



ST JUDE'S PARISH, SCORESBY

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Member of Knox Deanery

21st February, 2021

First Sunday of Lent - Year B



MASS TIMES (Details on Page 3)

Wednesday, Thursday & 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!

I think two of the most important responsibilities that communities of faith then have is to evangelise and form people as disciples so that the Good News, the Gospel, grows within each and every one and is lived out each and every day. Critical in this mission and unique to Australia is our system of Catholic education. No other country has the system we have supported as it is very wonderfully by successive Governments in varying ways over many decades but especially since the Whitlam Government introduced; needs based funding in 1972. From humble beginnings with the first Catholic school in Hunter St Parramatta which began 200 years ago there are now 1751 Catholic schools with 770,000 students and 98,000 staff. They are wonderful places of evangelisation and formation and long may they flourish.

And associated with this is the parish responsibility, to prepare families as they bring their children forward for baptism. Baptism is so much more than a ceremony or a ritual. It's the formal beginning of the journey of faith and is not 'done' to us but 'lived' by us. But what does that mean for families in 2021? That is why we need a few families who are regularly part of our Sunday community to help prepare families to have their children baptised. **WOULD YOU HELP, PLEASE?**

I'd love to have 3 or 4 families who would be prepared to host a preparation session 3 or 4 times a year. I'd train you up a bit and the session that you would lead would only last an hour. Why not think about it and email me.

Thanks and stay well.

Mark



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Serve the Lord with Joy

1st Reading—Genesis 9:8-15

God spoke to Noah and his sons, 'See, I establish my Covenant with you, and with your descendants after you; also with every living creature to be found with you, birds, cattle and every wild beast with you: everything that came out of the ark, everything that lives on the earth. I establish my Covenant with you: no thing of flesh shall be swept away again by the waters of the flood. There shall be no flood to destroy the earth again.'

God said, 'Here is the sign of the Covenant I make between myself and you and every living creature with you for all generations: I set my bow in the clouds and it shall be a sign of the Covenant between me and the earth. When I gather the clouds over the earth and the bow appears in the clouds, I will recall the Covenant between myself and you and every living creature of every kind. And so the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all things of flesh.'

2nd Reading—1 Peter 3:18-22

Christ himself, innocent though he was, died once for sins, died for the guilty, to lead us to God. In the body he was put to death, the spirit he was raised to life, and in the spirit, he went to preach to the spirits in prison. Now it was long ago, when Noah was still building that ark which saved only a small group of eight people 'by water', and when God was still waiting patiently, that these spirits refused to believe. That water is a type of the baptism which saves you now, and which is not the washing off of physical dirt but a pledge made to God from a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has entered heaven and is at God's right hand, now that he has made the angels and Dominations and Powers his subjects.

Gospel—Mark 1:12-15

The Spirit drove Jesus out into the wilderness and he remained there for forty days, and was tempted by Satan. He was with the wild beasts, and the angels looked after him.

After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee. There he proclaimed the Good News from God. 'The time has come' he said 'and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News.'



Jamila, 22, is a Rohingya woman living in the world's largest refugee camp in Bangladesh. She was forced to flee the armed conflict in Myanmar to save herself, her elderly mother and her eight-month-old baby.



With the support of Caritas Australia, through Caritas Bangladesh, Jamila was able to access emergency food and shelter. She also received counselling, emotional support, and learnt sewing skills to help her earn an income.

Jamila now feels less alone, with a sense of community around her. She is able to 'Be More' to her little family. "Thank you, and thanks Caritas Australia," Jamila says.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2021 to help mothers like Jamila be more for her family and her community.

You can **donate** through **Parish boxes** and **envelopes**, by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning **1800 024 413**



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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. While some Masses were cancelled due to the Circuit Breaker lock down, a recording of the **Ash Wednesday Mass** is available on-line via the parish website or the St Jude's YouTube channel.

The parish website is: <http://pol.org.au/scoresby> to access the YouTube video.

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, as we remain vigilant against 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 (<https://www.trybooking.com/BNTBP> or the link on the Parish website) – this is the preferred method, or

Emailing your booking request to massrequest.stjudes@gmail.com, 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.

Projectionist—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 8.30am 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.

Due to the Circuit Breaker lock down, this weekend's **training session has been re-scheduled to next Saturday, 27 February at 10am**. The training should not take more than an hour.

If you wish to help or would like more information, please speak to Bill Ta, Leon Raj, Xavier David or send an email to liturgy.stjudes@gmail.com 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.



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

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

Rupert Arcilla, Linda Macmillan, Maria Gonsalves, George Harrop, Marie Lavoipierre,
Christina Clarkson, Rozario Savariraj.



A catch up with Sr Mary Brady

In chatting with Sr Mary recently, she made mention that due to COVID and some health issues she has been unable to catch up with people of St Jude's. Therefore, on **Wednesday 24th March** we have invited her to a special morning tea in the Parish Centre (10.30am-12 noon). This will give us the opportunity to thank her for all her work here in the parish as Pastoral Coordinator, but more importantly for the care, support and friendship she gave to so many parishioners. All are very welcome and we hope that many of you can join us for this celebration. For catering purposes and to adhere to COVID Guidelines, those wishing to attend must **RSVP by Wednesday 17th March** by email to pastoral.stjudes@gmail.com or by phoning **Ann Doyle (0402 904 678)**, **Mary King (0438 644 425)** or the **Parish Office (9763 7302)** - please also indicate any dietary requirements.



Cuppa and a Chat

A reminder to please join us on **Wednesday 24th February** in the **Parish Centre** for a cuppa and a chat from **9.30am**.

All are welcome and we look forward to your company. 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.



**Celebrate.
Remember.
Fight Back.**

Knox Relay for Life—Supports the Cancer Council of Victoria
Alan Tudge (MP), Federal Member for Aston and Patron of the Knox Relay for Life is encouraging people in the community to support this event on **Saturday 13th March** beginning at **12 noon** and running until **10pm**. You can enter as a team or join Team

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>



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