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6th May, 2018

Sixth Sunday of Easter

SUNDAY MASS TIMES: Saturday 6.30pm,
Sunday 8.30am, 10.30am & 6.30pm

Weekday Mass Times:

Tuesday 6.30pm, Wednesday - Saturday 9.00am



PARISH ADMINISTRATOR: Father Longinus Onyechesi 9763 7302
PASTORAL ASSOCIATE: Sr Mary Brady: Wednesday, Thursday 9763 7302
Parish Office: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday. 9am - 5pm 9763 7302
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Email: scoresby@cam.org.au **Website:** pol.org.au/scoresby
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Today's Readings
First Reading: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48
Second Reading: John 4:7-10
Gospel: John 15:9-17
Next Week's Readings
First Reading: Acts 1:1-11
Second Reading: Ephesians 1:17-23
Gospel: Mark 16:15-20

RESPONSORIAL PSALM
*The Lord has revealed to the
nations his saving power.*

ROSTERS
ALTAR SOCIETY 12th May, 2018
Carmen Leitao
BINGO: "Eyes Down" 8.00pm
Cora Lijnders, John Raskas
CLEANING ROSTER 12th May, 2018
Baillon Family, Rita Amato & Anna Teofilo
COUNTERS TODAY:
Frank & Mirella Valastro
COUNTERS NEXT WEEK 13th May, 2018
Fred Martyn & Charles McCann
CHILDREN'S LITURGY
May 6th Verona Bulloch
May 13th Marie Camilleri
READERS NEXT WEEK
6.30pm Anne McCarthy, Filomena Uberti
8.30am Millicent Miranda, Rachel Cheng
10.30am Irene Wallis, Frank McCulloch
6.30pm Rhea Torres, Dinelle Hetterachchi

MUSICIANS & COMPUTER SUPPORT
Next Week:
6.30pm Margaret, Jayden & Joel
8.30am Therese & Darryl Hodges
10.30pm Sr Mary, Sydney & K Smith-Williams
6.30pm Bronwyn Dean
ST. VINCENT DE PAUL BREAD RUN:
May 07 Monday Anthony & Anita Anthony
May 10 Thursday Robert & Angela Koevoets
May 14 Monday Anita D'Mello
May 17 Thursday Carmen & Monika
May 21 Monday Filomena Uberti
May 03 Thursday Terri McKay, Vicky Clarke
*Thank you to all those who continually
"Serve the Lord with joy"
by participating on these rosters.*

SOME IMPORTANT DATES 2018
May 06 Parish Sacramental program
May 10 Mass Villa Maria - 11.00am
May 13 Mother's Day
May 15 St Vincent de Paul Meeting
May 19/20 Archbishop's Charitable Fund Appeal
May 23/24 Reconciliation for Yr 3 students
May 24 Mass Villa Maria - 11.00am
May 29 St Vincent de Paul Meeting

Reflection - The Wounded Heart
*If only the heart was right
we could give so much more.
But, alas, the heart is often empty.
It is often cold and unwelcoming.
It is often hard and unyielding.
It is often weighed down with worry.
It is often sad and lonely.
It is often in darkness.
It is often wounded.
And it is sometimes broken.
We have to heal the wounds of the heart
in order to be able to love.
Lord, touch our hearts and heal them,
so that we may be able to bear the fruits of love.*

PARISH SCHOOLS: PRIMARY
St. Jude's School Principal Mr Tim Mc Mullen 8761 9600
Holy Trinity Acting Principal Mr John Downie 9801 8296
St Mary's College for Hearing Impaired Students 9800 2733
PARISH SCHOOLS: SECONDARY
Mater Christi College Principal
Ms Mary Fitz Gerald 9754 6611
St. Joseph's College Principal Ms Cathy Livingston 9758 2000
Rector Fr Martin Tanti 9758 2000

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SERVICES & CONTACTS:

BAPTISM: 9763 7302
By Appointment 4th Sunday of the month at 12 noon. Welcoming: Sunday prior at 10.30am Parish Mass.

BIBLE STUDIES: 9763 0712
Xavier David (AH)

BLESSED SACRAMENT EXPOSITION:
8.30am, Wednesday - Saturday

CENACLE OF PRAYER:
First Saturday of the month 9.30am

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: 0407 356 899
Leanna Raj

COMMUNITY CENTRE BOOKINGS: 0419 381 058
Leigh Fleming
Thurs/Friday/Saturday 1-6 pm. or Email:
Leigh Fleming yahc@bigpond.com.au

FAIR: 9763 7302
Parish Office

FITNESS CLASS: 0419 555 694
Pam Jess

KNOX DEANERY: 9763 7323
Leigh Fleming

LITURGY: 9753 2170
Sr Mary Brady

MARRIAGE: 9763 7302
By appointment

MOTHERS PRAYER GROUP: 9778 7764
Thursday at 1pm
Carmen Leitao

RAFFLE 0403 187 848
Brendon Considine

RECONCILIATION:
Saturday 6.00pm

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Serve the Lord with Joy

1st Reading – A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

As Peter reached the house Cornelius went out to meet him, knelt at his feet and prostrated himself. But Peter helped him up. 'Stand up,' he said, 'I am only a man after all!'

Then Peter addressed them: 'The truth I have now come to realise' he said, 'is that God does not have favourites, but that anybody of any nationality who fears God and does what is right is acceptable to him.'

While Peter was still speaking the Holy Spirit came down on all the listeners. Jewish believers who had accompanied Peter were all astonished that the gift of the Holy Spirit should be poured out on the pagans too, since they could hear them speaking strange languages and proclaiming the greatness of God. Peter himself then said, 'Could anyone refuse the water of baptism to these people, now they have received the Holy Spirit just as much as we have?' He then gave orders for them to be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ. Afterwards they begged him to stay on for some days.

2nd Reading- A reading from the 1st Letter of St John

My dear people,
let us love one another
since love comes from God
and everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God.
Anyone who fails to love can never have known God,
because God is love.
God's love for us was revealed
when God sent into the world his only Son
so that we could have life through him;
this is the love I mean:
not our love for God,
but God's love for us when he sent his Son
to be the sacrifice that takes our sins away.

Gospel – A reading from the Gospel according to John

Jesus said to his disciples:

'As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you.
Remain in my love.

If you keep my commandments
you will remain in my love,
just as I have kept my Father's commandments
and remain in his love.

I have told you this so that my own joy may be in you
and your joy be complete.

This is my commandment:

love one another, as I have loved you.
A man can have no greater love
than to lay down his life for his friends.

You are my friends,
if you do what I command you,
I shall not call you servants any more,
because a servant does not know
his master's business;

I call you friends, because I have made known to you
everything I have learnt from my Father.

You did not choose me, no, I chose you;
and I commissioned you to go out and to bear fruit,
fruit that will last; and then the Father will give you
anything you ask him in my name.

What I command you
is to love one another.'

Stewardship Corner

"This is my commandment: love one another as I love you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends" – John 15:12-13

Do you love Jesus? Do you consider Him your friend? Jesus says that if we love Him we would be willing to offer whatever we have to Him, not because we want praise and glory, but simply because we love Him. Does your giving seem mechanical out of obligation or do you share freely out of love?

Thoughts on the Gospel

"Today's Gospel continues from last week's and is part of the 'Last Discourse' in John's Gospel. John sets this just before Jesus' Passion and has crafted it to form a summary of Jesus' teaching and commissioning of his disciples.

"He urges them to stay in his love by keeping his commandments. In the light of the events to come, he speaks paradoxically of joy. His words seem kindly and reassuring - and yet within them are the realities of his death and an uncertain future for the disciples. Their security will come, not from material things, but from the knowledge that, in loving one another, they remain in the love of Jesus and the Father. This love is so great that it will lead Jesus to lay down his life for them - and for us.

"Jesus again emphasises that the relationship between those first disciples and himself has moved beyond master and servants - they are vine and branches - they are now friends. This distinction sets Jesus' ministry apart from the norm of the day - and in many instances in our day - where the teacher and the student maintain a professional distance.

"In Jesus, all authority is found - but it is not an aloof authority - but one which is not afraid to draw people into friendship and which will happily take a bowl and wash the feet of those some would call his inferiors."

Exploring the Word

The heart of today's gospel lies in Jesus repeating himself: *Love one another*. The model for this love is the love that Jesus showed towards all those who follow him. Jesus has changed the way in which God relates to human beings. We are no longer servants of God but are drawn into deep intimacy and friendship through the Son.

This new relationship is not dependent on our choice or will. God has chosen us and we are now commissioned to bear fruit, fruit that will last. The Christian command to love is not a vague feeling of good will; it is a love which suffers all, and may demand great sacrifice. The command to love as Jesus loved may be the most difficult test of our Christianity. This is how the presence of Jesus is experienced even in his absence.

Symbols and Images

Jesus wants to emphasise the closeness and intimacy between him and the disciples. He speaks of this relationship in a radical way when he names them friends. Friendship implies equality, openness and sharing of life and experience, a mutual concern and interest. We are usually comfortable in imagining our relationship with God as with a superior rather than a friend.

Did you know?

In John's gospel there is no account of the last meal that Jesus shared with his disciples. Instead there is the account of Jesus washing the feet of his disciples, an act of absolute service to others, and a long discourse of instruction on how they must conduct themselves in the future. This is known as the 'Farewell Discourse' and part of it is read this Sunday and next week.

NEW PARISHIONERS

If you are new to the Parish please contact the Parish Office on 9763 7302, or put your details in the New Parishioners book so that we can add you to our Census base.

STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM

If you would like to join our Thanksgiving/Stewardship program please phone the Parish Office on 9763 7302.



Serve the Lord with Joy

VINNIES FOOD COLLECTION

If you are considering donating food items over the next couple of weeks we would appreciate Long Life Milk, Vegemite, Honey, Beetroot, Tin Beans, Peas & Carrots and Corn Tinned Chicken, Tomato Soup & Shampoo Conditioner.

Special Thanks to Ross at Tyre Power Scoresby for on-going support of Vinnies

Many Thanks Carmel and Vinnies Committee



Evenings with Jesus and Mary:

There will be two evenings at St Jude's in 2018

Wednesday, 30 May, 7.30 pm and
Wednesday 10 October, 2018 at 7.30 pm.

Come and sing hymns, pray a multicultural rosary in many languages, adore Jesus in the blessed sacrament and receive a blessing.



Love One Another

Have you ever thought what it really means when Jesus commands us to love one another? At first, it seems like a simple commandment: I can love my family; my friends; I can even feel love for some people I've never met. But there was a condition that Jesus placed on the command: love one another as I have loved you. How did Jesus love? Without restriction and without seeking something in return. He loved those that no one loved and he even loved those who hated him and sought his downfall. Can I love those who hate me? Those that others ridicule and despise? Can I love without counting the cost?

The ACU Centre for Liturgy will be offering a public short course entitled "From Death to New Life: Preparing and Celebrating Catholic Funerals" in June in Melbourne and Geelong

Melbourne (ACU Mercy Lecture Theatre and Chapel)

Wednesday June 6, 13, 20, and 27, 6.30-8pm

Geelong (St Mary of the Angels Catholic Parish)

Saturday June 16 and 23, 11am-3pm

Thought for the week –

Anyone who has the ability to see beauty in nature will never grow old.

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Please contact the Parish office on 9763 7302, or email scoresby@cam.org.au to enrol.



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Attention all Parish Groups



Community Centre Bookings for Parish Groups and Committees will be taken before dates will be accepted from the wider community.

If your group /committee is planning functions please advise Leigh Fleming 0419 381 058 as soon as your plans are confirmed.

Please Note: Friday and Saturday Evenings Functions finish time 11pm - Cleaning finish time 11.45pm