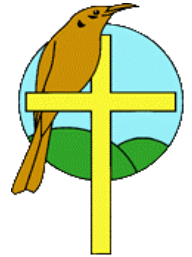




Mooroolbark Catholic Parish

St Peter Julian Eymard
Church

St Richard's
Church



Number 1

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

5th February, 2012

Parish Priest

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Pastoral Associate

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Parish Secretary

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Anderson St., Lilydale 3140

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Mass Times @ SPJE

Tues, Wed, & Fri: 9.15 am

Saturday No morning Mass 6.00pm (vigil)

Sunday: 10.30am

Mass Times @ St. Richard's

Thurs: 9.15am (Rosary after 9.15am mass)

Sunday: 9.00 am

Reconciliation: Saturday 5.15 p.m.

or by arrangement with Priest.

Sacraments (Baptism, weddings, catechetics)

Ring Parish Office 9723 4275

Christian Meditation: Every Tuesday at 7.30pm in the
Convent Meeting Room.

Once upon a time a young man approached a monk in his monastery and said, "Your life must be a boring life." The monk didn't reply but he took the young man to the monastery's well. He had the young man throw a stone into the well. Then he said to the young man. "Look into the well and tell me what you see." "I see nothing" said the man. "the water is dark and much too troubled."

"That is the way it is with people who never take off time to think and pray. They can't see things clearly because of life's many distractions."

After some minutes the monk said to the young man. "Now look into the well again and tell me what you see." "I see everything. I see the stones at the bottom of the well, I even see a fish The water is clear." "That is what my life spent in silence and reflection is like," said the monk, "I begin to see life more and more clearly. Such a life is far from boring."

In today's Gospel(Mark 1:29-39), Mark tells us, "Rising early the next morning, Jesus went off to a lonely place in the desert; there he was absorbed in prayer and reflection."

Even Jesus, as every human being, needed time to let the waters calm down so that he could see things more and more clearly.

The more we stop, look, and listen, the less boring our life becomes. The less we stop and reflect, the more bored we become with the rush of our undigested and unreflected-upon life experiences.

Dear parishioners, At 10:30am Mass this Sunday, we will have the Commissioning Ceremony for our New Pastoral Associate - Deirdre Fennessy. We wish and pray for God's abundant blessings upon her, her ministry and all of her loved ones! I am confident that Deirdre will be experiencing the love and support from you. We welcome back all our parishioners who were away and our Principals especially our new Principal and Deputy Principal of SPJE-Maria Bast and Adrian Scutt and teachers, parents and children. May you have another great year!

Fr. Joseph Lu Xin

Weekday masses

Tues, Wed, Thurs (St Rich) & Fri 9.15am

Readings for next week

Lev 13:1-2, 44-46; 1 Cor 10:31 - 11-1;
Mk 1:40-45

Prayers For The Sick

We pray for parishioners and friends who are ill, especially **Nell Collins, Rosina Gajewski, Liza Chan, Diane Cox, Verna Harnetty, Maryanne Tilley, Rachael Binning, James Harbour, Hazel Kempton.**

Remembrance Diary

We remember those who have died recently **Angelo La Morticella & Robert Bruce** and all those whose anniversary occur about this time:

Rosa Turk, Mary Josephine Ward, Mary Willingham, Noel Williams, Joe Khodr, Alan Tatnell, Rudolf Quinless, Phillip Perna, Bernard Stats, James Steadman, Noelle York Kelly, Pat Williams, Caroline Bien, Bill Heaney, Lenny Peres, Michael Watson.

ROSTERS

Counters

6th February Pam Stephens & Judith Fitzgerald
13th Feb Mary Beaumont & Judith Fitzgerald

Flowers

4th February Jacinta Garcia (Wedding)
11th Feb Philomena Turner

Cleaners (SPJE)

6th February Dent Family & Sue Hicks
13th Feb **Volunteers required**

Cleaners (St Rich)

4th February Rose Lawrence & Rachel Nicholson
11th Feb Deepa Emmanuel & Family.

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

Ministers of Eucharist Co-ordinators for February

6.00 pm Judith Griffith
9.00 am Salus & Linda Correia
10.30am Pamela Delahunt

Readers & Commentators 11th & 12th February

Sat. 6.00 pm Veronica & Michael McLindon
Sun. 9.00 am Lilette de la Harpe & Chris Correia
Sun. 10.30 am Gerard Sheehan & Paul Martin

ROSARY

Rosary will be held after mass on Wednesday 8th February at the home of Yolanda Dalla-Vecchia, 13 Taylor Rd, Mooroolbark. All welcome.

PARISH CALENDAR UPCOMING EVENTS

4/5th Feb

7th February

9th February

10th February

11/12th Feb

14th Feb

15th Feb

16th Feb

18/19th Feb

19th Feb

22nd Feb

23rd Feb

25/26th Feb

26th Feb

28th Feb (Tue)

29th Feb

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Lenten Liturgy Meeting
7.30pm Parish House
Parish Pastoral Council Meeting - 7.30pm Parish House

Foodbank Comm. Meeting
2.30pm Parish House

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Welcome & Care - 7.30pm
Church Foyer
Blessing of SVDP New Room - after 9.15am mass
Faith Development Team Meeting - 10.30am Parish House
Godstart Meeting - 10am Parish House
Commence of Catechist Program 4pm

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Meditation on The Breath of the Spirit & Adoration
3.00pm - 4.30pm SPJE Church (See page 4 for more details)

ASH WEDNESDAY

9.15am SPJE Church Euch.
12.30pm SPJE School Euch.
7.30pm ST RICH Euch.

9.15am St Richard's School Euch.
Catechist Mass - 4.00pm

First Sunday of Lent

RCIA Rite of Election 2.30pm
St Patrick's Cathedral
Foodbank Cook Up - 9am
SPJE Parish Hall
Faith Development Team Meeting - 10am
Social Justice Meeting - 7pm
Convent Meeting Room.

LAST WEEK'S THANKSGIVING

Weekly pledge amount: \$3952
Actual Received: \$3250
Average Weekly Giving for the last 6 months \$3455

LENTEN LITURGY MEETING

This meeting is being held on Tuesday 7th February in the SPJE Parish House @ 7.30pm. If you would like to come and reflect on the readings of Lent and assist in planning how this special season is to be celebrated in our parish then please come along. All Welcome



Thank You Everyone

Last Sunday was a day that will stay with me for the rest of my life. Your farewell and thanks made such an impact on me and on my family who felt so privileged to be present. I was overwhelmed and so moved by your tributes, well wishes and very generous gift. Thank you to all who made it happen, to Fr Joseph for the beautiful Eucharistic celebration and opening up the parish house and grounds for the lovely lunch we all enjoyed; to Adriana and Iris for their organization and hard work; to Val for her very generous words and to our incredible musicians who not only went to great lengths to discover my favourite hymns but also obtaining the permission for us to use one in particular.

What effort went into writing and then performing what I can only describe as the best version of the song "These are a Few of My Favourite Things" I have ever heard.

Most of all I loved having you there and will hold you in my heart and prayer.

Veronica McLindon

BAPTISMS

We welcome to our Parish through Baptism:

Levi Jordan Briggs & Beau Thompson.

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



2012 CATECHIST PROGRAM



St Peter Julian Eymard and St Richard Parish Church offers a Sacramental Program for primary aged children who attend

Government schools and have not received the sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation, Eucharist and Confirmation. Classes take place every Thursday afternoon between 4.00 pm – 5.00 pm at St Peter Julian Eymard school beginning on **Thursday, 16th February 2012**. Enrolments are now being taken. If you wish to enquire or enroll your child please ring Deirdre Fennessy at the Parish House on 9723 4275



World day of Prayer

"Let justice prevail"

This year the service has been prepared by the World Day of Prayer Committee of Malaysia.

There are two services being held in our area.
Friday 2nd March 2012 @ 10.00am

St Peter Julian Eymard is the host venue this year for the Mooroolbark area. Our own Fr Joseph will be the speaker.

As hosts we provide morning tea so could you please bring a plate to share.

For the Kilsyth area the host is St James & St Peters Anglican Church
686 Mt Dandenong Rd, Kilsyth
(Next door to St Richard's School)

Please come along as we pray with our sisters and brothers all over the world for the needs of our world family.



**MUSICIAN'S TRADITIONAL PANCAKE
TUESDAY FEAST & MEETING**

Tuesday 21st February from 7.00pm until about 9.00pm (families welcome)
SPJE Church foyer & kitchen.
Please bring something to share - refer to email for details and meeting agenda.



“Jesus breathed and said- ‘Receive the Holy Spirit’”
(John 20:22).
**MEDITATION
ON THE BREATH OF THE SPIRIT
&
ADORATION
For Healing & Good Health**

**On Sunday, 19th February
From 3.00pm – 4.30 in the Church**

**At
St.Peter Julian Church,
234 Hull Road,
Mooroolbark.
ALL ARE WELCOME.**

**Fr Gilbert Carlo will be
celebrating all Masses for both
churches on the weekend of
18/19th February.**

Meditation on the Breath of Jesus brings serenity, peace and joy. Modern society with all its dissipating forces at work, distances us further and further away from inner peace and joy. In turn, we suffer from stress-related diseases. Meditation on Jesus with deep breathing - tunes up, calms down, energises and heals our body, mind and soul.



Fr.Gilbert Carlo svd (Divine Word Missionary), has been conducting scripture based meditative retreats since 1989, in India, Australia, USA, UK, Germany and many other countries to promote contemplation in the Church.

**Janssen Spirituality Centre,
22 Woodvale Road, Boronia, Victoria 3155.
Tel: 03 9762 6625**

**Email: gilbertcarlo@gmail.com ; Website:
www.meditationonjesus.com**

ARE YOU NEW TO OUR PARISH?
ARE YOU LEAVING OUR PARISH?

We would love to hear from you - to welcome you or to say goodbye and thank you .
Please notify us by filling in this notice and either putting it in the collection plate on Sunday or drop it into the school or parish office.

NAME:
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ADDRESS:.....
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PHONE NUMBER:

DATE:

Please circle: *New Parishioner / Leaving*

**Mass with Archbishop Hart celebrating
20th World Day of Prayer for the Sick 2012
Friday 10 February, 2pm**

Archbishop Hart will celebrate in the chapel at Mercy Place Parkville for the celebration of 20th World Day of Prayer for the Sick 2012. Concelebrating will be Monsignor Ireland, Episcopal Vicar for Health and Aged Care, and priests who provide chaplaincy services to various Mercy health facilities. Sr. Helen Monkitch RSM, Director of Mission, says that invitations have been sent to all Catholic Health and Aged Care providers to join in this significant annual celebration.