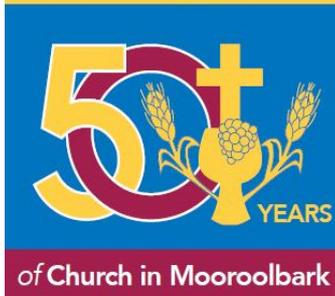


St Peter Julian Eymard Parish



# 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

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**Normal Mass Times at SPJE**  
Weekday Masses - Tuesday - Friday: 9.15 am  
**Rosary prayed on**  
**Wednesday and Thursday after 9.15 am Mass**

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

**FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**7th July 2019 - Issue No: 24**

## Reflection



The theme of today's readings is "Peace" or, in Hebrew, "Shalom," but what do we mean by Peace? In the examples we have in the Readings, Peace means a certain inner "calmness" of spirit that tells us, "Everything will turn out alright." However, that implies Trust. The word Shalom goes even further in its meaning by wishing one Prosperity and Good Health. The great gift of divine Peace, as in these examples, requires Trust. If you were told to go on a business trip or vacation without money, extra clothing or reservations, you would obviously decline with haste. But that is exactly what Jesus is asking of His disciples in this story. Of course, the times and social customs were different; but nevertheless, it required great trust in Jesus - and look at the results! The seventy-two returned rejoicing, but Jesus cautions them against bragging and commends them for their trust in Him. "What is the difference between Faith and Trust?" The only answer that is possible is "Action!" Faith is an interior belief or assurance, whereas Trust is the manifestation of that faith in action. When exercised by the grace of the Holy Spirit, the result is a certain calmness that we can only describe as Peace. So, "Is your mind and heart truly at Peace? Shalom!" Something to think about during your prayer time this week!

*Marg Vallence - Parish Pastoral Council  
With acknowledgement to  
St Clare's Parish, California*

## Weekday Mass Times

Tuesday to Friday at 9.15am

## Readings for Next Week – 14th July

Deut 30:10-14; Col 1:15-20; Lk 10:25-37

## PARISH CALENDAR

### JULY 2019

|               |   |
|---------------|---|
| 6/7th July    | <b>14th Sunday Ordinary Time</b><br>Aboriginal Sunday<br>Baptisms 6pm, 9am, 11am        |
| 13/14th July  | <b>15th Sunday Ordinary Time</b><br>New Thanksgiving Envelopes<br>Commence this weekend |
| 15th July     | Term 3 Begins   |
| 20/21st July  | <b>16th Sunday Ordinary Time</b>  |
| 20th July     | Wedding - 2pm Church<br>Senior Level Mass 6pm, 11am<br>Monthly Church Collection        |
| 21st July Sun | Jack Hannon - 100th Birthday<br>9am Mass  |
| 27/28th July  | <b>17th Sunday Ordinary Time</b><br>Catholic Mission Collection                         |
| 30th July Tue | SPIRIT DAY - Church   |

## Prayers for the Sick

We pray for parishioners and friends who are ill, especially, **Brian Alan, Peter Margerison, Jessie Elliott, Kay Williams, Richard Corrigan, Frank Covino, Simon Bissonette, Pat McCann, Maria Cordedda, Louis Wycisk, Robert Azzopardi, Jenny Fitzgerald, Trish Fenton & Robert Radulj.**

## † Remembrance Diary †

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

6/7 to 12/7

Fr Ray Whitehouse, Fr Matthew White, Mary Ward, Elizabeth Hall, Maria Van Den Bergh, Elisabeth Bakker, Margaret McVeigh, Francesca Molluso, Ross Freitag, Elizabeth Tate, Kathleen O'Connell, Luigi Slaviero, Eril Prendergast, Josephine O'Hara, Fillippo Giuffrida, Margaret Kirley, Andy Brown, Nancy Findlay, Robert Stewart, John Dollery, Phillip D'Orival, Walter Hardacre, Fr Joseph Cairns, Maria Del Giudice, Robert Delzoppo, Glenda Chavez, Drago Safar, Francis O'Leary, Kevin Trappel, Victor Lyons, Louis Matthews, Joan Mary Cameron, Gerda Bakker, Lum Poyang Yee.

## ROSTERS

### Counters

|           |   |
|-----------|---|
| 8th July  | Joan & Maurie Prendergast                   |
| 15th July | Des Delahunt, Pam Dryden & Christine Sellar |

### Flowers

|           |                |
|-----------|----------------|
| 13th July | Pat Harman     |
| 20th July | Routley Family |

### Cleaners

|           |                                |
|-----------|--------------------------------|
| 8th July  | Margaret & Esther              |
| 15th July | Anna & Kevin Dwyer & Fr Joseph |

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

### Ministers of Eucharist Coordinators for July

|         |                   |
|---------|-------------------|
| 6.00 pm | Pat Harman        |
| 9.00 am | Tim Newcomb       |
| 11.00am | Vivien Margeletic |

### Readers and Commentators - 13/14th July

|          |  |
|----------|--|
| 6.00 pm  | Denis Horan & Paul Martin              |
| 9.00 am  | Lillette de la Harpe & Lilijana Stride |
| 11.00 am | Margaret Corker & Marie Mutton         |

## PARISH THANKSGIVING

Monthly totals for Thanksgiving from  
1st January to 31st May 2019

|              | PLEDGE          | GIVEN           |
|--------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| January      | \$8,256         | \$6,575         |
| February     | \$8,311         | \$7,477         |
| March        | \$9,893         | \$8,379         |
| April        | \$8,466         | \$7,532         |
| May          | \$8,251         | \$7,427         |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>\$43,175</b> | <b>\$37,325</b> |



## BAPTISM

We welcome the following children to our Parish through Baptism :

**Lucas Semmens, Luke Spencer, Callum Waack & Ross Napoli.**

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

## THANKSGIVING ENVELOPES & STATEMENTS

The new set of Thanksgiving Envelopes and statements are available this weekend for you to collect from the church foyer. Those parishioners on Quarterly, Half Yearly will be available next weekend. We encourage you all to pick up boxes at your earliest convenience.

Credit card and direct debit statements will be provided upon request to the parish office.

Email Mooroolbark@cam.org.au or phone 9723 4275.

## MELBOURNE CATHOLIC MAGAZINE July 2019 ISSUE

(Harmony)

July Edition of Melbourne Catholic is now available.

Articles of interest include :

- A pilgrim's post
- Reinvigorating and sharing faith
- A heart-to-heart with God
- The treasures of darkness

**\$2 per copy.**

## 100th Birthday

On Sunday 23rd June 2019 at 9am Mass. Fr Joseph and the parish celebrated 100th Birthday of Trish Leahy. David Hodgett attended and presented Trish with a commemorative gift



## Employment needed

A Burmese refugee is seeking a position as a truck driver. He has 12 years experience in transport, in Myanmar, and holds his Victorian Articulated licence. He has been driving in Australia for four years. If you know of an employer who would be prepared to give this lovely young man an opportunity, please call Jan on 0414 763 801.



**Plenary Council 2020**  
Listen to what the Spirit is saying...

The **Plenary Council 2020** moves into its next phase of preparation today with the announcement of the National Themes for Discernment that emerged from a historic process of listening to the voices of more than 222,000 people.

The six National Themes for Discernment invite people to reflect, to pray and to consider how God is calling the People of God to be a Christ-centred Church in Australia that is:

- Missionary and Evangelising
- Inclusive, Participatory and Synodal
- Prayerful and Eucharistic
- Humble, Healing and Merciful
- A Joyful, Hope-Filled and Servant Community
- Open to Conversion, Renewal and Reform.

Plenary Council has issued a bulletin about the Themes for Discernment, and a Snapshot Report on the second theme:

### Prayerful and Eucharistic

See the noticeboard for the bulletin and snapshot report

### July 7, 2019 - 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

*"He said to them, 'The harvest is abundant, but the laborers are few...'" (Luke 10:2)*

As Catholics we are all called to serve. However, many of us are unsure of what our charisms or gifts from the Holy Spirit are to help build God's Church. Through prayer we are able to discern how God is calling us. The next time your pastor or fellow parishioner asks you to join a committee, ask God first, if that is what He wants you to do with your gifts.



Working with  
Children Check

### PARISH CHILD SAFETY WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECKS

All parish volunteers are required to hold a  
**Working With Children Card.**

Those volunteers who already have a card are  
asked to come to the office to have the details  
recorded.

Those who don't have a card need to apply for  
one online.

Once you have completed your application  
online you will need to take it to the post  
office who will process it and take a photo for  
you at no charge.

Please remember to bring identification with  
you to the post office.

If you need assistance with this please contact  
Adriana or Brian at the parish office  
on 9723 4275

The Parish thanks those parishioners who have  
responded by providing card details or  
obtaining one.

For those that haven't please do so.

### We Care

#### *Responding to the Voluntary Assisted Dying Act.*

From the earliest times, Christ's followers have set  
themselves apart by their care of the vulnerable  
(Acts 4:34). On 19 June 2019, the *Voluntary  
Assisted Dying Act* (VAD) comes into effect. It  
legalises euthanasia and assisted suicide.

Despite what the law may say, our Christian  
tradition affirms that every life, including those of  
the sick and suffering, is sacred.

Euthanasia and assisted suicide are never part of  
end of life care.

Pope Francis has encouraged ordinary Catholics  
everywhere to resist euthanasia and to protect the  
old, the young and the vulnerable from being cast  
aside in a "throw-away culture." We are called to  
follow Christ by accompanying people with  
compassion, sharing hope not fear.

The Bishops of the Catholic dioceses of  
Melbourne, Ballarat, Sale and Sandhurst, echoing  
Pope Francis, have published a pastoral letter  
including practical guidance on ways we can be  
conscientious objectors to euthanasia.

A copy of the letter is available in the church foyer  
and online: [www.cam.org.au/euthanasia](http://www.cam.org.au/euthanasia)

Please read and share it.

## MULTICULTURAL LUNCH

### SUNDAY 20th October 2019

Hyacinth & Francine Pereira have been speaking at Masses  
advertising the upcoming Multicultural Lunch.

A great response has been received.

**Location:** Parish Hall

**Date:** 20th October 2019 - After 11am Mass



We encourage parishioners to join us to celebrate a multicultural lunch .

We ask that you make a dish of your culture and bring a dish to share with many others.

If you wish to celebrate with us please place your name on the list provided on the church  
Noticeboard.

More details will follow on this parish event. This is a great opportunity to get to know  
each other.

Any queries to Hyacinth on

Or the parish office on 9723 4275.

## SOCIAL JUSTICE ACTION GROUP

Our 2018 Advent Appeal, raised funds for the building of Oznam House, a multimillion dollar project of Vincent Care. The new Oznam House provides sanctuary for 134 homeless people. . The article below gives an update on the use of your generous donations.

I can't help but think of the words of Jesus, "When I was homeless, you gave me rest."

This article is from the June 29 issue of The Age Digital Edition.  
Written by Tom Cowie

*Damien Chandler spent many years as a rough sleeper, often pulling things out of charity bins, to use as blankets in parks. When he found crisis accommodation, it was hardly a restful place.*

*"I'd go to a homeless service to sleep when it was bad weather on the way," he said. "It's so depressing, you're sleeping with your sneakers, everything you own, because it will be stolen.*

*"They're nothing like this at all."*

*Damien is referring to **Ozanam House**, the new 10-level homelessness supercentre on Flemington Road in North Melbourne. It will be Australia's largest accommodation service for rough sleepers, when it opens its doors in the coming weeks.*

*Around 25,000 people experience homelessness in Victoria, including almost 400 in the city and inner suburbs.*

*It began in 1953 as a night shelter for single men, but the redeveloped Ozanam House will welcome women for the first time. It will also be a one stop centre for support services.*

*As well as housing for 134 people, including 60 short-term crisis accommodation units, the building will have a range of drop-in health services, including dentistry, optometry and alcohol and drug intervention.*

*There is also a tech hub, with free wi-fi, cloud storage and a place to recharge phones. A gym, laundry and library are also available, while a cafe will provide meals.*

*Design choices were made to project a calm environment, with lots of natural light, timber panelling and warm colours.*

*After doing his barista training, Damien will volunteer making coffees at Ozanam House. Even a well-made cuppa can be a big deal for those who don't have much, he says. "Other places have a bucket of coffee in the corner, it is what it is, it's better than nothing," he says. "We get their names and when you bring out the coffee and say 'here John', it's that extra layer of personalisation." Housing minister Richard Wynne toured Ozanam House yesterday. "This is really the future of homeless intervention going forward, this is a spectacular building and the residents who will be living here deserve the best," he said.*

*Vincent Care CEO, Quinn Pawson, said, "the new centre had been designed through consultation with clients. Feedback around noise levels led to the use sound reduction materials," he said.*

*"Really the benchmark for us is," would we want to live here? If we could answer yes to that question, then I think we got it about right," he said.*

*It's the rooms themselves that will be the big difference, according to Damien.*

*He recalled staying at Matthew Talbot Hostel in Sydney, in one big dormitory full of beds. There was no privacy, including in the showers, and the syringe bins were overflowing .*

*Each of the apartments at Ozanam House is lockable and has an ensuite. There are large windows with views of nearby Royal Park and the city. "You've got your own room, with a door that locks, your own shower and toilet," he said. "Anyone sleeping in the park right now, coming in and having that, it really stood out for me."*

*'You've got your own room, with a door that locks.'*

*Damien Chandler*



## ABORIGINAL SUNDAY

### **A day to recognise and pray for the traditional people of our land.**

*We share a common human nature regardless of our ethnic background. We share fundamental needs. This includes the desire to belong, to be happy, to find fulfilment, to be safe, to be appreciated.*

The whole of Australian society is going through massive change. The present rate of change is possibly unprecedented in human history ever. It is affecting all of us in many ways. Many think that you cannot be sure of anything anymore. This has many implications in our search for meaning in life and values

This massive rate of change is also of course affecting our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander brothers and sisters. When this is combined with the practical challenges that they face, the effect can be very far reaching. As spiritual beings we need spiritual nourishment. When we are not nourished spiritually we can become spiritually sick. *Australian society as a whole is challenged of how to nourish ourselves spiritually.*

Our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people have a deep faith. We can all learn from them. Like all of us they are often challenged as to how to pass on their traditions to the younger generations. Many are deeply concerned about the challenges which their young people face. The tragedy of the large number of suicides among our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, especially the young, calls us to action! This is a sad and unacceptable reality. There are many groups working with our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. These include various layers of government, community and Church organisations, and others. We need to avoid the trap of trying to 'resolve' issues for them. We must safeguard the principle of self-determination. We can walk alongside in loving support but avoid any temptation to come in with quick solutions imposed from outside. Suicide is often the last straw in a build up of unhappiness and pain. There is often a desire for the pain to go and often not focusing on the permanent consequences of taking one's life. Our Australian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples have suffered dispossession, displacement, violence of various types and much more. So often others have determined for them what they considered to be the best for them. The challenges facing communities are multifold. Many Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people recognize that this challenge also applies to them, all be it often in somewhat different ways.

As Catholics we know that our hearts are restless until they rest in God. Our Christian faith gives us energy and good reasons for living. There is such a vast history of deep spirituality in our First Nations People in Australia. Pope John Paul II in his famous message which he gave in the Australian heartland when he addressed the Aboriginal peoples, stated that the Catholic Church will be lacking in its full expression if it does not embrace the spirituality of our Aboriginal people.

While there has been many disproportionate numbers of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people taking their lives, no society is immune from this sad reality. We all need to remember that Jesus who laughs and cries with us is 'The Way, the Truth and THE LIFE'

