

ST JUDE'S PARISH, SCORESBY

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Member of Knox Deanery
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23rd 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 imagine at this stage, we are all looking forward with eager anticipation, to the 'roadmap' that will be put before us that will lead us out of Stage 4 restrictions to whatever it is that will follow. And whatever does follow won't be what we once upon a time had, at least not for quite a while. Indeed we need to prepare ourselves for the new 'COVID normal.' But whilst we anxiously await whatever change awaits us maybe it is a good time to reflect on what the time of lockdown has taught us. What have we missed most? What have I learnt about myself? What really is most important to me in my life?

I have heard so many say that they have missed family, loved ones and friends. Missed the opportunities to gather and celebrate be it birthdays, weddings, funerals, graduations and life in general. I wonder if COVID in a strange sort of way has given us a renewed appreciation of the importance of one another. That is a great thing. And as we slowly move forward let us all continue to treasure and value that which we have come to realise we have missed the most.

Stay well Mark

ANNUAL FATHERS DAY APPEAL FOR RETIRED PRIESTS

Like so many other things, the Annual Appeal conducted by the Priests Retirement Foundation can't occur in the usual way. We all know very well here at St Jude's the wonderful work the Foundation does in caring for our retired priests who have served so generously. After all we need look no further than our own Fr Noel MacKay. We all know the great work he did here in St Jude's and how well deserved his retirement is. And there are another 90 just like him. So if you could support the Foundation Appeal this year you may like to use the link below.

https://www.cam1.org.au/foundation/Donate

Many thanks, Fr Mark (PP and Chair of the Foundation Committee!)





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Serve the Lord with Joy

1st Reading - Ezekiel 33:7-9

The word of the Lord was addressed to me as follows, 'Son of man, I have appointed you as sentry to the House of Israel. When you hear a word from my mouth, warn them in my name. If I say to a wicked man: Wicked wretch, you are to die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked man to renounce his ways, then he shall die for his sin, but I will hold you responsible for his death. If, however, you do warn a wicked man to renounce his ways and repent, and he does not repent, then he shall die for his sin, but you yourself will have saved your life.'

2nd Reading - Romans 13:8-10

Avoid getting into debt, except the debt of mutual love. If you love your fellow men you have carried out your obligations. All the commandments: You shall not commit adultery, you shall not kill, you shall not steal, you shall not covet, and so on, are summed up in this single command: You must love your neighbour as yourself. Love is the one thing that cannot hurt your neighbour; that is why it is the answer to every one of the commandments.

Gospel - Matthew 18:15-20

Jesus said to his disciples: 'If your brother does something wrong, go and have it out with him alone, between your two selves. If he listens to you, you have won back your brother. If he does not listen, take one or two others with you: the evidence of two or three witnesses is required to sustain any charge. But if he refuses to listen to these, report it to the community; and if he refuses to listen to the community, treat him like a pagan or a tax collector.

'I tell you solemnly, whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.

'I tell you solemnly once again, if two of you on earth agree to ask anything at all, it will be granted to you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three meet in my name, I shall be there with them.'

REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant

It is difficult for leaders to call people to accountability. Such is the unenviable responsibility of pastors in the parish, coordinators of religious education, members of the parish council, principals in the school, directors of liturgical ministry, to name but a few. Disciples must also engage in the very difficult process of reconciliation. Differences of opinion, misunderstandings, and actual offences tend to alienate people. We see this happen in families, neighbourhoods, parish communities, workplaces. It is not enough to say that we must try to forgive from our hearts. The process of reconciliation requires significant movement toward the admission of guilt as well. Both the one offended and the offender must be willing to be transformed.

Gathering two or three together in prayerful collaboration is not as easy as it sounds. If collaboration is to be effective, we have to be open and honest about our opinions and our biases, and respectful of the opinions and biases of others. We must work for the common good and not merely for what we personally think is best. We must be willing to accept and implement decisions with which we may not totally agree, and we must live with them gracefully. All of this calls for unselfish love. Love fulfils the entire law only: when we honour our personal commitments and the personal commitments of others; when we value the life, dignity and reputation of others; and when we respect their possessions. It is only because love is so demanding that it covers all of our responsibilities.

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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. 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/registrant/donate.aspx?eventId=52905&spid=5635855

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER ONLINE WEEKEND

If you are spending time together, but feel the distance between you ...

A great opportunity to spend a weekend improving your communication in the comfort of your own home.

This VIRTUAL Weekend gives couples the chance to sleep in their own beds and check-in on kids or animals during meal times.

Come and learn how to keep/rekindle the passion in your relationship and how to keep your love growing! The weekend we offer is based around Catholic values but couples of all faiths are welcome.

Couples from regional areas may find this option ideal.

Next weekend is on 9-11th October 2020.

Information/Bookings:

Phone **Mercy & James 0409 183 676** or Email: vicbookings@wwme.org.au

Website: wwwe.org.au



Facing the issue

It can be very difficult when we feel that someone has hurt us to actually go and speak to them about how we are feeling. It is so much easier to revel in our hurt or seek payback for the hurt. Sometimes we feel that we might ruin a friendship by speaking to our friend about a way in which they have hurt us. But a hurt that goes unaddressed will continue to hurt and will probably be repeated. This week's gospel reminds us of the need to challenge our friends when they hurt us but it also reminds us that when we have hurt others we need to be challenged about it and called to account for our actions.

A Note from Mary O'Reilly

I wish to extend my sincere thanks to everyone at St Jude's, for the prayers offered on the passing of my sister Trish. I feel very heartened by the wonderful phone calls I have received, from so many parishioners, my thanks.



We pray for those who died recently

Clare Ross (wife of David), Geraldine Dillon (sister of Fr Kevin at Rowville)

And those whose anniversaries occur at this time

Vernon Lamb, Charlotte Mahony, Godwin Silvera, George Rogers, Luciano Morganella, Christopher Leitao, Linda Worthy, Kitty Kwek

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Jude's Corner

This week, we especially remember our fathers and those in our lives who have been significant role models. This year, Father's Day will be very different for most. The Parish Pastoral Team wish all fathers a peaceful, happy and relaxing day and hope that you can catch up with your loved ones via a phone call, email or an online face to face chat. Included are a few photos of leaders in our community who are wonderful role models both at work and in the home.

Thank you, Fr Mark, for the warm and heartfelt prayer

FATHERS IN OUR LIVES

We give thanks, Creator God, for the fathers in our lives. Fatherhood does not come with a manual, and reality teaches us that some fathers excel and others fail. We ask for your blessings upon them all and forgiveness where it is needed.

This Father's Day we remember the many sacrifices fathers make for their children and families,

and the ways they encourage and help their children to achieve dreams thought beyond reach.

So too, we remember all those who have helped fill the void when fathers pass away too soon or are absent; grandfathers and uncles, brothers and cousins, teachers and the women of our families.

For those who are fathers, we ask for wisdom and humility with the task of parenting.

Give them the strength to do well by their children and by You.

In Your Holy name, O God, we pray.

Amen



Alf's Corner in the Corner –

Four men are in the hospital waiting room because their wives are having babies. A nurse goes up to the first guy, "Congratulations! You're the father of twins." "That's odd," answers the man. "I work for the Minnesota Twins!"

A nurse says to the second guy, "Congratulations! You're the father of triplets!" "That's weird," answers the second man. "I work for the 3M company!"

A nurse tells the third man, "Congratulations! You're the father of quadruplets!" "That's strange," he answers. "I work for the Four Seasons hotel!"

The last man is groaning and banging his head against the wall. "What's wrong?" the others ask.

"I work for 7 Up!"

Isa: When does a dad joke become a dad joke?

Dad Jokes!!!!

Alf: I have no idea.

Isa: When it becomes apparent.

Brian: "What did the daddy buffalo say to his

son before he left for school"? Maureen: "Don't know, tell me".

Brian: "Bison."

Xavier: "What did the dad spider say to his

Leon: 'You're spending too much time on the

web".

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Weekly Training Classes on Monday's at St. Jude's Community Centre. (*Postponed until Further Notice*)

Contact: Anthony on 0433 413 177

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General Guidelines for the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne

Information Updated: Tuesday 4 August 5.00pm

Stage 4 - Metropolitan Melbourne

'Metropolitan Melbourne' is made up of 31 local government areas. Stage 4 restrictions have been put in place for these areas and Parishes should check which Council area they come under. Please use the following link with your address to assist in determining your location:

https://knowyourcouncil.vic.gov.au/councils MAP: https://www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/victorias-restriction-levels-covid-19

All Victorians over the age of 12 must wear a face covering whenever they leave their home, unless a medical exemption applies.

As of 11.59pm Sunday 2 August, 2020 and for a period of 6 weeks unless otherwise directed:

- All places of worship including churches, adoration chapels and other church buildings used for public prayer and religious services are to be closed.
- **WEDDINGS:** No weddings are permitted unless an application is made to the DHHS for an exemption on compassionate grounds. If compassionate reasons permit a marriage ceremony to proceed, then only 5 people are allowed, comprising of the couple, the two witnesses and the celebrant.
- **FUNERALS**: will be limited to 10 mourners plus the minimum number required to conduct the funeral.
- **BAPTISMS:** are to be postponed, unless there is an urgent and grave pastoral need. (Can. 857; 860).
- **LIVESTREAMING:** a limit of 5 in total may be present, including the celebrant.
- VISITATIONS: home visitations are not permitted unless for grave reasons. Only Clergy (Priests and Deacons) may visit. All hygiene precautions must be adhered including the wearing of face coverings. Holy Communion is not to be given to anyone in their homes or care facilities, including the sick and homebound, except as Viaticum for the dying, which may be administered only by Priests and Deacons, and complying with all hygiene precautions and the protocols of the relevant hospitals or aged-care facilities (washing hands, etc.) as appropriate.
- **CURFEW:** A Curfew is in place from 8pm until 5am each day. You may leave home for the purposes of essential work only.
- **If you can work from home, you must do so.** All requirements around hygiene and distancing must be met, along with the collection of contact details.