



**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  
Fr. Joseph Xin Lu**

**Parish Secretary** Mrs. Adriana De Leo  
**Parish Assistant** Mr. Brian Twining

**Parish Office**  
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<http://pol.org.au/mooroolbark/Home.aspx>  
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**Parish Hall - Contact Parish Office**

**SPJE Parish School**  
Reay Road, Mooroolbark 3138  
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**School Principal – Mr. Greg Thomas**  
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**St. Richard's Parish School**  
672 Mt. Dandenong Rd. Kilsyth, 3137  
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**School Principal - Mr. Marcus Gill**  
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**Normal Mass Times at SPJE**  
Weekday Masses  
Tues: 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

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT Year C  
27th March 2022 Issue No. 9**

**The Gospel according to Luke: The Prodigal Son**  
Our senior students from 6C and our youngest students, Prep D have provided their reflections and thoughts on today's Gospel.

We think this story is trying to tell us is that sometimes you regret things you do and that's ok. Do not lose hope. Remember that family comes first, think before you do because your actions may affect you later on. Jesus will forgive you. Think of others.

*By Hamish C, Madi, James, Octavia and Anabelle, 6C*  
This story is teaching us about forgiveness. When someone turns their back on you, you should try and forgive them just like the father in the parable of 'The Prodigal Son'. The father welcomed his son home by giving him a robe and sandals. The moral of the story is forgiveness.

*By Sam, Patrick, Olivia, Melissa and Maddy, 6C.*  
We were surprised the father took his son back so easily because he (the son) spent all the inheritance he was given. This story is telling us to try and always forgive instead of being forgiven.

*By Mikayla, Chenoa, Evie, Sechan & Alex.*  
This story made us happy for the son that returned but also sad for the older brother because he did not leave. The story is about not taking advantage of what you have been given. We can relate this story to our lives when we have arguments with our family: forgive. Jesus will always forgive us.

*By Mia, Charlotte, Matt, Claudia and Stephie*

The children of Prep D discussed the story. Here is a little part of their thoughts and wonderings. I wonder...

Q: When the son went away how the dad felt?  
A: Prep: Sad. Worried.

Q: I wonder what the dad would say when he finds out his son has spent all the money?  
A: Prep: He is going to get mad, and he's (the son) going to get in trouble and go to his room and go to time out.

Q: When the son returns why did the dad still love him?  
A: Prep: Because he was watching out for him. Because he loves him. Because he missed him. Because he doesn't have any money or food.

Q: I wonder what this story is telling us?  
A: Preps:

A heart: God made the whole the world for us he made the trees, he made the houses.

If someone makes a bad choice it's hard to forgive them. We all make mistakes. We learn and we forgive them.

We hope you all have a wonderful, peaceful week.  
*Mrs Aedin Braun, Religious Education Leader & students  
of SPJE Primary School.*

## PARISH CALENDAR

### MARCH

#### 26/27th **FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

26th Sat Private Baptism - 10.30am  
 27th Sun Baptism - 11am  
 30th Wed Eucharist Family Night - 7pm  
 31st Thur Easter Practice - Musicians 7.30pm

### APRIL

1st Fri Feast of St  
 Richards Mass  
 9.15am St Rich.  
 school



#### 2/3rd **FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

2nd Sat Private Baptism - 4.30pm  
 3rd Baptism - 11am  
 6th Wed **FUNERAL** - Requiem Mass -  
 10.30am Jean Stuart  
 Baptism Preparation Meeting -  
 7.30 pm - Iris Gale - Via Zoom  
 7th Thur Easter Practice - Musicians 7.30pm

#### **9/10th** **PALM SUNDAY**

10th Sun Private Baptism - 2pm  
 Holy Week

#### 14th Thur **HOLY THURSDAY**

Lords Supper Mass - 7.30 pm

#### 15th Fri **GOOD FRIDAY**

10.00 am Stations of the Cross  
 3.00 pm The Lord's Passion

#### 16th Sat **EASTER VIGIL**

7.00 pm

#### 17th Sun **EASTER SUNDAY**

9.00 am & 11.00 am

## Weekday Mass Times

Weekday Mass  
 Tuesday's - 9.30 am

## Readings for Next Week - 3rd April

Is 43:16-21: Ps 125: R  
 Phil 3:8-14: Jn 8:1-11:

## 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, Pam Stephens &  
 Hyacinth Pereira.*

## ✠ Remembrance Diary ✠

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

**26/3 to 1/4**

Jan Smith, Val Stafford, Victor Treloar, John  
 Woodhouse, Sr. Brenda Keary RSJ, Patricia  
 McCann, Bernard Brown, Antonia Tejero,  
 Margaret Kierce, Antonio Zicari, Jim McLaughlin,  
 Rocco Zinghini, Joan Kelly, Jessica Tilbury,  
 Patricia Stone, William Peters, Maryanne  
 D'Rozario, Gabriel Turk, Marge Treloar, Josef  
 Deszcz, Sr. Dietlinde, Vincent Graves, Roger  
 Kelaart, Mark Prest, Michele Anastasi,  
 Freida Macro.

## ROSTERS

### Counters - Month of April 2022

Des Delahunt, Christine Sellar &  
 Pam Dryden

### Flowers

**No flowers during Lent**

### Church Cleaners Month of April

Jun & Gloria Romero

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

### Readers and Commentators - 2/3rd April

6.00 pm Paul Martin & Paul Redfern  
 9.00 am Tim Newcomb & Volunteer Required  
 11.00am Auna Wernert & Volunteer Required

### Musicians - 2/3rd April

6.00 pm Paul & Co  
 9.00 am Elisabeth  
 11.00am Shelly & co

## BAPTISM

We welcome to our Parish through  
 Baptism.

*Leo & Sophia Tapai, Isaac Karsai*

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





**Rosalie 44**, is an ex-combatant who lives with her husband and seven children in the Democratic Republic of Congo. Forced to join the army when she was just 15-years-old, Rosalie experienced significant trauma and hardship during her years in the military. After she was demobilised from the army, Rosalie, like other ex-combatants, was left to fend for herself in the community.

With your generous support and through our local partners, Rosalie was able to connect with other members of her community and participate in business skills training to help her reintegrate into society.

**Please donate to Project Compassion 2022 and help women like Rosalie to succeed in the future, providing hope *For All Future Generations*.**

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow *For All Future Generations*. You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your Parish, by visiting [lent.caritas.org.au](http://lent.caritas.org.au), or by calling 1800 024 413.

### **Maddies Embellished Garden from Trash 2 Art**

80 Pembroke Road Mooroolbark...(Cnr. Pine)  
Mel.Ref 51 K2

**Sun 10<sup>th</sup> April 2022.... 10am -4pm**

This Whimsical artist's garden situated on the Edna Walling Bickleigh Vale Estate is open to the public twice a year to raise money for the Mary McKillop East Timor Mission. Wander the labyrinth of pathways to find umpteen garden rooms each a different colour and theme, furnished and decorated using "stuff" collected from hard rubbish. Apart from a smattering of artwork almost the entire garden is made up of found and recycled objects. Children will be delighted to discover many hidey holes and secret places...especially the fabulous Elm Tree-house...just completed! Adults \$6 per head Children \$1 per head.... Refreshments and Devonshire teas will be available....and just in time for Easter and Mothers Day....Handmade goodies, will be offered for sale. Sorry..CASH only

To see images.....**FIND US ON FACEBOOK:**  
Madeleine Willingham

### **Mia Sorella in Concert at St. Patrick's Cathedral**

**Friday 1 April, 2022**  
**6.00 pm -7.00 pm**

\$25 - tickets online or at the door.  
Children under 15 are admitted free of charge.

Online tickets and further details:  
<https://www.trybooking.com/BRYBS>

### **'Pondering Grief'** **Saturday 30 April 2022, 10am-3.30pm.**

Facilitated by qualified Counsellor/ Supervisor/ Educator Linda Espie, this reflection day offers an invitation to reflect on and honour our inner life of change and transition. With creativity, space and gentle guiding support, this workshop offers a sacred place for the breadth of human experiencing and spirit to guide individual exploration. Heart of Life Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral Formation, Rear 41 Stanhope St, Malvern. Cost \$80 (Materials provided, BYO lunch). Book and pay via [www.heartoflife.melbourne](http://www.heartoflife.melbourne), or email [info@heartoflife.melbourne](mailto:info@heartoflife.melbourne) or tel 9890 1101.



### LADIES LUNCH GROUP

Our next Ladies Lunch will be on  
Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> April  
at The York on Lilydale Hotel  
138 York Rd Mt Evelyn

We will meet at 12 pm for 12.30 lunch  
Enquiries/RSVP Nancy Gough 0411 137 251  
Philomena Turner 0417 208 077

### MIGRANT ENGLISH CONVERSATION CLASSES 2022

FREE - LIMITED NUMBERS

Mondays 10am - 11.30am  
Wednesdays 7pm - 8.30pm

**St Peter Julian Eymard Church**  
240 Hull Road, Mooroolbark  
(walking distance from Mooroolbark station)

**Contact:** Jan 0414 763 801 to book a place.

*“The focus will be on ‘everyday’ conversational English, with some reading and writing’*

### MEMORIAL SERVICE Jan Smith

*On Sunday April 3, 2022 a memorial service will be held to celebrate the life of Jeanette "Jan" Smith, who sadly passed away on March 27, 2020*

*A loving Wife to Murray, caring Mother to Stephen & Michael, supportive In-Law to Rachel and dotting Grandmother to Eden & Sam.*

*Jan was also a committed Parishioner - having worked as Parish Secretary, Secretary at SPJE School as well as a long serving St Vinnies volunteer among other things.*

*As the Smith Family were unable to hold a traditional funeral service at the time of Jan's death, they invite you to her memorial service next Sunday at 11am.*

*Mike & Steve Smith*



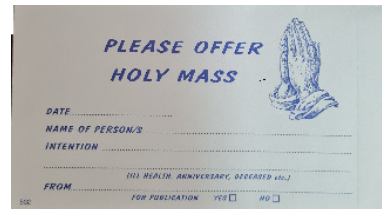
### PRAYER OFFERING ENVELOPES

For parishioners who wish to have a loved one prayed for special birthday's, Wedding & Death anniversary, ill health & deceased, etc.

Envelopes are available next to the newsletter.

Please complete details on the front of the envelope and give to Fr Joseph.

A donation is appreciated.



### Parish Child Safeguarding Team

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

**Brian Twining**

brian.twining@cam.org.au

**Meg Wright**

mwright@spjemoroolbark.catholic.edu.au

**Michael Mc Lindon**

mclinoffice@gmail.com

Or request a call back on the Parish Office phone  
9723 4275



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

Pastoral Youth Worker, Parish of St Macartan's, Mornington  
Continuous Improvement Specialist – Client Services Group, CDF, East Melbourne  
Sacramental Coordinator, St Dominic's East Camberwell Parish, Camberwell  
Parish Secretary, St Luke's Parish, Lalor  
Parish Administration Coordinator, St Albans  
Parish Secretary – Supporting the communities of St Kilda East and Balaclava, Stewardship Coordinator, Bayside  
Senior Content Producer, East Melbourne/Flexible Work Arrangements Creatives Officer, East Melbourne/Flexible Working Arrangements Digital Communications Officer, East Melbourne/Flexible Working Arrangements Mission and Pastoral Life Coordinator, Catholic Diocese of Sandhurst, Bendigo  
Further details of the above positions can be found on the Archdiocese website at: <https://melbournecatholic.org/job-vacancies>