

ST JUDE'S PARISH, SCORESBY 49 George Street, Scoresby 3179 Phone 9763 7302 Email: <u>scoresby@cam.org.au</u> Member of Knox Deanery 14th February, 2021 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B



MASS TIMES (Details on Page 3)

Ash Wednesday 9.15am & 7.30pm

No Mass Thursday 18 & Mass Friday at 9.15am Saturday 6.00pm, Sunday 8.30am & 10.30am Reconciliation by appointment (contact Fr Mark or Parish Office)

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.

What comes first, parish or people?

The area we know today as Scoresby was first settled in the mid 1850's, so nearly 170 years ago. Our Parish was established in 1970, roughly 120 years after Scoresby. So people make parishes and that's exactly what we find when we read the Code of Canon (Church) Law. It speaks of parishes being 'a community of the faithful.' It doesn't mention the church building!

People therefore must be the focus of everything we do here at St Jude's. One very important area of parish life then must be the welcoming of people to our parish community. Our sacrament of welcome of course is baptism, but it's much more than simply pouring water on the head of a child, or an adult (when it's an adult we call it the RCIA...Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults). Many have heard me say that to live baptism we must 'touch the world with the hands of God.' And to do that we must be prepared, to learn how.

So I'm after some help. We need to establish a few Baptism Preparation Teams and also an RCIA Team. Let's begin with the Baptism Teams first, just 3 or 4, that way they only have to provide preparation 3 or 4 times a year. So what about it? I'd love to hear from people, especially families, who would be interested to find out more and hopefully help out. Please email me or give me a call.

Thank you in anticipation!

Mark



OUR PARISH OFFICE Parish Priest: **Rev Mark Reynolds** mark.reynolds@cam.org.au Parish Coordinator: Elisa Kelesidis Parish Bookkeeper Preethi Pais Mirani Perera Pastoral: Property Manager: Xavier David Office Hours: Tuesday – Friday: 9am to 4pm Telephone: 9763 7302 Email: scoresby@cam.org.au Website pol.org.au/scoresby **SERVICES & CONTACTS Community Centre** Parish Office 9763 7302 Fitness Class Pam Jess 0419 555 694 Liturgy Group Leon Rai litugy.stjudes@gmail.com St. Vincent De Paul Carmel Quinev 0400 485 874 **Tennis Club** Vito Trifilo 0447 044 920 **Bible Study** Xavier David 0400 757 350 **Parish Pastoral Council** pastoral.stjudes@gmail.com 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 Maria Haggett 9754 6611

St. Joseph's College Ms Cathy Livingston

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1st Reading—Leviticus 13:1-2 44-46

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron, 'If a swelling or scab or shiny spot appears on a man's skin, a case of leprosy of the skin is to be suspected. The man must be taken to Aaron, the priest, to one of the priests who are his sons

'The man is leprous: he is unclean. The priest must declare him unclean; he is suffering from leprosy of the head. A man infected with leprosy must wear his clothing torn and his hair disordered; he must shield his upper lip and cry, "Unclean, unclean". As long as the disease lasts he must be unclean; and therefore he must live apart; he must live outside the camp.'

2nd Reading—1 Corinthians 10:31—11:1

Whatever you east, whatever you drink, whatever you do at all, do it for the glory of God. Never do anything offensive to anyone—to Jews or Greeks or to the Church of God; just as I try to be helpful to everyone at all times, not anxious for my own advantage but for the advantage of everybody else, so that they may be saved.

Gospel—Mark 1:40-45

A leper came to Jesus and pleaded on his knees: 'If you want to' he said 'you can cure me.' Feeling for him, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him. 'Of course I want to!' he said. 'Be cured!' And the leprosy left him at once and he was cured. Jesus immediately sent him away and sternly ordered him, 'Mind you say nothing to anyone, but go and show yourself to the priest, and make the offering for your healing prescribed by Moses as evidence of your recovery.' The man went away, but then started talking about it freely and telling the story everywhere, so that Jesus could no longer go openly into any town, but had to stay outside in places where nobody lived. Even so, people from all around would come to him.

REFLECTION: BY Dianne Bergant CSA

We know that we will all have to face some kind of suffering, and so we try to prepare ourselves for it. Yet when it comes, as prepared as we try to be, it can overtake us with such fury that we fall back defenceless. We look to others for support and assistance, and if we are fortunate, we find it. However, even in the most supportive of communities, suffering tends to alienate us from those who are healthy and secure. Suffering reminds us of our own finitude and the contingent nature of all of life. It threatens our sense of order.

Jesus is not deterred by human suffering. He welcomes all who approach him; his healing touch reincorporates those who have been ostracised; his loving embrace reassociates those who have been alienated. In the reign of God, there are no outsiders. All belong to Jesus, and, therefore, all belong to each other. When the one afflicted is embraced by the community, the community is an authentic manifestation of the inclusive reign of God.

In suffering we witness human vulnerability and our desperate need of each other and of God. There, at the edge of life and on the fringes of the community, we may experience the tenderness and compassion of God. The loving touch of Christ that can heal our souls, if not our bodies. It is there that we may most authentically participate in the cross of Christ. Joined to him we are anything but unproductive or worthless.

Lent

Lent offers an invitation to actively reorientate ourselves to God, because for Christians, God—and the one who was so loved, Jesus—is the heart and the soul of life.

During this time of Lent, we are able to think more deeply about God and about how we are responding to God's call in our daily lives.

We are offered this gracious time, when we can reflect on what has formed us in the last 12 months. We begin our Lenten Season this week with **Ash Wednesday**. **Masses** will be **9.15am** and **7.30pm** on **Wednesday 17 February 2021**.

Please register your attendance via trybooking as per the weekend Masses.

We will also have **Stations of the Cross** every **Friday evening** at **7.30pm**, starting from **Friday 19 February**. **Assistance with coordination would be greatly appreciated please see Fr Mark**.

As we approach Lent and Easter, our Liturgies are required to be adapted to ensure personal safety of all, due to COVID.

Important - Registering for Masses

A reminder that the parish must still meet the government's contact tracing requirements for religious gathering and registration is required for each Mass attended. You can assist us greatly by pre-registering for the weekend Mass you wish to attend using one of the methods below:

Directly at trybooking (<u>https://www.trybooking.com/BNTBP</u> or the link on the Parish website) – this is the preferred method, or

Emailing your booking request to <u>massrequest.stjudes@gmail.com</u>, or

Calling the Parish Office (9763 7302) between 9:00 am and 4:00 pm Tuesday through to Friday. Let Elisa or Preethi know if you want to be pre-registered every week.

Projectionists – Assistance Required

As our regular liturgies resume after the isolation of COVID, we are in need of volunteers to run the projectors during our weekend Masses, especially on Saturday evening and Sunday 8:30 am Masses. We would like to have enough volunteers, so that each person can be rostered just once a month. It is not a difficult task and training will be provided. **A training session will be conducted on Saturday, 20 February at 11.15am**.

If you wish to help or would like more information, please speak to Bill Ta, Leon Raj, Xavier David or send an email to <u>liturgy.stjudes@gmail.com</u> Finally, we would like to acknowledge and thank our current projectionists and hope that you can continue to assist us.

The Liturgy Team

Sacramental Program for 2021

First Reconciliation Wednesday 24 March at 6.30pm Classes for Reconciliation 21st February, 28th February, 7th March & 14th March at 9.30am.

First Eucharist 15th & 16th May 2021 Classes for First Eucharist 21st March, 28th March, 18th April & 2nd May at 9.30am.

Confirmation 27 & 28 May 2021 **Classes for Confirmation** 2nd May, 9th May, 16 May & 23rd May at 9.30am.

2na May, 9th May, 16 May & 23ra May at 9.30am. If your child is studying in a non-Catholic school and would like to register for the sacraments, please contact the Parish Office on 9763 7302 or email scoresby@cam.org.au



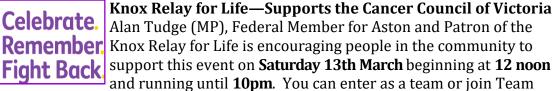




Serve the Lord with Joy

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

> Muriel Finlay, Teofila Talam, Lena Hodges, Julie van Huizen, Amintore Peluso, Margaret Gibbins, Vincent Yong, Margaret Tai.



Tudge as an individual. **Relay for Life** has been running in communities around Australia for 20 years. The Knox event is held at the Athletics Track in Knoxfield. More detailed information and how to register can be found at:

https://secure.fundraising.cancer.org.au/siteTR/RelayforLife

Apologies—Please note Change of Date Our Cuppa and a Chat for February will be on Wednesday 24th and not the 17th which is Ash Wednesday.

All are welcome to join us for a cuppa and chat **on Wednesday 24th February** in the fover of the **Parish Centre** from **9.30am**. We look forward to your company and a catch-up. Please contact Ann Doyle (0402 904 678) or Mary King (0438 644 425) if you have any questions.

Unfortunately as no-one has come forward to take on the role of **Bingo Coordinator** it is most likely that this fun parish activity will no longer be offered in the near future. However, it would be wonderful if this could continue and if there is someone who would

like to take on this role please contact the parish office on 9763 7302 for further details.

Stewardship/Thanksgiving Envelopes

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Cancer

Please note that your Stewardship/Thanksgiving Envelopes are now available in the Church fover for collection after Mass this weekend.

Thank you for your continued support of our parish.

If anyone is interested in joining or needing to amend your current Stewardship/Thanksgiving Envelopes, please contact the parish office by phone, email or in person.



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Classes will be held in the St Jude's Parish Centre Scoresby during the day and after school Contact us to find out more information!

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