO FLOWERS

Cleaners

16th Mar Graeme Vear & Gerard Wright

23rd Mar Jessica & Gloria Romero & Catherine
Tai

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

Ministers of Eucharist Coordinators for March

6.00 pm Bernadette Brown

9.00 am Karen Broughton

11.00am Daylin Rowland

Readers and Commentators - 21/22nd March

6.00 pm Craig Hume & Mitchell Mazarella

9.00 am Lilijana Stride & Lisa Read

11.00am Charlotte Wightman & Eliz Acabado

Musicians - 21/22nd March

6.00 pm Paul & Co

9.00 am STRUM

11.00 am Shelly & Co

Parish Registration Card

Parishioners who have not registered with the
parish or are new to the parish or have
changed address are asked to pick up and
complete a
Parish registration card .

Registration Cards are available next to the
newsletters.

Once completed please hand to Fr Joseph or
place in the box provided next to the
newsletters.

HOLY WEEK & EASTER ROSTERS

If you can assist with Reading, Commentating, and other Ministries for Holy Week & Easter Masses, please place your name on the roster on the notice board.

Thank You.



Combined Parishes Car Raffle

Please return raffle tickets and money a.s.a.p. please.

A big thank you to all those who have returned their books and money.

If you have any queries, I can be contacted on 0403 568 302 or by email: rafflespje@gmail.com

Marg Vallence / Co Ordinator
SPJE Parish Mooroolbark
Combined Catholic Parishes Raffle 2020.

March 15, 2020 - 3rd Sunday of Lent

“Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again.” (John 4:13)

Jesus reminds us that material things, even something as basic as water, can never satisfy us for long. When we build our lives around material possessions, we always want more. True Joy and Peace only come when we follow Jesus; when we become more “God-centered” and less “self-centered.”

What is Lent - The Meaning of Time Set Aside

Just as we set aside time to spiritually prepare for Christmas Day, it makes sense to set aside time to prepare for the two most important days of the Christian year. Lent is a time that offers us an opportunity to come to terms with the human condition we may spend the rest of the year running from and it brings our need for a Savior to the forefront. Like [Advent](#), Lent is a time to open the doors of our hearts a little wider and understand our Lord a little deeper, so that when Good Friday and eventually Easter comes, it is not just another day at church but an opportunity to receive the overflowing of graces God has to offer.



Project Compassion
Third Sunday of Lent - 15th March 2020



Barry grew up in a tough environment. With the support of a program from Caritas Australia's partner, Red Dust Healing, Barry has overcome many of life's challenges. He is now an inspirational father to his four girls and a leader in his community.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2020 and help vulnerable people like Barry, so that they are empowered to assist members of their communities in Australia.

Let's Go Further, Together. You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.