



St Peter Julian Eymard Catholic Church Mooroolbark Parish

*We are a Welcoming Eucharistic
and Spirit Filled Parish Community.*



SPJE PARISH IS A CHILD SAFE ENVIRONMENT

We acknowledge the Wurundjeri People, the traditional custodians of this land

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Fr. Joseph

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Normal Mass Times at SPJE

Weekday Masses
Tues & Wed : 9.30 am
Saturday: No morning Mass
Saturday: 6.00 pm (Vigil)
Sunday: 9.00 am
Sunday: 11.00 am

Reconciliation: Saturday 5.15 pm
or by arrangement with Priest.
Sacraments (Baptism, Weddings)
Ring Parish Office 9723 4275

EASTER SUNDAY
9th April 2023 Issue No. 10

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

John's account of the Resurrection in the Bible is unique in its subtlety and realism, making it relatable to our own experiences of loss and grief. Unlike other Gospels, there are no angels proclaiming the risen Christ or miraculous appearances. Instead, Mary and Peter are still mourning the death of Jesus, and it is only the disciple referred to as 'beloved' who initially experiences the Resurrection through his faith in God's power to bring Christ back to life.

The beloved disciple (traditionally believed to be the apostle John, the son of Zebedee.) believes in the resurrection before anyone else, even though he didn't see the risen Jesus like Mary Magdalene, Peter, and Thomas eventually did. He saw enough to remember the prophecy that the Messiah would rise from the dead and come to faith in the resurrection. The beloved disciple stands for all of us who believe in the resurrection without having physically seen Jesus. We can see emptiness and absence as mysterious evidence of the divine power to bring life out of death, to call back into being "things that are not."

In John's Gospel, the Resurrection is also linked to a new creation, as evidenced by the naming of the day as 'the first day' of the week. This concept is echoed in Paul's letter to the Colossians, which describes the Resurrection as a rebirth into a new life imbued with God's divine glory.

John's unique theological vision is also seen in his portrayal of the Crucifixion within a garden, a deliberate choice that aligns with the Garden of Eden in Genesis and symbolizes the end of one creation and the beginning of a new one.

Easter, therefore, is not simply a celebration of the Resurrection of Jesus but a reminder that we too can participate in divine life through him. It is a glimpse of heaven on earth, a moment when we can experience something greater than ourselves and be reminded of the possibility of new life, even in the midst of grief and loss.

Rudy Vail
Deputy Principal/Religious Education leader
St. Richards Primary School

PARISH CALENDAR - APRIL



Sat 8 th	<u>Holy Saturday</u> Easter Vigil - 7.00pm
Sun 9 th	<u>Easter Sunday</u> Mass at 9.00 am & 11.00am First Eucharist Child - 11am Mass
Mon 10 th	<u>Easter Monday</u> Public Holiday - No Mass
15/16 th Sat.	2nd Sunday of Easter Private Baptism - 10am Baptism - 6pm
22/23 rd	3rd Sunday of Easter Guest Speaker - all Masses (Persecution of the Church) Private Baptisms - 12.30pm
25 th Tue	ANZAC DAY (public holiday)

ROSTERS

Counters - Month of April

Jan Phipphard & Eileen Goltz

Flowers - Month of April

Pat Harman

Church Cleaners - Month of April

Jun Romero Family

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

Readers and Commentators - 15/16th April

6.00 pm	Pat Harman & Iris Gale
9.00 am	Muzeena D'Almeida & Karen Broughton
11.00am	Elizabeth Acabado & Volunteer

Musicians - 15/16th April

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

ST VINCENT DE PAUL



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

Weekday Mass Times Tuesday & Wednesday 9.30 am Mass

Readings for Next Week - 15/16th April

Acts 2:42-47: Ps 117:2-4, 3-15, 22-24:
1 Pet 1:3-9: Jn 20:19-31:

Prayers for the Sick

We pray for parishioners and friends who are ill,
especially,
**Pope Francis, Kay Williams, Anna Van Reymers
Dael, Colleen Watson, Ignatius Suan Lian Thang,
Joseph Raborar De Sagun, Colleen Watson &
Anna Van Reymersdael.**

† Remembrance Diary †

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

8/4 to 14/4

Arthur Black (2nd Anniversary), Alice Quinless,
Gerard Peping, Richard Yee, Robert Carbould,
Frank Haley, Emma Devitt, Mary & William
Steane, Wallace Roberts, Joseph Williams, Antony
Meyer, Andrew Roudie, Eva Munro, Julia Dana,
Cecilia McMullan, Kathleen Argus, Murray
Thomas, Helen Mann, Allie Allen, Made Fox,
Margaret Egan, John (Johannes) Van Rooden,
Brenda Natoli, Jack & Dorrie Cleary, Stefan Turk,
Michael Coleman, Ruza Mazar.

Please follow the links to Melbourne Catholic
for the video and text of Archbishop Peter's
2023 Easter Message:

'Recognised, healed and sent'.

https://youtu.be/e_UogDLRF_0

[Archbishop Comensoli's Easter Message
2023:... | Melbourne Catholic](#)

Wishing you a joyous Easter.

See transcript next page

WORKING WITH CHILDREN CARD

WWCC is required by government legislation.

All volunteers working in a parish voluntary capacity must have a current WWCC card.

Please see notice below for further information or contact can be made with the Parish Child Safeguarding Team.



PROJECT COMPASSION EASTER SUNDAY

Thank you to those who donated to Project Compassion.

Please return your donation boxes
Either in the collection or basket at the
front of Altar.

- THE WEAVER -

My life is but a weaving
Between my Lord and me
I cannot choose the colours
He worketh steadily
Of times He weaveth sorrow
and I, in foolish pride
Forget he sees the upper
and I the under side.

Not till the loom is silent
and the shuttles cease to fly
Does God unroll the canvas
and explain the reason why
The dark threads are as needful
in the skilful weavers hand
As the threads of gold and silver
in the pattern he has planned.

Archbishop Peter A Comensoli - **Easter Message 2023: 'Recognised, healed and sent'**

Three things flow from the resurrection of Jesus Christ; three things that matter. In his resurrection, Jesus *recognises us* personally; he *invites us* to peace; and he *sends us* out. The very first word Jesus spoke following his resurrection was a name: Mary. He saw his friend, and although she could not yet recognise him, he called her by name.

Similarly, Jesus personally recognised his friends, to whom he appeared. There was something intimate, and tender, and hospitable about the risen Lord. He draws us into his own resurrected life.

Jesus, in his resurrection, also offered an invitation to peace. 'Peace be with you' was his first—and repeated—declaration. It was an invitation to a share in his forgiveness, and to be healed. Jesus reconciled all creation to himself on the cross; now, he offers us a share in his healing peace.

Finally, through his resurrection, Jesus sends forth his friends. Jesus charged his followers to share the Good News of redemption, and our life in his.

Mary: Go and tell the others.

Peter: Go and feed my sheep.

Friends: Go and make disciples.

Jesus gave out this task so that the gift of his death and resurrection would not be only for the few.

These same three things from Jesus' resurrection—his recognising, his inviting, his sending—all belong to us now; they are ours to share in.

The risen Jesus recognises each of us personally by name.

The risen Jesus invites each of us to share in his healing gift of peace.

The risen Jesus sends each of us out in his name, with the gift of life.

He says to us, 'Follow me,' that we might live each day illumined by his resurrection, as the reason for our hope.

So, may our lives be filled with the energy, joy and youthfulness of the risen Jesus, knowing that, in him, I am recognised, I am healed, and I am sent.