



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
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Mrs. Adriana De Leo

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School Principal – Mr. Greg Thomas
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SPJE - Outside School Hours Care
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St. Richard's Parish School
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School Principal - Mr. Marcus Gill
<http://www.srkilsyth.catholic.edu.au>

Normal Mass Times at SPJE

Weekday Masses
Tues & Thurs: 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

Parish QR Code



Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C
27th February 2022 Issue No. 5

REVEILLE

Winston Churchill, England's famous Prime Minister during World War II, planned very well his funeral in St. Paul's Cathedral.

He gave instructions that towards the end of the ceremony a bugler was to play "Taps," was the military signal that the day was ended.

But as soon as "Taps" was finished another bugler was to play "Reveille" (It's time to get up, it's time to get up, etc.) the military's signal to rise and begin a new day.

It was dramatic expression of Winston Churchill's belief that there is life after death.

In today's Second Reading (1 Cor 15:54-58) St Paul is telling us that death is not the end, and that death is not victorious. He says, "O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?"

Yes, at our death, one bugler will play "Taps", but immediately the second bugler will play for us
"Reveille"

It's going to be a wonderful new day that will never have another "Taps."



PARISH CALENDAR

FEBRUARY

26/27th **8th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 Sun 27th Baptism - 9am & 11am
 Private Baptism - 2.30pm

MARCH

2nd Wed **ASH WEDNESDAY**
Beginning of Lent, Day of Fast
 9.15am Mass - SPJE CHURCH
 10.30am Mass - St Richards School
 7.30pm Mass - CHURCH

5/6th **FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT**
 Baptism - 9am & 11am
 10th Thur FDT Meeting - 10am

12/13th **SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**
 Baptism - 9am & 11am
 17th Thur St Patricks Day
 18th Fri Prep Angel & Staff Commitment
 Mass - 9.15am St Richards School

19/20th **THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT**
 19th Sat St Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed
 Virgin Mary



ROSTERS

Counters - Month of February 2022

Joan & Maurie Prendergast

Flowers

No flowers during Lent

Church Cleaners Month of February

Francis Braganza & Laurel Simpson

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

Readers and Commentators - 5/6th March

6.00 pm Pat Harman & Iris Gale
 9.00 am Karen Broughton & Lilette de la Harpe
 11.00am Charlotte Wightman & Volunteer Req.

Musicians - 5/6th March

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

Weekday Mass Times

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Tuesday's - 9.30 am

Readings for Next Week - 6th March

Duet 26:4-10: Ps 90:1-2, 10-15: Rom 10:8-13:
 Lk 4:1-13:

Prayers for the Sick

We pray for parishioners and friends who are ill;
*James Devlin, James Brien,
 Eleanor Thompson, Patricia Fenton,
 Patricia Koblar, Sue Hoogenboom, Brenda
 Corrigan, Vic Garcia, Jean Stuart &
 Pam Stephens.*

✠ Remembrance Diary ✠

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

26/2 to 4/3

**Brian Gough, Anna Robertson, Armando
 La Morticella, Alan Porter, Ruby Roker,
 Cynthia Hicks, Helen Adams, Judith
 Mountain, Barbara Priestley, Leonard Peres,
 Brian Richmond, John Peter Margerison,
 Gladys O'Connell, Kevin Keane, Christine
 Butler, Jean Dyason, Joseph Reading, Bill
 Fuller, Tom Findlay, Claire McKiernan,
 Michael Redfern, Heather Derix, Noreen
 Burke, Rosemary McGrath, Rosina Gajewski,
 Luke Scudds, Jack Beaumont, Nada Klepac.**

BAPTISM

We welcome to our Parish through
 Baptism.

*Tayte Black, Natalie Hodgson &
 Sophia Panetta*

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





LADIES LUNCH GROUP

Our next Ladies Lunch will be on

Tuesday 1st March 2022

at The Croydon Hotel

47 Maroondah Highway Croydon

We will meet at 12 pm for 12.30 lunch

Enquiries/RSVP

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Parish Child Safeguarding Team

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

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Or request a call back on the Parish Office phone
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ENROLLING NOW FOR PREP 2023

St. Richard's Catholic Primary School



- Upholds a strong commitment to academic growth and wellbeing.
- \$2.28m Building Project - New Arts Facility & Improved Learning Spaces
(will be completed in 2022).
- Personalised Learning that meets the needs of all students.
- Excellent academic results for Literacy & Numeracy (NAPLAN 2021).
- Seamless drop off & pick up in the school grounds.
- Before & After school Care available onsite.

**CONTACT
US TODAY!**



Open Morning & School Tour 9.15am - 10.30am

Monday 14th February & Thursday 24th February.
Thursday 3rd March & Monday 28th March.

Personalised School Tours available by appointment contact
Marcus Gill (Principal) 9728 4378 www.srkilsyth.catholic.edu.au

Living the Gospel Learning Together Creating Our Future

A Reflection
8th Sunday of the Year,
Year C
26 –27 February 2022



“For One’s Words Flow Out of What Is In One’s Heart” _ Luke 6.45

The readings of these past few Sundays (check Luke 6.17-40), began in an earlier simple Saturday afternoon story: *“Now, one Sabbath, Jesus happened to be taking a walk through the cornfields & his disciples were picking ears of corn, rubbing them in their hands, & eating them”*. You can almost taste the sweetness & feel the juice running down; a treat any one of us may know or would love to, especially by a sunny lake shore. But....But.... Some of the Pharisee said, *“Why are you doing something that is forbidden on the Sabbath day?”* They definitely knew how to get up Jesus’ nose, whose final word to them was, *“The Son of Man is Master of the Sabbath”*.

But this simple tale and quick exchange led to the extraordinary & totally radical Teaching & Life Map that lies at the very heart of the Good News and of authentic living as a Christ disciple or Christian community. Raising the question –Can I? Can We? Do I? Do We? – Believe it? Do it? Live it? Today & every day? This Life Map is often called The Beatitudes – or The Blessings - & referred to as the Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 5-7), or the Sermon from the Plain (Luke 6. 17-49), and its call to the daily personal & community practice of goodness, honesty, justice, faithfulness, care, truth & love et cetera was, & is, at odds with so many of our worldly values and our daily actions & goals.

They can also be described as the *“Be-Attitudes”* for Christian living; for fair dinkum discipleship, a discipleship of loving service that will/ would change the world. If only, if only.....We keep on dropping out, falling down, mucking up, lashing out, giving up. And isn’t that the truth, eh? For each & every one of us. As G K Chesterton (a most prolific author of all sorts of high-end writing & scholarly literature - & of *Father Brown, Detective*) observed many decades ago, *“Christianity has not been tried & found wanting - but is still wanting to be tried”* (my rendering). And does that not fit right in with our experiences & anxieties in everyday thoughts, hesitations & fears, as we hear and see daily news of war & its warnings; want, exclusion, rejection & everyday awfulness, abandonment & hurt. What to do? What to do?

Then along comes Lent – the opportunity to be smudged with ash in acknowledgement of our fragile selves; in the sign of the cross marking & recognizing our believing, hoping selves ;& with the Jesus words, *“Hear The Gospel & Turn From Sin”*. Again, a chance to spend 40 volunteer days in my chosen desert; checking myself out, restoring my spiritual resources, growing in my reading & prayer; forgiving & re-committing in my Journey to Easter. Time to check out the *“planks in my own eye”* & making time to understand the *“planks in my neighbour’s eye”*. *“Now is the acceptable time”* (2 Corinthians 6.2). A sacred time/ opportunity to again commit to my journey to a Renewed Easter Self. I can do it.

“Lord Hear My/ Our Prayer.....”

Michael McLindon