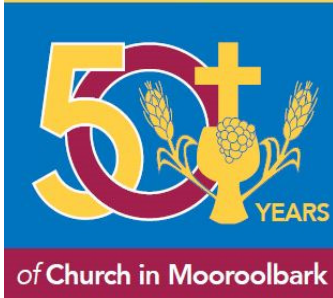


St Peter Julian Eymard Parish



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

RCIA Coordinator
Mr. Michael Mc Lindon

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234 Hull Road (PO Box 2)
Mooroolbark 3138
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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

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST THE KING OF THE UNIVERSE

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The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

This weekend as a Church, we conclude our liturgical year and celebrate the Feast of Christ the King. The Gospel we proclaim shows the great mystery of our faith: In the moment of his crucifixion, Jesus is shown to be King and Savior of all.

Luke's Gospel has been loaded with surprises: the poor are rich, sinners find salvation, the Kingdom of God is found in our midst. Here we see the greatest surprise of all. We are confronted with the crucified Jesus, whom faith tells us is King and Saviour of all. The irony is that the inscription placed on the cross, perhaps in mockery, contains the profoundest of truth. As the leaders jeer, the thief crucified by his side recognises Jesus as Messiah and King, and finds salvation.

Jesus is King, but not the kind of king we might have imagined or expected. His kingship was hidden from many of his contemporaries, but those who had the eyes of faith were able to see. As modern disciples of Jesus, we, too, struggle at times to recognize Jesus as King. Today's Gospel invites us to make our own judgment. With eyes of faith, we, too, recognize that Jesus, the crucified One, is indeed King and Saviour of all.

Marcus Gill- Principal
St Richard's Kilsyth

PARISH CALENDAR

NOVEMBER

23/24th Nov **CHRIST the KING**
 24th Nov Sun Music Liturgy Meeting -
 12 noon in the church

26th Nov Tue Faith Development Meeting &
 Lunch (Parish House)
 10am

DECEMBER

30th/1st Dec **1st Sunday of Advent.**
Bushfire Appeal
 Junior Level Mass 6pm &
 11am

3rd Dec Tue Ladies Christmas Lunch -
 12.30 Yering Golf Club

4th Dec Wed Baptism Meeting - Marg & Lili
 Church Foyer - 7.30pm

5th Dec Thur **Mass of the Anointing-**
9.15am Mass
 Music Practise- Church 7.30pm
 SPJE School Inservice Day

6th Fri

7/8th Dec **2nd Sunday of Advent**
BAPTISMS
 11am Farewell Mass for
 Maria Bast & Martine Verhagen

12th Dec Graduation Dinner - St Rich
 School - 5.30pm
 Music Practise - 7.30pm church

ROSTERS

Counters

25th Nov Joan & Marie Prendergast
 2nd Dec Des Delahunty, Pam Dryden & Christine
 Sellar

Flowers

23rd Nov Routley Family
 30/1st Dec Advent (No Flowers)

Cleaners

25th Nov Graeme Vear & Gerard Wright
 2nd Dec Jessica & Gloria Romero & Catherine
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***(Please collect church key from parish office
 Monday - Friday, 9am - 4pm)***

Ministers of Eucharist Coordinators for December

6.00 pm Bernadette Brown
 9.00 am Pam Delahunty
 11.00am Mike McCann

Readers and Commentators - 30th/1st December

6.00 pm Jessica & Gloria Romero
 9.00 am Lilette de la Harpe & Lilijana Stride
 11.00am Jun Romero & Lorri Hayes

Musicians - 30th Nov/1st December

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

Weekday Mass Times

Weekday Masses
 Tue - Fri 9.15am

Readings for Next Week – 30/1st Dec

Is 2:1-5; Rom 13:11-14; Mt 24:37-44

Prayers for the Sick

We pray for parishioners and friends who are ill,
**Pat McCann, Maria Cordedda, Trish Fenton,
 Freddy Chavez, Reg Thaggard, Mary Ovans,
 Peter Margerison, Judith Griffith,
 Kath Robinson, Brett Delzoppo, Annette
 Andrewartha, Julia & Mabel Dana, Jan Smith,
 Wilfred Howarth, James Heaton,
 Joan McArthur.**

† Remembrance Diary †

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

23/11 to 29/11

**Mark La Morticella, Kathleen Viney,
 Annette McGuane, Rae Sailah, Bernard
 Trappel, Carlos Bateman, Frank Klepac,
 Therese Pritchard, Joan Cavanagh, Maria
 Rosa Piccolo, Emily Kate Plant, Carmel
 Hayes, Angelina D'Eramo, Conrad Lenz,
 Angela Tewes, Colin Fitch, Ester O'Leary,
 James Peter Bennett, Frank Sheehan, Helen
 Starr, Joseph Keeley, Katherine Williams,
 Nellie Bell, Margaret Tait, John Plaues,
 Salus Bernabe, Frances Jamieson, John
 Francis Kelly, Helen Marshall, Jack Clancy.**

**November 24, 2019 - Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ,
 King of the Universe**

*"...giving thanks to the Father, who has made you fit to
 share in the inheritance of the holy ones in light."
 (Colossians 1:12)*

God wants us to be happy! Instead of looking at the Ten
 Commandments as being restrictive and telling us what we
 can't do, look at them as guides for living a joy-filled and
 peaceful life. Most of our problems arise when we put our
 own needs first or spend most of our time trying to acquire
 "things." Instead, try putting God first in all things. Ask
 Him how He wants you to use your gifts.

All past students and families of
ST PETER JULIAN EYMARD PRIMARY
SCHOOL are warmly invited to farewell Mrs Maria
 Bast at our End of Year Mass on **Monday 16th**
December at 12.30. (On the oval) Mrs Bast
 started teaching at SPJ in 1978 and has held many
 varied positions throughout her journey towards
 retirement. She has been Principal for the past 8
 years and has left a lasting impression on many
 families throughout the parish of Mooroolbark.
 Mass will be followed by a sausage sizzle and some
 time to catch up with many friendly faces.
 Hope to see you there.
 Please join us to wish Maria a very happy
 Retirement.



St Vincent de Paul Christmas Tree Appeal for 2019

The St Vincent de Paul Christmas tree will be in
 the foyer of the church from the 15th November.

There will, as usual, be tags for gifts for children
 stating age and gender. There will also be tags for
 donations of money which will enable us to buy
 any extra gifts needed.

We would be most grateful if you could take a tag
 and return it with a gift or donation by the weekend
 of the 7-8th December.

You have been most generous in previous years
 and this has enabled us to give the children of the
 families to whom we deliver hampers Christmas
 gifts as well.

We usually deliver 90 hampers and supply gifts to
 over 120 children.

We thank you for your generosity in helping us
 make Christmas brighter for the needy in our
 Parish.

Jan Phippard - President - SVDP
Mooroolbark



What is a Plenary Council? Why a Plenary Council?

A Plenary Council is a formal meeting of the
 bishops and other representatives of all the
 dioceses and eparchies of the Catholic Church in
 Australia. Its purpose is to discern what God is
 asking of us in Australia at this present time. While
 the church should be asking that question
 continually, a Plenary Council is a particularly
 graced instrument for seeking the Holy Spirit's
 guidance. And it has the authority to make church
 laws on the results of its discernment.
 Although in the end it will be the bishops who will
 vote on any future directions for the church in
 Australia, they will be making those decisions in
 the light of a long listening to the Holy Spirit
 speaking through the voices of any of the faithful
 who wish to speak around Australia. This makes
 the Plenary Council 2020 different from the last
 one in 1937. Everyone has a chance to participate
 and to express whatever the Spirit is saying to them
 in their heart.

We hope over the next three years "to listen to
 what the Spirit is saying to the churches".

This was the instruction given to the seven
 churches of Asia Minor in the Book of Revelation.
 From that time on Christians have met to listen to
 the Spirit at times of important decisions. We are
 called to do so again.

Vatican II spoke of how God, who spoke in the
 past, "continues to converse" with the church (*Dei*
Verbum, 8). Through our Plenary Council 2020,
 the Catholic Church hopes to enter more intensely

FRIAR ALESSANDRO AT ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL:

You are invited to an evening of Christmas music
 & readings with internationally acclaimed
 Franciscan tenor Friar Alessandro. Friar is on his
 first ever tour to Australia and will be accompanied
 by Vivian Choi (Piano) and the Artes Christi Choir
 & Orchestra. ENTRY FREE or By Donation with
 all donations supporting the Vinnies Christmas
 Appeal. DETAILS: Sat 7 Dec (7.30pm), St
 Patrick's Cathedral, Melbourne. BOOKINGS
 ESSENTIAL at www.voicefromassisi.org.au There
 is also a yellow Parish sign-up sheet at the rear of
 the Church.

SVDP Conference Mooroolbark

We will be again selling Columban Calendars and Christmas Cards at all Masses commencing 22nd November.



Columban Calendars
\$9.00
Christmas Cards
(pack of 8)
\$5.00

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

During the month of November we remember all those who have passed away. Many of these names are recorded in our Book of Remembrance. If you would like a **new** name recorded and have not submitted the name in previous years please place the name of your loved one including first name & surname on the sheet provided. Any new names will be included in the book next year.

Remembrance book will be available in the church foyer from the weekend of 26/27th October.



LADIES CHRISTMAS LUNCH

This will be at Yering Meadows Golf Club
178-180 Victoria Road, Yering
Tuesday 3rd December - Meet 12pm for 12.30
Lunch - Cost \$25 pp

Any parish ladies past or present who are not able to make it to our regular monthly lunches are most welcome to join us and we would love to see you there.

We are now taking bookings for this lunch. If attending please contact Philomena or Nancy by Wednesday 13th November.

A final number for booking will be needed on the 15th November.

Payment can be made direct to Philomena or Nancy or dropped into the Parish Office in an envelope with your name on the front.

Contacts:

Philomena Turner 9727 1448

Mob: 0417 208 077

Nancy Gough 9726 8325 Mob: 0411 137 251



CHURCH NOTICE BOARD

Please see church noticeboard for more notices, flyers, school news, etc.



We proclaim a crucified Christ
Lent 2020

MESSAGE FROM ARCHBISHOP OF MELBOURNE

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

To all those facing the uncertainty, danger and devastation of the fires to the north, please know that you are in our heartfelt prayers. We ask the Holy Spirit to bring renewed courage and strength to those who give so much of themselves at these critical times - our people at the fire fronts, those ministering and attending the injured, those caring for the homeless and displaced, those who will continue to bring support long after the last ember has gone out. We place our trust in you Lord, to shelter and protect our loved ones, friends, and all those who need your help.

St Vincent de Paul are on the ground throughout our communities providing support in those life-giving ways that people need in times of disaster and tragedy. May I encourage our people of Melbourne and beyond to support the Vinnies Bushfire Appeal through www.vinnies.orR.au or through your local parish.

With every grace and blessing, I remain,
Yours sincerely in Christ Jesus,

Most Rev Peter A Comensoli
Archbishop of Melbourne