



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

Fourth Sunday In Ordinary Time

1st February 2026 Issue No: 1

PARISH CALENDAR

February 2026

31st/1st Feb	4th Sunday in Ord Time Church Monthly Collection Youth Mass—11am Baptism— 11am
2nd Mon	Presentation of the Lord
3rd Tue	Baptism Preparation Meeting— Church 7pm Marg & Lili
7/8th Feb	5th Sunday in Ord Time
8th Sun	Baptism—9am Private Baptism - 12:30pm
14/15th Feb	6th Sunday in Ord Time
14th Sat	Private Baptism—9:30am
15th Sun	Baptism— 11am
17th Tue	Church—Musicians—7pm
18th Wed	ASH WEDNESDAY Beginning of Lent Mass—9:30am & 7:30 pm
21/22nd Feb	1st Sunday of Lent Baptisms—6pm
28th/1st Mar	2nd Sunday of Lent Church Monthly Collection Private Baptism—11:30am
Sat.	

Reflection

We seek God through seeking justice and peace with integrity and humility. It doesn't matter if we seem foolish and weak by human standards—God gives us the wisdom, virtue, holiness and freedom necessary for the task. Jesus sees the crowd and goes up a hill where he is joined by his disciples, the ones he has deliberately chosen for God's work. I imagine he speaks to them first, telling them that it will only be through a personal relationship with God that they will come to understand his words. Then he gives them nine rather surprising invitation to bring about change in the lives of people the encounter. The consequences may lead to strong opposition and persecution but those called to be disciples of Jesus are promised joy and gladness and an eternal reward for their efforts.

Today I reflect on how I seek God in my everyday life. I ask myself if I truly believe that I have been chosen by God to make a difference in the life of another.



God's Word Daily Reflections

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Mooroolbark Parish**

**Parish Priest
Fr. Joseph**

**Parish Secretary
Mrs. Adriana De Leo**

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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

Morning Mass 9:30am Tue & Wed
Rosary Tue after 9:30am morning Mass

This Week's Readings - 1st February 2026

Zeph 2:3, 3:12-13: Ps 145:7-10: R
1 Cor 1:26-31: Mt 5:1-12:

Prayers for the Sick

We pray for parishioners and friends who are ill,
especially

**Carmel Waters, Estelita Reyes
& Peter Harman.**

✠ Remembrance Diary ✠

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

31/1 to 6/2

John Russo, Joyce Baade, Molly Arman, Leah
Talbot, Joan Walker, Margaret Trenery, Darinka
Soffici, Maria Klepac, Mena Bell, Ignats Plaucs,
Brett Collins (first anniversary), Joseph O'Hara,
Edward Chookoon, Frederick Quinless, Rosa Turk,
Mary Ward, Norma Foley, Gerard Sheehan, Mary
Willingham, Noel McWilliams, Joe Khodr,
Alan Tatnell.



We welcome to our Parish through
Baptism

Beau Green

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

ROSTERS

Counters—Month of February

Christine Sellar & Karen Broughton

Flowers— 31/1st & 7/8th February

Philomena Turner

Flowers— 14/15th & 21/22nd February

Marie Reilly

Church Cleaning—Month of February

Francis Braganza & Laurel Simpson

*(Please collect church key from parish office
Wed, Thur & Friday, 9am - 3.30pm)*

Readers & Commentators 31st/1st February

6.00pm	Elaine & Michael McLindon
9.00am	Lilijana Stride & Margaret Corker
11.00am	Geraldine O'Hare & Elizabeth Acabado

Readers & Commentators 7/8th February

6.00pm	Dympna Beard & Angela Stainwall
9.00am	Muzzena D'Almeida & Tim Newcomb
11.00am	Jun & Caroline Romero

Musicians 31st/1st February

6.00pm	Paul & Co
9.00am	No Music
11.00am	Youth Group

Musicians 7/8th February

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

Parish Child Safeguarding Team

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

Albert Pangestu
albert.pangestu@gmail.com

Or call the Parish Office
phone 9723 4275

LADIES LUNCHEON



TUESDAY 3rd FEBRUARY

LILYDALE INTERNATIONAL HOTEL
we will meet at 12pm for 12.30 lunch

For enquiries please contact
Philomena Turner 0417 208 077

I cannot be sufficiently grateful to our good God

I read a lovely story about a village elder in Cambodia who invited a friend to her home to receive a thank you gift. The friend was full of anticipation, wondering what form the gift would take. When she arrived at the one-roomed home, after being offered a blessing, she was ushered to the back door of the simple dwelling. Here the elder pointed to the view of the mountain. This was her gift, a vision of beauty for her friend to cherish and remember. They say that grateful people are happier, healthier, and more fulfilled. If we could find three things each day to be grateful for, it would be good for us, and for those around us.

David Steindl-Rast tells us to:

*Look closely and you will find that
people are happy because they are
grateful. The opposite is just taking
everything for granted.*



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If assistance is required,
please contact

1800 305 330

Mon to Fri - 10am to 3pm

YOUNG CATHOLICS RESOURCES

<https://young-catholics.com/>

LESSON ON BEING SALT AND LIGHT

SHINE ONLINE



FREE RESOURCES

young-catholics.com

This lesson plan helps youth explore how their faith connects to what they do and say online. Many young people spend hours each day on social media, but they may not stop to think about how their actions there reflect their values. This lesson will help them take a step back and ask, “Am I shining the light of Christ in my posts, comments, and messages?”

The lesson is based on Matthew 5:13-16, where Jesus calls his followers the salt of the earth and the light of the world. These images are simple but strong. Salt brings out good flavor. Light shows the way. Teens will learn how their words and actions online can either help others or hurt them. They’ll begin to understand that even small things can shine in big ways.

This lesson also gives space for teens to talk honestly. They can reflect on real situations they face, like group chats, memes, and the pressure to fit in. It encourages them to think about what it means to follow Jesus when no one is watching—or when everyone is. They’ll be reminded that their faith isn’t something they turn on and off. It’s part of who they are, everywhere, even online.

Youth who take this lesson seriously will begin to see their social media habits in a new light. They’ll be better able to choose kindness over cruelty, truth over gossip, and hope over hate. The goal isn’t perfection. It’s awareness. This lesson helps them grow as disciples—one post, one share, one kind word at a time.

Mass Readings for the 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

- **First Reading** – Zephaniah 2:3; 3:12-13: The humble who follow God’s commands are urged to seek justice and humility for refuge from His wrath. Among them, a peaceful, truthful remnant of Israel will be preserved.
- **Responsorial Psalm** – Psalm 146: The Lord is eternally faithful, upholding justice, feeding the hungry, freeing prisoners, healing, supporting the humble, and ensuring His righteous reign forever.
- **Second Reading** – 1 Corinthians 1:26-31: God chose the unwise, weak, and lowly to confound the mighty, ensuring no one boasts before Him. In Christ, we gain wisdom, righteousness, holiness, and redemption, boasting only in the Lord.
- **Gospel** – Matthew 5:1-12A: On a mountain, Jesus taught his disciples, outlining the Beatitudes. He declared blessings on the spiritually humble, mourners, the gentle, those yearning for righteousness, the merciful, the pure in heart, peacemakers, and those persecuted for righteousness. He encouraged joy amidst persecution for his sake, promising heavenly reward.