



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



**Number 47**

**CHRISTMAS DAY**

**25th December, 2016**

**Parish Priest  
Fr. Joseph Xin Lu**

**Parish Secretary**  
Mrs. Adriana De Leo

**Parish Assistant**  
Mr. Brian Twining

**Pastoral Associate**  
Michael Sellar

**RCIA Coordinator**  
Michael Mc Lindon

**Parish Office**

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Mooroolbark 3138  
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**Parish Hall (Not available during 2016)**  
Mrs. Leveda Allison - Hall Manager Ph: 9739 6669

**SPJE Parish School**

Reay Road, Mooroolbark 3138  
Telephone 9725 0595 Fax 9723 9255  
**School Principal – Mrs. Maria Bast**  
<http://www.spjemooroolbark.catholic.edu.au>

**SPJE - Outside School Hours Care**  
Tel: 8215 9206

**St. Richard's Parish School**

672 Mt. Dandenong Rd.  
Kilsyth, 3137  
Telephone 9728 4378 Fax 9728 6272  
**School Principal - Mrs. Maureen Stella**  
<http://www.srkilsyth.catholic.edu.au>

**Normal 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, Weddings)**

Ring Parish Office 9723 4275

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL**

If assistance is required, please contact  
1800 305 330, Mon – Fri 10 am -3 pm



**The Christmas Hamper**

This probably sounds like the story line for a 'B' grade telemovie but it is true and happened in our own parish. It is the story of the faith and trust of a group of nuns, the unselfish love of a local family and how easy it is to be a channel of God's grace simply by saying "Yes".

In the early 1980s I was the President of the St Vincent de Paul Conference. A few days before Christmas we had completed the distribution of our Christmas hampers when the nuns who used to live up around Hayrick Lane phoned me to say they had come across a family who were in need and were not included on any "hamper list". Could I help? As usual I said yes. I was just about to phone the Conference Treasurer to see if we had any money left when the phone rang.

It was Fr Charlie McBride, then the assistant priest. A local couple had just phoned him to say that they had put together a Christmas hamper and didn't know what to do with it. Could I find someone who would benefit?

When I got to the house there was this large hamper with all the goodies you would expect like Christmas pudding, mince pies, and ham but in addition were a doll and a set of farmyard animals and some board games suitable for young children aged about four to seven. You've guessed it! The nuns had told me the family had a four year old girl and a six year old boy.

Have a Happy and Holy Christmas.  
Michael Sellar - Pastoral Associate.

### Weekday Mass Times

Mass times as normal at 9.15 am  
Tue, Wed, Thurs, Fri  
( From 3rd January 2017 onwards )

### Prayers For The Sick

We pray for parishioners and friends who are ill.

### **Remembrance Diary**

*We remember those who have died and all those whose anniversary occurs about this time:*

24/12 - 30/12

Adolphus D'Rozario, Albrikus Monewalu, Poridgette Delia Martin, Nicholas Bain, John Buckley, George Dykes, Joan Farrell, Bobbie Trenfield, John Collins, Joseph Carmody, Charles D'Orival, Josh den Broeder, Daisy Watson, Andrew Watson, Diana Cawood, Alma Montego, Daman Fitzgerald [baby].

31/12 to 6/01

Terry Sullivan, Patricia Johnston, Gavin Stickland, William Patrick Woods, Molly Martin, Margaret Isabella Hawkins, Tilly Britton, Rita Eramo, Elizabeth (Betty) Harris, Keagan Kerr, Angelo Cristofaro, Jim Fuller, Kathleen Quinn, John Phippard, Cecil Rabot, Olive + James Carroll, Rose Malone, John Van Meurs.

7/01 to 13/01

Giuseppe Villella, Florence Birmingham, Jim Fraser, Mary Matthews, Mollie Fox, Fr Brian Anthony James, Myrtle Cudmore, Mary Cosgriff, Kevin Beatty, Gerard Jansman, Kaye Clancy, Margaret Malone, Margaret McLaren, Doris Dunzinger, Ken Cosgriff, Betty Merna Eaton, John Alfred James, Edward Malone, Alice Adams, Lloyd Quinless, Anna D'Angelo, Jill O'Garey, Maria De Groot, Rosemary Ekanayake, Mollie Hoyne, Margaret + Stewart Millard.

14/01 to 20/01

Pearl Alice Barr, Bart Van Asten, Garry Donoghue, Gina Di Leonardo, Peter Vanderhorst, Ken Stephens, George Cairns, Theodore Greblo, Marie Borella, Tony Franz, Mary Barbaro- Sant, Margaret Simondson, Ashley Janssen, Peter Dykes, Silvano Kermac, Dien Berens, Mary Willingham, Margaret Chivell, Alice Brick, Albert Gray.

21/01 to 27/01.

John Galea, Johannes Van Eckelen, Erika Lutterberg, Jos Den Broedet, Agnes Donnely, Robert Amado, Mary Houlahan, Nancy Peters, Maureen Westbury, Robert Bruce, Donato Sanelli, Maurice Street, Leonard Willey, John Busuttill, Sr Mary Ord OSU, Wauturus Van Den Borg, Charlie Pizzaro, Joshua Margerison, Daniel Veldhus, Jean Hauser, John Fox, Margaret Burgi, Dorothy Wellard, John Bramble, Maria Turk, Margaret Harriott, John McVeigh, Eva Stapleton, Eva Stapleton, Michael Argus, Patricia Fry, Cameron Buckley, Georgina Smith, Margaret Grant, Kevin Phillips, Mary Allison, Mary Allison.

## PARISH CALENDAR

### ROSTERS

#### Counters

28th Dec (Wed) Leo Allison & Julia Zammit, Paul & Marianne Redfern  
3rd Jan (Tue) Bob & Wies Dight  
9th Jan Norm Willingham & Paul & Marianne Redfern  
16th Jan Eileen Goltz & Leveda Allison  
23rd Jan Joan & Maurie Prendergast  
30th Jan Des Delahunt, Pam Dryden & Christine Sellar

#### Flowers

24th Dec Patricia Harman (Christmas)  
31st Anne Goodall  
7th Jan Routley Family  
14th Volunteer Required  
21st Bernadette Bates  
28th Pat Harman

#### Cleaners

26th Dec Graeme Vear & Gerard Wright  
2nd Jan Jessica & Gloria Romero & Catherine Tai  
9th Jan Eleanor Thompson & Charlotte Robinson  
16th Rosemary Cullinan & Christine Di Palma  
23rd Peter & Anne Holt, Wernert Family  
30th Fr Joseph

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

#### Ministers of Eucharist Coordinators for December

6.00 pm Michael Sellar  
9.00 am **Volunteer Required**  
11.00am Mike McCann

#### Readers & Commentators - 24/25th December

6.00 pm Special Roster  
9.00 am Special Roster  
11.00 am Special Roster

#### **1st January**

6pm Michael McLindon & Paul Redfern  
9am Leon McKiernan & Lisa Read  
11am Maureen Cooke & Jun Romero

#### **8th January**

6pm Volunteer Required  
9am Peter Nanscawen & Tim Newcomb  
11am Les Guylas & Charlotte Wightman

#### **15th January**

6pm Denis Horan & Frank Westaway  
9am Eileen Goltz & Volunteer Req.  
11am Auna Wernert & Maria Bast

#### **22nd January**

6pm Jessica & Gloria Romero  
9am Karen Broughton & Lilette de la Harpe

11am Derek Villaceran & Eliz Acapado

#### **29th January**

6pm Ed & Sharon Blow  
9am Leon McKiernan & Lisa Read  
11am Margaret Corker & Maureen Cooke

## DECEMBER 2016

24th Dec 6.00pm Family Mass on the Oval  
Carols commencing at 5.30pm  
8.30pm Mass - Church  
Carols commencing at 8.00pm  
Midnight Mass - Church  
Carols commencing at 11.30pm

25th Dec Christmas Day - 9.00 am  
Christmas Day - 10.30am

26th Dec No Mass

**26th (Mon)**

**Boxing Day No 9.15am Mass**

**27th – 30th No Masses**

**31st Saturday – 6pm**

**1st Sunday – 9am & 11am**

**Mary, the Holy Mother of God**

## January 2017

**8th (Sun)**

**Feast of the Epiphany—Mass  
9am & 11am**

**Baptisms**



## Merry Christmas to our Parish family,

May you and your families be blessed with  
the gifts of peace, joy and hope this  
Christmas  
and in the coming year,

With love from  
*Fr. Joseph,  
Adriana, Brian & Michael*



## FR JOSEPH IS TURNING 50

We invite parishioners to come and celebrate this special birthday of **Fr Joseph on Sunday 22nd January 2017**.

A BBQ lunch will be held in St Richard's School Hall commencing at 12.30pm.

Anyone wishing to help with setting up or supplying a salad or sweet, please contact Bernadette Brown on 0447 743 138, Margaret Vallenge or Adriana De Leo at the parish office on 9723 4275.

A collection box will be available in the foyer for those who wish to contribute towards a gift for Fr Joseph over the next few weekends.

*Happy  
50th  
Birthday*

## FUNERAL

Funeral will be held for the late

**John Turner.**

Thursday 29th December - 11am SPJE Church.

## CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

The Archbishops Christmas Message is available on the following link :

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xE6BX0o-mGE>

## Have you Changed?

**Phone Number**

**Email Address**

**Residential Address**

**Mail Address**

Please notify the Parish Office on 9723 4275 or email [mooroolbark@cam.org.au](mailto:mooroolbark@cam.org.au)

## Christian Meditation Meetings

The Christian meditation prayer group is now in recess until January 30th, 2017. Wishing you peace and joy this Christmas, kind regards Trish Martin.