



# St Peter Julian Eymard Catholic Church Mooroolbark Parish

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## 17th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

26th July 2026 Issue No: 24

### PARISH CALENDAR

#### JULY

25/26th

#### **17th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Catholic Missions—Propagation of the Faith Appeal

#### **FIRST EUCHARIST WEEK. 2**

6 pm & 11 am Mass

Baptism— 9:00am

29th Wed

Parish Pastoral Council

Meeting—5:00pm Church foyer

31st Fri

Youth Practice 6.00—8.00pm

#### AUGUST

1/2nd

#### **18th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Monthly Church Collection

1st Aug Sat

Hall Hire— 11am—5pm

#### **FIRST EUCHARIST WEEK. 3**

6pm & 11am

Youth Mass—11:00am

3rd Mon

SPJE Feast Day Mass - 3pm Church

6th Thur

Baptism Preparation Meeting 7pm Church—Iris Gale

7th Fri

Feast Day Mary Mackillop  
SPJE School Mass in the Church 9:15am

8/9th

#### **19th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Sat

ST MARY OF THE CROSS, VIRGIN

Sat/Sun

BAPTISMS—6pm, 9am & 11am

15/16th

#### **20th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Sun

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

### REFLECTION

Shrewd financial traders advocate diversifying investments rather than plunging everything into one item, so the Parables of the Treasure in the Field and Pearl of Great Price are counter intuitive and definitely not guidance from astute financial advisers.

They reflect the joy we should have in discovering the Good News of Jesus Christ and the sacrifices we should be prepared to make in its service.

In case we are left with the impression that the 'hidden treasure' and 'valuable pearl' are solely for our own personal benefit, the parable of the Dragnet shows that we are called to serve the kingdom of heaven. Solomon recognized that, to be of such service, the treasure he needed was discerning judgement. Jesus adds with the Parable of the Storekeeper, the ability to identify what is of value in both old and new. St Paul affirms that we align our lives in such a way, God loves and calls us according to his purpose.

***"The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field..."***

Matthew 13:30

God's Word Daily Reflections 2026

**St Peter Julian Eymard Parish  
Mooroolbark Parish**

**Parish Priest  
Fr. Joseph**

**Parish Secretary  
Mrs. Adriana De Leo**

**Parish Office**  
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**Parish Hall - Contact Parish Office**

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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 - 26th July**

1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12: Ps 118:57, 72,  
76-77, 127-130:R  
Rom 8:28-30: Mt 13:44-52:

**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.

**25th to 31st July**

Kevin Dillon, Harold Fox, Terry Collins, Theresa  
Humphries, Jim Collins, Mark Ralston, Ann  
Bernadine Cox, Judy Margerison, Leonard Ryan,  
Georgina Greblo, Dean Andrewartha, Christine  
Morrison, Amy Potternoster, Baby Patrick James  
Bourke-Finn, Carmel Ryan, Ron Rigby, Gisele  
Chelin, Ann Howatt, Gerald Laner, John Nugent,  
John Larsen, Eleazar de Souza, Peter Hupport, John  
Griffith, Paul Rigby, Bernadette Bourke, Martin  
Tuohy, Nina Burley, Damian O'Grady, Michael  
Anthonisz, Leo O'Leary, Mona Grant, Isagami  
Sumagui, Hermon Van Den Heuvel, Sam Bustill,  
Jean Blencowe.

**Parish Child Safeguarding Team**

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

**Albert Pangestu**  
[albert.pangestu@gmail.com](mailto: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 July

George Nantes & Fr Joseph

### Counters—Month of August

Paul & Marianne Redfern

### Flowers— 18/19th, 25/26th July

Anna Waite

### Church Cleaning—Month of July

Iris Gale & Pat Glover

### Church Cleaning—Month of August

David Ling & Michael McCann

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

### Readers & Commentators 25/26th July

6.00pm Bernadette Brown & Mitchell Mazarella  
9.00am Lilette de la Harpe & Karen Broughton  
11.00am Jun & Caroline Romero

### Readers & Commentators 1/2nd August

6.00pm Paul Martin & Paul Redfern  
9.00am Lilijana Stride & Ethan Mack  
11.00am Auna Wernert & Francis Braganza

### Musicians 25/26th July

6.00pm Paul & Co  
9.00am Florencia & Co  
11.00am Shelly & Co

### Musicians 1/2nd August

6.00pm Shelly & Co  
9.00am Filipino Group  
11.00am Youth Mass

## Congratulations & Happy Birthday Jack Hannon 107 Years—17th July 2026



## LADIES LUNCHEON TUESDAY 4th. AUGUST

DORSET GARDENS HOTEL  
meet at 12pm for 2.30 lunch  
For enquiries please contact  
Philomena Turner 0417 208 077

## PROPIGATION OF THE FAITH APPEAL This Weekend 25/26th July



Freecall: 1800 257 296  
[catholicmission.org.au/united](http://catholicmission.org.au/united)

This week, you are invited to partner with Catholic Mission and the Church in Malawi as we support families rebuilding after devastating floods and help children access education close to home.

Through projects like St Peter's Nyamikuta Primary School, the Church is creating a place where children can learn, be nourished, and grow with dignity, regardless of their background or beliefs.

As we celebrate 100 years of World Mission Day, we are reminded by Pope Leo XIV that we are 'One in Christ, United in Mission'.

Join with us in celebration and action by supporting this work with a compassionate gift. Use the provided appeal envelope, scan the QR code, or visit [catholicmission.org.au/united](http://catholicmission.org.au/united) to make a difference today.

## NEW THANKSGIVING ENVELOPES

### REMINDER

Please collect your thanksgiving envelopes  
from the church foyer.  
These envelopes commence on the weekend of  
**18/19th July 2026.**

If you have any queries please contact the  
parish office via email at  
[mooroolbark@cam.org.au](mailto:mooroolbark@cam.org.au)

*Thank you.*



# TREASURES IN OUR MIDST

*"The love and wisdom of older generations are gifts to be treasured."*

Have you ever stopped to think about how much our grandparents and older people in general have to offer? They have lived through many highs and lows, and each experience has given them something valuable to share. Their stories can make us smile, teach us important lessons and help us see life from a different perspective.

Many of them have spent years caring for their families, working hard and putting others first. Now, something as simple as sitting down for a chat, sharing a cup of tea or making a quick phone call can mean the world to them.

Our grandparents especially help us stay connected to our family's history. They pass on traditions, values and memories that remind us where we come from. Every moment spent with them is an opportunity to learn something new and create memories that will stay with us for years to come.

So, if you have an older person in your life, take the time to be with them. Listen to their stories, enjoy their company and let them know they are loved. Your time and kindness may seem like a small gesture, but to them it can bring great joy and remind them that they are cherished and an important part of our lives.

Cherishing our Elderly (Article sourced by Majellan Media).



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