



ST JUDE'S PARISH, SCORESBY
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Member of Knox Deanery
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26th 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

This weekend our Church worldwide celebrates Migrants and Refugees. Apart from those who are Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, the rest of us fall into two categories, at least historically. We as a nation are made up of migrants and refugees and each of us non indigenous Australians have either a migrant or refugee background. Sadly, it is something that many forget when reflecting on those who seek to come to Australia for as our anthem says we "have bounteous plains to share." Certainly, we have the plains, but from time to time we fall short on the sharing. Some amongst us, politicians and others, seem think that detention centres, be they off shore or here in Australia, are part of the "bounteous plains." I don't think so. Australia has been blessed and enriched by "those who have come across the seas", to quote our National Anthem again and we in the Parish of St Jude's are all the better as a parish community because of that fact.

Pope Francis has offered the following Prayer for the 2020 World Day of Migrants and Refugees.

"Lord, teach us to see with your eyes, with that welcoming and merciful gaze with which you see our limitations and our fears. Help us to imitate you in how we regard different ideas, behaviours and points of view. Help us to realize that we are part of the same human family, and to find bold new ways of accepting diversity and working together to build communities, families, parishes and civil society."

Stay well and take care,
Mark



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Serve the Lord with Joy

1st Reading – Ezekiel 18:25-28

The word of the Lord was addressed to me as follows: ‘You object, “What the Lord does is unjust.” Listen, you House of Israel: is what I do unjust? Is it not what you do that is unjust? When the upright man renounces his integrity to commit sin and dies because of this, he dies because of the evil that he himself has committed. When the sinner renounces sin to become law-abiding and honest, he deserves to live. He has chosen to renounce all his previous sins; he shall certainly live; he shall not die.’

2nd Reading – Philippians 2:1-11

If our life in Christ means anything to you, if love can persuade at all, or the Spirit that we have in common, or any tenderness and sympathy, then be united in your convictions and united in your love, with a common purpose and a common mind. That is the one thing which would make me completely happy. There must be no competition among you, no conceit; but everybody is to be self-effacing. Always consider the other person to be better than yourself, so that nobody thinks of his own interests first but everybody thinks of other people’s interests instead. In your minds you must be the same as Christ Jesus: His state was divine, yet he did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave, and became as men are; and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Gospel – Matthew 21:28-32

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, ‘What is your opinion? A man had two sons. He went and said to the first, “My boy, you go and work in the vineyard today.” He answered, “I will not go,” but afterwards thought better of it and went. The man then went and said the same thing to the second who answered, “Certainly, sir,” but did not go. Which of the two did the father’s will?’ ‘The first’ they said. Jesus said to them, ‘I tell you solemnly, tax collectors and prostitutes are making their way into the kingdom of God before you. For John came to you, a pattern of true righteousness, but you did not believe him, and yet the tax collectors and prostitutes did. Even after seeing that, you refused to think better of it and believe in him.’

REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant

In every life there is a struggle between obedience and disobedience, and this struggle takes various twists and turns. At times we are willing to conform to regulations set from the outside, and at times we are not. We are invited to choose in favour of the reign of God, or we are free to ignore the invitation. Those who are fundamentally righteous sometimes fall from grace, and people considered evil to the core sometimes reform their lives. What ultimately counts are not the promises made, but the actions taken.

We are called to discipleship, and there may well be urgency in this call, but it is an invitation that is to be accepted freely. As is the case with life itself, options are placed before us all the way along the road. We are invited to choose in favour of the reign of God, or we are free to ignore the invitation. However, the invitation always remains open to us, because God’s desire for our acceptance is persistent and enduring.

The real choice set before us today is the imitation of Christ. The specific characteristic of Christ today is his humility. Since demanding one’s rights can undermine the loving quality of community, Jesus’ humility is offered for our imitation. It is very clear that whichever aspect of discipleship we examine, some aspect of community is also present. To be a disciple of Jesus is to follow him humbly as a member of a believing community.

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. 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/registrator/donate.aspx?eventId=52905&spid=5635855>

Remembering, working and praying for migrants and refugees

On this **106th World Day of Migrants and Refugees**, we remember, pray for, and commit to working to change the horrible reality of many in 'our own backyard'. We acknowledge and give thanks for the many parish communities across the state, along with those working within our Catholic social services and other organisations and community groups, who are making considerable efforts to assist people seeking asylum, refugees, and other migrants who hold temporary visas—many remain in harsh circumstances in detention centres, and the majority of the 115,000 living in the Australian community have been deemed ineligible for any federal government support payments during COVID-19, making many at risk of homelessness and despair. In his message for World Day for Migrants and Refugees, Pope Francis tells us, "You have to know in order to understand" and "It is necessary to be close, in order to serve". Only when different elements of the community work together — individuals, parishes, schools, universities and organisations — can we effectively advocate for systemic change and provide for people's immediate necessities and other spiritual and social needs. We encourage you to read more, [here](#).

A story from before COVID - Brigidine Asylum Seekers Project

One day recently a man (we will call him Reza) was released from Yongah Hill Immigration Detention Centre north of Perth. He had been detained for two years because he had been accused of something which proved not to be true. Then he was continued to be detained because his visa had expired. He was released with \$60 which he spent on some accommodation overnight waiting for a plane back to Melbourne. Reza has a wife and teenage son. The Brigidine Asylum Seekers Project has been supporting this family for two years and since Reza has no work rights, they need ongoing assistance. There is no income support for families such as these - they do not qualify for JobSeeker, JobKeeper or any other Government funding. We encourage you to find more, [here](#).



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

*Numeriana Medel Villareal (Sister of Sonny Medel),
Shelagh Carter (Mother of Sue Sayer)*

And those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

*Gregory Kellett, Lottie Lewis, Mel Hodges, Margaret Ellison,
Domenico Carbone, Rosina Adams, Tessy Moses, Robert Rossato,
Antoinette Matchado, Gaetano De Angelis, Ah-khoon Teh*

Jude's Corner

A very special week in the Murphy household!!



This week, Tim and Kath celebrate their Diamond Wedding Anniversary – 60 wonderful years together. A few days later, Tim celebrates his 85th birthday.



The parishioners of St Jude's, join together in wishing you both, many more years of happiness and good health, as you celebrate these wonderful milestones.



Out for a walk

Thank you to Robyn for sharing these photos as she was out and about with her granddaughter on one of their favourite walks. Fr Mark, another one for you to add to your list!!



Llewellyn Park has a bush walking track and a bike/walking track that runs through to High Street Rd winding past Dandenong Creek. Bird life abounds with ducks in the creek, magpies, ibis and many small birds. In season there are masses of wild flowers including snowdrops, freesias, forget-me-nots and many wattles and other native trees and bushes. There are plenty of grassed areas for playing, puddles to jump in and room for dogs to run. Llewellyn Park can be accessed via Llewellyn Park Drive or Helpmann Street.

International Cuisine - Irish Brown Soda Bread

Oven 220°C; loaf or round tin

- 175g Plain Flour; 1 level tsp Salt
- 1 heaped tsp Bread Soda
- 275g Wholemeal Flour
- 25g Butter; 275g Buttermilk

Method:

1. Brush tin with butter & dust with wholemeal flour.
2. Sieve flour, salt & bread soda into a bowl. Stir in the wholemeal & rub in the butter. Mix well, lifting fingers and letting dry ingredients fall back into the bowl. Add the buttermilk all at once & mix to a soft dough using a fork, adding a little more if necessary.
3. Bring dough together with your fingers. Turn out on table dusted with wholemeal. Knead lightly until smooth, form into shape for tin.
4. Dust with wholemeal flour and cut a deep cross on top.
5. Bake for 40-50 mins. Cover with a lid or flat baking sheet halfway through baking. Turn out of tin and tap base – it should sound hollow when tapped, if not return to the oven for a little while.

Hint: When bread is baked it may be wrapped in a clean tea-cloth as this helps to keep the crust soft.



Alf's Corner in the Corner



I believe that my dad was a florist, because when I was a boy, he told me that I would become a budding genius. But I grew up to be a blooming idiot!

Poor Preacher

After the church service a little boy told the pastor, "When I grow up, I'm going to give you some money." Thank you" the pastor replied, "but why?" "Because my daddy says, you're one of the poorest preachers we've ever had."

Please contribute to Jude's Corner – birthday celebrations, recipes, topics of interest etc. to pastoral.stjudes@gmail.com or contact Ann on 0402 904 678

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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