

ST JUDE'S PARISH, SCORESBY

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ONLINE AND ONSITE MASS (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 this finds you all well.

I was chatting with a friend of mine during the week and in the course of the conversation she said, "I just can't wait until things get back to normal." I suspect that by 'normal' she meant the way things were pre-pandemic. I think she's going to be very disappointed! I'm not sure that the world we knew, and took for granted a fair bit, will ever return. That's not being alarmist or pessimistic, rather it's acknowledging what is constantly happening around us....change. Many of us don't like it, but it's a part of life and deep down we all know that.

As you'll see in this week's newsletter, 'public' masses will now resume, if you can call five people at a time 'public!' I think logic has taken a holiday in the midst of all that is happening as I fail to see why we are allowed to have ten people inside the Church for a funeral but any other masses or a baptism or wedding must be outside with no more than five. As a well-known Australian politician would say..."Please explain!" But it is what it is and as we all know, change is a part of life. A particular challenge for us who are part of 'Church' is that we have been formed to think that it, Church, never changes. Well it's going to and not just because of COVID. For instance, from the beginning of next year the arrangements about who is the 'employer' of school principals and staff will change. No longer will it be the PP, but a new company is being formed in the Archdiocese to take on that responsibility. Yes it's change, but it's the right decision. And currently right now there is much thinking going on in relation to the future structure of parishes etc. and not for ten years' time but for one or two years' time. Again it's change, but it is the right thing to be doing. It's always a challenge to be open and to respond to the signs of the times. And the times are telling us fairly clearly that what we once took for granted is now history. As Pope Francis said back in 2015..."we are not in an era of change, but a change of era." I for one find that exciting.

Mark

'Pondering Grief - Reflection event via Zoom', Saturday 17 Oct 2020, 10am-1pm (AEST). Facilitated by Counsellor/Supervisor/Educator Linda Espie, this event provides the opportunity to reflect on and honour our inner life of change and transition. With creative, space and gentle guiding support, this workshop will offer a sacred place for the breadth of human experiencing and spirit to guide individual exploration. Limited to 10 participants. Cost \$30. Bookings and payment via Trybooking

at https://www.trybooking.com/BLUEA For more information, contact holsc@biapond.com or tel 9890 1101.



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9800 2733 Ms. Amanda Purcell

Mater Christi College Ms Mary Fitz-Gerald 9754 6611

St. Joseph's College 9758 2000 Ms Cathy Livingston

Serve the Lord with Joy

1st Reading - Isaiah 5:1-7

Let me sing to my friend the song of his love for his vineyard. My friend had a vineyard on a fertile hillside. He dug the soil, cleared it of stones, and planted choice vines in it. In the middle he built a tower, he dug a press there too. He expected it to yield grapes, but sour grapes were all that it gave. And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and men of Judah, I ask you to judge between my vineyard and me. What could I have done for my vineyard that I have not done? I expected it to yield grapes. Why did it yield sour grapes instead? Very well, I will tell you what I am going to do to my vineyard: I will take away its hedge for it to be grazed on, and knock down its wall for it to be trampled on. I will lay it waste, unpruned, undug; overgrown by the briar and the thorn. I will command the clouds to rain no rain on it. Yes, the vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the House of Israel, and the men of Judah that chosen plant. He expected justice, but found bloodshed, integrity, but only a cry of distress.

2nd Reading - Philippians 4:6-9

There is no need to worry; but if there is anything you need, pray for it, asking God for it with prayer and thanksgiving, and that peace of God, which is so much greater than we can understand, will guard your hearts and your thoughts, in Christ Jesus. Finally, brothers, fill your minds with everything that is true, everything that is noble, everything that is good and pure, everything that we love and honour, and everything that can be thought virtuous or worthy of praise. Keep doing all the things that you learnt from me and have been taught by me and have heard or seen that I do. Then the God of peace will be with you.

Gospel - Matthew 21:33-43

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, 'Listen to another parable. There was a man, a landowner, who planted a vineyard; he fenced it round, dug a winepress in it and built a tower; then he leased it to tenants and went abroad. When vintage time drew near he sent his servants to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his servants, thrashed one, killed another and stoned a third. Next he sent some more servants, this time a larger number, and they dealt with them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them. "They will respect my son," he said. But when the tenants saw the son, they said to each other, "This is the heir. Come on, let us kill him and take over his inheritance." So they seized him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?' They answered, 'He will bring those wretches to a wretched end and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will deliver the produce to him when the season arrives.' Jesus said to them, 'Have you never read in the scriptures: It was the stone rejected by the builders that became the keystone. This was the Lord's doing and it is wonderful to see? 'I tell you, then, that the kingdom of God will be taken from you and given to a people who will produce its fruit.'

REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant

The metaphor of the vineyard, cherished by both ancient Israel and the early Christians, suggests that while vines might be hardy, they are also vulnerable. So is the reign of God. It must be tended and protected from what might endanger it, so that it may produce abundant and delectable fruit. In the gospel account, the vine does indeed produce an abundant crop. In fact, it is the very productivity of the vineyard that sets the stage for the treachery described. We can see ourselves in both uses of the vineyard metaphor. There are times when, regardless of what God seems to be doing for us, we simply rebel against God's plans. We stand in defiance. There are other times when we, who are disciples of Jesus, act as if the kingdom is ours. We might even marginalise or force out others with whom we do not agree, so that we have sole control.

When we consider the justice of God, it is important that we place it within the right context, lest we create a picture of God that is false and misleading. It is because of God's tender love for the vineyard that treachery cannot be tolerated. If we have produced unacceptable fruits, it is for our own good that God steps in and dismantles the structures that enabled us to produce bad fruit. It is appropriate that God would snatch the vineyard from our grasp and entrust it to one who will faithfully carry out God's plans.

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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 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. However, we have resumed Masses (please refer to details below). 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 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/registrant/donate.aspx?eventId=52905&spid=5635855

Resumption of Masses

With moving to Step 2 restrictions, St. Jude's is again able to celebrate Mass. Attendance is limited to 5 people plus the celebrant and Mass must be celebrated outdoors. At St. Jude's, this will be in Our Lady's Garden. Entry is via the side gate closest to the car park.

The schedule of Masses for the week beginning Monday, 5th October is as follows:

- Thursday 9:15 am
- Friday 9:15 am, 10:00 am and 10:30 am
- Saturday 4:30 pm and 5:15 pm
- Sunday 8:30 am, 9:45 am and 11:15 am there will be no evening Mass celebrated on Sunday.

The schedule of Masses will need to be flexible from week to week – please refer to the latest newsletter or website for the current schedule.

Online Mass will continue to be recorded on Thursday at 10:30 am for those who are unable to physically attend Mass – note however that this is not a public Mass celebration.

We ask that you attend Mass no more than once a fortnight to allow as many parishioners as possible to attend. Readers will not be rostered, so you may wish to take this opportunity to read at the Mass you attend. A face mask must 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.

As Mass is celebrated outdoors, if it rains, Mass will be cancelled.

To adhere to contact tracing requirements, attendees will be required to register via TryBooking: https://www.trybooking.com/BLWWV

Please register at least 24 hours before the Mass you wish to attend. For parishioners who are unable to register directly, please email your booking to mass-request.stjudes@gmail.com with the Mass you wish to attend, and the names and contact numbers of those attending.



We pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time and extend our love and support to them:

Kath Platt, Betty Cull, Francis Nadarajan, Sheila Leyer, Keith Van Vegten, Michael Walker, Enid San Miguel, Sergio Viola, Ho Woong Choi

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Jude's Corner

Lockdown

For the last number of months, all we have heard about is lockdown, lockdown, lockdown and the restrictions that this has caused. Everyone is in agreement that as a result of the lockdown we have missed out on many things. I was reflecting on this the other day and I started to think about the positives that I have been able to enjoy, because during lockdown I have more 'me' time.

- Being less busy, I could take the time to walk to places instead of always getting in the car. I enjoyed watching the gardens bloom as winter became spring. Discovering new places to walk while staying within 5 kms and being able to take time to smell the roses!!
- Sorting through my knitting box, finishing off projects and being creative with the wool that I had left over.
- The same goes for my sewing box making masks for family and friends.

My two most favourite things:

- Phoning parishioners and having a great chat with people that I have never met; it
 was lovely to be so well received. To me that is what the community of St Jude's is
 all about.
- Connecting on Zoom to help my grandson with his reading. It's his first year at school and hearing his reading improve as we worked together was a real joy and a highlight. This wouldn't have happened outside of lockdown as he lives in Geelong.



International Cuisine – Thank you to Filomena for this week's recipe. As the warmer weather approaches this easy recipe will go down a treat on those hot summer days.

Granita

1 Lt water 1cup of sugar

½ cup of lemon juice, orange juice or whatever flavour you desire (alcohol!!)

Boil water and sugar together

Once water and sugar has boiled add in 1/2 cup of Lemon juice (or whatever you desire).

Pour into a tray and place in the freezer.

Once frozen (next morning) remover from the freezer and scratch with a fork until it looks like ice shaving.

Re-freeze and re-shave when you want to eat!

Thai Style Fish Cakes

Some weeks ago, Elaine shared her Thai Fish Cake recipe which I have since made and can certainly recommend. Elaine mentioned to me that a finely diced kaffir lime leaf adds a zing to the dish and I will add that next time. A good recipe for the summer as they would cook well on the BBQ. Carmel also made the fish cakes. For a healthier option she baked them in the oven which worked very well and shared them with her neighbour, who gave them the thumbs up..



Oldies but goodies which never fail to bring a smile.

Paddy and Mick found 3 hand grenades and decided to take them to the police station. Mick "What if one explodes before we get there?"

Paddy: "We'll lie and say we only found two!"



Mick walks into Paddy's barn and catches him dancing naked in front of a tractor.

Mick says, "Oi Paddy, what ya doing?"

Paddy says, "Well me and Mary haven't been getting on in the bedroom lately & the therapist recommended I do something sexy to a tractor."



The Irish have solved their own fuel problems! They imported 50 million tonnes of sand from the Arabs and they're going to drill for their own

We would love to hear from you – birthday celebrations, recipes, topics of interest etc. to pastoral.stjudes@gmail.com or contact Ann on 0402 904 678



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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: Monday 28 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 **for Metropolitan Melbourne only, from 11:59pm on 27 September, 2020.**

METROPOLITAN MELBOURNE

STEP TWO Summary

Curfew: no longer in place.

Public Gatherings: up to 5 people outdoors (from 2 families).

Religious Gatherings: Can also take place outdoors with five people plus a faith leader. Must be adjacent to the place of worship with only one group permitted at a time. You can only travel up to 5km from your home to attend a gathering and only for 2 hours.

Weddings: Permitted in outdoor public spaces allowed with up to 5 people (the couple and the two witnesses). The faith leader and children under 12 months not included.

Funerals: allowed with up to 10 mourners (infants under 12 months of age or people required to conduct the funeral not included in the limit). A separate grouping of mourners may not come in to remove the coffin from the church.

End of Life and Care: Faith Leaders may attend a dying resident or provide end of life support to a resident in their home or in a Health or Care facility at the request of the patient. Visits may also be made to support a patient or resident with their emotional or mental wellbeing if it cannot be done remotely Such care must be undertaken in co-operation with the particular facility and in line with other visiting restrictions and facility guidelines.

Visitors to the Home: If living alone or a single parent, one visitor may be nominated to create a 'social bubble.'

Work: Continue to work from home.

REVIEW: <u>DHHS Victorian Roadmap for Metropolitan Melbourne</u>

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