

ST JUDE'S PARISH, SCORESBY

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SUNDAY MASS can now be viewed online (details on page 3 of this bulletin)

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.

MESSAGE FROM FR. MARK

August 8th (Saturday this year) is the Feast of Mary MacKillop, Australia's first declared saint. She was an extraordinary woman in so many regards and may well be something of an inspiration for us as we battle Stage 4 restrictions as a result of the continually spreading of COVID 19. Mary knew tough times and at one point was even excommunicated by the Bishop of Adelaide! Like so many female religious of her time, life was hard, food scarce and money even more so. Yet Mary MacKillop abounded in generosity, dedication, commitment and love, especially to those who were struggling in any way. As the founder of the Josephite Sisters she knew that education was so vital as it provided young people with hope and opportunity. One of her great sayings was: "Never see a need without doing something about it." The great need right now for all of us is to ensure we faithfully follow the guidelines and restrictions that have been placed upon us. After all, they are in place for a reason. So we know the need and we must do something about it so that we 'get through to the other side' of this virus. The prayer below might serve as an inspiration for us in these times.

Ever generous God, you inspired St Mary MacKillop to live her life faithful to the Gospel of Jesus Christ and to be constant in bringing hope and encouragement to those who were disheartened, lonely or needy. We ask that our faith and hope be fired afresh by the Holy Spirit so that we too, like Mary MacKillop, may live with courage, trust and openness. Ever generous God hear our prayer that we make through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen

Stay well and continue to look after yourself and those around you. Mark

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1st Reading – Kings 19:9.11-13

When Elijah reached Horeb, the mountain of God, he went into the cave and spent the night in it. Then he was told, 'Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord.' Then the Lord himself went by. There came a mighty wind, so strong it tore the mountains and shattered the rocks before the Lord. But the Lord was not in the wind. After the wind came an earthquake. But the Lord was not in the earthquake. After the earthquake came a fire. But the Lord was not in the fire. And after the fire there came the sound of a gentle breeze. And when Elijah heard this, he covered his face with his cloak and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave.

2nd Reading – Romans 9:1-5

What I want to say is no pretence; I say it in union with Christ – it is the truth – my conscience in union with the Holy Spirit assures me of it too. What I want to say is this: my sorrow is so great, my mental anguish so endless, I would willingly be condemned and be cut off from Christ if it could help my brothers of Israel, my own flesh and blood. They were adopted as sons, they were given the glory and the covenants; the Law and the ritual were drawn up for them, and the promises were made to them. They are descended from the patriarchs and from their flesh and blood came Christ who is above all, God for ever blessed! Amen.

Gospel – Matthew 14:22-33

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side while he would send the crowds away. After sending the crowds away he went up into the hills by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, while the boat, by now far out on the lake, was battling with a heavy sea, for there was a head-wind. In the fourth watch of the night he went towards them, walking on the lake, and when the disciples saw him walking on the lake they were terrified. 'It is a ghost' they said, and cried out in fear. But at once Jesus called out to them, saying, 'Courage! It is I! Do not be afraid.' It was Peter who answered. 'Lord,' he said 'if it is you, tell me to come to you across the water.' 'Come' said Jesus. Then Peter got out of the boat and started walking towards Jesus across the water, but as soon as he felt the force of the wind, he took fright and began to sink. 'Lord! Save me!' he cried. Jesus put out his hand at once and held him. 'Man of little faith,' he said 'why did you doubt?' And as they got into the boat the wind dropped. The men in the boat bowed down before him and said, 'Truly, you are the Son of God.'

REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant

Although divine power is manifested in dramatic ways, it is also present in what is unassuming. Traces of God can be seen in the delicacy of a violet, in a cool summer breeze, in the blush of innocence, in the fiery eyes of justice. Every one of us lives in the midst of God, breathes the breath of God's life, and is constantly touched by the exquisite artistry of God's creativity. Life itself is a mountain experience of God.

As wonderful as life may be, it can also be very frightening at times. There are misunderstandings and rancour, jealousy and vindictiveness, greed and a hunger for power. Our personal lives can come unravelled and we can feel that we are genuinely 'at sea'. Every human being is tossed about by the exigencies of life. It is at times like these that we need faith in Jesus. Even though we do not recognise him, he is there in the midst of our chaos. Having the power of God, he is the definitive champion of all chaos, and so he is able to allay our fears and calm the sea.

A true experience of God, whether it be within the ordinariness of life or one of life's tribulations, is both transformative and effusive. It is a reality that cannot be contained; it must be proclaimed. Disciples must be ready to do what they can in order that the good news of God's revelation be made known to others.

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PARISH NEWS

Feast of Assumption on Saturday, 15th August 2020

Mass will be streamed exclusively for the Feast of the Assumption next Saturday and then the normal Sunday Mass will also be available from 6pm Saturday.

St. Jude's YouTube Channel and Online Masses

Weekend Mass, celebrated by Fr Mark can be viewed online, each Saturday evening from 6pm onwards, via the <u>St Jude's YouTube Channel</u> or our Parish website <u>http://pol.org.au/scoresby</u>

Church Closed During Lockdown

Following the guidelines (see page 4) for the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne, all Masses and Liturgical services at St Jude's Parish have now been suspended. The Church will remain closed until further notice.

For regular updates, please refer to the Diocese website: <u>http://www.cam.org.au/Guidance-for-</u> <u>Parishes-COVID-19</u> and the Parish website for the weekly newsletter: <u>http://pol.org.au/scoresby</u>

To receive regular Parish updates and weekly newsletters please advice us of your email address via scoresby@cam.org.au

Jude's Corner

Members of the Parish Pastoral Council have been in touch with a number of parishioners over the past week and a regular comment we hear 'we miss hearing the local news - what's happening in the parish'. During this time of lockdown when all we seem to hear on the news is how challenging things are, we thought that we would try a more positive news section in the weekly newsletter.

We would love to hear from parishioners, with some good news stories e.g. the birth of a baby, a wedding anniversary/birthday milestone that is being celebrated; maybe someone has gone above and beyond during this time and you would like to share that; something that you have read that gave you a lift and may do the same for others. It can really be anything that you might want to share, so that all who get the newsletter can celebrate and share your happiness. We are happy to take ideas of other things that you might like to be included.

This will only work if you want it to work and are happy to contribute. Items that you would like to be included would need to be either emailed to pastoral.stjudes@gmail.com or by contacting the parish office by Wednesday each week.

We look forward to hearing from you. St Jude's Parish Pastoral Council



Thanksgiving Contributions To Our Parish

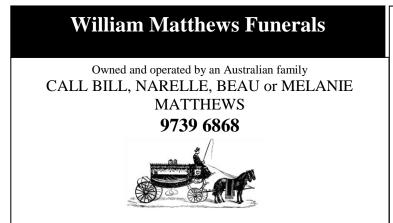
You can make contributions towards your Thanksgiving payments easily online using a Credit or Visa Debit Card where you can setup a recurring payment or a one-off offering to the Parish and/or the Presbytery. Please click on the link below and follow directions -

https://secure.artezpacific.com/registrant/donate.aspx?eventId=52905&spid=5635855



We pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time

Bartholomew Speranza, Alfred Delacorn, Peggy Mackay, Marshall Gomes, Lily Thornton, Barbara Colling, Solange Rayeroux, Pat Storen, William Gee, Kathleen Kennedy, Ronald Ebsworthy, Teresa Bust, Eric Foster, Mary Gaudio. Serve the Lord with Joy



<u>SHUBI CHIKARA KARATE</u>

Weekly Training Classes on Monday's at St. Jude's Community Centre. (*Postponed until Further Notice*)

Contact: Anthony on 0433 413 177

The information provided has been accepted in good faith, and a listing in this Directory does not mean that we guarantee the quality of performance of those listed.

General Guidelines for the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne Information Updated: Tuesday 4 August 5.00pm

Stage 4 – Metropolitan Melbourne

'Metropolitan Melbourne' is made up of 31 local government areas. Stage 4 restrictions have been put in place for these areas and Parishes should check which Council area they come under. Please use the following link with your address to assist in determining your location: <u>https://knowyourcouncil.vic.gov.au/councils</u> **MAP:** <u>https://www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/victorias-restriction-levels-covid-19</u>

All Victorians over the age of 12 must wear a face covering whenever they leave their home, unless a medical exemption applies.

As of 11.59pm Sunday 2 August, 2020 and for a period of 6 weeks unless otherwise directed: • All places of worship including churches, adoration chapels and other church buildings used for public prayer and religious services are to be closed.

• **WEDDINGS:** No weddings are permitted unless an application is made to the DHHS for an exemption on compassionate grounds. If compassionate reasons permit a marriage ceremony to proceed, then only 5 people are allowed, comprising of the couple, the two witnesses and the celebrant.

• **FUNERALS**: will be limited to 10 mourners plus the minimum number required to conduct the funeral.

• **BAPTISMS:** are to be postponed, unless there is an urgent and grave pastoral need. (Can. 857; 860).

• **LIVESTREAMING:** a limit of 5 in total may be present, including the celebrant.

• **VISITATIONS:** home visitations are not permitted unless for grave reasons. Only Clergy (Priests and Deacons) may visit. All hygiene precautions must be adhered including the wearing of face coverings. Holy Communion is not to be given to

anyone in their homes or care facilities, including the sick and homebound, except as Viaticum for the dying, which may be administered only by Priests and Deacons, and complying with all hygiene precautions and the protocols of the relevant hospitals or aged-care facilities (washing hands, etc.) as appropriate.

• **CURFEW:** A Curfew is in place from 8pm until 5am each day. You may leave home for the purposes of essential work only.

• If you can work from home, you must do so. All requirements around hygiene and distancing must be met, along with the collection of contact details.