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## ST JUDE'S PARISH, SCORESBY

49 George Street, Scoresby 3179  
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Member of Knox Deanery  
22<sup>nd</sup> December, 2019  
4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent  
Year A



MASS & DEVOTIONAL TIMES:  
Saturday 6.00pm, Reconciliation 5:30pm  
Sunday 8.30am, 10.30am & 6.00pm  
Tuesday - 6.30pm, Wednesday-Saturday 9.00am  
Friday - 6.30pm Rosary & Benediction

### PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

In a spirit of Pastoral Outreach of St. Jude's Parish, we, the people of the parish, are called to "Serve the Lord with Joy". We respect diversity and welcome all who choose to belong to our community. By sharing our gifts and resources generously, we support and encourage all people who come our way. Let all our voices be heard in a spirit of openness that fosters ongoing communication across our Parish.

### NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

First Reading: Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14  
Second Reading: Col 3:12-21  
Gospel: Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

### ROSTERS

ALTAR SOCIETY: 28 Dec 19  
Amy David

BINGO: "Eyes Down"  
Will resume in Feb

CLEANING: 28 Dec 19  
Juliet Ferrao & Robyn Pinches

COUNTERS: 28 Dec 19

CHILDREN'S LITURGY:  
To resume after school holidays

READERS: 28/29 Dec 19  
6.00pm Terri Mckay & Rosary Pereira  
8.30am Mikhail Santosa & Rachel Cheng  
10.30am Mary King & Irene Wallis  
6.00pm Rhea Torres & Gavin Paul Andrew

MUSICIANS & COMPUTER SUPPORT:  
28/29 Dec 19  
6.00pm Margaret, Jayden & Dean  
8.30am Therese, Rachel & Bill Ta  
10.30am Molly, Maria, Sidney, Rick, Victor  
6.00pm Music

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL BREAD RUN:  
Dec 26 Thur Anita D'Mello  
Jan 02 Thur Josie Camilleri  
Jan 09 Thur Anna Tefillo  
Thank you to all those who continually "Serve the Lord with joy" by participating on these rosters.

PARISH ADMINISTRATOR: Father Longinus Onyechesi 9763 7302  
Parish Office: Preethi Pais, Secretary  
Tue & Thur: 9:15am - 3pm; Wed: 9:15am - 2:45pm 9763 7302  
Email: [scoresby@cam.org.au](mailto:scoresby@cam.org.au) Website: [pol.org.au/scoresby](http://pol.org.au/scoresby)

A Defibrillator for use in a cardiac emergency is located in the foyer of the Church  
For emergencies, please contact Father Longinus on 0407 852 808

## Christmas Services

PENITENTIAL SERVICE/  
RECONCILIATION:  
Wednesday 18th December at 7.30pm

CHRISTMAS EVE MASSES:  
6.00pm (Children's Mass - please be seated by 5.45pm)  
Children welcome to wear Christmas costumes  
9.00 pm (Carols begin at 8.30 pm)  
11.00 pm (Carols begin at 10.30 pm)

CHRISTMAS DAY MASS TIMES:  
8.30am & 10.30am  
THERE IS NO EVENING MASS ON  
CHRISTMAS DAY

NEW YEAR MASS:  
10.00am on Wednesday, January 1st

IMPORTANT DATES:  
Wednesday, 15<sup>th</sup> January 2020  
9.30am 3rd Wednesdays 'Cuppa & Chat'  
Wednesday, 29<sup>th</sup> January 2020  
School Term 1 begins  
Wednesday, 12<sup>th</sup> February 2020  
7.15pm Paris Pastoral Meeting  
Wednesday, 26<sup>th</sup> February 2020  
9am Ash Wednesday Mass  
7.30pm Ash Wednesday Mass



### SERVICES & CONTACTS:

BAPTISM: 9763 7302  
By Appointment. 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month  
at 12 noon. Welcoming: Sunday prior at  
10.30am Parish Mass.  
COMMUNITY CENTRE:  
Parish Office 9763 7302  
FITNESS CLASS:  
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PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL  
[pastoral.stjudes@gmail.com](mailto:pastoral.stjudes@gmail.com)

PARISH PRIMARY SCHOOLS:  
St. Jude's School 8761 9600  
Mr Tim Mc Mullen, Principal  
Holy Trinity School 9801 8296  
Mr John Downie, Principal  
St Mary's College  
for the deaf 9800 2733  
Ms. Amanda Purcell, Principal

PARISH SECONDARY SCHOOLS:  
Mater Christi College 9754 6611  
Ms Mary Fitz Gerald, Principal  
St. Joseph's College 9758 2000  
Ms Cathy Livingston, Principal

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## Serve the Lord with Joy

### 1<sup>st</sup> Reading – Isaiah 7:10-14

The Lord spoke to Ahaz and said, 'Ask the Lord your God for a sign for yourself coming either from the depths of Sheol or from the heights above.' 'No', Ahaz answered 'I will not put the Lord to the test.' Then Isaiah said: 'Listen now, House of David: are you not satisfied with trying the patience of men without trying the patience of my God, too? The Lord himself, therefore, will give you a sign. It is this: the maiden is with child and will soon give birth to a son whom she will call Immanuel, a name which means "God-is-with-us".'

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – Romans 1:1-7

From Paul, a servant of Christ Jesus who has been called to be an apostle, and specially chosen to preach the Good News that God promised long ago through his prophets in the scriptures.

This news is about the Son of God, who, according to the human nature he took, was a descendant of David: it is about Jesus Christ our Lord who, in the order of the spirit, the spirit of holiness that was in him, was proclaimed Son of God in all his power through his resurrection from the dead. Through him we received grace and our apostolic mission to preach the obedience of faith to all pagan nations in honour of his name. You are one of these nations, and by his call belong to Jesus Christ. To you all, then, who are God's beloved in Rome, called to be saints, may God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ send grace and peace.

God has never said to any angel: You are my Son, today I have become your father, or: I will be a father to him and he a son to me. Again, when he brings the First-born into the world, he says: Let all the angels of God worship him.

### Gospel - Matthew 1:18-24

This is how Jesus Christ came to be born. His mother Mary was betrothed to Joseph; but before they came to live together she was found to be with child through the Holy Spirit. Her husband Joseph, being a man of honour and wanting to spare her publicity, decided to divorce her informally. He had made up his mind to do this when the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, 'Joseph son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because she has conceived what is in her by the Holy Spirit. She will give birth to a son and you must name him Jesus, because he is the one who is to save his people from their sins.' Now all this took place to fulfil the words spoken by the Lord through the prophet:

The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son and they will call him Emmanuel, a name which means 'God-is-with-us'. When Joseph woke up he did what the angel of the Lord had told him to do: he took his wife to his home.

### WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO DIED RECENTLY

#### AND THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR AT THIS TIME:

Patricia Ellison, Vincent Abbatangelo, Bernie Lewis, Maurice Piston, Anne Piston, Colleen Peters, George Hindmarsh, Constancio Geronimo, Richard Peters, Molly Dentry, Yves Lionnet, Shamanthi Jeyaseelan, Terry Eaton, Milton Gardiner



### NOMINATIONS NEEDED FOR ST JUDE'S FINANCE COMMITTEE

St Jude's is now looking for members within our Parish to form the new Paris Finance Committee for 2020.

If you know of anyone who fits well and can effectively contribute his/her knowledge, experience and/or expertise as a member of this team, we welcome your nominations.

Please send us an email to [scoresby@cam.org.au](mailto:scoresby@cam.org.au) or drop in a letter at the Parish office stating the name of the person you would like to nominate and also a brief note explaining the reason for the nomination.

**God's most treasured gift He's given  
Is the gift of Jesus Christ—  
He's the Christmas message of love eternal  
And your hope of eternal life...**

**To All our Parishioners  
We wish you Christmas joy and blessings  
Wrapped in God's eternal light,  
For when you rejoice in the gift God gave,  
Fresh hope can reignite.  
We pray Christ surrounds you with His peace  
To comfort, restore and renew,  
So the light of His love may fill your heart,  
Revealing Christ's warmth in you.  
Christmas Blessings!**



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## Serve the Lord with Joy



### INTRODUCING MIRANI

I am Mirani Perera Wanigasinghe and have joined as a Pastoral Worker at St.Jude's Church Scoresby. I am a mother of three children and devote time with their activities. When I get it, I spend my leisure time exploring and trying new cuisine.

I look forward for the excitement and challenges in this role where I have chosen to sever the Lord and wider community. I have been in the Parish for last 5 years and my son, the youngest, was baptized here. I am a volunteering Senior Liturgical Teacher and have been involved with Church activities from my early years. Many in my family have served Church and it had a positive influence in me in choosing to follow their paths. I really enjoy working with people from different cultural backgrounds and visit to Holy Land is my greatest experience so far .

I relish the prospect of working with the Parish team in achieving their Mission of "Serve the Lord with Joy" as this role presents me with many opportunities to grow the faith in our community. I am excited to assist parishioners with their Catholic needs and to lend a helping hand in the Parish community activities.

I wish that the commemoration of the birth of our dear Lord and Savior will bring divine peace and favour to your life.

Merry Christmas and a Happy 2020!



### NATIVITY PLAY ON CHRISTMAS EVE

Any children attending the 6pm family Mass are most welcome to join our Nativity Story dressed as angles and shepherds.

Also there is Nativity play practice on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> Dec 3pm to 4pm at the Church.

- Any questions please call Nerina 0438 637 462

**Columban Calendars and Majellan Christmas Cards** are now available at the Piety Stall. Calendars cost \$10.00 each, the cards are \$6.00 for a pack of 10 cards. Proceeds from the Piety Stall go towards the works of the St Vincent de Paul Society in this Parish.



### Vinnies says "THANKYOU"

On behalf of the Committee sincere thankyou to the Supportive Parishioners for their generous donations and embracing our new concept of Gift Cards.

To th Students and Parents from St Jude's, Holy Trinity, and St Mary's Schools for their generosity.

The Students from Holy Trinity have held numerous fund raisers during the year and have made a large donation to the needy in the Community.

Curves Gym in Rowville for their collection of gifts for the Children and Mum's at Christmas.

Also a special Thanks to Huey's Bakehouse and Bakers Delight for their weekly contributions.

We cannot forget the effort our volunteer groups put in throughout the year Margaret & Frank McCulloch and their Piety Stall Group, Terri Mackay and the Bread Run people also my dedicated Committee Salesian Sisters, Pastoral Team and Fr Longinus

Many Families in our Community will have a Happier Christmas because of your generosity. May you all have a Blessed Christmas and a safe and Happy New Year. Please remember our needy friends in your Prayers.

Carmel and Committee of SVDP

### PARISH OFFICE UPDATE

Father Longinus will be away for the month of January; and will be organising substitute Priests for celebrating the Weekend Masses for the Month.

#### **Please note:**

**There will be no weekday Masses during January**

**The Parish Office will be closed during public holidays of Christmas and New Year.**

### THANKSGIVING ENVELOPES

For those who are part of the Thanksgiving program, please collect your Thanksgiving Envelops (for period Jan-Jun) from the foyer. They are in alphabetical order of last names.