

ST JUDE'S PARISH, SCORESBY 49 George Street, Scoresby 3179

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Member of Knox Deanery

## 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time — Year C 21st August 2022

Weekday Masses this week

Wednesday 24 August & Friday 26 August at 9.15am

## Weekend Masses

Saturday 6pm, Sunday 8.30am & 10.30am Reconciliation by appointment (contact Fr Mark/Fr Samuel at Parish Office)

## This Way to Jerusalem

## The last shall be first, and the first shall be last.

We have heard the phrase so often that it has become practically meaningless. We nod in

agreement, presuming to be among the last who will one day be first. But today's Gospel challenges that presumption. What if I am among the first who is going to be last?

The question makes me so uncomfortable I want to push back.

Tell me this, Jesus: You say the door is locked and you're not going to open it. But didn't you *just* tell us to "knock and the door will be opened" (Luke 11:9)?

You say, Jesus, that you're not letting me in because you don't know where I'm from. But then you welcome all kinds of people from who knows where—strangers rolling in from the east, the west, the north, and the south. It doesn't seem to matter where *they* are from!

If I am honest, this Gospel passage makes me want to reflect no further, put down the readings, and get on with the day.

But I know I should sit with the discomfort. Doing so, I notice something: Jesus' words come while he is "making his way to Jerusalem." He is heading to his Passion. He is heading to his death. Jesus' caustic warning is not aimed at people but at presumption. It is not enough to hang out with Jesus, eating with him and listening to him. Discipleship means following him to the very end—whether we fall at the front or the back of the line.

Edward P Hahnenberg—Give Us This Day—August 2022



#### **OUR PARISH OFFICE**

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#### SERVICES & CONTACTS

Community Centre Parish Office: 9763 7302 Fitness Class Pam Jess 9763 7302 Liturgy Group Leon Raj - liturgy.stjudes@gmail.com St. Vincent De Paul Helpline 1800 305 330 Tennis Club Vito Trifilo 0447 044 920 Bible Study Xavier David 0448 766 705 Parish Pastoral Council pastoral.stjudes@gmail.com

#### PARISH SCHOOL PRINCIPALS

<u>St Jude's Primary</u> Mr Tim McMullen 8761 9600 <u>Holy Trinity Primary</u> Mr Adrian Scutt 9801 8296 <u>St Mary's College for the Deaf</u> Ms Amanda Purcell 9800 2733 <u>Mater Christi College</u> Ms Maria Haggett 9754 6611 <u>St Joseph's College</u> Ms Cathy Livingston 9758 2000

St Jude's Parish community, is committed to the Victorian Child Safe Standards & acknowledge that child safeguarding is everyone's responsibility.

## First Reading: Is 66:18-21

The Lord says this: I am coming to gather the nations of every language. They shall come to witness my glory. I will give them a sign and send some of their survivors to the nations: to Tarshish, Put, Lud, Moshech, Rosh, Tubal, and Javan, to the distant islands that have never heard of me or seen my glory. They will proclaim my glory to the nations. As an offering to the Lord they will bring all your brothers, on horses, in chariots, in litters, on mules, on dromedaries, from all the nations to my holy mountain in Jerusalem, says the Lord, like Israelites bringing oblations in clean vessels to the Temple of the Lord. And of some of them I will make priests and Levites, says the Lord.

## Second Reading: Heb 12:5-7 11-13

Have you forgotten that encouraging text in which you are addressed as sons? My son, when the Lord corrects you, do not treat it lightly; but do not get discouraged when he reprimands you. For the Lord trains the ones that he loves and he punishes all those that he acknowledges as his sons. Suffering is part of your training; God is treating you as his sons. Has there ever been any son whose father did not train him? Of course, any punishment is most painful at the time, and far from pleasant; but later, in those on whom it has been used, it bears fruit in peace and goodness. So hold up your limp arms and steady your trembling knees and smooth out the path you tread; then the injured limb will not be wrenched, it will grow strong again.

## Gospel: Lk 13:22-30

Through towns and villages Jesus went teaching, making his way to Jerusalem. Someone said to him, 'Sir, will there be only a few saved?' He said to them, 'Try your best to enter by the narrow door, because, I tell you, many will try to enter and will not succeed.

'Once the master of the house has got up and locked the door, you may find yourself knocking on the door, saying, "Lord, open to us" but he will answer, "I do not know where you come from." Then you will find yourself saying, "We once ate and drank in your company; you taught in our streets" but he will reply, "I do not know where you come from. Away from me, all you wicked men!"

'Then there will be weeping and grinding of teeth, when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, and yourselves turned outside. And men from east and west, from north and south, will come to take their places at the feast in the kingdom of God.

'Yes, there are those now last who will be first, and those now first who will be last.'

#### Visit to the Blessed Sacrament

"I am here, silent and still, waiting for at least one soul to recognise My real presence and offer Me the consolation of a visit, of an expression of adoration and of love." - In Sinu Jesu Inner Healing & Forgiveness through Meditation on Jesus—September 16-17, 2022 At: 22 Woodvale Rd, Boronia Guided by Fr. Gilbert Carlo SVD 0424 202 191 or email gilbertcarlo@gmail.com



We welcome into the Parish family through the **Sacrament** of **Baptism**: **Noa Rayne Cinco Almalbis, Emmett Stefan Atkinson.** 

We ask for the peace and grace of Eternal Life for those whose memories are sacred to us at this time especially:

Mabel Ming, Gaye Eklund, Herb Byrant, Maddalena Valastro, Graham Brown, Frank Nolan, Paul Westgarth, Mildred Cooper, Joseph Perera, Alf Delacorn, Leanne Germano, Loreta Uberti, Malcolm Cole.

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## **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 our voices be heard in a spirit of openness that fosters ongoing communication across our Parish.

## Are you or a friend thinking of becoming a Catholic?

Adults entering the Catholic Church or just thinking about it, follow a process called **RCIA** the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. **RCIA** is for:

Adults who are not baptised. Adults baptised in another Christian church. Non-practising Catholics wishing to renew faith.

New Sessions begin with an Information Night on Tuesday 4th October 2022 from 7.30pm in the Chapel at St Simon's Parish, 2 Taylor's Lane, Rowville.

Ring St Jude's Parish Office on 9763 7302 or Reg on 9790 5616 or just come along on the night.

"Come and See."

#### Heart of Life—Assertiveness - Trusting Your Own Inner Voice (via Zoom), Tuesday evening 30 August 2022 7pm - 9.30pm (AEST)

This reflection event will explore: assertiveness - what it is and what it is not; why being assertive is adult behaviour that builds up everyone's strength and capacity to love; finding within ourselves that voice of God that echoes who I am as good in the eyes of God: what is it that distorts this perception and how that influences my judgement and behaviour; being assertive with God; being with an assertive God.

Led by Chris Chaplin msc (MSCX, Dip Transpersonal & Experiential Psychotherapy, BTheol, Cert Spir Dir (Siloam)). Cost \$35. Book and pay by 26/8/22 via <u>www.heartoflife.melbourne</u> Heart of Life Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral Formation, Malvern VIC,

email info@heartoflife.melbourne or tel (03) 9890 1101

# **Catholic Care Victoria Sunday Appeal**

Thank you from CatholicCare Victoria

CatholicCare Victoria is deeply grateful for the support of our parish during last week's CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal.

Because of the generosity of our parish community, CatholicCare Victoria

can continue to ensure that vulnerable individuals and families in our community have the opportunity to live life to the full. Thank you for helping those in need! For more information about CatholicCare Victoria, please visit: www.catholiccarevic.org.au

#### St Jude's Parish—Liturgy Roster 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Fist Reading: Sir 3:17-20 28-29, Second Reading Heb 12:18-19 22-24 & Gospel Lk 14:1 7-14

27 / 28 August
Readers
Mass Projector
Altar Society
Church Cleaner

Saturday 6pm Rosary Pereira Lauren Perira Diven Hettiarachchi Eve Buckeridge Jude Philip

Sunday 8.30am Sunday 10.30am Kim Baxter Sybil Donohue Sharlynn Arulanandam Frank McCulloch Megan Pinto

Audrey/Isabelle Raj



# A TOURNE

An invitation is extended

to those who love playing

the piano and who may

like to come and join a

friendly group of



musicians to play at our weekend masses.

If you think you would like to share your gift of playing please contact Xavier on 0448 766 705 or email the parish office scoresby@cam.org.au for further information.

Thank you to all those who "Serve the Lord with Joy" by participating in these rosters.

Please view the COVID Safe Plan for St Jude's displayed on the entry doors of the church or via the parish website pol.org.au./scoresby

Serve the Lord with Joy



This month we welcome Peter, the CEO of Bridges Connecting Communities. It will be an informative Cuppa and a Chat as we learn about Bridges, their involvement and what they do in the community. Please contact **Ann Doyle (0402 904 678)** or **Robyn Pinches (0407 324 117)** for further information.



Coffee with a

friend is

like

capturing happiness

in a cup.

ART SHOW Friday, 28th October, 2022 9am -11am

See insert in Parish Newsletter for further details.

The **Parish Office** will be closed on **Thursday 25 August 2022** due to a **Parish Administration Forum** held by the **Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne** to be attended by Fr Mark, Fr Samuel and some of the Parish Team.

Apologies for any inconvenience caused.



## Stewardship Tax Deductibility Change

I wish to advise parishioners that your contribution to the Stewardship Program is much appreciated, however, these contributions are no longer tax deductible. As many would be aware governance arrangements for Catholic Parish Primary Schools in the Archdiocese of Melbourne changed on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2021. At this time a new company, Melbourne Archdiocese Catholic Schools (MACS), was established and they have responsibility for all school buildings and capital works within schools. This change meant that school building funds would no longer operate hence contribution to the School Building Fund is no longer applicable and there is no tax deductibility. Again I thank you for your generous ongoing support. Fr Mark

Welcome Eastern Taekwondo to St Jude's Parish Centre—Main Hall

Launch: 27 August 2022 Classes: Saturday 9.30am-11am & Tuesday 6.30pm-7.30pm

#### FOUR WEEK FREE TRIAL FOR STUDENTS & PARENTS OF ST JUDE'S & HOLY TRINITY

Eastern Taekwondo is a new Taekwondo club owned & operated by Head Instructors Domenic (Mick) Lo Bianco (5th Dan Black Belt) & Karl Gawlik (4th Dan Black Belt). Both instructors are local residents of Knox. Learning outcomes of Eastern Taekwondo include improved general fitness, flexibility, confidence and self-defence capabilities. The hardest part of learning the art of Taekwondo is to step into the training room for the first time...we will help you with this first step. **Come and join us.** (See Poster & flyers in Church Foyer)



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