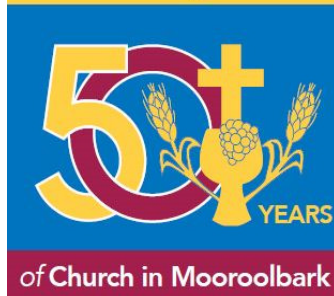


St Peter Julian Eymard Parish



## 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

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234 Hull Road (PO Box 2)  
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**Parish Hall - contact Parish Office**

**SPJE Parish School**  
Reay Road, Mooroolbark 3138  
Telephone 9725 0595 Fax 9723 9255  
**School Principal – Mr. Greg Thomas**  
<http://www.spjemooroolbark.catholic.edu.au>

**SPJE - Outside School Hours Care**  
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672 Mt. Dandenong Rd.  
Kilsyth, 3137  
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**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

### PENTECOST SUNDAY YEAR A

31st May 2020 Issue No 19

#### REFLECTION

During the time we have been in lock down, I draw some personal links to this weekend's readings. Jesus' closest friends lived in fear for their safety and they felt isolated.

These feelings many of us have felt. We belong to a community, yet out of safety and fear we have not been able to gather. A faith community gets its life from being able to gather and share.

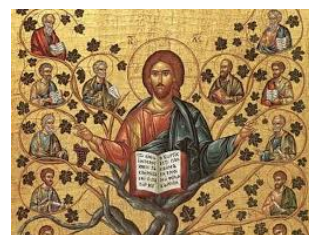
Have you ever noticed the spiritual energy that emerges, the peace that arises, when you simply stop what you're doing and take a few deep breaths? During this time of coming out of isolation we still need to take that time to wait, others will wait, and better yet, when you breathe, you gain composure and confidence that will be reflected in your clarity of thought.

It is not accidental that the word "inspiration" has to do with drawing air into the lungs. Each breath can be inspiring, taking in the Holy Breath of God and then breathing it forth into others. This breath waits to liberate us from all that brings anxiety and alienation.

Peace is only a breath away.

Take time to read these words, making them your own,

"Jesus breathed on them and said, 'Receive the Holy Spirit.'"



**Greg Thomas**  
**Principal SPJE School**

## PARISH UPDATE

Dear Parishioners,

The recent relaxing of restrictions allows for the increase of people allowed in places of worship.

As this is stage over two periods in June, the Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) will meet to plan a schedule to open our Church for the Celebration of Holy Mass. It is envisaged that this will occur on the weekend of

**27th and 28th June with 50 people being allowed at each Mass, including children.**

**In mid July approx. 100 people will be allowed to attend Mass.**

The PPC will provide an update to parishioners when this plan has been completed. Thank you for your patience and continued support.

Parishioners must email or phone to book your attendance.

Given limited numbers at each mass please state your mass time preference - 6pm Sat, Sun. 9am & 11am, or the additional Mass at 5pm on Sunday.

We will do our best to accommodate your request.

Yours in Christ

**Bernadette Brown - Chairperson PPC**

## To all Fellow Parishioners



We are finding our way through a scary, lonely and confronting time during this Covid 19 virus. We are cut off from our family and loved ones and depression can be a real problem. For many older people the loss of independence is confronting. Father Joseph and the Parish Pastoral Council want everyone to know that they are in their thoughts and prayers.

We are aware that sometimes people just need to talk to someone or get some practical help if required

We can be contacted through email:

[mooroolbark@cam.org.au](mailto:mooroolbark@cam.org.au)

or by ringing the Parish on 9723 4275.

**Please leave your name and contact number and someone will get back to you.**



## Readings for Next Week – 7th June

Ex 34:4-6, 8-9; 2 Cor 13:11-13;  
Jn 3:16-18



We pray for parishioners and friends who are ill;

**Trish Fenton, Annette Andrewartha, Julia & Mabel Dana, Matthew Arrowsmith, Rose Robert, Brian Allan, Lorraine Downie, Trish Leahy, Maria Devlin, Jean Blencowe, Nancy Greco, James Brien, Mary Wood.**

## ✠ Remembrance Diary ✠

We remember those who have died, especially **Helen Reading**, and all those whose anniversaries occur about this time

**30/5 to 5/6**

**Don Campbell, George Cottin, Ivy Blandel, Margaret Merlo, Nora Walsh, Keith John Westaway, Kathleen Commene, Loys Turner, Betsy Kennedy, Felix Soffici, Roma McWilliams, Stephen James Douglas, Sybil Waring, Verna Harnetty, Victor Trudgen, Adrian Tobin, Antonio Molluso, Brendan Tate, Catherine Gangell, Eve Warren, Francesco Piccolo, John Peters, Peter Briglia, Mick Guglielmi, Annie Burns, Immacolata Sainato, Sheila Staunton, Gwenneth Key, Maris Morgan, Patricia Commerford, Tony Azzopardi, Anna Alvar, Gisela Liedtke, Harold Dobson, Robert Haynes and Connie Di Pilla.**

## THANKSGIVING PROGRAM

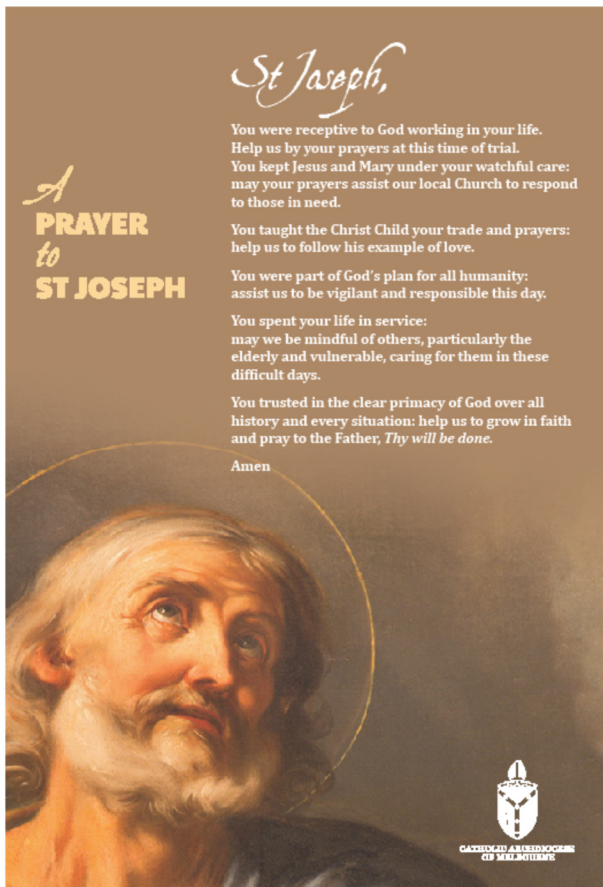
During this difficult time, parishioners are encouraged to continue to support the Parish financially. This support is essential to the ongoing weekly expenditure of our Parish.

Thanksgiving envelopes can be dropped off at the Parish Office. **(left side of front door).**

If you wish to donate via electronic funds you may wish to set up direct debit from your bank to the church account (please phone or email the office for the parish bank details)

If you prefer Credit Card payments this can be arranged by phone or email to the Parish Office. Please leave your name and phone number and Adriana will contact you.

Fr Joseph acknowledges your generosity and thanks you for your continued financial support.



### Newsletter via Email

The Archdiocese is experiencing problems with its email system, resulting in delayed or non-delivery

If you do not receive your newsletter via email it is also available for you on the parish website.

<http://pol.org.au/mooroolbark/Home.aspx>



### St Vincent de Paul Society

*A Message from Jan Phippard.*

SVDP is still active and doing visits. People are advised to call the centre if they need assistance.

Contact 1800 305 330  
Mon – Fri 10 am-3 pm

### THE COMBINED CATHOLIC PARISHES RAFFLE 2020

**3 x ALL NEW SUZUKI BALENO TO BE WON!!!**



**1<sup>st</sup>**

**2<sup>nd</sup>**

**3<sup>rd</sup>**

**4<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> Prizes – Coles / Myer Gift Cards**

**The Raffle Draw Date is now September.**

**NOW THAT CHURCH ATTENDANCE IS BEING INCREASED**

**There are approximately 25 parishioners who need to return their raffle books**

**SO**

**If this is you, could you please hunt out the book and return it to mass or put it into the letter slot to the left of the Parish House front door in an envelope marked Raffle by the end of July**

**Thank you to everyone who has sold and returned tickets.**

**Marg Vallence 0403 568 302**  
**[rafflespje@gmail.com](mailto:rafflespje@gmail.com)**



### Bishop Mark Edwards OMI appointed next Bishop of Wagga Wagga

Pope Francis has appointed Bishop Mark Edwards OMI as the sixth bishop of the Diocese of Wagga Wagga. In accepting his appointment, Bishop Mark wrote to the people of Wagga Wagga saying, *"I experience this appointment as a call from God to be with you and to journey with you as disciple, brother and bishop."*

Archbishop Peter A Comensoli thanked Bishop Edwards for his service as an Auxiliary Bishop of Melbourne and acknowledged his missionary zeal, *"especially in his work with our young people and tertiary communities, and with the people of the Western Region of the Archdiocese for whom he has cared for these past years as their Regional Bishop. He will be well-placed to listen to and lead the people of God in Wagga Wagga."*



# FR JOSEPH HOMILY

## Pentecost Sunday, Year A, 2020

One time there was a little 5 years old boy who was somewhat of a prodigy at the piano.

His parents were friends of the great pianist, Ignace Paderewski. One day they invited Paderewski to their home. The parents tried to get their son to play his best piece in front of Paderewski, but the little boy was too embarrassed to do so. Paderewski then sat down at the piano, and together with the little boy, began to play beautifully.

The feast of Pentecost is something like that. On the first Pentecost day, the Holy Spirit sat down with the nervous apostles, and together they began to play beautifully. The playing has continued up to the present. Another image of what Pentecost is like is the image of a relay race at the moment one runner passes the baton stick to his teammate. At Pentecost, the baton is passed on from Jesus to the apostles who are filled with the Holy Spirit.

Composer Giacomo Puccini died of cancer before he could finish the opera, “Turandot.” He said to his students, “Finish it for me.” In 1926, Puccini’s favourite student, Arturo Toscanini, directed the premiere of “Turandot” in the Milan Opera House. When the opera reached the point where Puccini’s music ended, Toscanini stopped the music and said, “At this point the master had to stop.” There was a brief silence and then Toscanini continued, “But the disciples finished his work.” At the conclusion of the opera, the audience welcomed the world’s newest masterpiece with tremendous applause. At Pentecost, the disciples began to complete the work of the Master who is Jesus.

