



**ST JUDE'S PARISH, SCORESBY**  
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 Member of Knox Deanery  
 10<sup>th</sup> January, 2020  
**The Baptism of the Lord - Year B**



**MASS TIMES (Details on Page 3)**

Thursday & Friday: 09:15am  
 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.

**MESSAGE FROM FR. MARK**

This weekend we celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord and as a new year is getting under way it is a feast that can provide us with a timely reminder of who we are called to be as part of the 'community of the baptised'. For many years sacraments were seen, sadly, as events/moments that were 'done' to us. For many years baptism was often spoken of in terms of getting a child 'done!' In reality though baptism is something we live and that something is the relationship we share with the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, in other words, with the very life of God and it's into that life we come through baptism. In the Gospel this weekend we hear that Jesus is the Beloved; and through baptism so too we become the beloved of God so to live baptism is to touch the world with the hands of God. What an awesome, challenging, exciting and sacred responsibility we share in. And as we look around our world right now we see very quickly just how much God's touch is needed. So let's get busy living baptism.

Mark



**OUR PARISH OFFICE**

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**SERVICES & CONTACTS**

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**A PRAYER FOR THE FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD**

Almighty ever-living God, who, when Christ had been baptized in the River Jordan and as the Holy Spirit descended upon him, solemnly declared him your beloved Son, grant that your children by adoption, reborn of water and the Holy Spirit, may always be well pleasing to you. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever.  
 Amen



**PARISH SCHOOL PRINCIPALS**

**St. Jude's Primary**  
 Mr Tim McMullen 8761 9600  
**Holy Trinity Primary**  
 Mr John Downie 9801 8296  
**St Mary's College for the Deaf**  
 Ms. Amanda Purcell 9800 2733  
**Mater Christi College**  
 Ms Mary Fitz-Gerald 9754 6611  
**St. Joseph's College**  
 Ms Cathy Livingston 9758 2000

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading – Isaiah 42:1-4. 6-7**

Thus says the Lord: Here is my servant whom I uphold, my chosen one in whom my soul delights. I have endowed him with my spirit that he may bring true justice to the nations. He does not cry out or shout aloud, or make his voice heard in the streets. He does not break the crushed reed, nor quench the wavering flame. Faithfully he brings true justice; he will neither waver, nor be crushed until true justice is established on earth for the islands are awaiting his law. I, the Lord, have called you to serve the cause of right; I have taken you by the hand and formed you; I have appointed you as covenant of the people and light of the nations, to open the eyes of the blind, to free captives from prison, and those who live in darkness from the dungeon.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – Acts of the Apostles 10:34-38**

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: 'The truth I have now come to realise' he said 'is that God does not have favourites, but that anybody of any nationality who fears God and does what is right is acceptable to him.

'It is true, God sent his word to the people of Israel, and it was to them that the good news of peace was brought by Jesus Christ - but Jesus Christ is Lord of all men. You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil.'

**Gospel – Mark 1:7-11**

In the course of his preaching John the Baptist said, 'Someone is following me, someone who is more powerful than I am, and I am not fit to kneel down and undo the strap of his sandals. I have baptised you with water, but he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit.'

It was at this time that Jesus came from Nazareth in Galilee and was baptised in the Jordan by John. No sooner had he come up out of the water than he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit, like a dove, descending on him. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; my favour rests on you.'

**REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA**

With this feast, the Christmas cycle comes to a close. It expands the universality of God's presence proclaimed on the Epiphany and locates it in the messianic mission of Jesus established at his baptism. It might be seen as the summary of the entire liturgical cycle: the one born among us is the servant of God who brings to all the nations a universal promise of justice and the fulfilment of hope.

Jesus is mysterious servant through whom God's saving action is accomplished. He is the light that guides those in darkness. He has been given to the nations as the promise of liberation and the hope of the age to come. His mission is directed to all peoples. Since God's voice spoke over creation and over the head of Jesus as he emerged from the waters of the Jordan, God's regeneration of nature is accomplished in and through him.

Anointed by the Spirit, Jesus is commissioned to begin his prophetic work and ministry, a work of inclusivity and the relinquishment of bondage and fear. As the heavens opened, Jesus was identified as the beloved one of God. Now the community of believers is identified with Jesus the servant of God. Through Baptism, Christians share in his prophetic and divine ministry. They too receive at baptism a commission to commit themselves to the service of the poor and to the cause of compassion. The feast of the Baptism of Jesus is a reminder of the call to Christian service.

## Mass at St Jude's in 2021



### Weekend Masses

With the recent increase in locally acquired COVID cases, we will need to continue to be vigilant with contact tracing. Registration for each Mass for each weekend is required. You can either pre-register or register using the QR code poster on arrival at church. If you are unable to use QR codes, please pre-register by either:

- Registering directly at trybooking (using this link <https://www.trybooking.com/BNTBP> or scanning the QR code below on your phone) or
- Emailing your booking to [massrequest.stjudes@gmail.com](mailto:massrequest.stjudes@gmail.com)
- Please note that the Parish Office is closed until the 19<sup>th</sup> January and bookings over phone will not be taken till then.



A note on privacy – we use trybooking for Mass registration because they are a Melbourne-based company and the data collected is not sent overseas. It is only provided to health officials on request. You do not need to “opt-in” to receive any marketing material – simply do not tick that box on the Checkout page.

### Weekday Masses

For our **weekday Masses only**, 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 or add your name to the list if not already there.

***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. Thank you for your understanding and on-going support.***

### **Please Note: Changes in Weekday Mass times for the next week –**

- Wednesday, 13<sup>th</sup> January 2021: No Mass
- Thursday, 14<sup>th</sup> January 2021: 9:15 am
- Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> January 2021: 9.15 am



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

*Eileen O'Reilly*

**And also to those whose anniversaries occur at this time**

*Mary Rowe , Guiseppe Valastro , Christine Aldons , Frederick Mohorram ,  
Guiseppe De Venuto , Leo McNamara*

#### **IMPORTANT NOTICE:**

Our Parish Office will be closed until the 19<sup>th</sup> of January 2021. Please feel free to email [scoresby@cam.org.au](mailto:scoresby@cam.org.au) or call the office and leave a message. We will respond when we are back. For urgent pastoral matters only, please contact Fr Mark on 0438 644 196

#### **FINDING ONE'S WORK**

I think it is a great blessing when people find their work.  
I often feel that I am as rich as Croesus, not in money,  
but rich because I have found my work.  
In that work I have something  
to which I can devote myself heart and soul,  
and which gives meaning and inspiration to my life.  
Even though I have lots of difficulties,  
and there are many gloomy days in my life,  
I count myself among the fortunate.  
This is not the road on which one perishes.  
This is a powerful stream that will bear me safely to port.  
- Vincent Van Gogh



#### **SCRIPTURAL CONTEXT**

#### **Mark and Isaiah**

Today's first reading from Isaiah 42 begins with the very words that come from heaven during the baptism of Jesus in the gospel. It comes from the first of four passages from the book of Isaiah that are known as the Servant Songs. The Servant Songs in Isaiah provided a great deal of inspiration to Mark. The imagery and even specific language used in Isaiah to describe the messiah who will come is scattered throughout the gospel of Mark and subsequently the other gospels as well. Mark's depiction of Jesus as the messiah is characterised by the image of the suffering servant.

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on Monday's  
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