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## ST JUDE'S PARISH, SCORESBY

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Member of Knox Deanery  
 13<sup>th</sup> January, 2019  
 The BAPTISM of the LORD



### MASS TIMES:

Saturday 6.00pm, Reconciliation 5:30pm  
 Sunday 8.30am, 10.30am & 6.00pm  
 Weekday Mass Times:  
 Tuesday 6.30pm, Wednesday-Saturday 9.00am

### 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.



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### TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading: Is 40:1-5,9-11  
 Second Reading: Titus 2:11-14,3:4-7  
 Gospel: Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

### ROSTERS

ALTAR SOCIETY: 19 Jan 19  
 Eva Tielman

BINGO: "Eyes Down"  
 Restarts in February 2019

CLEANING: 19 Jan 19  
 Rita Amato & Anna Teofilo

COUNTERS: 20 Jan 19  
 Elaine & Richard

CHILDREN'S LITURGY:  
 Restarts after School Holidays

READERS: 19/20 Jan 19  
 6.00pm Ethan Dmello & Arina Healy  
 8.30am Doris Teh & Dorothy Teh  
 10.30am Mary King & Myla Venezuela  
 6.00pm Nayomi Fonseka & Danny Mondon

MUSICIANS & COMPUTER SUPPORT:  
 19/20 Jan 19  
 6.00pm Margaret, Jayden & Dean  
 8.30am Therese, Rachel & Bill Ta  
 10.30am Molly, Maria, Sidney, Rick, Audrey  
 6.00pm Music

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL BREAD RUN:  
 Jan 17 Thur Carmen Leitao  
 Jan 24 Thur Rita Amato  
 Jan 31 Thur Filomena Uberti  
 Feb 07 Thur Terri Mckay  
 Thank you to all those who continually "Serve the Lord with joy" by participating on these rosters.

PARISH ADMINISTRATOR: Father Longinus Onyechesi 9763 7302  
 PASTORAL ASSOCIATE: Wednesday, Thursday 9753 2170  
 Parish Office: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday. 9am - 2pm 9763 7302  
 Email: [scoresby@cam.org.au](mailto:scoresby@cam.org.au) Website: [pol.org.au/scoresby](http://pol.org.au/scoresby)

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### PRAYER/REFLECTION

Lord Jesus, touch our eyes so that we may see the signs of your presence in our lives and in the world.  
 Touch our ears so that we may hear your word.  
 Touch our tongues so that we may profess our faith.  
 Touch our hands so that we may give and receive.  
 Touch our feet so that we may walk in your paths.  
 Touch our minds so that we may understand your ways.  
 Touch our wills so that they may be in tune with your will.  
 Touch our hearts so that we may bring your love to our brothers and sisters, to the praise and glory of God.  
 Amen.

For all information on our Parish,  
 please check our website  
[pol.org.au/scoresby](http://pol.org.au/scoresby)

### IMPORTANT DATES:

Wednesday, 16 January  
 3rd Wednesdays 'Cuppa & Chat'  
 Thursday, 31 January  
 School Term 1 begins  
 Wednesday, 20 February  
 3rd Wednesdays 'Cuppa & Chat'  
 Wednesday, 06 March  
 Ash Wednesday

### 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  
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### 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 Hearing Impaired Students 9800 2733  
 Amanda Purcell, Principal

### PARISH SECONDARY SCHOOLS:

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### POSITIONS VACANT

- Pastoral Associate/Pastoral Worker, St Anthony's Parish, Noble Park
- Youth Minister, St Joseph's Parish, Meredith
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- Pastoral Associate, St Jude's Parish, Scoresby
- Youth Minister, St Gregory the Great Parish, Doncaster
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- Parish Secretary, Resurrection Parish, Keysborough
- Parish Sacramental Program Coordinator, Parish of Port Melbourne & Middle Park
- Pastoral Care Practitioner, Villa Maria Catholic Homes, Clayton
- Project Coordinator (ACYF), Archdiocesan Office for the Youth, East Melbourne



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## Serve the Lord with Joy

### 1<sup>st</sup> Reading – Isaiah 40: 1-5, 9-11

'Console my people, console them' says your God. 'Speak to the heart of Jerusalem and call to her that her time of service is ended, that her sin is atoned for, that she has received from the hand of the Lord double punishment for all her crimes.' A voice cries, 'Prepare in the wilderness a way for the Lord. Make a straight highway for our God across the desert. Let every valley be filled in, every mountain and hill be laid low, let every cliff become a plain, and the ridges a valley; then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed and all mankind shall see it; for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.' Go up on a high mountain, joyful messenger to Zion. Shout with a loud voice, joyful messenger to Jerusalem. Shout without fear, say to the towns of Judah, 'Here is your God.' Here is the Lord coming with power, his arm subduing all things to him. The prize of his victory is with him, his trophies all go before him. He is like a shepherd feeding his flock, gathering lambs in his arms, holding them against his breast and leading to their rest the mother ewes.

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – Titus 2:11-14,3:4-7

God's grace has been revealed, and it has made salvation possible for the whole human race and taught us that what we have to do is to give up everything that does not lead to God, and all our worldly ambitions; we must be self-restrained and live good and religious lives here in this present world, while we are waiting in hope for the blessing which will come with the Appearing of the glory of our great God and saviour Christ Jesus. He sacrificed himself for us in order to set us free from all wickedness and to purify a people so that it could be his very own and would have no ambition except to do good.

When the kindness and love of God our saviour for mankind were revealed, it was not because he was concerned with any righteous actions we might have done ourselves; it was for no reason except his own compassion that he saved us, by means of the cleansing water of rebirth and by renewing us with the Holy Spirit which he has so generously poured over us through Jesus Christ our saviour. He did this so that we should be justified by his grace, to become heirs looking forward to inheriting eternal life.

### Gospel – Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

A feeling of expectancy had grown among the people, who were beginning to think that John might be the Christ, so John declared before them all, 'I baptise you with water, but someone is coming, someone who is more powerful than I am, and I am not fit to undo the strap of his sandals; he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and fire.'

Now when all the people had been baptised and while Jesus after his own baptism was at prayer, heaven opened and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily shape, like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; my favour rests on you.'

### Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSS

The readings for this feast recapitulate the themes of the entire Advent-Christmas season. Within the Christian tradition the voice that announces the future events is associated with John the Baptist. However, the reading itself proclaims the coming and manifestation of the Lord, clearly an Advent theme. The gospel reading from Luke moves us from anticipation of the coming of the messiah to fulfilment of God's promise. This theme of fulfilment is at the heart of the Christmas message. In the baptism narrative we see that Jesus has come into our midst, not only as a helpless infant, but as our anointed messiah. There is a dimension to this same gospel reading that opens us to a future yet to be fully realised in our lives. The one upon whom the Spirit descends has come to baptise us in that same Spirit.

The reading from Titus is similar to the gospel. Both herald the appearance of Jesus and promise a future fulfilment for us. Renewed by the Spirit, we will be justified and become heirs in hope of eternal life. The readings clearly announce that: the Lord is coming; the Lord has come; the Lord will continue to come to and through us into the whole world. Under all of this rings the melody of God's creative power as seen in the Psalm response. In view of the Isaian passage, God promises to create something new in the wilderness of chaos. There the glory of the Lord will be revealed.



EVERY WORD  
OF GOD IS PURE.

## Serve the Lord with Joy

### RECENTLY DECEASED



**Joan Emerson** – Funeral will be held on Monday, 14<sup>th</sup> January at 11.00am at St Jude's Church.

### SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM FOR 2019

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation:

1<sup>st</sup> May and 2<sup>nd</sup> May

#### Classes for Reconciliation:

31<sup>st</sup> March, 7<sup>th</sup> April, 14<sup>th</sup> April and 28<sup>th</sup> April.  
(No classes over Easter)

#### Confirmation:

20<sup>th</sup> July

#### Classes for Confirmation:

16<sup>th</sup> June, 23<sup>rd</sup> June, 30<sup>th</sup> June and 14<sup>th</sup> July.  
(No classes over school holidays)

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion:

8<sup>th</sup> September and 15<sup>th</sup> September

#### Classes for 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion:

4<sup>th</sup> August, 11<sup>th</sup> August, 18<sup>th</sup> August and 25<sup>th</sup> August.  
(No classes on Father's day 1<sup>st</sup> September)

If your child is studying in a non-catholic school and would like to register for the sacraments, please contact the Parish office on 9763 7302 or email [scoresby@cam.org.au](mailto:scoresby@cam.org.au)



### ALL WELCOME

You are all most heartily invited to attend the Vigil Mass to celebrate the Feast of St. Josephine Bakhita and to mark the International Day of Prayer, Reflection and Action Against Human Trafficking. Mass will be celebrated:

Time: 7.30pm  
Date: Thursday 7th February 2019  
Place: St Patrick's Cathedral  
Principal Celebrant: Archbishop Peter A. Comensoli

RSVP/Inquiries: [justice@cam.org.au](mailto:justice@cam.org.au)

### 2019 ST JUDE'S PARISH FAIR – CANCELLED

The Fair Committee has made the hard decision to not hold the St Jude's Parish Fair in 2019. This decision has come about due to the reduced time period to effectively organise the Fair, as a result of not having a sufficiently sized committee until late October and the time it takes for the new committee members to come up to speed. It was felt that to continue to push towards holding the fair in 2019 would result in a sub-par event and would potentially cause greater damage to the fair reputation than not holding it.

At this stage the 2019 Big Raffle will continue, however this will be pushed back to April/May 2019. Further details on this will be communicated in late February.

The Parish and Schools will be calling a meeting of all interested committee members in March 2019, to allow sufficient time for the new committee to get established and decide the future direction of the Fair into 2020 and beyond.

- Chris Shelly

### INTRODUCING THE PARISH SECRETARY

Name: Preethi Pais  
Nationality: Australian since 2004  
Cultural background: Indian (from Mumbai)  
Passionate about God and the teachings of the Catholic Church, I moved from working in the corporate environment to working as a Parish Secretary. There is still lots to learn and grasp, however have enjoyed every moment working here so far with the company of wonderful coworkers and warm hearted parishioners. Do feel free to drop by the Parish Office just to say 'hi'.



### HAVE YOU THOUGHT? TRINITY

The baptism event in the gospels is a moment of revelation of the Trinitarian nature of God. The Holy Spirit descends upon Jesus in the form of a dove whilst the voice of God is heard to declare Jesus, 'You are my Son.' It is a unique moment in the scriptures where the three persons of God are individually and collectively revealed. Although the scriptures do not explicitly name God as Trinity, by the time of Paul's early writings, blessings in the name of Jesus, God and the Holy Spirit are frequent. Despite this, Trinity continues to be a difficult concept for many Christians.