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ST JUDE'S PARISH, SCORESBY

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> MASS TIMES (Details on Page 3) Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 9.15am Saturday 6.00pm Sunday 8.30am & 10.30am



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.



The words above have been long awaited and they are now a reality for us. We can have up to 150 attend mass in our Church which, I might add, has been cleaned top to bottom literally. So I warmly invite everyone back, it will be great to meet you! We will still have to register so as to maintain a record of who attends just in case, God forbid, 'something' happens! The last time things were vaguely normal way back in March, so its been a long haul and I know many have appreciated and become comfortable with Mass being live streamed but at the end of the day there is no substitute for gathering with fellow parishioners and celebrating and sharing in the Eucharist. And I know that after eight months of stopping anything we can 'get out of the habit.' Now with something like smoking, that's a very good thing. But with Eucharist not so I suggest, for it's in celebrating and receiving that we are once again reminded of the wonderful opportunity we have to be able to take the presence of the Lord into the world. Yes it's a privilege but it's also a blessed opportunity so let's not let it go. Mark

Evergreen's Christmas Morning Tea

The Parish Pastoral Council warmly invites all St Jude's Evergreens (65+ years) to a celebratory *Christmas Morning Tea on Thursday,* 10th December. To allow for as many as possible to attend and to adhere to COVID regulations we are proposing two sittings: 9.45 - 10.45am and 11.15 am - 12.15pm.



Bookings are via TryBooking (<u>https://www.trybooking.com/BNFFX</u>) and close on Monday December 7th. Those unable to book online can contact Ann on 0402 904 678 any evening between 6 & 8pm to make a booking. We look forward to your company - Parish Pastoral Council



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Serve the Lord with Joy

1st Reading – Isaiah 63:16-17; 64:1. 3-8

You, Lord, yourself are our Father, Our Redeemer is your ancient name. Why, Lord, leave us to stray from your ways and harden our hearts against fearing you? Return, for the sake of your servants, the tribes of your inheritance. Oh, that you would tear the heavens open and come down – at your Presence the mountains would melt. No ear has heard, no eye has seen any god but you act like this for those who trust him. You guide those who act with integrity and keep your ways in mind. You were angry when we were sinners; we had long been rebels against you. We were all like men unclean, all that integrity of ours like filthy clothing. We have all withered like leaves and our sins blew us away like the wind. No one invoked your name or roused himself to catch hold of you. For you hid your face from us and gave us up to the power of our sins. And yet, Lord, you are our Father; we the clay, you the potter, we are all the work of your hand.

2nd Reading – 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ send you grace and peace. I never stop thanking God for all the graces you have received through Jesus Christ. I thank him that you have been enriched in so many ways, especially in your teachers and preachers; the witness to Christ has indeed been strong among you so that you will not be without any of the gifts of the Spirit while you are waiting for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed; and he will keep you steady and without blame until the last day, the day of our Lord Jesus Christ, because God by calling you has joined you to his Son, Jesus Christ; and God is faithful.

Gospel – Mark 13:33-37

Jesus said to his disciples: 'Be on your guard, stay awake, because you never know when the time will come. It is like a man travelling abroad: he has gone from home, and left his servants in charge, each with his own task; and he has told the doorkeeper to stay awake. So stay awake, because you do not know when the master of the house is coming, evening, midnight, cockcrow, dawn; if he comes unexpectedly, he must not find you asleep. And what I say to you I say to all: Stay awake!'

REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant

Today's readings contain several images: the faithfulness of those who suffer, even as they lament their predicament; the admonition to watch and wait; the expectation of the coming of the Day of the Lord. As trustees of the one who is coming, we live in the 'in between' time of ambiguity and hope. The placement of these readings at the beginning of Advent shapes the context for understanding the entire season. They fix our gaze on the world of human pain and then moves beyond it to the hope of a brighter future. Lamentation and expectation find fulfilment in the Day of the Lord.

Waiting is a prominent image this Sunday. Some people wait to be released from suffering, others await the second coming of Christ. Waiting saps our energies and stifles our enthusiasm. Yet wait we must, and as we wait, we wonder: 'What should I be doing?' The readings suggest that we should wait with patient expectation for the day of reconciliation and peace; we should wait in joyful hope that what is to come will come soon. While we wait, we should faithfully fulfil our responsibilities. We believe that we have a future worth waiting for, that there are promises that God will keep. And so we look expectantly to the Day of the Lord, that future day of ultimate fulfilment.

Multicultural ROSARY and Adoration of the BLESSED SACRAMENT

Come and celebrate the feast of Mary Immaculate on **8 December, 2020 from 1.30 pm – 2.30 pm** at St Jude's parish church. There will be the multicultural rosary and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Since the allowed number of attendees have now increased to 150, you are welcome to walk in and register yourself at the entrance. Or, book your place online via TryBooking: <u>https://www.trybooking.com/BLWWV</u>. Please wear your face mask and follow the recommended COVID guidelines in the Church.

PARISH NEWS

Mass at St Jude's

Now that we are in the Last Step of restrictions, Mass can be celebrated in the church with 150 participants. The recommendation to limit Mass attendance to once a fortnight has been lifted. We will resume with our normal Mass schedules of:

- Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday at 9:15 am
- Saturday, 6:00 pm
- Sunday morning at 8:30 am and 10:30 am.

Please continue to register using trybooking (<u>https://www.trybooking.com/BLWWV</u>) for our <u>weekend Masses</u> <u>only</u>. Register by 10:00 pm the night before the Mass you wish to attend. For our <u>weekday Masses only</u>, please ensure your name is recorded on the sheet provided as you enter the church and place a tick besides the Mass you are attending. Thank you in advance for your understanding and support.

To comply with our on-going contact tracing requirements, we encourage you to arrive at Mass a little earlier to attend to these administrative tasks.

For parishioners who are unable to register directly with trybooking, please email your booking to <u>massrequest.stjudes@gmail.com</u> with the Mass you wish to attend, and the names and contact numbers of those attending or by calling 9763 7302 during Parish Office hours (9:15 am to 2:30 pm Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays).

A face mask must still 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. You can also assist us by helping to sanitise/wipe down the pews after Mass with the spray bottles provided. The Liturgy Team

Vinnies Christmas Appeal

This year has been very challenging and we understand the issues facing our Parish Community and even more so our Friends in Need.

If you can help, please donate to Vinnies Christmas Appeal either online or by phone; details listed below. Cash donations can also be accepted and receipts will be issued. Envelopes are available in the church foyer, ensure that you include your name, address and the amount.

Again, this Christmas, we will be collecting Gift Card/Vouchers. These will be distributed to the Families to purchase gifts. This enables them to make suitable choices for their family. Suggested Vouchers: Coles, Myer, Kmart, Target, JB Hi-Fi, and Village Theatre. *We will not be collecting Toys.*

To be part of this initiative please take a tag from the Christmas tree in the foyer. Tags can then be attached to the gift card/voucher, placed in an envelope with 'Vinnies Christmas Vouchers' written on the envelope. Seal the envelope and place it in the collection boxes located in the church foyer. Gifts cards must be returned by **15th December**. This will e nable them to be delivered in time for parents to purchase gifts.

Please contact me on 0400 485 874 if you have questions.

The St Jude's Vinnies Committee truly appreciates your ongoing support.

Thank you



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Donation Type	Procedure
Phone Donations	 Call 13 18 13 and donate by phone using a credit card Donors can allocate donations to a specific conference by giving the name of the conference when you call. Receipts will be issued by the Fundraising Team.
Online Donations	 Please visit vinnies.org.au to make an online donation Donors can allocate donations to a specific conference by putting the conference name in the relative field. Receipts will be automatically emailed to donors.



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

And also to those whose anniversaries occur at this time

William Mahony , Frederick Rowbottom , Paul Blaha , Brian Cooper , Andrew Prassinos , Arnoldina Van Helmond , Barbara Ashe , Jessie Tuckett , Emily Baré , John Hill , Eustacchio Uberti , Mary Nelson , Oliver Buckle.

Columban Calendars and Majellan Christmas Cards are available this year. The Calendars cost \$10.00 each. Christmas Cards cost \$6.00 for a packet of 10 cards.

Delivery can be arranged by phoning Margaret or Frank McCulloch on 9763 1590.

General Guidelines for the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne

Information Updated: Tuesday 24 November 12.00pm

In response to the latest directives announced by Government as part of its Roadmap for the reopening of the State of Victoria, the following is operational from 11:59pm on 22 November, 2020.

Information is now to be understood as Statewide and we are in "Last Step."

Places of Worship and Religious Gatherings: Indoors: Allowed for up to a cap of 150 people plus one faith leader with a density quotient of 1 per 4sq.m. Infants under12 months of age are not included in the cap. Contact recording and a COVIDsafe plan still required. Group arrangements within the cap are no longer required. Outdoors: Allowed near the place of worship for up to a cap of 300 people, plus one faith leader with a density quotient of 1 per 4sq.m. Infants under 12 months of age are not included in the cap. Group arrangements within the cap are no longer required. Ceremonial participants are otherwise included in cap, held proximate to a place of worship.

Private worship: Places of worship are open for private worship, for example individual prayer.

Weddings: A wedding indoors or outdoors at a place of worship can have up to a cap of 150 people. This cap includes the couple but not the celebrant or photographer/s. Infants under 12 months of age are also not included in this cap. Group arrangements within the cap are no longer required.

Funerals: A funeral held indoors or outdoors can have the up to a cap of 150 people. The Celebrant, those persons necessary to conduct the funeral and infants under 12 months of age are not included in this cap.

Baptisms: May be celebrated under the latest outdoor and indoor religious gathering limits.

Public Gatherings in Public Spaces: Permitted up to 50 people from across multiple households, friends and/or family, outdoors. Infants under 12 months not included in the cap. A public place means an area that everyone can access, for example a local park or the beach.

Visitors to the Home: Each day, a household can receive up to 15 different visitors per day, including dependents, either together or separately.

For more details visit <u>https://melbournecatholic.org/covid-19-guidelines</u>



<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.