



St Peter Julian Eymard Catholic Church Mooroolbark Parish

We are a Welcoming, Eucharistic and Spirit Filled Community

SPJE IS A CHILD SAFE ENVIRONMENT

WE ACKNOWLEDGE THE WURUNDJERI PEOPLE, THE TRADITIONAL CUSTODIANS OF THIS LAND

21st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

23rd August 2026 Issue No: 28

PARISH CALENDAR

AUGUST

22/23rd 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
Archbishop Campaign all Masses
Sat Private Baptism—10am
BAPTISM—6pm
Sun Catechist Children First Eucharist
9.00am Mass
BAPTISM—11am

29/30th 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
BAPTISM 9am & 11am Mass

SEPTEMBER

1st Tue **FUNERAL—11am**
SPJE Church
Baptism Preparation Meeting
6.30pm Bernadette
7.00pm Bernadette & Naomi

5/6th 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
6th Sun BAPTISM—11am
7th Mon Faith Development Meeting
10.30am St Richards
11th Fri Priests Deanery Lunch
(Parish House) - 12 noon

12/13th 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monthly Church Collection
BAPTISMS

YOU ARE PETER, THE ROCK

My earliest memories of Church are those of community; regular prayer & worship at church & in home, “making visits”, family rosary & “grace before meals”, social events; “foreign” missions, regular parish missions, raffles & collections; lots of priests, brothers & nuns. All well ordered & making good sense as a divine order in our post war chaotic world. And presided over by the austere Pope Pius XII. Not just an authority figure but a divine voice on all matters, worldly & churchly. Then came Pope John XXIII, challenging in his open hospitality & freedom of self, who wanted to open the “windows of the Church to allow the Spirit to blow through”, calling us all “to read the signs of the times”; then calling the 1000s of bishop to gather over a number of summers as the 2nd Vatican Council, to discern & enact those signs. Changes came in our worship practices, sense of vocation & mission, even our status as Catholics. We no longer belonged to the Church, we were “the Church”; each sharing in the priesthood of Christ, each tasked with mission & ministry by virtue of baptism. Then, of course, eventually the counter-vailing Pope John Paul followed, questioning our new awareness through his long papacy, seeming to turn back to more traditional times & ways. There were controversies surrounding Humane Vitae & Latin Mass Societies et cetera; then the opening up & great scandal of the persisting horrors of ecclesiastical sexual abuse: - what had happened to our Church?: & where did our fellow parishioners & all those religious go? More recently Popes Francis & Leo IV have brought a new leadership & renewed vision & charge. Where to now? Again - “Who do you say that I am?” Mt 16.15 As a Catholic, who am I? What now is my/our mission & ministry? It is always worth remembering - “I am with you always” Mt 28.20, & “Where two or three gather in my name, I am with you” Mt 18.20.

*Michael McLindon
“happily hanging on & in”*

**St Peter Julian Eymard Parish
Mooroolbark Parish**

**Parish Priest
Fr. Joseph**

**Parish Secretary
Mrs. Adriana De Leo**

Parish Office
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Office Hours:

Wed to Fri - 9.30am - 3.30pm

<https://www.melbcatholic.org/s/mooroolbark>

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Parish Hall - Contact Parish Office

SPJE Parish School
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Telephone 9725 0595

School Principal – Mr. Greg Thomas
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St. Richard's Parish School
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Email: office@srkilsyth.catholic.edu.au
School Principal - Ms. Larissa Boyhan
<http://www.srkilsyth.catholic.edu.au>

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 - 23rd August

Is 22:19-23: Ps 137:1-3, 6,8:R
Rom 11:33-36: Mt 16:13-20:

Prayers for the Sick

We pray for parishioners and friends who are ill,
especially

**Ignatius Suan Lian Thang, Sofia Aranco,
Margaret Hicks, Peter Guinan, Andrew Badawy,
Michelle Windsor, Carolanne Sanders.**

✠ Remembrance Diary ✠

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

22nd to 28th August

Xavier Clemann, Ann Merbis, Syd Stephens,
Veronica Ferrari, Lucy Allan, Frank Scundi, Carmel
Azzopardi, Gladys Sullivan, Medecisimo Tejero,
Robert McCardle, Fr Geoff James S.J, Dorothea
Hannan, Josephine Barbaro-Sant, Annie Hart, Lidia
Correia, Gilbert Whyte, Bernard Vallence, Nic Ellis,
Eileen Watson, John Grant, Rosalina Ignacio,
Wilhemna Commandeur, Szymanski & Moran
Families, Mafalda Villella, Patricia Devoy, Tony
Colella, Bernard McLindon, Margaret Bramble, Peter
Adams.

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

Safeguarding Policy

All children under the age of 16 years old
must be accompanied by an adult to the rest
room/toilet. *Thank you*

ROSTERS

Counters—Month of August

Paul & Marianne Redfern

Flowers—August 22/23rd

Marie Reilly

Church Cleaning—Month of August

David Sing & Michael McCann

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

Readers & Commentators 22/23rd August

6.00pm Tim Newcomb & Michael McLindon
9.00am Lilette de la Harpe & Nathaniel Mack
11.00am Jun & Caroline Romero

Readers & Commentators 29/30th August

6.00pm Dymphna Beard & Angela Stainwall
9.00am Karen Broughton & Ethan Mack
11.00am Auna Wernert & Francis Braganza

Musicians 22/23rd August

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

Musicians 29/30th August

6.00pm Shelly & Co
9.00am Filipino Group
11.00am Paul & Co



We welcome to our Parish through
Baptism

***Matilda Vella,
Ned, Bobbi, Ada London,
Henry Silva***

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

The Archbishop's Campaign helps to bring the mission of the Church alive in our community.

It does this by supporting the works of the Priest
Retirement Foundation, the Corpus Christi
College Building Fund, the CatholicCare Victoria
Chaplaincy Program, Melbourne Overseas
Mission, John Pierce Centre, the University of
Divinity for the Catholic Theological College and
grants to Catholic agencies and community
service organisations.



THE JANSSEN SPIRITUALITY CENTRE

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SPIRITUALITY DINNER

Date: Friday, 18th September 2026, 5.30pm– 8.30pm

Venue: 22 Woodvale Road, Boronia, VIC 3155

Topic: Understanding Interculturality in the Biblical Context

Presenter: Fr. Christopher Monaghan is a Passionist priest and respected Scripture scholar. He has served as the president of the Yarra Theological Union (YTU), a member college of the University of Divinity, since 2009, and has taught both New and Old Testaments at YTU since 1987.

Program:

5.30:	Welcome and Social
6.00:	Seated Dinner
7.00:	Presentation by Fr Christopher Monaghan
7.45:	Discussion and Conversation
8.30:	Closing

(Suggested donation: \$35)



Booking:

Tel. 9762.6625; Mobile: 0432261194 (Fr. Thien)
Email: enquiries@janssencentre.au
Web: www.janssencentre.au
Bank Acc. Name: Divine Word Missionaries
BSB: 063108; Ac. No.: 1050 6541
Under Description: Your Name

The Combined Catholic Parishes Raffle is coming.

No car this year but look at the 5 fabulous prizes – all Coles Myer Gift cards ranging from \$12000 to \$500. Just think of the possibility of having \$12000 to spend on family and friends for Christmas, or to spend \$230 each week at supermarket for all of 2027 – what a fantastic bolster for the household budget. Tickets are \$2 each or you can request to sell a book or two

Tickets will be on sale from end of August until end of October,

then I need to collate all the sales in readiness to return the tickets for the draw.

Proceeds made from this raffle and the other mini hamper raffles we have throughout the year are in support of the ongoing mission and operational needs of the parish. Your support is greatly appreciated.

As always, I will be grateful to have sellers for each of the masses - thankyou in advance.

Any queries, please contact me by text on 0403 568 302 – Marg Vallence CoOrdinator for SPJE



COMBINED CATHOLIC PARISH Raffle 2026

TICKETS \$2 EACH

PRIZES:

1 ST	1st Prize: Coles/Myer Gift Card to the value of	\$12,000
2 ND	2nd Prize: Coles/Myer Gift Card to the value of	\$4,000
3 RD	3rd Prize: Coles/Myer Gift Card to the value of	\$2,000
4 TH	4th Prize: Coles/Myer Gift Card to the value of	\$1,000
5 TH	5th Prize: Coles/Myer Gift Card to the value of	\$500

DRAWN:
Saturday 5th December 2026 at 7:00pm
at Holy Trinity Parish
844 Centre Rd Bentleigh East

Victorian Commission for Gambling Regulation Permit No: MG-R26345948

Where to use cards



SEPTEMBER LADIES LUNCHEON

Tues. 1st September

CLUB RINGWOOD,
Maroondah Hwy. Ringwood
We will meet at 12pm for 12.30 lunch
Any enquires please contact
Philomena Turner 0417 208 077

ONLINE INFORMATION SESSION ON THE PERMANENT DIACONATE

The permanent diaconate is open to single and married men, aged from 30 into their 50's, who want to serve God and the Church as ordained ministers. The information session is open to everyone interested in knowing more about the permanent diaconate.

Online Diaconate information meeting: Tuesday, 22 September 2026 beginning 19:00 – 20:00

Location: via ZOOM.

Attendance will be by invitation. Express your interest by emailing Deacon Kevin Pattison.

Kevin.Pattison@cam.org.au In the week before the session the ZOOM link will be sent to those who have expressed interest.