

ST JUDE'S PARISH, SCORESBY 49 George Street, Scoresby 3179

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Member of Knox Deanery

First Sunday of Lent —Year A 26th February 2023 Weekday Mass this week

Wednesday 1 March, Thursday, 2nd March & Friday 3rd March at 9.15am

Weekend Masses

Saturday 6pm, Sunday 8.30am & 10.30am Reconciliation by appointment (contact Fr Mark or Fr Samuel at Parish Office)



In the words of Pope Francis

Fast from hurting words and say kind words. Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude. Fast from anger and be filled with patience. Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope. Fast from worries and trust in God. Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity. Fast from pressures and be prayerful. Fast from bitterness and fill your heart with joy. Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others.

Fast from grudges and be reconciled. Fast from words and be silent so you can listen.

St Jude's Parish community, is committed to the Victorian Child Safe Standards & acknowledge that child safeguarding is everyone's responsibility.

OUR PARISH OFFICE

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First Reading: Gen 2:7-9 3:1-7

The Lord God fashioned man of dust from the soil. Then he breathed into his nostrils a breath of life, and thus man became a living being.

The Lord God planted a garden in Eden which is in the east, and there he put the man he had fashioned. The Lord God caused to spring up from the soil every kind of tree, enticing to look at and good to eat, with the tree of life and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil in the middle of the garden.

The serpent was the most subtle of all the wild beasts that the Lord God had made. It asked the woman, 'Did God really say you were not to eat from any of the trees in the garden?' The woman answered the serpent, 'We may eat the fruit of the trees in the garden. But of the fruit of the tree in the middle of the garden God said, "You must not eat it, nor touch it, under pain of death".' Then the serpent said to the woman, 'No! You will not die! God knows in fact that on the day you eat it your eyes will be opened and you will be like gods, knowing good and evil.' The woman saw that the tree was good to eat and pleasing to the eye, and that it was desirable for the knowledge that it could give. So she took some of its fruit and ate it. She gave some also to her husband who was with her, and he ate it. Then the eyes of both of them were opened and they realised that they were naked. So they sewed fig-leaves together to make themselves loin-cloths.

Second Reading: Rom 5:12-19

Sin entered the world through one man, and through sin death, and thus death has spread through the whole human race because everyone has sinned. Sin existed in the world long before the Law was given. There was no law and so no one could be accused of the sin of 'law-breaking', yet death reigned over all from Adam to Moses, even though their sin, unlike that of Adam, was not a matter of breaking a law.

Adam prefigured the One to come, but the gift itself considerably outweighed the fall. If it is certain that through one man's fall so many died, it is even more certain that divine grace, coming through the one man, Jesus Christ, came to so many as an abundant free gift. The results of the gift also outweigh the results of one man's sin: for after one single fall came judgement with a verdict of condemnation, now after many falls comes grace with its verdict of acquittal. If it is certain that death reigned over everyone as the consequence of one man's fall, it is even more certain that one man, Jesus Christ, will cause everyone to reign in life who receives the free gift that he does not deserve, of being made righteous. Again, as one man's fall brought condemnation on everyone, so the good act of one man brings everyone life and makes them justified. As by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by one man's obedience many will be made righteous

Gospel: Mt 4:4

Jesus was led by the Spirit out into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted for forty days and forty nights, after which he was very hungry, and the tempter came and said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, tell these stones to turn into loaves.' But he replied, 'Scripture says:

Man does not live on bread alone

but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.'

The devil then took him to the holy city and made him stand on the parapet of the Temple. 'If you are the Son of God,' he said, 'throw yourself down; for scripture says:

He will put you in his angels' charge, and they will support you on their hands in case you hurt your foot against a stone.'

Jesus said to him, 'Scripture also says:

You must not put the Lord your God to the test.'

Next, taking him to a very high mountain, the devil showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendour. 'I will give you all these', he said, 'if you fall at my feet and worship me.' Then Jesus replied, 'Be off, Satan! For scripture says:

You must worship the Lord your God, and serve him alone.'

Then the devil left him, and angels appeared and looked after him.



We ask for the peace and grace of Eternal Life for those whose memories are sacred to us at this time especially:

Rita Ephrauns, Harry Tooth, Manny Percado, Jan Eaton, Abelardo Pemetillo, Damien McKeogh, Karen Woodyard, Regina Moirt, Anthony David, John Hosier, Johann Domantay, Godwin Wanigasinghe, Robert Yeow.

Serve the Lord with Joy

Religious Education Institutions and Anti-Discrimination Laws Inquiry

The Australian Law Reform Commission (ALRC) current Inquiry into the Framework of Religious Exemptions in Anti-Discrimination Legislation has produced a Consultation Paper which proposes severe limits on the ability for religious schools to appoint staff who support their mission other than roles in which 'the teaching, observance or practice of the religion is a genuine requirement of the role.' For every other role it would become unlawful for the school to give preference to teachers who share, or who are willing, to support the religious beliefs of the institution. This would effectively remove the right of faith-based schools to express their religious identity and culture.

Archbishop Comensoli, along with other faith leaders, encourages you, as well as parents and other members of the Catholic community, to complete the following survey with an expression of hope to protect faith-based schools from further obstacles that will impede their ability to express our Catholic faith:

https://www.alrc.gov.au/inquiry/anti-discrimination-laws/submission/survey/

Stations of the Cross

Stations of the Cross will be held at 7.30pm during the Fridays of Lent next gathering on 3 March.



World Day of Prayer Service Venue: St Simon the Apostle Church 2 Taylors Lane, Rowville Focus: Taiwan Date: Thursday, 2nd March 2023 *Time: 7.30pm*

Garrett Publishing is offering 2023 Virtual Lenten Series presented by Prof Mary Coloe PBVM, Dr Mary Reaburn NDS, Dr Chris Monaghan CP & Dr Janina Hiebel. Each week this group of accomplished guides will work together to explore the readings for the week. **Event details**

When: Tuesdays 28 February, 7, 14, 21 & 28 March Time: 7pm-8pm Where: Via Zoom meeting - zoom details will be forwarded after registration Cost: Free **Registration is essential** by clicking on the link below:

https://garratt1.wufoo.com/forms/g6lptg51cbfmb2/



After losing her father when she was just 10 years old, Laxmi was at risk of falling further into extreme poverty. But with the support of our partner Caritas Nepal, Laxmi joined a child's club, became a leader in her school and is now a mentor to other children in her village. Please donate to Project Compassion 2023



Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow For All Future Generations.

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes/envelopes available in the Church Foyer, scanning the QR Code by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion, or by calling 1800 024 413.





St Jude's Parish—Liturgy Roster

2nd Sunday of Lent

First Reading: Gen 12:1-4, Second Reading 2 Tim 1:8-10 & Gospel Mt 17:1-9

4/5 March Readers

Mass Projector **Children's Liturgy** Altar Society **Church Cleaner**

Saturday 6pm Thomas Chan Susan Lim Diven Hettiarachchi Jacklin & Inggrid Eve Buckeridge & Rosanna Kelaart

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Sunday 8.30am Millicent Miranda Sharlynn Arulanandam Sr Sialei Lagaai Megan Pinto

Sunday 10.30am Louise Cooper Audrey/Isabelle Raj



Thank you to all those who "Serve the Lord with Joy" by participating in these rosters. Please view the COVID Safe Plan for St Jude's displayed on the entry doors of the church.

Serve the Lord with Joy

The Knitting Group will take place this Wednesday 1st March at the Parish Reception Centre at 9.30am-11am.



A warm welcome awaits.

Enquiries: Maureen 0417 634 600

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- The language and/or mannerism used is not in the character of the person, eg too formal or informal, bad spelling or grammar, response required within a limited time
- Asking for the purchase of gift cards or other forms of nontraceable funds
- Asking for personal information, such as bank account details
- The email address shown is not an email address that can be found in the newsletter, such as pastor123@gmail.com,
- xyz123@hotmail.com or prefix stjudes@gmail.com

If you receive such emails:

- **DO NOT** click on any links in the email or open any attachments
- Please delete it or report them to www.scamwatch.gov.au

Stewardship Envelopes

Thank you for your continued generosity in supporting our parish community. Please find a new set of envelopes available for collection in the Church Foyer. For those parishioners who contribute either by Credit Card or Direct Debit and who would like a statement please



either email Ema on scoresby.finance@cam.org.au or contact the Parish Office on 9763 7302.

If you are unable to find your new set of envelopes or would like a set please fill in the designated form provided and someone will be in touch.

Social Gathering— 1st Saturday each month



Parishioners are invited to

stay and enjoy a social get together in the foyer following the Saturday evening Mass. Beer, wine, soft drink, tea & coffee will be provided. Please bring a small plate to share.

Our next gathering will be on: Saturday 4 March.

We look forward to another enjoyable St Jude's gathering.

Save the Date—Parishioners are again welcome to attend the Zoo Do event in conjunction with St Jude's, Holy Trinity and St Simon's Schools on Saturday 18 March 5.30pm-9.30pm.



The cost will be \$10 per family watch this space for more information regarding ticket purchases.

(See Zoo Flyer in Church Foyer)

Bishop Robert Rabbat's Syrian Earthquake Appeal—PLEASE DONATE NOW

The recent Syrian earthquake has hit people who were already displaced in a region that has been devastated by more than a decade of civil war. Yet again, we are seeing people fleeing and desperate for shelter in freezing winter conditions. We want to help provide that light in the deepest darkness, to get through this devastating disaster.

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