

# ST JUDE'S PARISH, SCORESBY

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28<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time



ONLINE AND ONSITE MASS (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

Dear Friends,

As always I trust this finds you well.

The famous "numbers" would suggest that we are getting close, but not close enough it would seem and this of course is trying the patience of each and every one of us. But on a brighter note, we have begun masses again, albeit only for five at a time. We are celebrating in a space around the statue of Mary and the Child and I'm most grateful to Xavier David for organizing the marquee style cover that is in place. Certainly when we go to having ten, still outside I fear, there will still be sufficient space being mindful of 'social distancing.' And on another bright note, Pope Francis has just released a new encyclical entitled "On Fraternity and Social Friendship." It's different to the usual papal documents, though fairly much in keeping with Pope Francis' previous two encyclicals in that it is reflective and challenging and addresses issues that are vital for the world at large.

In this offering Pope Francis is inspired by two different stories. Firstly, the story of the man after whom he takes his name, Francis of Assisi and secondly the story of the Good Samaritan. There is only space here for a couple of thought from the document, but I'll try and cover a bit more over the next week or two. Pope Francis is really trying to both explore and promote the notion that we are all brothers and sisters together and that we need try and counter the ever increasing elevation of the individual over concern for the whole of humanity. He sees in the Parable of the Good Samaritan a reminder that the natural love we experience for family members should be consciously extended to those who are strangers to us. He says that each new day should be seen as an opportunity to "include, integrate, and lift up the fallen" rather than "an arena for our own power plays."

Not surprisingly, when speaking of human dignity he says that an authentic human fraternity must be based on a recognition of the inherent dignity of all persons, especially those who are vulnerable, poor or suffering. He then throws out a challenge stating "if one person lacks what is necessary to live with dignity, it is because another person is detaining it."

A little more next week and meanwhile take care and stay well.

Mark



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St. Joseph's College

Ms Cathy Livingston 9758 2000

# Serve the Lord with Joy

## 1st Reading - Isaiah 25:6-10

On this mountain, the Lord of hosts will prepare for all people a banquet of rich food, a banquet of fine wines, of food rich and juicy, of fine strained wines. On this mountain he will remove the mourning veil covering all peoples, and the shroud enwrapping all nations, he will destroy Death for ever. The Lord will wipe away the tears from every cheek; he will take away his people's shame everywhere on earth, for the Lord has said so. That day, it will be said: See, this is our God in whom we hoped for salvation; the Lord is the one in whom we hoped. We exult and we rejoice that he has saved us; for the hand of the Lord rests on this mountain.

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading - Philippians 4:12-14. 19-20

I know how to be poor and I know how to be rich too. I have been through my initiation and now I am ready for anything anywhere: full stomach or empty stomach, poverty or plenty. There is nothing I cannot master with the help of the One who gives me strength. All the same, it was good of you to share with me in my hardships. In return my God will fulfil all your needs, in Christ Jesus, as lavishly as only God can. Glory to God, our Father, for ever and ever. Amen.

## **Gospel - Matthew 21:33-43**

Jesus said to the chief priests and elders of the people: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a feast for his son's wedding. He sent his servants to call those who had been invited, but they would not come. Next he sent some more servants. "Tell those who have been invited" he said "that I have my banquet all prepared, my oxen and fattened cattle have been slaughtered, everything is ready. Come to the wedding." But they were not interested: one went off to his farm, another to his business, and the rest seized his servants, maltreated them and killed them. The king was furious. He dispatched his troops, destroyed those murderers and burnt their town. Then he said to his servants, "The wedding is ready; but as those who were invited proved to be unworthy, go to the crossroads in the town and invite everyone you can find to the wedding." So these servants went out onto the roads and collected together everyone they could find, bad and good alike; and the wedding hall was filled with guests. When the king came in to look at the guests he noticed one man who was not wearing a wedding garment, and said to him, "How did you get in here, my friend, without a wedding garment?" And the man was silent. Then the king said to the attendants, "Bind him hand and foot and throw him out into the dark, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth." For many are called, but few are chosen.'

## **REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant**

As incredible as it may seem, some people turn down the invitation to the eschatological banquet. This is the case, both in the parable and in our world today. This invitation seems much less interesting than a sports event, the latest movie, or some social affair. So much of our time and energy is spent either climbing the economic ladder or just trying to keep our heads above water. Even if we are interested in the banquet, we do not seem able to afford the time and energy that it might require. And so we send our regrets: I cannot come. What a shame! We seem to have forgotten that everything is tending toward the end; all of our plans, interests and distractions will cease. Only the banquet will remain. All God asks of us is that we receive the blessings that have been prepared for us. We need not work for them. In fact, we cannot work for them on our own. All we can do is enjoy them. Enjoyment of the eschatological time of fulfilment is open to all, but guaranteed to none.

One theme seems to connect all of the readings for this Sunday, our total dependence on God. God spreads the banquet table and invites the guests; God punishes those who are indifferent to or antagonistic toward the eschatological banquet; God supplies whatever we need in whatever circumstances we find ourselves. We do not have to bargain with God, or make reservations. All we have to do is accept what God has to offer.

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## **PARISH NEWS**

**St. Jude's YouTube Channel and Online Masses:** Can be viewed online, each Saturday from 6pm onwards, via the <u>St Judes YouTube Channel</u> or our Parish website <a href="http://pol.org.au/scoresby">http://pol.org.au/scoresby</a>

**Church Closed During Lockdown:** The Church remains closed until further notice following guidelines (see page 5) for the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne. However, we have resumed Masses (please refer to details below). For regular updates, please refer to the Diocese website: <a href="http://www.cam.org.au/Guidance-for-Parishes-COVID-19">http://www.cam.org.au/Guidance-for-Parishes-COVID-19</a> and the Parish website for the weekly newsletter: <a href="http://pol.org.au/scoresby">http://pol.org.au/scoresby</a>

**Parish Office Closed During Lockdown:** St Judes Parish Office will also remain closed until further notice. Please contact us via email at <a href="Scoresby@cam.org.au">Scoresby@cam.org.au</a>. We will endeavour to respond to you as soon as we can. For emergencies and urgent Pastoral matters, please contact Fr Mark on 0438 644 196.

Please send us an email if you would like to receive regular Parish updates and the weekly newsletter.

**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 - <a href="https://secure.artezpacific.com/registrant/donate.aspx?eventId=52905&spid=5635855">https://secure.artezpacific.com/registrant/donate.aspx?eventId=52905&spid=5635855</a>

## **Resumption of Masses**

With moving to Step 2 restrictions, St. Jude's is again able to celebrate Mass. Attendance is limited to 5 people plus the celebrant and Mass must be celebrated outdoors. At St. Jude's, this will be in Our Lady's Garden. Entry is via the side gate closest to the car park.

The schedule of Masses for the week beginning Monday, 12th October is as follows:

- Thursday 9:15 am
- Friday 9:15 am, 10:00 am and 10:30 am
- Saturday 4:30 pm and 5:15 pm
- Sunday 8:30 am, 9:45 am and 11:15 am there will be no evening Mass celebrated on Sunday.

The schedule of Masses will need to be flexible from week to week – please refer to the latest newsletter or website for the current schedule.

Online Mass will continue to be recorded on Thursday at 10:30 am for those who are unable to physically attend Mass – note however that this is not a public Mass celebration.

We ask that you attend Mass no more than once a fortnight to allow as many parishioners as possible to attend. Readers will not be rostered, so you may wish to take this opportunity to read at the Mass you attend. A face mask must be worn during Mass (unless you have a medical exemption), and physical distancing maintained. Holy Communion will be distributed in the hand only, as per Archdiocese Guidelines.

As Mass is celebrated outdoors, if it rains, Mass will be cancelled.

To adhere to contact tracing requirements, attendees will be required to register via TryBooking: <a href="https://www.trybooking.com/BLWWV">https://www.trybooking.com/BLWWV</a>

Please register at least 24 hours before the Mass you wish to attend. For parishioners who are unable to register directly, please email your booking to <a href="mass-request.stjudes@gmail.com">mass-request.stjudes@gmail.com</a> with the Mass you wish to attend, and the names and contact numbers of those attending.



# We pray for those who have died recently and extend our support and care to their families:

Maureen Jean (Wife of Murray), Nellie Small (Mother of Pauline Barrow), Joanna Buis (Mother of Elizabeth Cole)

### And those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Stephen Oliver Trainor, Arun Leopillai, Mary Kum Lam, Grace Porto, Rufina Baranda, Annette Mascitti, Mary S.Y. Lee, Joseph Christy

# Serve the Lord with Joy

# Jude's Corner

Please contact us with your contribution – birthday celebrations, recipes, topics of interest, in fact anything!! To <u>pastoral.stjudes@gmail.com</u> or contact Ann on 0402 904 678

Lockdown – The Good Things!!

A big Thank You to Maureen and Isa for responding to our request about the 'good things' in 'Lockdown'.

Isa has spent a lot of time in her garden and anyone walking by can see the fruits – the back garden is even more delightful. She has also enjoyed more time to bake and loves sharing her treats with family, friends (me!!) and neighbours. And in the afternoon she likes nothing better than to sit down with a cuppa and writing letters – one recipient was her great grandson who lives overseas and she hasn't seen for 3 years, he was so excited to get a hand written letter, he rang her up straight away "Nan, guess what, I got your letter in the mail". To end her day Isa, prays her rosary, which she finds very calming.

I have known Maureen for a number of years and was very aware of her dislike of anything technological i.e. mobiles and computers. She is very pleased with herself having persevered over Lockdown to learn new skills. Maureen has become very competent with texting and sending photos to all and sundry. Brian is proud of her new found skills as it now gives him time to respond to his own messages!!

## Alf's Corner in the Corner



**Celibacy** can be a choice in life, or a condition imposed by circumstances.

While attending a Marriage Weekend, my wife and I, listened to the instructor declare, 'It is essential that husbands and wives know the things that are important to each other.."

He then addressed the men,

'Can you name and describe your wife's favourite flower?

I leaned over, touched my wife's hand gently, and whispered, 'Self-raising, isn't it?'

And thus began my life of celibacy..

#### What Love is

A group of professional people posed this question to some 4 to 8 year-olds, 'What does love mean? There were many beautiful responses but this one is just gold.

A four-year-old child whose next door neighbour was an elderly gentleman who had recently lost his wife. Upon seeing the man cry, the little boy went into the old gentleman's yard, climbed onto his lap, and just sat there. When his Mother asked what he had said to the neighbour, the little boy said, 'Nothing, I just helped him cry.'

#### Granita – Last week's recipe

As last weekend was warm, I decided to make the Granita which went down a treat. Next time I will add some more lemon juice as I really love the citrus flavour.



#### **International Cuisine**

This week's recipe is a very special one. Many of you may remember Vera Grocholskis, a parishioner for many years, who died recently. Vera lived for years in the Latvian Village. This recipe was included in the Mass Booklet prepared for her funeral as a keepsake for family and friends. Carmel very kindly shared the recipe with us and is making sure that Vera's memory lives on as she makes and bakes Vera's biscuits and distributes to her friends and neighbours.

#### May Vera Rest in Peace

In the last 5 decades of her life, Vera's biscuits were an essential component of most family and social gatherings. She always had a large tin at the ready for chats over a cup of tea. This is her never fail recipe

#### **Vera's Hazelnut Chocolate Biscuits**

185g Butter

1 cup Sugar

1 Egg

½ tsp vanilla

2 cups Self Raising Flour

60g finely chopped Hazelnuts

60g Chopped Dark Chocolate

½ cup Coconut

Cream butter & sugar until light and fluffy.

Add egg and vanilla, beat well.

Add sifted flour, mix well.

Fold in hazelnuts, chocolate and coconut.

Roll heaped teaspoons into small balls.

Place on greased oven trays allowing room for spreading

Bake at 180° for 15 to 20 minutes or until golden brown.

Leave to cool on trays. Makes about 40.

# **William Matthews Funerals**

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# SHUBI CHIKARA KARATE

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: Monday 28 September 5.00pm

The following Guidelines are approved by Most Rev Peter A Comensoli, Archbishop of Melbourne, to assist Clergy and Faithful with questions pertaining to specific areas of liturgy and ministry in the Archdiocese of Melbourne during this time of the COVID-19 pandemic.

In response to the **latest directives announced by Government as part of the** proposed **Roadmaps for the reopening of the Metropolitan and Regional areas of Victoria**, the following will become operational **for Metropolitan Melbourne only, from 11:59pm on 27 September, 2020.** 

#### **METROPOLITAN MELBOURNE**

## **STEP TWO Summary**

**Curfew:** no longer in place.

**Public Gatherings:** up to 5 people outdoors (from 2 families).

**Religious Gatherings:** Can also take place outdoors with five people plus a faith leader. Must be adjacent to the place of worship with only one group permitted at a time. You can only travel up to 5km from your home to attend a gathering and only for 2 hours.

**Weddings**: Permitted in outdoor public spaces allowed with up to 5 people (the couple and the two witnesses). The faith leader and children under 12 months not included.

**Funerals:** allowed with up to 10 mourners (infants under 12 months of age or people required to conduct the funeral not included in the limit). A separate grouping of mourners may not come in to remove the coffin from the church.

**End of Life and Care:** Faith Leaders may attend a dying resident or provide end of life support to a resident in their home or in a Health or Care facility at the request of the patient. Visits may also be made to support a patient or resident with their emotional or mental wellbeing if it cannot be done remotely Such care must be undertaken in co-operation with the particular facility and in line with other visiting restrictions and facility guidelines.

**Visitors to the Home:** If living alone or a single parent, one visitor may be nominated to create a 'social bubble.'

Work: Continue to work from home.

REVIEW: <u>DHHS Victorian Roadmap for Metropolitan Melbourne</u>

At all times consideration must be given to: NUMBERS - DENSITY - HYGIENE