

ST JUDE'S PARISH, SCORESBY

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Member of Knox Deanery
26th July, 2020
17th Sunday in Ordinary Time



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

Dear friends.

Once more this week I trust that you are well as together we face the ever daunting challenge of living with COVID 19. In the past week we have seen the numbers infected climb to a very concerning level and sadly a number of people have died. Let us remember them and their families in our prayer, remembering too of course that because of the restrictions the ability to celebrate the life of their loved one is so very restricted which I'm sure can only add to their pain. I received an email from some friends in California the other day with a video clip which is very beautiful. You can access it at: https://vimeo.com/404108104. As we are surrounded by so much negativity at the current time I think this prayer is a wonderful tonic. During this time of 'lockdown' we are using the opportunity to do some much needed maintenance on the Church and garden area and a little more work in the presbytery. I am most grateful to Xavier David in particular for his wonderful co-ordination and management of these works. Let us all pray for one another, those who are suffering and scared and especially for our 'front line' workers. We owe them in particular so much for their dedication, generosity and professionalism.

And now let's not forget the new way of being....."Embrace the task...wear the mask!"

Take care, look out for one another and stay well.

Mark Reynolds

READINGS FOR 2ND AUGUST 2020 - YEAR A - 18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Is 55:1-3; **Second Reading:** Rom 8:35. 37-39;

Gospel: Mt 14:13-21

Our Parish Office

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A Defibrillator for use in a cardiac emergency is located in the foyer of the Church



SERVICES & CONTACTS

BAPTISM 9763 7302 Suspended until further notice

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Serve the Lord with Joy

1st Reading - 1 Kings 3:5.7-12

The Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream and said, 'Ask what you would like me to give you.' Solomon replied, 'Lord, my God, you have made your servant king in succession to David my father. But I am a very young man, unskilled in leadership. Your servant finds himself in the midst of this people of yours that you have chosen, a people so many its numbers cannot be counted or reckoned. Give your servant a heart to understand how to discern between good and evil, for who could govern this people of yours that is so great?' It pleased the Lord that Solomon should have asked for this. 'Since you have asked for this' the Lord said 'and not asked for long life for yourself or riches or the lives of your enemies, but have asked for a discerning judgement for yourself, here and now I do what you ask. I give you a heart wise and shrewd as none before you has had and none will have after you.'

2nd Reading - Romans 8: 28-30

We know that by turning everything to their good God co-operates with all those who love him, with all those that he has called according to his purpose. They are the ones he chose specially long ago and intended to become true images of his Son, so that his Son might be the eldest of many brothers. He called those he intended for this; those he called he justified, and with those he justified he shared his glory.

Gospel – Matthew 13:44-52

Jesus said to the crowds, 'The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field which someone has found; he hides it again, goes off happy, sells everything he owns and buys the field.

'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant looking for fine pearls; when he finds one of great value he goes and sells everything he owns and buys it.

'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a dragnet cast into the sea that brings in a haul of all kinds. When it is full, the fishermen haul it ashore; then, sitting down, they collect the good ones in a basket and throw away those that are no use. This is how it will be at the end of time: the angels will appear and separate the wicked from the just to throw them into the blazing furnace where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth.

'Have you understood all this?' They said, 'Yes.' And he said to them, 'Well, then, every scribe who becomes a disciple of the kingdom of heaven is like a householder who brings out from his storeroom things both new and old.'

REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant

Two themes seem to weave through the readings for this Sunday: treasure and delight. The treasure is the extraordinary gift that comes from God; the delight is the joy that we experience when we realise that the treasure is ours. A third theme, which is found in the first reading, picks up a theme that we have considered several times during this period of Ordinary Time, namely, service of others.

The treasure is the kingdom of heaven. It is the prize that gives meaning to the present, and its fullest delight draws us into the future. The reign of God is the fulfilment of our deepest desires and our fondest hopes. Nothing in the world can compare with it, and that is why we are willing to sacrifice everything to attain it. The treasure that we find is really a gift that is given. We need not work to attain the kingdom, nor can we earn it in any way. It is given to us by God. All we have to do is accept it.

Solomon chose to be of service to others. In this he is a model for disciples to follow. We have discovered the treasure in the field; we have found the pearl of great price. What we have been given, we must now give to others. In giving we will lose nothing. In fact, we gain an abundance of blessings. All things work for good, and God is glorified in all. Such is the character of the kingdom of God.

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PARISH NEWS

St. Jude's YouTube Channel and Online Masses

Weekend Mass, celebrated by Fr Mark, is being filmed and recorded each week at St Jude's and can be viewed online, each Saturday evening from 6pm onwards, via the St Jude's YouTube Channel.

The Mass can be viewed on our Parish website http://pol.org.au/scoresby or our YouTube Channel, which can be found by searching for "st judes scoresby" in YouTube, or clicking on this link: St Jude's YouTube Channel



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.

In the meantime, please refer to the following websites for regular updates -

- ➤ Diocese website for latest information: http://www.cam.org.au/Guidance-for-Parishes-COVID-19
- > Parish website for the weekly newsletter: http://pol.org.au/scoresby

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

Thanksgiving Contributions To Our Parish

The Catholic Development Fund (CDF) and the Archdiocese of Melbourne have partnered to setup an Online Parish Payment Portal, "CDFpay for Parishes" which enables you to contribute 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 -

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

A new SVDP OP SHOP

The new St Vinnies Op Shop opened on Wednesday, July 15th. The shop is located at Unit 7/1821 Ferntree Gully Road, FTG. Heading towards Mountain Gate from Scoresby the shop is located on the left-hand side of FTG Road, next turn after Clyde Street.

Your support is greatly appreciated.



We Pray For Those Whose Anniversaries Occur At This Time

Betty Lothian, Cecil Mottau, André Lavoipierre, Bernard Murphy, Paul Buick, Luke Mallia, George Menczer, Tony Van Hoorn, Edwin Ray, Patrick McKay, Mary Theuma

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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: Wednesday 22 July 5.00pm

FACE COVERINGS - as of 11.59pm Wednesday 22 July 2020

All people who live within metropolitan Melbourne or Mitchell Shire must wear a face covering whenever they leave their home, unless an exception applies.

This means that for any permissible activity within a Parish location, as outlined in the following Archdiocesan Guidelines, face coverings must be worn (further details around liturgical considerations are given below).

If you live in metropolitan Melbourne or Mitchell Shire and must travel outside of these areas, for necessary goods and services, medical care and caregiving, or study or work, you must continue to wear a face covering. This will include those attending funerals outside the metropolitan Melbourne and Mitchell Shire areas.

Similarly, if you live outside metropolitan Melbourne or Mitchell Shire and must travel inside these areas, for necessary goods and services, medical care and caregiving, or study or work, you must wear a face covering.

A face covering needs to cover both your nose and mouth, and can be a face mask or shield. There are exemptions, notably for children and those with specific medical conditions. These are outlined in the following: https://www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/updates/coronavirus-covid-19/face-coverings-1159pm-wednesday-22-july

If you live in the Melbourne metropolitan area and the Shire of Mitchell you must stay at home. People may leave their home for four reasons:

Shopping for food or other essential items

To provide care giving, for compassionate reasons or to seek medical treatment

For exercise (outdoor exercise only, with only one other person or members of your household)

Work or study, only if you cannot work or study from home

Other links:

Explanation of restriction levels and map

Restricted Activity Directions (See section 8)

Read letter from Archbishop Peter A Comensoli following a return to Stage 3 (PDF version)