

*Serve the Lord with Joy*



**ST JUDE'S PARISH, SCORESBY**  
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Member of Knox Deanery  
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25<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

I trust that this finds you all well!

As I write these words on Thursday morning I hear that the daily infection numbers have dropped below 30 for the first time since June. Sadly though there were a further eight deaths. The new case numbers do give us a real hope that we may be seeing the light at the end of the tunnel. Let's all hope and pray that this is the case.

Since all this began there have many, many sung and very importantly too, unsung heroes. Of course we all owe an enormous debt of gratitude to our front line health workers, doctors, nurses, orderlies, hospital cleaners, paramedics, counsellors, police and PSO's, and so many other allied health personnel. I've been impressed by the creative ways that stores such as Bunnings and Officeworks and many others have developed 'click and collect' so that lots and lots of us can get on with life however challenging it may seem. Importantly too our neighbours who have stayed in touch, checking on those around, having a chat in the street 1.5 metres apart! Our teachers too have been wonderful and so energetic as they seek ways to enhance online learning. I especially want to acknowledge parents and in many instances I know, grandparents too for the amazing job they, and many of them are you, to support online learning. I certainly see them as heroes.

So whilst it continues to be a great challenge, there has been so much goodness in the midst of the mess, so much generosity, care, compassion, understanding and love. Let's all celebrate that. Indeed, let us celebrate one another.

Stay well and let's all hang in there! Have a good week.  
Mark



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Ms Mary Fitz-Gerald 9754 6611  
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**We are created for community,  
fashioned for fellowship,  
and formed for a family,  
and none of us can fulfil God's purpose  
by ourselves.**

—Rick Warren

## *Serve the Lord with Joy*

### **1<sup>st</sup> Reading – Isaiah 55:6-9**

Seek the Lord while he is still to be found, call to him while he is still near. Let the wicked man abandon his way, the evil man his thoughts. Let him turn back to the Lord who will take pity on him, to our God who is rich in forgiving; for my thoughts are not your thoughts, my ways not your ways – it is the Lord who speaks. Yes, the heavens are as high above earth as my ways are above your ways, my thoughts above your thoughts.

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – Philippians 1:20-24. 27**

Christ will be glorified in my body, whether by my life or by my death. Life to me, of course, is Christ, but then death would bring me something more; but then again, if living in this body means doing work which is having good results – I do not know what I should choose. I am caught in this dilemma: I want to be gone and be with Christ, which would be very much the better, but for me to stay alive in this body is a more urgent need for your sake.

Avoid anything in your everyday lives that would be unworthy of the gospel of Christ.

### **Gospel – Matthew 20:1-16**

Jesus said to his disciples: “The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner going out at daybreak to hire workers for his vineyard. He made an agreement with the workers for one denarius a day, and sent them to his vineyard. Going out at about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the market place and said to them, “You go to my vineyard too and I will give you a fair wage.” So they went. At about the sixth hour and again at about the ninth hour, he went out and did the same. Then at about the eleventh hour he went out and found more men standing round, and he said to them, “Why have you been standing here idle all day?” “Because no one has hired us” they answered. He said to them, “You go into my vineyard too.” In the evening, the owner of the vineyard said to his bailiff, “Call the workers and pay them their wages, starting with the last arrivals and ending with the first.” So those who were hired at about the eleventh hour came forward and received one denarius each. When the first came, they expected to get more, but they too received one denarius each. They took it, but grumbled at the landowner. “The men who came last” they said “have done only one hour, and you have treated them the same as us, though we have done a heavy day’s work in all the heat.” He answered one of them and said, “My friend, I am not being unjust to you; did we not agree on one denarius? Take your earnings and go. I choose to pay the last-comer as much as I pay you. Have I no right to do what I like with my own? Why be envious because I am generous?” Thus the last will be first, and the first, last.’

### **REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant**

Our attention shifts slightly in these last Sundays of Ordinary Time. We turn from concentration on the character and responsibilities of discipleship to reflection on the import of the end of time. As we move toward the close of the liturgical year, we are invited to consider the final coming of Christ and the last judgment.

The thought of judgment is enough to strike fear in the hearts of many. We sometimes experience tension between the idea of divine justice, which requires that the good be adequately rewarded and the evil be appropriately punished, and that of the mercy of God, which we hope will be generously extended to us. As seen in the readings for this Sunday, the justice of God does not conform to the standards of human justice. It is incomprehensible, because its foundation is mercy. While we might find consolation in this view of divine judgment when it is directed toward us, our hearts do not always seem to be generous enough to rejoice in the mercy extended to others. It is almost as if we feel that we have been cheated in some way, if God is merciful to others. However, divine mercy can work in us to abolish our pettiness and indignation and replace it with generosity of heart. We are called to conduct ourselves with this kind of generosity, this kind of love, this kind of mercy.

PARISH NEWS

**St. Jude's YouTube Channel and Online Masses:** Can be viewed online, each Saturday from 6pm onwards, via the [St Judes YouTube Channel](#) or our Parish website <http://pol.org.au/scoresby>

**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: <http://www.cam.org.au/Guidance-for-Parishes-COVID-19> and the Parish website for the weekly newsletter: <http://pol.org.au/scoresby>

**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 [Scoresby@cam.org.au](mailto:Scoresby@cam.org.au). 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/registant/donate.aspx?eventId=52905&spid=5635855>

**Social Services Sunday –  
a time to reflect and give thanks**

On 20th September 2020, we mark [Social Services Sunday](#) within the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne. On this day we are invited to give thanks and pray for all who stand with and provide support to those who are marginalised and vulnerable within our communities. We recognise with deep gratitude, those working within Catholic Social Services Victoria's 45 [member organisations](#), the 7,000 staff and 17,000 volunteers, who together, serve more than 200,000 people in need each year. We also give thanks for all in our parishes, who are so often at the forefront of providing practical support and care to those in need within their local communities, and beyond. We call to mind the 2020/21 Social Justice Statement brought out recently by the Australian Catholic bishops, [To Live Life to the Full: Mental Health in Australia Today](#), and so draw your attention to a recent event hosted by CSSV, [Counselling and Therapeutic Support in a Time of COVID](#), which provided an opportunity to become more familiar with mental health services, and how to practically reach out for or point to assistance. Parishioners will find the resources in this article helpful.

**Prayer for Courage and Compassion**

Compassionate God,  
Your unconditional love for all  
inspires our hearts and empowers our  
actions  
for those who are most vulnerable.  
May we boldly and humbly serve one another  
and be steadfast in our work for justice for all  
people.  
Keep our hearts open to the joys and the  
hopes of our world,  
and our ears ready to hear your call  
to truth, justice and reconciliation.  
Let us continue to draw inspiration and  
strength  
from those, like St Mary MacKillop,  
on whose shoulders we stand.  
We gather in Jesus' name  
to be nourished and to move forward  
together  
in hope and joy.  
Amen



**We pray for those who died recently**

*Numeriana Medel Villareal (Sister-in-law of Adel Medel)*

**And those whose anniversaries occur at this time**

*Patricia Rogers, Thomas Brown, Sally Griffin, Brian Mahony, Lily Rutzou,  
Laura Colling, Joseph Elvey, Herbert Mayes, Ruth Hickey, Lorna Thorneycroft,  
Michelle Reardon, Valarie Johnson, Clement Hettiarachchi.*

## Jude's Corner



Happy Birthday to Fr Mark  
and

Tony Allard on his 90<sup>th</sup> - a wonderful milestone!

The parishioners of St Jude's wish you both every happiness as you celebrate your special day. We may not be able to wish you personally but we hope you feel the warm wishes and birthday happiness being sent your way.



Happy Birthday to you, Happy Birthday to you  
Happy Birthday, Dear **Mark & Tony**  
Happy Birthday to you!!!!



### Warm Days and Wearing a Mask - Some Tips

1. For the summer, make or purchase light coloured cotton fabric masks. Light colours absorb less heat from the sun. Cotton is more breathable, whereas polyester can hold heat to the face. Most quilting fabrics are 100% cotton.
2. If you know you will be in a public place for an extended period of time, consider bringing extra masks to change. Remember, wash your hands before and after replacing.
3. While exercising, experts suggest wearing a mask made of bamboo fabric. Bamboo is 40% more absorbent than even the finest organic cotton.
4. Washing – moisture sitting in masks for too long creates a breeding ground for bacteria and viruses to thrive. Therefore, it is essential that when using cloth masks, that they are washed in hot water (and scrub the mask for at least 20 seconds similar to hand washing guidelines) after each use. Not only is this safer but will also feel better when using again. Using bleach or fabric softener is not recommended, especially for people with sensitive skin.

And as Fr Mark reminds us after each Mass – **'Stay Safe, Do the Task and Wear the Mask.'**



Daily Walk – I pass by these lovely notions as I'm out walking, they never fail to bring a smile.



I enjoyed passing this house with the balloons– the note says: 'Enjoy the herbs & flowers, I hope it brightens your day. Thank you for all the kind letters & gifts we have received. We have been so blessed'.

Since passing Spoonville a few days ago, someone has added a Bride & Groom – so creative.

I'm sure many of you notice some lovely gardens/plants/ideas on your walk, please send photos through to [pastoral.stjudes@gmail.com](mailto:pastoral.stjudes@gmail.com) so that they can be shared with our community.



I'm happy to report that while my Daffodils may not have stood up straight and tall, my Irises are blooming beautifully.

Please contribute to Jude's Corner: a feel-good story, recipe, photo, note about a special occasion, anything that you would like to share with the community. Email to [pastoral.stjudes@gmail.com](mailto:pastoral.stjudes@gmail.com) or Ph: 0402 904 678

### Alf's Corner in the Corner



**140 days in lockdown. I'M FINE. Thanks for asking.**

Paddy is ploughing his field with a steamroller.

Seamus says "Paddy you don't plough a field with a steamroller you dozy idiot!

Paddy replies "I'm growing mashed potatoes!!!

## William Matthews Funerals

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MATTHEWS  
9739 6868



## 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 14 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 from 11:59pm on 13 September, 2020.

### METROPOLITAN MELBOURNE

#### FIRST STEP

**Stage 4 Restrictions remain in place, with the following amendments for expanded social interaction:**

**Curfew:** across metropolitan Melbourne will be eased to 9pm to 5am.

**Leave Home:** only for 4 reasons, 5km limit on distance.

**Public Gatherings Increased:** Restrictions on public gatherings ease - Two people, or members of your 'household', can meet outdoors for a maximum of two hours for social interaction, exercise or recreation within 5km of their home.

**Visitors to the Home Increased:** If you live alone or are a single parent with all your children under 18 you will be able to have 1 (one) nominated visitor to your home (creating a **Single Social Bubble**). Professional respite care for people with complex needs allowed.

**Funerals:** allowed with up to 10 people (**not including infants under 12 months of age** or people required to conduct the funeral). You can travel to a funeral outside of metropolitan Melbourne. Restrictions apply based on the location of the funeral and limits to numbers also apply.

REVIEW: DHHS Victorian Roadmap Metropolitan Melbourne

**The goal during this step is to contain widespread transmission of the virus and to get to very low community transmission. This means if the metro community reaches an average of 30-50 cases per day over a 14-day period and subject to advice from our public health officials, the next Step may come into place from 28 September.**

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