



St Peter Julian Eymard Catholic Church Mooroolbark Parish

We are a Welcoming, Eucharistic and Spirit Filled Community

SPJE IS A CHILD SAFE ENVIRONMENT

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ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

14th June 2026 Issue No: 19

PARISH CALENDAR

13/14th	11th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sat	Baptism— 6pm
Sun	Baptism 9am & 11am Private Baptism 12:30pm
17th Wed	Eucharist Family Night Church 7:00pm
18th Thur	Catechist Preparation Session 5:00pm in Church—Fr Joseph Baptism Preparation Meeting Church—7:00pm Marg & Lili
19th Fri	Catechist Preparation Session 5:00pm in Church—Fr Joseph
20/21st	12th Sunday in Ordinary Time
	Monthly Collection First Eucharist Commitment Mass 6pm & 9am Baptism—11am
24th Wed	Faith Development Meeting 10.30am SPJE
26th Fri	Parish Hall—OSHC Party
27/28th	13th Sunday in Ordinary Time
JULY	14th Sunday in Ordinary Time
4/5th	BAPTISMS 6pm, 9am & 11am

REFLECTION

This weekend we reflect on Matthew 9:36–10:8, this passage presents a powerful moment where Jesus responds to human need with both compassion and action. Seeing the crowds, he is moved deeply because they are “harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd.” Rather than turning away, he tells his disciples that the “harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few,” urging them to pray for more laborers. He then empowers the twelve disciples, giving them authority to heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, and cast out demons. Their mission is clear: go to those in need, proclaim that the kingdom of heaven is near, and serve freely, just as they have freely received. This passage highlights two central ideas: compassion and responsibility. Jesus does not ignore suffering; he engages with it and calls others to do the same. Importantly, he doesn’t wait for perfect conditions, he sends ordinary people to do meaningful work.

Today, this message encourages us to be attentive to the struggles around us rather than becoming indifferent. People may not always be physically “harassed,” but many experience loneliness, anxiety, or lack of direction. We are called to respond with empathy and practical care. The idea of the “harvest” reminds us that opportunities to help are abundant, but willingness is often limited. In modern life, living out this teaching can mean offering time, kindness, and support without expecting reward. It’s about stepping into needs, big or small, and recognising that even simple acts of care can reflect something greater.

Greg Thomas
SPJE School Principal

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Mooroolbark Parish**

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Fr. Joseph**

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Normal Mass Times at SPJE

Weekday Masses
Tues & Wed : 9.30 am
Rosary after Tuesday morning Mass
Saturday: No morning Mass
Saturday: 6.00 pm (Vigil)
Sunday: 9.00 am
Sunday: 11.00 am

Reconciliation: Saturday 5.15 pm
by arrangement with Priest.

Sacraments (Baptism, Weddings)
Ring Parish Office 9723 4275

**St Peter Julian Church
QR CODE**

For church donations &
Church Thanksgiving
Payments.



WEEKDAY MASS & ROSARY

Tue Mass 9.30am followed by Rosary.
Wed Morning Mass 9.30am

This Week's Readings - 14th June

Ex 19:2-6: Ps 99:2-3, 5: R.
Rom 5:6-11: Mt 9:36 - 10:8:

Prayers for the Sick

We pray for parishioners and friends who are ill,
especially

**Margaret Hicks, Peter Guinan, Andrew Badawy,
Michelle Windsor, Andrew Pearson.**

✠ Remembrance Diary ✠

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

13th to 19th June

Maria Devlin, Shani Hull, Donald Garland, Therese
Smith, Dorothy Creasey, Fay Forder, Robert Crosby,
Adam Howatt, Bert Chapman, Cvetko Klepac, Bob
Pearson, William Burke, Lion-Heong Tan, Ben
Louwrens, Nellie Chapman, Gejkanu Bianco, Ernie
Squirell, Maria Sini, Matthew Deany, Michelle
McGuire, Alan Clark, Brendan Chapman, Jessie
Pearson, Otto Zdrazil, David Joyce, Agnes Kerin,
Peter Joyce, Patricia Bell, Chester Seagle, Carmen
Busuttill, Bob Roberts, Olga Anthonisz.

Parish Child Safeguarding Team

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

Albert Pangestu
albert.pangestu@gmail.com

Or call the Parish Office
phone 9723 4275

A reminder as per Safeguarding policy all
children under the age of 16 years old must
be accompanied by an adult to the rest room/
toilet.

ROSTERS

Counters—Month of June

Karen Broughton & Fr Joseph

Flowers—13/14th & 20/21st June

Marie Reilly

Church Cleaning—Month of June

Margaret Kim ?

Esther Ngaihte

**(Please collect church key from parish office
Wed, Thur & Friday, 9.30am - 3.30pm)**

Readers & Commentators 13/14th June

6.00pm Bernadette Brown & Mitchell Mazarella

9.00am Muzzena D'Almeida & Alex Matthew

11.00am Charlotte Wightman & Richard Knight

Readers & Commentators 20/21st June

6.00pm Paul Martin & Paul Redfern

9.00am Vanessa Walker & Margaret Corker

11.00am Geraldine O'Hare & Elizabeth Acabado

Musicians 13/14th June

6.00pm Shelly & Co

9.00am Filipino Group

11.00am No Music

Musicians 20/21st June

6.00pm No Music

9.00am No Music

11.00am Paul & Co



We welcome to our Parish through
Baptism

***Hugo, Felix & Eloise Ghotb,
Charlie & Willow Cope,
Teddy Nevins.
Alfie Tapai***

Who will receive the Holy Spirit through the
Sacrament celebrated this weekend, we
support & guide them throughout their life.

PROCLAIM

**Friday 26 June 2026
– Saturday 27 June
2026**



In a world where many are seeking meaning, truth and belonging, are we ready to proclaim the Gospel in this moment in time?

Join world-renowned Catholic author, and expert on discipleship and mission, **Sherry Weddell** for Proclaim26, a two-day gathering to form, equip and send Catholics to share Jesus Christ in their communities.

Proclaim26 will host formative keynote talks, inspiring real-life stories of parish renewal and practical workshops on formation, RCIA, youth and young adult discipleship, music and more.

Whether you are clergy, religious, a lay leader or someone who simply wants to share the Gospel with their community, this gathering is for you! Gather your group and register now.

For the full program and to register, go to

<https://melbournecatholic.org/proclaim26>

VATICAN NEWS LINK BELOW

**[News from the Vatican - News about
the Church - Vatican News](#)**

CHILDSAFETY

**A REMINDER ONLINE TRAINING IS
REQUIRED FOR ALL VOLUNTEERS**

To access the training use this link in your
browser

You will need access to your email to
register.

<https://safeguarding.melbournecatholic.org/>

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If assistance is required, please contact
1800 305 330
Mon to Fri - 10am



MORE LEARNING THAN CHARITY

St Francis Xavier, the patron saint of missionaries, first met St Ignatius of Loyola when they were both students at the University of Paris.

Soon after he became a Jesuit priest, St Francis Xavier was sent to India, and then to what is now Malaysia. By this time, Ignatius of Loyola was General of the Jesuits, and Francis Xavier would write letters to Ignatius, reporting the progress of his work.

In one letter, Xavier said to Ignatius:

I have noticed that among the people (of what is now Malaysia), some of them are of great intelligence. I have no doubt that they would make excellent Christians.

Again and again, I have thought of going round the universities of Europe, especially Paris, and everywhere, crying out like a madman, riveting the attention of those who have more learning than charity, saying “What a tragedy—how many souls are being shut out of heaven and falling into hell, thanks to you! I wish they would work as hard at this as they do at their books, and so settle their account with God for their learning and the talents entrusted to them.

If so, they would cry out with all their heart. “Lord, here I am!
What do you want me to do? Send me anywhere you like, even to India!

I was reminded of these words of Xavier when I read today’s gospel Matt 9:3 to 10:8): “At the sight of the crowds, the heart of Jesus was moved with pity. He said to his disciples, “The harvest is indeed great but the laborers are few. Beg the harvest-master to send out laborers to gather his harvest.”

Jesus says, “beg,” he doesn’t say, “ask.” Jesus asks us to beg him, to show him that we really want him to choose laborers, even from our own children or grandchildren.