



**St Peter Julian Eymard
Catholic Church
Mooroolbark Parish
Including Kilsyth & Montrose**



Number 3

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

17th February, 2013

**Parish Priest
Fr. Joseph Lu Xin**

Parish Secretary
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Jane Monk & Neil Mitchell

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Mass Times at SPJE
Weekday Masses - Tuesday - Friday: 9.15 am
Rosary prayed on
Wednesday & Thursday after 9.15am Mass

Saturday: No morning Mass
Saturday: 6.00p.m. (vigil)
Sunday: 9.00a.m.
Sunday: 11.00a.m.
Reconciliation: Saturday 5.15 p.m.
or by arrangement with Priest.

Sacraments (Baptism, Catechist, Weddings)
Ring Parish Office 9723 4275

Christian Meditation: Every Tuesday at 7.30pm in the
Convent Meeting Room. Trish Martin 9739 1018

In today's Gospel we are told that Jesus was tempted in the wilderness for 40 days. Numbers are never randomly used in the Bible. 1, 3, 7, 12 and 40 all have specific meanings. 40 indicates a time of formation. Luke tells us that Jesus confronts evil head-on and is tempted in every way that we are.

We often feel alone when faced with difficult choices and temptations.

When we look at our temptations they often appear as good things, but often they have a sting in the tail which is destructive. We need to be aware of the consequences of what we do and say, and learn from our experiences.

The more we give into temptation, the more immune we become to seeing that there's anything wrong with what we are doing. We can develop unhealthy habits in our living, deceiving ourselves that what we are doing is 'not that bad'.

We should take great comfort from the fact that there is no path of temptation along which Jesus has not gone ahead of us, to show us we can choose life ahead of death.

Lent is a time when we are reminded that there is nothing we can do to win our salvation. It is a pure gift from God. Like Jesus in the wilderness, we need to allow God's plan to unfold in and through us. Lent is a time for us to enter actively into the mysteries of the death and resurrection of Jesus, and there to marvel at what God has done for us.

During this season of Lent, we are encouraged to keep embracing life and live it to the full.

(With acknowledgement to Richard Leonard SJ and Dianne Bergant.)

Maureen Stella
Principal St Richard's Kilsyth

Weekday Mass Times

Normal Mass Times
Tuesday to Friday 9.15am

Readings for Next Week — 24th February

Gen 15:5-12, 17-18;
Phil 3:17- 4:1; Lk 9:28-36

Prayers For The Sick

We pray for parishioners and friends who are ill.

Remembrance Diary

We remember those who have died recently especially **Antoinette Haughton (Veronica McLindon's Cousin)** and all those whose anniversary occurs about this time:

Bruce Barlow-Barker, Maria Margaletic, Stephen Nowicki, Ivy Crellin, Joe Ekanayake, Kathleen Collins, Patricia Nugent, Jim McKenna, Valentine O'Donnell, Margaret Sheehan, Giovanni D'Angelo, Brian Year, Matt Grange, Dorothy Gartlan, Matthew Ellis, Robert Bell, Tony Nugent, Michael Watson, Cyril Vincent, Mary Hewett, Henry de la Harpe.



PARISH CALENDAR

FEBRUARY 2013

16th/17th 1st Sunday of Lent

Commitment Mass for SPJE Staff & SAC - 6pm Mass
Commitment Mass for SR Staff & SAB - 9am Mass
SR Prep Guardian Angel Mass 9am Mass

19th Faith Development Team
10am Parish House

23rd/24th 2nd Sunday of Lent

27th Social Justice Group
7pm Convent

MARCH 2013 3rd Sunday of Lent

2nd/3rd Baptisms

READERS & COMMENTATORS ROSTER

A draft Readers Roster is available in the Church Foyer for you to view.

If any dates are not suitable, please contact the parish office by Monday 18th February. Readings will be emailed where possible or left in the church foyer for collection next month.

ROSTERS

Counters

18th Feb Joan & Maurie Prendergast
25th Feb Kate Warren, Leveda Allison & Mary Beaumont

Flowers

16th Feb **NO FLOWERS DURING LENT**

Cleaners

18th Feb Eleanor Thompson & Charlotte Robinson
25th Feb Rosemary Cullinan & Magda Pisotek

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

Ministers of Eucharist Coordinators February

6.00 pm Judith Griffith
9.00 am Pam Delahunt
11.00am Viv Margaletic

Readers & Commentators - 23rd & 24th February

Sat. 6.00pm Veronica & Michael McLindon
Sun. 9.00am Helen Van Gorp & Leon McKiernan
Sun. 11.00am Plasidus Monewalu & Alan Baker



PROJECT COMPASSION

Project Compassion boxes and/or weekly donation envelopes are available in the church foyer.



Foodbank Cook Up Day - Tuesday 19th February - Parish Hall

The dish for the Foodbank Cook Up Day is Cottage Pie. Donations of Tomato Pasta Sauce, Gravy, Tomato Paste & Tomato Sauce, or cash are greatly appreciated. All donations can be left at the Parish House or the School Offices **by Mon. 18th February.**

Thank you.

Vinnies Donation Bin

You may have noticed a large amount of donated goods outside the Vinnies bin in the car park. These goods could have been left with staff at a Vinnies shop rather than left open to the elements (wind and rain) creating an unsightly mess. If your donations cannot fit into the bin could you please take them to a Vinnies centre at either Croydon or Lilydale and do not leave them where they can become an eye sore to the Parish grounds. If they are ruined then they are of no use to the poor and would possibly be best left out for the Council garbage collection.

COMMITMENT MASS FOR STAFF & PARISH LEADERS

We wish to remind all parish leaders that this weekend 16/17th February the Commitment Mass will be held.

- 6.00pm SPJE Staff & SAC
- 9.00am St Richards Staff & SAB
- 11.00am Parish Leadership Groups

We invite all parish servant leaders and volunteers to rise from their seats, when requested, at each of the weekend masses.

2013 CATECHIST PROGRAM

St Peter Julian Eymard Parish 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 next week on **Thursday, 21st February 2013.**

Enrolments are now being taken. If you wish to enquire or enroll your child please ring Brianna Nation at the Parish House on 9723 4275.



PARISH NEWSLETTER VIA EMAIL

If you wish to receive the parish newsletter via email, please email or phone the parish.

Combined Parishes Car Raffle 2013

This weekend car raffle tickets have been issued to all school families and parishioners on the Thanksgiving Offering list. Tickets can be collected in the church over the next two weekends. If they are not collected then they will be posted out. We ask that the tickets be returned as soon as possible either sold or unsold. If you do not want the tickets please return them urgently so they can be re-issued or sold after Mass. A reminder that all cheques should be made out to St. Peter Julian Parish Mooroolbark and **NOT** “Combined Parishes Raffle” as all money raised goes to this Parish. You can contact us by email at spjerraffle@bigpond.com, talk to one of the helpers after mass or contact Leo Allison on 9739 6669 or Tony Warren on 97268363. It is important that all tickets are returned before the end of the school term so we can balance the books! This is one of the major fund raisers for the Parish so please try to sell all of your tickets.

MUSIC AT ‘THE MEMO’

Featuring Entity
Sun 3rd March, 2013.
2.00pm - 4.00pm

Healesville Memorial Hall, 235 Maroondah Hwy.

Cost: \$20pp (includes performance & afternoon tea)

Please see parish noticeboard for more details.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults - R.C.I.A.

Last weekend our three candidates and their team recommenced our weekly sessions of reflection, discussion and prayer. Please keep Mabel, Robert and Chris in your prayer as they approach the Rite of Election which will take place on Sunday 17th February at St Patrick's Cathedral. This signifies a further step in their commitment to become full members of the Catholic Church.



Easter Mass Times

Saturday 30th March
Vigil Service
at 7.30PM

Sunday 1st April
at 9.00am & 11.00am

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

Married couples, we encourage you to prioritise your relationship. It underpins your family life. Please join us for a Marriage Encounter weekend. Our weekend helps you to remember why you married and gives you skills to maintain your love for each other. Couples and a priest present the weekend. It is based around catholic values but you don't need to be catholic to attend. There is no group sharing. Our next weekends in 2013 are on: 19-21 April, 14-16 June and 9-11 August in Melbourne. For further information and bookings contact Marianne & Marcel Van den Bronk on (03) 9733 0997 or vicbookings@wwme.org.au

LISTENING, LEARNING AND LEADING:
The impact of Catholic identity and mission on what we do and how we do it
9-10 October 2013
www.css.org.au

International and Australian speakers include:
Chris Lowney
Julie Edwards
Margaret Mary Flynn IBM
Bishop Eugene Hurley
Michael McGirr
Anne Hunt OAM
Frank Brennan SJAO
Vicki Clark
Patricia Faulkner AO

Catholic Social Services Victoria
ACU
CCI Catholic Church Australia

KAIROS MAGAZINE

A reminder that the Kairos Magazine is available in the Church Foyer. **Cost: \$2.00 per copy** (Please leave your payment in the box provided)
Thank you.

Christmas Fair

“Coffee Percolator left behind after last year’s fair.
Contact Mac on 9725 5939.

ST RICHARD’S PRIMARY SCHOOL TWILIGHT MARKET NIGHT

Friday 1st March
5pm - until dark

672 Mount Dandenong Road, Kilsyth

Gourmet Food & Drinks, Live Music, Rides, Toys, Fashion, Craft, Kids activities and lot’s more.....
Enquiries to strichardsnightmarket@hotmail.com

Rose: 0419 376 667 or Rebecca: 0418 599 249

AUSTRALIAN CATHOLICS

Please pick up your copy of the current issue of Australian Catholics from the Church foyer.

This publication is “free”.

Australian Catholic Youth Festival

We invite every Parish and community/organisation to attend an information session to find out more about the Australian Catholic Youth Festival which is being held from 5th-7th December, right here in Melbourne! Find out what is happening, how you can be involved and how you can support young people in your parish to attend.

When: Thursday 7th March

Two sessions: 3pm-4.30pm or 7.30pm-9pm

Where: Cardinal Knox Centre
383 Albert Street, East Melbourne

RSVP/ enquiries: Annaliese on 9412 3326 or annaliese.ros@cam.org.au