



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

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

26th April 2026

Issue No: 12

PARISH CALENDAR

APRIL

25/26th

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Fr Julian Langridge

Sat 25th

Anzac Day

Fr Julian Langridge

MAY

2/3rd

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Fr Julian Langridge

Mass Count Week. 1

Catholic Care Appeal

5th Tue

Baptism Preparation Meeting

Bernadette & Naomi—7pm

Church

9/10th

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Fr Julian Langridge

MOTHERS DAY

Mass Count Week. 2

16/17th

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

Fr Joseph returns

Confirmation Commitment

Mass—6pm & 9am

Baptism— 11am

Welcomes— 11am

20th Wed

Confirmation Family Night—

Church— 7:00 pm

23/24th

PENTECOST SUNDAY

REFLECTION

This weekend Jesus presents, as both the Good Shepherd and the gate, offering a powerful image of care, protection, and belonging. The shepherd knows each sheep personally, calls them by name, and leads them to safety and life. This is not a distant or impersonal relationship; it is one built on trust, attentiveness, and genuine concern. Jesus contrasts this with those who seek to harm or scatter, reminding us that true leadership is always life-giving.

Within our community, this Gospel challenges us to consider how we care for one another. To follow the example of the shepherd is to be present, to notice when someone is struggling, and to respond with compassion rather than judgment. It means creating spaces where others feel safe, valued, and heard. Sometimes this is expressed in small, quiet ways, a listening ear, a kind word, or simply showing up when someone needs support.

Jesus as the gate also reminds us that we can be places of welcome and refuge for others. We are called to stand at the threshold of our community, ensuring that no one feels excluded or alone.

Ultimately, this passage invites us to be people who bring life to others. By acting with kindness, courage, and care, we reflect the shepherd's voice in our own context, helping those around us to experience a sense of belonging, hope, and abundant life.

Greg Thomas
Principal SPJE School

**St Peter Julian Eymard Parish
Mooroolbark Parish**

**Parish Priest
Fr. Joseph**

**Parish Secretary
Mrs. Adriana De Leo**

Parish Office
234 Hull Road (PO Box 2) Mooroolbark 3138
Telephone: 9723 4275

Office Hours:

Wed to Fri - 9.30am - 3.30pm

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

Email: mooroolbark@cam.org.au

Parish Hall - Contact Parish Office

SPJE Parish School
Reay Road, Mooroolbark 3138
Telephone 9725 0595

School Principal – Mr. Greg Thomas
Email: office@spjemooroolbark.catholic.edu.au
<http://www.spjemooroolbark.catholic.edu.au>

St. Richard's Parish School
672 Mt. Dandenong Rd Kilsyth, 3137
Telephone 9728 4378
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

**Please note no Weekday Mass
during Fr Joseph's Leave**

This Week's Readings - 26th April 2026

Acts 2:14, 36-41: Ps 22:1-6: R.
1 Pet 2:20-25: Jn 10:1-10:

Prayers for the Sick

We pray for parishioners and friends who are ill,
especially

**Cathy Thomas, Joan & Maurie Prendergast,
Estelita Reyes, Peter Harman, Andrew Pearson,
Mario Cordedda, Michelle Windsor.**

✠ Remembrance Diary ✠

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

25/4 to 1st May

Charles Lockwood, Bill Scudds, Levina Van
Meurs, Molly Thompson, Leonardo Sini,
Margherita Cordedda, Lorenzo Carbon, Lorraine
Waters, Joseph Cheney, Theresa Devery, Theresa
Carroll, Mary Graves, Guadoso Diamant, Eugene
Brouwers, Phyllis Broadley, Joe Rodgers, Althea
de la Harpe, Chris Shalders, Bill Eagan, Josephine
Mullavey, Leslie Delzoppo, Sheila McCallum,
Michael Kierce.

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 April

Paul & Marianne Redfern

Counters—Month of May

Jan Phippard & Philomena Turner

Flowers—25/26th April

Margaret Kim

Flowers— 2/3rd & 9/10th May

Angela Mallard

Church Cleaning—Month of April

Xavier & Muzeena D'Almeida

Church Cleaning—Month of May

Ged Wright & Kevin Dwyer

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

Readers & Commentators 25/26th April

6.00pm Dympna Beard & Angela Stainwall
9.00am Lilette de la Harpe & Nathaniel Mack
11.00am Geraldine O'Hare & Elizabeth Acabado

Readers & Commentators 2/3rd May

6.00pm Bernadette Brown & Mitchell Mazarella
9.00am Karen Broughton & Ethan Mack
11.00am Jun Romero & Caroline Romero

Musicians 25/26th April

6.00pm No Music
9.00am Filipino Group
11.00am Shelly & Co

Musicians 2/3rd May

6.00pm No Music
9.00am Filipino Group
11.00am Shelly & Co

PARISH NEWSLETTER & UPDATES

We encourage Parishioners to subscribe to the parish weekly newsletter.

You will receive the newsletter via email and be kept up to date with all the upcoming events in the parish.
Please visit link below to subscribe.

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

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

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

LADIES LUNCHEON

TUESDAY 5th MAY
GROOVE TRAIN RESTAURANT
CHIRNSIDE PARK

Located near the cinemas
we will meet at 12pm for 12.30 lunch
For enquiries please contact
Philomena Turner 0417 208 077



26 April (Fourth Sunday of Easter)

Today is the World Day of Prayer for
Vocations. Pope Leo tells us:

*Listen to the voice of the Lord who invites you
to a full and fruitful life, calling you to put
your talents to use (cf. Mt 25:14-30) and to
unite your limitations and weaknesses with
the glorious cross of Christ.*

Let us pray for the young people in our
community, and in our families and circle of
friends. May our prayers help them to be open
to the Lord's call to consecrated life or
priesthood.

CATHOLIC CARE APPEAL Next Weekend 2/3rd May

Next weekend is the CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal (Previously held during the month of August)
CatholicCare Victoria is the Church's mission in action—empowering communities and building strength and resilience, to enable everyone to reach their full potential and live life to the full.

Your kindness and generosity will help provide caring and compassionate support for struggling individual and families in our community.
Please donate to the CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal

You can donate using the appeal envelope available in our parish or online at www.catholiccare.org.au.

CHURCH CAR PARK—Asphalt Repairs

Please be aware that due to maintenance works around the church carpark areas on the weekend of Fri. 1st—Sat. 2nd May some parking spots may be impacted.
Thank you for your patience & understanding.

Parish Property Maintenance Update

On behalf of Father Joseph and the Parish Leadership Team, we would like to sincerely thank all those parishioners involved in a number of maintenance repairs and replacements around the Church property. To Tony and Xavier for the fence replacement, looks amazing.

The dedicated gardeners for continued attention to the gardens and the very colourful garden beds. Marty for the repair and painting of the benches, Habeesh for the repair and painting of the dome over the Alter and repair of the side gate. We would also like to thank a parishioner for her donation towards the fence replacement, your kindness is greatly appreciated.

There is still a number of maintenance items that require attention around the property and without the assistance of volunteers, more helpers would be very welcome. The cost of getting this work completed by outside contractors would be very expensive.

Your very generous contributions to the Church Special Monthly collections enables us to plan these works to maintain our parish buildings and property.

Thank you all again
Parish Pastoral and Financial Council