



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

29th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

18th October 2026 Issue No: 36

PARISH CALENDAR

OCTOBER

17/18th	29th Sunday in Ordinary Time Church Monthly Collection Reconciliation Commitment Mass 6pm & 9am BAPTISMS— 11am
19th Mon	Reconciliation Spirit Day St Richards—9:30am
22nd Thur	Reconciliation SPJE—12 noon
24/25th	30th Sunday in Ordinary Time BAPTISMS— 11am Private Baptism—12:30pm
29th Thur	Reconciliation—St Richards 9:30am
30th Fri	All Souls Mass Lilydale Cemetery—10am

NOVEMBER

31st/1st Nov	ALL SAINTS
2nd Mon	ALL SOULS
2nd Tue	Melbourne Cup Day—Public Holiday
7/8th	32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time BAPTISM—11am
10th Tue	Graduation Mass—St Richards

Reflection for World Mission Day

This weekend we celebrate World Mission Sunday, a powerful reminder of our shared responsibility to proclaim the Gospel to all nations, a day when Catholics around the world unite in prayer and solidarity to support the missionary work of the Church.

We are all called to be a part of this mission work. For 2,000 years the Church has been at work in this task and we are far from finished! Two-thirds of the people alive still have no relationship with Christ or his Church. Bringing people to Jesus is the work of the Church, and all of us together have a part to play.

The 2026 theme for World Mission Sunday is: *“One in Christ, United in Mission.”* chosen by Pope Leo XIV, this theme carries deep significance as 2026 marks 100 years since the establishment of World Mission Sunday by Pope Pius XI.

Today, we stand in solidarity with the missionaries, priests, religious sisters and brothers, and lay leaders serving in the 1,130 mission dioceses, spanning Asia, Africa, Latin America, Oceania, and the Middle East, that depend on our prayers and financial support to continue proclaiming Christ and building His Church.

Pope Leo XIV recognizes how important World Mission Sunday is for the Church. He spent a large part of his priestly ministry as a missionary in Peru, serving communities in the Andean highlands in rural villages, and has noted how dependent he was on the support of the Church universally through World Mission Sunday.

Being *“one in Christ”* calls us to keep our gaze fixed on the Lord, so that He may truly be at the centre of our lives.



Pope Leo in Peru

Marg Vallence
Parish Pastoral Council

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Mooroolbark Parish**

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Fr. Joseph**

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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 - 18th October

Is 45:1, 4-6: Ps 95:1, 3-5, 7-10: R
1 Thess 1:1-5: Mt 22:15-21:

Prayers for the Sick

We pray for parishioners and friends who are ill,
especially

**Christian Abela, Sofia Aranco, Margaret Hicks,
Andrew Badawy, Michelle Windsor, Vivienne
Margaletic, Margaret Spencer, Maria Voorma.**

✠ Remembrance Diary ✠

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

17th to 23rd October

Emil Lutterberg, Kenneth Adams, Marion Doggett,
Peter Basile, Ian Barker, Colin Bell, Nancy Heaney,
Giuseppe Cincotta, Francis Westaway, Francesco De
Leo, Francesco D'Eramo, John Simmonds, Katrina
Heykoop, John Payne, Marie Cooney, Lorna Gordon,
Donald Pinder, Con Doensen, Bernie Gallagher,
Francis Cleary, James Cudmore, Francis Burke,
Margaret Russell, Sr. Win Mahony, Leila Walker,
Marjorie Morton, Allan Panozza.

Parish Child Safeguarding Team

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

Albert Pangestu
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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 October

Christine Sellar & Karen Broughton

Flowers - 17/18th & 24/25th October

Anna Waite

Church Cleaning—Month of October

Jun Romero & Family

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

Readers & Commentators 17/18th October

6.00pm Bernadette Brown & Mitchell Mazarella
9.00am Vanessa Walker & Margaret Corker
11.00am Jun & Caroline Romero

Readers & Commentators 24/25th October

6.00pm Paul Martin & Paul Redfern
9.00am Lilette de la Harpe & Nathaniel Mack
11.00am Auna Wernert & Francis Braganza

Musicians 17/18th October

6.00pm Shelly & Co
9.00am Filipino Group
11.00am Zomi Group

Musicians 25/25th October

6.00pm No Music
9.00am Filipino Group
11.00am Anton & Family

The Whitefriars Parents Association is hosting a Sip & Sing event.
This is a ladies-only event, so grab a group of girlfriends, get your singing voices ready and join us for an evening full of fun, laughter and daggy hit songs from the 80s and 90s.

What is Sip & Sing?

Click here to find out: <https://www.instagram.com/reel/Dcwz43GzHFk/>

**Friday 23 October
7.00 pm to 9.00 pm
\$5 per ticket**

Science & Technology Functions Centre, Whitefriars College

Includes singalong microphone

Drinks available at Whitefriars Parents Association bar prices.

Tickets can be booked here:

<https://www.trybooking.com/au/event/1595139>



We welcome to our Parish through
Baptism

***Xavier Iannarella &
Aurelio Jeyabalansingam***

Who will receive the Holy Spirit through the
Sacrament celebrated this weekend, we
support & guide them throughout their life.

Thank you to everyone who Has participated in the Combined Catholic Parishes Raffle

*Good luck and fingers crossed someone
From SPJE parish wins a prize
Winners will be notified*

**There are still 2 books which were
taken from the sellers in the
church foyer needing to be returned
Please do so this weekend**

Marg Vallence CoOrdinator for SPJE

SVDP Tomato Plants

St Vincent De Paul Mooroolbark
Conference will be selling Tomato
plants after Mass for the next
3 weekends.

All plants are \$3 each.



BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

During the month of November we
remember all those who have passed away.
Many of these names are recorded in our Book
of Remembrance.

If you would like a **NEW** name
recorded and have not submitted the name in
previous years, place the name of your loved
one including first name and surname on the
sheet provided.

Any new names will be included in the book
next year.

The Remembrance book will be
available in the church foyer next weekend.

All Souls Mass Lilydale

Honour and remember those who have passed

Join us for All Souls Mass, to come together in prayer, remembrance and reflection.

A sacred Christian tradition, All Souls' Day honours and remembers those who have passed away. It's a significant time for families who have lost loved ones to gather in prayer and reflection.

We have held services to commemorate All Souls' Day across our cemeteries for over a decade and cherish the opportunity to bring neighbouring communities together in remembrance.

This year we're hosting six Mass services across Melbourne throughout late October and early November. Community members are warmly invited to attend any of our services, regardless of which GMCT location they are connected to. Each service will feature hymns and prayers in a respectful and reflective setting.

This mass will be delivered in English with some prayers and readings in Italian.

All are welcome to attend. No registration is required.

Date and Time

Friday 30 October 2026, 10:00 am – 11:30 am

Location

Lilydale Memorial Park 126-128 Victoria Rd, Lilydale VIC 3140



Understanding mental health through listening and sharing

[Rome hosts mental health roundtable inspired by Pope's prayer intention](#)

The second day of the conference, "A Healing Presence: The Church's Call to Mental Health Ministry," reflects on the state of mental health among young people and the relationship between psychological distress and drug use.

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A meeting entitled "A Healing Presence: The Church's Call to Mental Health Ministry," organized by the Catholic Mental Health Ministers, opens in Rome to explore Pope Leo XIV's...

Organized by the International Association of Catholic Mental Health Ministers in collaboration with the Don Luigi Di Liegro International Foundation and the Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network, the conference is held under the patronage of the Pontifical Academy for Life. It also coincides with World Mental Health Day and Pope Leo XIV's monthly prayer intention.

Greater attention

The morning's proceedings took place at the headquarters of the Don Luigi Di Liegro International Foundation and opened with a presentation by Alessandro Vento, a psychiatrist and president of the Observatory on Addictions, who drew attention to the state of mental health among Italy's younger population.

Highlighting the increase in drug use, particularly among young people, Vento noted that many suicides may be linked to the effects of drugs, including new psychoactive substances.

The psychiatrist also stressed the need for greater collaboration among families, institutions, and associations to provide better support for people living with mental illness, who deserve greater attention.

Experiences and solutions

The event continued with testimonies and reflections from caregivers and people living with mental illness from various countries, who shared their experiences, concerns, and possible solutions.

At the end of the session, Gina Di Liegro, secretary-general of the Di Liegro Foundation, presented the organization's mental health program. The foundation has long been actively involved in psychosocial rehabilitation and the social inclusion of people experiencing mental health difficulties.

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