



ST JUDE'S PARISH, SCORESBY
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 20th 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

It is said that crisis will bring out the best, and sadly sometimes, the worst in people. We are certainly in a crisis at the current time and we just don't seem to be able to get on top of it and that is worrying from so many angles. Many people at this time are doing some wonderful things for those around them. Obviously our frontline health workers are at the top of the list, but so too our emergency services personal, those from the ADF that are assisting. But on top of all these there are countless thousands and thousands of folk who looking out for those around them, perhaps doing the shopping for a neighbour, ringing to check on a friend, taking someone who can't drive and doesn't want to use public transport right now, to a medical appointment and even putting out the bins of someone who lives close by and bringing them in. All simple and life giving acts that in so many ways focus on the dignity of the human person. On Tuesday this week Pope Francis had a few words to say that I think are just so appropriate:

"While we work for the cure of a virus that affects everyone without distinction, faith urges us to work seriously and actively to fight indifference in the face of violations. We want to recognise the human dignity in every person, whatever his or her race, language or condition might be. The pandemic has highlighted how vulnerable and interconnected we all are. If we do not take care of each other, starting with the least, with those who are most affected, including creation, we cannot heal the world."

It seems to me that ignoring the rules is fundamentally a disregard for human dignity whether it's the wearing of a mask, staying home unless absolutely necessary, obeying the curfew, keeping our distance and washing our hands. This is all the stuff of human dignity and it isn't really that hard.

Stay safe and well
 Mark



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Please visit Jude's Corner on Page 4!!

Do you know these faces behind the masks? Can you name them to win a little prize?
 Is there a gardener out there who can help with a daffodil query?



The Parish Pastoral Council hope you enjoy the new addition to the newsletter. Please become involved and send good news stories, items of interest etc that you would like to share.

This page will work if you want it to work and are happy to contribute. Items that you would like to be included would need to be either emailed to pastoral.stjudes@gmail.com or by contacting the parish office by Wednesday each week.

Feedback gratefully received
 - St Jude's Parish Pastoral Council

Serve the Lord with Joy

1st Reading – Isaiah 56:1.6-7

Thus says the Lord: Have a care for justice, act with integrity, for soon my salvation will come and my integrity be manifest.

Foreigners who have attached themselves to the Lord to serve him and to love his name and be his servants – all who observe the sabbath, not profaning it, and cling to my covenant – these I will bring to my holy mountain. I will make them joyful in my house of prayer. Their holocausts and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar, for my house will be called a house of prayer for all the peoples.

2nd Reading – Romans 11:13-15. 29-32

Let me tell you pagans this: I have been sent to the pagans as their apostle, and I am proud of being sent, but the purpose of it is to make my own people envious of you, and in this way save some of them. Since their rejection meant the reconciliation of the world, do you know what their admission will mean? Nothing less than a resurrection from the dead! God never takes back his gifts or revokes his choice. Just as you changed from being disobedient to God, and now enjoy mercy because of their disobedience, so those who are disobedient now – and only because of the mercy shown to you – will also enjoy mercy eventually. God has imprisoned all men in their own disobedience only to show mercy to all mankind.

Gospel – Matthew 15:21-28

Jesus left Gennesaret and withdrew to the region of Tyre and Sidon. Then out came a Canaanite woman from that district and started shouting, 'Sir, Son of David, take pity on me. My daughter is tormented by a devil.' But he answered her not a word. And his disciples went and pleaded with him. 'Give her what she wants,' they said 'because she is shouting after us.' He said in reply, 'I was sent only to the lost sheep of the House of Israel.' But the woman had come up and was kneeling at his feet. 'Lord,' she said 'help me.' He replied, 'It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the house-dogs.' She retorted, 'Ah yes, sir; but even house-dogs can eat the scraps that fall from their master's table.' Then Jesus answered her, 'Woman, you have great faith. Let your wish be granted.' And from that moment her daughter was well again.

REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant

The overarching theme derived from today's readings is the question of insider-outsider. We see here that the divisions and barriers that emerge out of human experience have been shattered by the graciousness of God. Jesus' openness to 'the other' finds a precedent in the prophetic tradition. Isaiah spoke of a time when outsiders would join insiders in worshipping God, thus dissolving the categories of insider and outsider. He was, of course, referring to the age of eschatological fulfilment. This age dawned with the coming of Jesus. Jesus himself moved out of the constraints of his own cultural worldview, and he directs us to do the same. People are either excluded because of gender, culture or religious perspective, or included only because they are able and willing to conform to discriminatory standards. In the reign of God, this should not be the case. People are accepted along with their own cultural profiles.

God's embrace first enclosed even those who rejected Jesus, and then God's plan of salvation unfolded in a new way. An invitation to enter the kingdom was issued to the Gentiles, those who had been considered outsiders. If outsiders are now insiders, what has happened to the former insiders? Paul insists that they are still insiders. God has not simply shifted the identifying boundaries; God has dissolved them. In the interim between the dawning of the eschatological age and the end of time, the invitation to be included remains open to all.

PARISH NEWS

St. Jude's YouTube Channel and Online Masses

Weekend Mass, celebrated by Fr Mark can be viewed online, each Saturday evening from 6pm onwards, via the [St Jude's YouTube Channel](#) or our Parish website <http://pol.org.au/scoresby>

Church Closed During Lockdown

Following the guidelines (see page 5) 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.

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>

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

Parish Office Closed During Lockdown

Following the guidelines of the Archdiocese, St Judes Parish Office will remain closed during stage 4 lockdown or until further notice. We can still be contacted 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.

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



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Natural Fertility Awareness Week from 17th to 23rd August – Are you wondering how you can find out more about your reproductive health during these times of isolation and social distancing?

Billings LIFE has the answer!! Why not learn how to track your fertility using, Fertility Pinpoint™- it's more than an App! It is an online service that provides you with your own personal accredited Billings Ovulation Method® tutor who can help you learn how to track your unique cycles and recognise your fertility and infertility on a daily basis – all remotely and safely. Billings Ovulation Method® is scientifically validated and simple to use. It's the healthy alternative.

For more information check the website: www.fertilitypinpoint.com and start to take control of your life.

We pray for those who died recently

Bob Forrest

And whose anniversaries occur at this time

Peter Cordeiro, Marie Cordeiro, Marshal Gomes, Adelaide Cordeiro, Derek Foenander, Gaye Eklund, Arthur Herrick, Maddalena Valastro, Dorothy Kelly, Colin Bolton, Veronica Murphy, Herb Bryant, Moira Tillig, Paul Bagics, Peter Baranda, Jack Daraio, Graham Brown, Vincent Bastianan, Robert Yeow



Jude's Corner

While online this week, I came across this beautiful prayer which I thought to share with you. We have to wear masks in the current climate and this can get us down. It's another 'not normal' in the world we know.

Sometimes it can be hard to recognise who the person is behind the mask. What we all must remember that we are the same people we always were, face covered or not. Our friends are still our friends and our neighbour is still our neighbour.

God of all life...

May your love and light shine in and through me today

In a way that no mask can hide.

**May my eyes dance with the laughter and joy
replacing my hidden smile.**

**May my actions of care and concern
speak louder than my muffled voice ever could.**

And may the generosity of my heart radiate out through who I am

And how I respond to the world around me

So that others may not see my mask

but your image shining out moving in and through me today.

Amen

Br Michael Herry fms



Here we are wearing our masks!! Be the first to guess who we are and email our names to pastoral.stjudes@gmail.com in the correct order to win a small prize.

Help/advice needed

I wonder does this poem evoke the same picture for others as it does for me – beautiful big headed, bright yellow daffodils swaying backwards and forwards, a sure sign that Spring is on the way.

I need help with my daffodils. I am not gardener by any means. Last year I planted a 'host of golden daffodils' and they were just delightful to watch. The advice I was given was to let them die back and just leave them in the ground. This year, disappointment, lots of greenery but very few flowers and the ones that bloomed didn't stand up tall. What should I have done?

Advice welcome – pastoral.stjudes@gmail.com

I Wandered Lonely as a Cloud

BY WILLIAM WORDSWORTH

I wandered lonely as a cloud
That floats on high o'er vales and hills,
When all at once I saw a crowd,
A host, of golden daffodils;
Beside the lake, beneath the trees,
Fluttering and dancing in the breeze.



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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.