

# ST JUDE'S PARISH, SCORESBY

49 George Street, Scoresby 3179 Phone 9763 7302 Email: <u>scoresby@cam.org.au</u> Member of Knox Deanery 13<sup>th</sup> September, 2020 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time



SUNDAY MASS Available online from Saturday 6pm onwards (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

Who would have thought that masks would become part of our lives? And isn't it interesting how much less of a person we see now. I came across the following prayer the other day which I thought was rather good:

Lord, may your love and light shine in and through me today in a way that no mask can hide. May my eyes dance with laughter and joy, replacing my hidden smile. May my actions of care and concern speak louder than my muffled voice ever could. And may the generosity of my heart radiate out through who I am and how I respond to the world around me, so that others may not see my mask but your image shining out, moving in and through me today. Amen

Take care and stay well. Mark



This weekend, the Catholic Church in Australia marks Child Protection Sunday, on which we pray for those who have been abused, their families and supporters. We recognise and apologise for the harm done by priests, religious and lay people in Church settings. The Church takes a zero-tolerance approach to child abuse. We recommit to practices that support survivors and make the Catholic Church and its ministries the safest possible place for children and people at risk.

Find out more at: <u>www.catholic.org.au/childprotectionsunday</u> and <u>www.catholicreligious.org.au/safeguarding</u>

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### SERVICES & CONTACTS

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Tennis Club		
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Bible Study		
Xavier David	0400 757 350	
Parish Pastoral Council		
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#### PARISH SCHOOL PRINCIPALS

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Mr John Downie	9801 8296	
<u>St Mary's College for the Deaf</u>		
Ms. Amanda Purcell	9800 2733	
<u>Mater Christi College</u>		
Ms Mary Fitz-Gerald	9754 6611	
<u>St. Joseph's College</u>		
Ms Cathy Livingston	9758 2000	

# 1<sup>st</sup> Reading – Ecclesiasticus 27:30 – 28:7

Resentment and anger, these are foul things, and both are found with the sinner. He who exacts vengeance will experience the vengeance of the Lord, who keeps strict account of sin. Forgive your neighbour the hurt he does you, and when you pray, your sins will be forgiven. If a man nurses anger against another, can he then demand compassion from the Lord? Showing no pity for a man like himself, can he then plead for his own sins? Mere creature of flesh, he cherishes resentment; who will forgive him his sins? Remember the last things, and stop hating, remember dissolution and death, and live by the commandments. Remember the commandments, and do not bear your neighbour ill-will; remember the covenant of the Most High, and overlook the offence.

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – Romans 14:7-9

The life and death of each of us has its influence on others; if we live, we live for the Lord; and if we die, we die for the Lord, so that alive or dead we belong to the Lord. This explains why Christ both died and came to life, it was so that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living.

### Gospel - Matthew 18:21-35

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew I tell you that you forgive not seven times but seventy times seven. Peter went up to Jesus and said, 'Lord, how often must I forgive my brother if he wrongs me? As often as seven times?' Jesus answered, 'Not seven, I tell you, but seventy-seven times. 'And so the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who decided to settle his accounts with his servants. When the reckoning began, they brought him a man who owed ten thousand talents; but he had no means of paying, so his master gave orders that he should be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, to meet the debt. At this, the servant threw himself down at his master's feet. "Give me time," he said "and I will pay the whole sum." And the servant's master felt so sorry for him that he let him go and cancelled the debt. Now as this servant went out, he happened to meet a fellow servant who owed him one hundred denarii; and he seized him by the throat and began to throttle him. "Pay what you owe me", he said. His fellow servant fell at his feet and implored him, saying, "Give me time and I will pay you." But the other would not agree; on the contrary, he had him thrown into prison till he should pay the debt. His fellow servants were deeply distressed when they saw what had happened, and they went to their master and reported the whole affair to him. Then the master sent for him. "You wicked servant," he said. "I cancelled all that debt of yours when you appealed to me. Were you not bound, then, to have pity on your fellow servant just as I had pity on you?" And in his anger the master handed him over to the torturers till he should pay all his debt. And that is how my heavenly Father will deal with you unless you each forgive your brother from your heart.'

### **REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant**

A distinctive feature of the teachings of Jesus is his exhortation to forgive. Very explicit about this, Jesus left us his own example by forgiving his executioners while he hung dying on the cross. Until recently we thought that forgiveness begins with the offender repenting of the offence and then asking for pardon. Today many maintain that reconciliation must begin with the one offended offering forgiveness. This willingness to forgive transforms a victim into a survivor. Such magnanimity might then touch the heart of the offender, who may thus be transformed from being an offender to becoming a friend. If God has been so generous in forgiving us, surely we should be generous in forgiving others. The process of becoming a forgiving person takes time. For some, it may take a lifetime. Only little by little are our pettiness and indignation reduced and our desire to strike back diminished. Still, as disciples, we are expected to give the forgiveness that we have been given.

Such forgiveness does not provide an easy way out for offenders, for ultimately justice will prevail. If we remain untransformed by God's forgiveness of us, we will be liable to judgment. Our unwillingness to forgive can eat away at us, and we can carry hurts from childhood far into adult years. Forgiving others, as difficult as that may be, is in the long run much easier than bearing the weight of resentfulness, vindictiveness and unresolved frustration. When we forgive we truly begin to be healed.

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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 <u>http://pol.org.au/scoresby</u>

**Church Closed During Lockdown:** The Church remains closed until further notice following guidelines (see page 5) for the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne. All Masses and Liturgical services at St Jude's Parish have been suspended. 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 during stage 4 lockdown or until further notice.

Please contact us via email at <u>Scoresby@cam.org.au</u>. 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 -

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





We pray for those who died recently Vera Grocholskis (Latvian Village), Maureen James And those whose anniversaries occur at this time Laura Perera, Chow Kwan Lam, Davina Peterson, Alfea Cursaro, Madgalena Esquerra, Angelica La Marca, Domenico Demarte, Antonino Pagano, Iris Cother, Cynthia Hucker, Malcolm McDonald

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# **Jude's Corner**

#### **Putting Children First: Child Protection Week 2020**

This year marks the 30th anniversary of Child Protection Week (6-12 September). The theme for 2020, 'Putting Children First', was chosen by the National Association for Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect (NAPCAN) and underscores the need to prioritise the safety and wellbeing of children in all aspects of our community and family life.

The occasion is of great significance for the Catholic Church in Australia as it emphasises the need for a continuous commitment to effectively safeguard children, young people, and vulnerable adults.

Our parish is in the process of establishing a Child Safety Committee to ensure that our policies and practices meet the requirements of both the Victorian Government and the Catholic Church. We are seeking volunteers who have an interest in this area and would like to be part of this very important committee. For further information please contact the PPC – pastoral.stjudes@gmail.com

#### **Our Local Area**

Thank you to Rick for sharing some photos of Jells Park, one of his favourite walks. Fr Mark and Jack have explored some of the park and are looking forward to discovering more. We would love to hear about your favourite walks and if possible, include some photos - pastoral.stjudes@gmail.com





International Cuisine

summer recipe menu!!!

recipe growing in her garden.

A couple of weeks ago Preethi shared her

recipe for Kesar Pista Kulfi. I made it as a

dessert for Father's Day and it went down a

Style Fish Cakes. Elaine also enjoys gardening

treat. It was really easy and its now on my



#### THAI STYLE FISH CAKES

**INGREDIENTS:** 600g potatoes

- 1 x 425g can tuna
- 1 medium onion, finely diced
- 3 tablespoons fresh coriander, chopped
- 1 tablespoon fresh ginger, grated
- 1 small red chilli, finely chopped
- 1 large egg, beaten
- Salt and freshly ground black pepper
- 1 cup fresh dry breadcrumbs
- oil for frying

#### **METHOD:**

Peel & cube potatoes, cook in boiling salted water until tender. Drain and mash.

Place potatoes in large bowl, drain and flake the tuna and add to the bowl.

Add the onion, coriander, ginger, chilli, egg and seasoning. Mix well and shape into patties.

Coat with breadcrumbs. Place in fridge for approx 10 minutes to chill.

Heat oil in large frying pan over a moderate heat. Cook patties on both sides until golden.

Do not overcrowd the pan - cook patties in batches if necessary.

Drain on kitchen paper, keep warm. Garnish with coriander springs to serve.

### Alf's Corner in the Corner

Two elderly ladies met for the first time since school.

One asked the other: "You were always so organized in school; did you manage to live a wellplanned life?"

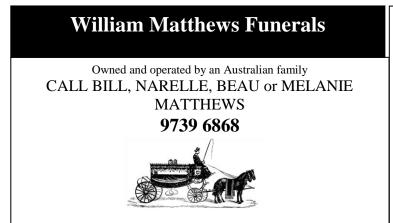
"Oh yes" said her friend. "My first marriage was to a millionaire, my second to an actor, my third to a preacher; and now I'm married to an undertaker."

Her friend asked: "What do those marriages have to do with a well-planned life?"

"One for the money, two for the show, three to get ready and four to go.



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# <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.