

Where's the Fruit?

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IMPORTANT DATES:

Thursday, 28 March Parent/Child Reconciliation Workshop Tuesday, 02 April Judean Meet Wednesday, 03 April Parish Leadership Team Meeting Wednesday, 15 May Parish Meeting Saturday, 15 June Parish Dinner Dance

SERVICES & CONTACTS:

BAPTISM: By Appointment. 4 th 9 at 12 noon. Welcomin 10.30am Parish Mass	ng: Sunday prior at	
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<u>St. Jude's School</u>	8761 9600	
Mr Tim Mc Mullen, Principal		
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Students	9800 2733	
Amanda Purcell, Principal		
PARISH SECONDARY SCHOOLS:		
<u>Mater Christi College</u>	9754 6611	
Ms Mary Fitz Gerald, Principal		
St. Joseph's College	9758 0000	
Ms Cathy Livingston, Princip	al	
Rector Fr Martin Tanti	9758 2000	



1st Reading – Exodus 3:1-8, 13-15

Moses was looking after the flock of Jethro, his father-in-law, priest of Midian. He led his flock to the far side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in the shape of a flame of fire, coming from the middle of a bush. Moses looked; there was the bush blazing but it was not being burnt up. 'I must go and look at this strange sight,' Moses said, 'and see why the bush is not burnt.' Now the Lord saw him go forward to look, and God called to him from the middle of the bush. 'Moses, Moses!' he said. 'Here I am' he answered. 'Come no nearer' he said. 'Take off your shoes, for the place on which you stand is holy ground. I am the God of your father,' he said 'the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob.' At this Moses covered his face, afraid to look at God.

And the Lord said, 'I have seen the miserable state of my people in Egypt. I have heard their appeal to be free of their slave-drivers. Yes, I am well aware of their sufferings. I mean to deliver them out of the hands of the Egyptians and bring them up out of that land to a land rich and broad, a land where milk and honey flow. Then Moses said to God, 'I am to go, then, to the sons of Israel and say to them, "The God of your fathers has sent me to you." But if they ask me what his name is, what am I to tell them?' And God said to Moses, 'I Am who I Am. This' he added 'is what you must say to the sons of Israel: "The Lord, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you." This is my name for all time; by this name I shall be invoked for all generations to come.'

2nd Reading – 1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12

I want to remind you how our fathers were all guided by a cloud above them and how they all passed through the sea. They were all baptised into Moses in this cloud and in this sea; all ate the same spiritual food and all drank the same spiritual drink, since they all drank from the spiritual rock that followed them as they went, and that rock was Christ. In spite of this, most of them failed to please God and their corpses littered the desert. These things all happened as warnings for us, not to have the wicked lusts for forbidden things that they had. You must never complain: some of them did, and they were killed by the Destroyer.

Gospel – Luke 13:1-9

Some people arrived and told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with that of their sacrifices. At this he said to them, 'Do you suppose these Galileans who suffered like that were greater sinners than any other Galileans? They were not, I tell you. No; but unless you repent you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen on whom the tower at Siloam fell and killed them? Do you suppose that they were more guilty than all the other people living in Jerusalem? They were not, I tell you. No; but unless you repent you will all perish as they did.'

He told this parable: 'A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came looking for fruit on it but found none. He said to the man who looked after the vineyard, "Look here, for three years now I have been coming to look for fruit on this fig tree and finding none. Cut it down: why should it be taking up the ground?" "Sir," the man replied "leave it one more year and give me time to dig round it and manure it: it may bear fruit next year; if not, then you can cut it down.""



During Lent we are encouraged to pray more frequently, practice self denial and to help others who are in need.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS Stations of the Cross will be held each Friday during Lent at 7.30pm.



JUDEANS

The next Judean's morning tea/lunch will be held at Banksia Cafe at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, 2nd April. For enquiries ring Maureen on 9763 6463.



If any of you are sick/elderly or you know someone who is sick/elderly and would like Fr. Longinus to visit them for Pastoral Care, kindly call the Parish Office on 03 9763 7302.

Would you like to bring and share Christ's presence to each person we meet?

As Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion our main focus is to distribute the Eucharist in the form of bread and wine at Mass, and through this sacrament, we truly bring the presence of Christ to those who come forward to receive Holy Communion. Being an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion is humbling and beautiful. It is an opportunity to serve the deep hunger of people to find the presence of Christ.

We are currently in the process of putting a roster for our current Special Ministers. If you wish to change your commitment or would like to be an Extraordinary Minister please contact Eska Ta, with your name, contact details, preferred mass, on the email at liturgy.stjudes@gmail.com

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

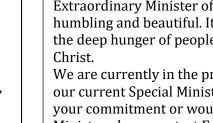
It is a blessing to serve the Lord and to serve him with joy! We are looking for more volunteers to clean the Church on Saturdays. If you would like to be a part of the roster, please contact the Parish office on 9763 7302 or email at scoresby@cam.org.au

MISSIONARY SISTERS OF ST PETER CLAVER 89th Annual Mission Concert – All Invited

'The Missionary Sisters of St Peter Claver will hold their Annual Mission Concert on Sunday 31 March at the St Peter Claver Hall, 154 Cotham Road, Kew commencing 2pm. Admission is free - a collection will be taken during the concert. Proceeds will go to assist Sr Donatus Kilole of the Sisters of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Mother of Christ working in the diocese of Nairobi, Kenya, in the very remote village of Timau'

2019 SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION PROGRAM

 1st Reconciliation: 1st May and 2nd May Classes for Reconciliation: 31st March, 7th April, 14th April and 28th April. (No classes over Easter) Parent/Child Reconciliation Workshop: Thursday 28th March at 6.30^{pm} in the Church. 	2 J Q Q Q
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priest present the weekend. It is based around Catholic values but couples of all faiths are welcome. 2019 Melbourne weekend dates: 29-31 March 2019, 31 May-2 June 2019, 23-25 August 2019, and 15-17 November, 2019 Starts 7pm on Friday. Ends 5pm Sunday.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

Invest in your most precious asset......Your Marriage! Forget life's tensions and interruptions and rekindle the closeness, intimacy, love and romance that brought you together. Recharge your relationship batteries and explore the precious nature of your marriage, allowing you both to share your feelings, hopes and dreams with each other in ways that normal, daily living tends to inhibit. *There is no group sharing. Couples and a*

Accommodation and all meals provided. Information/Bookings: PH: Mercy and James 0409 183 676 Email: vicbookings@wwme.org.au

Website:www.wwme.org.au

Reflection

"He said to the gardener, 'For three years now I have come in search of fruit on this fig tree but have found none."" (Luke 13:7)

We can all be like the barren fig tree at times. Do you cling to what you have or do you generously share with others? How will you respond when God asks you what you have done with all the gifts He has given you? Remember, not only are we called to be generous, we are called to develop and nurture our gifts and return with increase.

ST JUDE THE APOSTLE PRIMARY SCHOOL

St. Jude's Principal Mr. Tim McMullen warmly invites you to visit our school.

Open Days:

Sunday 31st March, 11.30am to 1pm (Joining our Prep Picnic) - 1st and 16th May.

School Tours available anytime by appointment.

Contact:

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