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# ST JUDE'S PARISH, SCORESBY

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11th March, 2018 4th Sunday in Lent



SUNDAY MASS TIMES: Saturday 6.30pm, Sunday 8.30am & 10.30am and Youth Mass Sunday evening 6.30pm

**Weekday Mass Times:** 

Tuesday 6.30pm, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday 9.00am

| PARISH ADMINISTRATOR: Father Longinus Onyechesi |  | 9763 7302 |
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| PASTORAL ASSOCIATE:                             | Sr Mary Brady: Wednesday, Thursday     | 9763 7302 |
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# **Today's Readings**

First Reading: Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23 Second Reading: Ephesians 2:4-10 Gospel: John 3:14-21

**Next Week's Readings** 

Ieremiah 31:31-34 First Reading: Second Reading: Hebrews 5:7-9 Gospel: John 12:20-30

# **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you!

## **ROSTERS**

ALTAR SOCIETY 17th March, 2018 Eve Buckeridg

BINGO: "Eves Down" 8.00pm Cora Lijnders, John Raskas

CLEANING ROSTER: 17th March, 2018 Thottan Family

**COUNTERS TODAY:** 

Terry Doyle & John Lee

COUNTERS NEXT WEEK 18th March, 2018 Frank Valastro

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

March 11th Ruth Fidow March 18th Verona Bulloch

READERS NEXT WEEK

6.30pm Elena & Rosary Pereira 8.30am Dorothy & Doris Teh 10.30am Linda Lampa & Irene Wallis 6.30pm Kiara Goldsmith & Paige Casey

# **MUSICIANS & COMPUTER SUPPORT** Next Week:

6.30pm Margaret, Jadyen & Ethan 8.30am Therese & Bill Ta 10.30pm Sr Mary, Sydney & Audrey Raj 6.30pm Bronwyn Dean

# ST.VINCENT DE PAUL BREAD RUN:

Mar 12 Monday Filomena Uberti Mar 15 Thursday Iosie Camilleri Mar 19 Monday Rita Amato Mar 22 Thursday Anna Teofilo Mar 26 Monday Anita D'Mello 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**

Mar 12 Labour Day Mar 15 Mass Villa Maria Parish Fair/Raffle Mar 17 Mar 20 St Vincent de Paul Mtg Mar 22 Mass - Villa Maria 11.00am Mar 25 Fair, Raffle & Bingo Thank you Party Mar 29 End of Term 1 Mar 30 Good Friday

# Have you thought?

Think for a moment of the last time you saw or heard a reference to God on a television program, in a song, or some other popular medium. Chances are, the reference was one of a judging, vengeful, punishing God. This sort of image plays particularly well with a modern audience. It's easier to dismiss God as irrelevant if we can paint God in that sort of image.

TV sitcoms do it particularly well with thunderclaps, bolts of lightening and booming, disapproving voices from above. It's much harder to dismiss a God of love who will go to extrems to demonstrate that love.

# **STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

**During Lent** Stations of the Cross will be held each Friday at 7.30pm.



#### **PARISH SCHOOLS: PRIMARY**

St. Jude's School Principal Mr Tim Mc Mullen 8761 9600 Holy Trinity Actingl Principal Mr John Downie 9801 8296 St Mary's College for Hearing Impaired Students 9800 2733

#### **SECONDARY PARISH SCHOOLS:**

Mater Christi College Principal 9754 6611 Ms Mary Fitz Gerald St. Joseph's College Principal Ms Cathy Livingston 9758 2000 Rector Fr Martin Tanti 9758 2000

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(They have been passed by the Coeliac Society as safe.)

# **SERVICES & CONTACTS:**

**BAPTISM:** 

By Appointment 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month at 12 noon. Welcoming: Sunday prior at 10.30am Parish Mass.

**BIBLE STUDIES:** 

Xavier David (AH)

**BLESSED SACRAMENT EXPOSITION:** 

9763 0712

9752 9829

9778 7764

# 8.30am, Wedmesday – Saturday

CENACLE OF PRAYER:

First Saturday of the month 9.30am

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY:** 

Ruth Fidow

COMMUNITY CENTRE BOOKINGS:

Thurs/Friday/Saturday 1-6 pm. or Email: Leigh Fleming yahc@bigpond.com.au

FAIR: Chris Shelly

0418 355 339

FITNESS CLASS:

Pam Jess 0419 555 694

KNOX DEANERY:

9763 7323 Leigh Fleming

LITURGY:

Sr Mary Brady 9753 2170

**MARRIAGE**:

By appointment 9763 7302

# MOTHERS PRAYER GROUP:

Thursday at1pm Carmen Leitao

RAFFLE Brendon Considine 0403 187 848

RECONCILIATION: Saturday 6.00pm

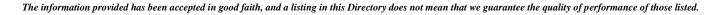
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# Serve the Lord with Joy

### PROJECT COMPASSION - Evangeline from Australia

Evangeline is strengthening Aboriginal culture, while making a living for herself and creating opportunities for her community. Featured in Project Compassion 2016, Evangeline was employed by the Caritas Australia supported Djilpin Arts Aboriginal Corporation and quickly rose to the role of Senior Artsworker.

Her work at Djilpin Arts has supported the organisation's growth from a multi-media project to a multi-level contemporary arts and culture centre. An example of excellence in Indigenous tourism, it's now a key employer for young people in the remote Northern Territory community of Beswick (Wugularr). This year, in 2018, Evangeline is busy guiding tourists, coordinating cultural activities and helping community members to practise and market their arts, such as weaving and jewellery-making.

"Now we have a new gallery up. And we have our new kitchens, we look after these and we now maintain this to make sure it's running okay and in good condition. We're also trying to open up another tour for tourists to go around the waterfall, we're just planning that now."

Evangeline's career has flourished and she has become an inspirational youth leader. Evangeline says that Caritas Australia's support for Djilpin Arts, through Project Compassion, is vital for all Wugularr's young people. Although their families do their best to pass on knowledge, Elders are dying and she is keen to spearhead the preservation of culture and lore for future generations.

"It's good for them to learn and to keep their culture strong," Evangeline says.

This opportunity has helped me turn my life into something more positive. It makes me more confident and more independent." - Evangeline

## *First Reading* – A reading from the second book of Chronicles

All the heads of the priesthood, and the people too, added infidelity to infidelity, copying all the shameful practices of the nations and defiling the Temple that the Lord had consecrated for himself in Jerusalem. The Lord, the God of their ancestors, tirelessly sent them messenger after messenger, since he wished to spare his people and his house. But they ridiculed the messengers of God, they despised his words, they laughed at his prophets, until at last the wrath of the Lord rose so high against his people that there was no further remedy.

Their enemies burned down the Temple of God, demolished the walls of Jerusalem, set fire to all its palaces, and destroyed everything of value in it. The survivors were deported by Nebuchadnezzar to Babylon; they were to serve him and his sons until the kingdom of Persia came to power. This is how the word of the Lord was fulfilled that he spoke through Jeremiah, 'Until this land has enjoyed its sabbath rest, until seventy years have gone by, it will keep sabbath throughout the days of its desolation.'

And in the first year of Cyrus king of Persia, to fulfil the word of the Lord that was spoken through Jeremiah, the Lord roused the spirit of Cyrus king of Persia to issue a proclamation and to have it publicly displayed throughout his kingdom: "Thus speaks Cyrus king of Persia, "The Lord, the God of heaven, has given me all the kingdoms of the earth; he has ordered me to build him a Temple in Jerusalem, in Judah. Whoever there is among you of all his people, may his God be with him! Let him go up."

# **Second Reading** - A reading from the letter to the Ephisians

God loved us with so much love that he was generous with his mercy: when we were dead through our sins, he brought us to life with Christ – it is through grace that you have been saved – and raised us up with him and gave us a place with him in heaven, in Christ Jesus.

This was to show for all ages to come, through his goodness towards us in Christ Jesus, how infinitely rich he is in grace. Because it is by grace that you have been saved, through faith; not by anything of your own, but by a gift from God; not by anything that you have done, so that nobody can claim the credit. We are God's work of art, created in Christ Jesus to live the good life as from the beginning he had meant us to live it.

## Thought for the week

"All the wealth in the world cannot be compared with the happiness of living together happily united."

Blessed Margaret d'Youville

# Stewardship Corner

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son..." John 3:16

Of all the wonderful gifts that Godhas given to us, thegift of His own Son is truly the greatest. How can we ever thank God for a gift like that? God does not ask us to sacrifice our own precious firstborn, but He does ask that we are grateful and generous with our God-given gifts. That we nurture and develop them and return with increase.

**Gospel** – A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John lesus said to Nicodemus:

'The Son of Man must be lifted up

as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him. Yes, God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son. so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost but may have eternal life. For God sent his Son into the world not to condemn the world. but so that through him the world might be saved. No one who believes in him will be condemned; but whoever refuses to believe is condemned already, because he has refused to believe in the name of God's only Son. On these grounds is sentence pronounced: that though the light has come into the world men have shown they prefer darkness to the light because their deeds were evil. And indeed, everybody who does wrong hates the light and avoids it, for fear his actions should be exposed; but the man who lives by the truth

## Thoughts on the Gospel

what he does is done in God.'

"If we are inclined to feel demoralised at this point in our Lenten journey, we are invited by today's readings to find again the source of new energy and encouragement. In the midst of the deepest darkness the true Light shines! Old Israel finds that God's designs will not be frustrated by their foolishness and selfishness - the conqueror of the Babylonians sends them back to rebuild the temple. Paul announces to those who are in danger of losing their way the astounding truth at the centre of our faith - God's free gift to a lost world of new life in Christ: our redeemed humanity is God's 'work of art', we each have our part to play in the realisation of God's great designs.

comes out into the light, so that it may be plainly seen that

"But it is especially in climax of today's readings, the words spoken to Nichodemus, by Jesus - the Light of the World - that all our darkness is dispelled! These words are perhaps the most quoted of the Gospels. Let us not take them for granted, but take them to heart and rejoice in the new life they bring: 'God loved the world so much that he gave his own Son, so that everyone who believes in him ... may have eternal life'. A world weighed down by the darkness of failure and selfishness must know, Jesus says, that he came from the Father, not 'to condemn' but to bring reconciliation and life."

From a homily on today's readings by Fr John Thornhill sm

# Serve the Lord with Joy

# FAIR - 17th March 2018 1 Week to Go! - Volunteers needed Urgently

#### STALL CO-ORDINATORS SOUGHT

An important aspect of organising and running a successful fair is to have a range of stall co-ordinators to assist with rostering and preparing the stalls. We currently have a number of stalls without a co-ordinator, if you wish to assist or want to find out more information please contact Judy Gan 0412 398 091. We are particularly looking for some-one to cor-ordinate the **Plant stall and the Monster Raffle stall.** 

#### VOLUNTEERS

Over the next few weeks we will be collecting names of volunteers for the fair through various ways. We will be looking for people to assist on Friday  $16^{th}$  with Setup, on Fair Day across a range of activities, as well as Sunday  $18^{th}$  with Pack-up. We will also be looking for assistance in following up on the return of raffle books between  $12^{th}$  and  $17^{th}$  March

To volunteer please register your details at volunteer.stjudesfair.org.au or see a Fair member ater Mass on the weekend.



## **PRESERVES**

If anyone has any fruit or chillies they can donate for bottling please call Filomena Uberti on 9763 6047.

### **All-Day Wristbands**

All-day ride wristbands will this year include a free sausage in bread. Wristbands will be available on the day for \$50. Wristbands will also be available for pre-purchase for just \$40 (A discount of \$10) via rides.stjudesfair.org.au All pre-purchased wristbands sales are final and no refunds will be available.



If you have any queries please contact Chris Shelly 0418 355 339 or Judy Gan 0412 398 091. Keep an eye on our Facebook page for more information: <a href="https://www.stjudesfair.org.au">www.stjudesfair.org.au</a>

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## SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

The Parish Sacramental program for the Sacrament of **Reconciliation** will begin on the  $29^{th}$  April, at 9.30am in the Community Centre. The Sacrament will be received on the  $23^{rd}$  &  $24^{th}$  May.

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

# ST VINCENT DE PAUL

The St V de P conference are in need of **Tinned Fruit**, **Toothpaste** and **Bath Soap**. If you can help, please leave donations in the box at the back of the Church foyer.

Thank you.



# READERS



A new reading roster will be prepared in the next fortnight that will cover the period of March – August.

If you wish to change your commitment or would like to be a lector please call Loretta on 0409 001 378 or email at <a href="mailto:goldsmith.loretta.lg@edumail.vic.gov.au">goldsmith.loretta.lg@edumail.vic.gov.au</a>. Thank you for your continued support.

# WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK

It is a requirement that all parishioners who assist in the Parish in any capacity must have a valid **Working with Children Check**. E.g. Readers, Special Ministers, Choir members, Fair/Raffle volunteers etc. Volunteer Working with Children Checks are free, applications can be completed on-line.

Please ensure that you have a current WWC check. If you have recently renewed your card please notify the Parish Office.

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# **RAFFLE - 2018**

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All Raffle Books due back now. Please help the committee by returning your book before or after weekend Masses or to Either of the school offices or the Parish Office.

If additional books are required they can be obtained through the Parish office. When shopping, please keep the Raffle sponsors in mind.

Thankyou

# THANK YOU

The Parish warmly invites **all volunteers** who help with fundraising in our parish (Fair, Raffle & Bingo), not just committees but everyone who has helped in any way whether it be by a **lot or a little** to

THANK YOU PARTY to show our appreciation.

Date: Sunday March  $25^{th}$  2018 - Time: 7.30pm

If you could help by making a cake/slice etc. please contact Chris Shelly 0418 355 339, or Leigh Fleming 0419 381 058

# **COMMUNITY INFORMATION PAMPHLET RACK**

Have you seen our pamphlet on..

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Connecting Communities



# A new <u>CLEANING ROSTER</u> will be prepared over the coming weeks. We have had many good faithful members come off this roster recently so we are hoping new volunteers will commit to helping.

Commitment to this roster would be once every three months. If you can help please contact the parish office on 9763 7302 or email <a href="mailto:scoresby@cam.org.au">scoresby@cam.org.au</a> Thank you.



# **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

