

## St. Jude the Apostle Parish

49 George St, Scoresby

"In a spirit of Pastoral outreach, we, the people of the Parish, are called to serve with joy.  
We respect diversity and welcome all who choose to belong to our community"



Third Sunday of Lent—3rd March 2024

*"Deepening One's Encounter"*

### **CLEANSING OF THE TEMPLE** - John 2:13-25 *"Love and Compassion not Sacrifice"*

In today's Gospel we see Jesus's actions as a demonstration of his deep concern for the spiritual well-being of the people. Instead of focusing solely on rituals or external practices, Jesus prioritised the inner disposition of the heart and the well-being of those seeking to connect with God. His cleansing of the temple was driven by a desire to remove barriers to authentic worship and to ensure that all people could experience God's love and grace without exploitation or hindrance. This passage challenges us to prioritise love and compassion in our own interaction with others, seeking to create spaces where everyone feels welcomed, valued, and able to experience the transformative power of God's Love.



*Heavenly Father, we come before you with grateful hearts, acknowledging your boundless love and compassion. Thank you for the gift of your Son, Jesus Christ, who exemplified love in all his actions and teachings. Today we are reminded of the importance of authentic worship, driven by love and compassion rather than mere sacrifice. Help us, Lord, to cultivate hearts that are filled with love for you and for one another. Grant us the wisdom to discern injustice and the courage to confront it with compassion, just as Jesus did in cleansing the temple. We surrender ourselves to your will, trusting in your unfailing love and mercy. Amen.*

### **"DEEPENING ONE'S ENCOUNTER"**

You are invited to celebrate Easter At  
St Jude's The Apostle Parish  
49 George St Scoresby

## Holy Week and Mass Times:

### **RECONCILIATION –14th March**

7:30PM

### **PALM SUNDAY**

6:00PM—Saturday 23rd March

8:30am & 10:30am— Sunday 24th March

### **HOLY THURSDAY—28th March**

7:30pm Mass of the Lord's supper

### **GOOD FRIDAY—29th March**

11:00am Stations of the cross

3:00pm Commemoration of the Lord's Passion

### **EASTER SUNDAY– 31st March**

6:00am Dawn Mass

8:30am & 10:30am Easter Sunday Mass

### TIMES:

#### **Week Days:**

Wed, Thu, Fri 9.15am

#### **Weekends:**

Sat 6pm, Sun 8.30am & 10.30am

### RECONCILIATION

Contact Fr Jerald or Fr Joel at the Parish office

### OFFICE HOURS:

Tuesday—Friday 9am to 3.30pm

**Telephone:** 9763 7302

#### **Email:**

scoresby@cam.org.au

#### **Website:**

pol.org.au/Scoresby

### OUR PARISH OFFICE

#### **Parish Priest:**

Rev Jerald Mariadas  
jerald.mariadas@cam.org.au

#### **Assistant Priest:**

Rev Joel Peart  
Joel.Peart@cam.org.au

#### **Parish Leadership Team**

Contact number:  
9763 7302

#### **Parish Coordinator:**

Ida Lancuba

#### **Parish Bookkeeper:**

Ema Rivera

#### **Property Manager:**

Xavier David

#### **Child Safety Officer:**

Kim Baxter

### SERVICES

#### **Community Centre**

Parish Office: 9763 7302

#### **Liturgy Group**

Leon Raj  
liturgy.stjudes@gmail.com

#### **St. Vincent De Paul**

Helpline 1800 305 330

#### **St Simon's & St Jude's Youth Group**

youthteam@stsimonsparish.com.au

#### **Fitness Class-Pam Jess**

0419555694

### PARISH SCHOOL

#### PRINCIPALS

#### **St Jude's Primary**

Mr Tim McMullen

8761 9600

#### **Holy Trinity Primary**

Mr Adrian Scutt

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

9758 2000

**First Reading:** Exodus 20:1-17

God spoke all these words. He said, 'I am the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. 'You shall have no gods except me. 'You shall not make yourself a carved image or any likeness of anything in heaven or on earth beneath or in the waters under the earth; you shall not bow down to them or serve them. For I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God and I punish the father's fault in the sons, the grandsons, and the great-grandsons of those who hate me; but I show kindness to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments. 'You shall not utter the name of the Lord your God to misuse it, for the Lord will not leave unpunished the man who utters his name to misuse it. 'Remember the sabbath day and keep it holy. For six days you shall labour and do all your work, but the seventh day is a sabbath for the Lord your God. You shall do no work on that day, neither you nor your son nor your daughter nor your servants, men or women, not your animals nor the stranger who lives with you. For in six days the Lord made the heavens and the earth and the sea and all that these hold, but on the seventh day he rested; that is why the Lord has blessed the sabbath day and made it sacred. 'Honour your father and your mother so that you may have a long life in the land that the Lord your God has given to you. 'You shall not kill. 'You shall not commit adultery. 'You shall not steal. 'You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour. 'You shall not covet your neighbour's house. You shall not covet your neighbour's wife, or his servant, man or woman, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is his.'

**Second Reading:** 1 Corinthians 1:22-25

While the Jews demand miracles and the Greeks look for wisdom, here are we preaching a crucified Christ; to the Jews an obstacle that they cannot get over, to the pagans madness, but to those who have been called, whether they are Jews or Greeks, a Christ who is the power and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

**Gospel:** John 2:13-25

Just before the Jewish Passover Jesus went up to Jerusalem, and in the Temple he found people selling cattle and sheep and pigeons, and the money changers sitting at their counters there. Making a whip out of some cord, he drove them all out of the Temple, cattle and sheep as well, scattered the money changers' coins, knocked their tables over and said to the pigeon-sellers, 'Take all this out of here and stop turning my Father's house into a market.' Then his disciples remembered the words of scripture: Zeal for your house will devour me. The Jews intervened and said, 'What sign can you show us to justify what you have done?' Jesus answered, 'Destroy this sanctuary, and in three days I will raise it up.' The Jews replied, 'It has taken forty-six years to build this sanctuary: are you going to raise it up in three days?' But he was speaking of the sanctuary that was his body, and when Jesus rose from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the scripture and the words he had said. During his stay in Jerusalem for the Passover many believed in his name when they saw the signs that he gave, but Jesus knew them all and did not trust himself to them; he never needed evidence about any man; he could tell what a man had in him.

**Lent 2024**



**Week 3 Lent Prayer**

**ANOINTING MASS**

Tuesday 5th March at 11am  
After Mass please join us  
for a cup of tea/coffee in the church foyer

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

**St Simon's & St Jude's  
combined**

During the season of Lent, Stations of the cross will be held every Friday 7.00 pm at **St Simon The Apostle Parish, Rowville.**

**LENTEN REFLECTION PROGRAM**

**With Fr Joel**

Wednesday the 6th of March at 7pm  
**in the Meeting Room at the Parish Hall**

**Why does God let bad things happen?**

*The human mind plans the way,  
but the Lord directs the steps. Proverb 1: 16:9*

**Lord God,**

Sometimes I do not understand why things happen the way they do. How can: little babies die, young people get sick, storms, floods and droughts take countless lives?

Yet, I also see:

**the miracle of birth,**

**the splendid beauty of creation,**

**kind, loving and generous people throughout the world.**

Why, God, do you let these good and bad things happen in life?

Help me to understand your plans are not always my plans. Help me to trust, you have it under control.

Lord, I thank you for all the good things that "happen in my life".

And I ask for your help to understand and deal with those things that don't go according to my plan.

**Lord, in you I trust. Amen**

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

**especially:** Johann Domantay, Godwin Wanigasinghe, Anthony David, Gregory Walton, Jean-Claude Piston, David Steen, John Lecman, Lenny Lecman, Maeve Mooney, Marie Cordeiro, Angelina Speranza, Barbara Dickinson, Denzil Fernando, Emma Jenkins, Delphine Saldanha, Noreen Kelly, Ellen Hayes, Pearl Gunawardena, Robert Yeow.



## Congratulations to Reconciliation Commitment Mass Candidates: A Call for Parish Prayers

We extend our heartfelt congratulations to all candidates who participated in the Reconciliation Commitment Mass. Your dedication to this important sacrament is commendable and inspiring. We kindly ask all parishioners to keep these candidates in their prayers as they continue their journey of faith. Let us support them with our love, encouragement, and prayers as they grow closer to God through the sacrament of reconciliation. Thank you for your continued support and participation in our parish community. **God Bless You All** ❤️

## COMPUTER OPERATORS NEEDED (To operate the slide projector)

We need two additional projectionists for Sunday 8:30 AM mass, and 10:30 AM mass. The tasks involved are straightforward, and we provide thorough training and supervision as needed. If you are interested, please contact Abigail on 0405725047.

**Thank you!**

## Great Women of Faith

Portrait Exhibition by Barbara Skorupa



## Great Women of Faith Exhibition Exhibition opening times: 1-10 March 2024



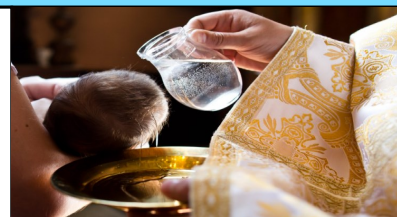
**Friday 1 March:** 9am to 12 noon; 4pm to 6pm  
**Saturday 2 March:** 9.30am to 11.30am; 1pm to 2pm; 3pm to 4pm; 5pm to 6pm  
**Sunday 3 March:** 1pm to 2pm; 3pm to 4pm; 5pm to 6pm  
**Monday 4 March - Wednesday 6 March (each day):** 9am to 12 noon; 2pm to 5pm  
**Thursday 7 March:** 9am to 12 noon  
**Friday 8 March:** 9am to 12 noon; 2pm to 5pm  
**Saturday 9 March:** 9.30am to 11.30am; 1.30pm to 3.30pm  
**Sunday 10 March:** 2pm to 6pm

### PROJECT COMPASSION

Not having access to a reliable source of clean water was very difficult for Leaia and her family. But with the support of Caritas Australia, water tank was installed at their home, improving their health and living conditions. Together we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow for all future generations. You can donate through [Project Compassion](https://www.caritas.org.au/project-compassion) donation boxes and envelopes available in the church foyer, by visiting: [caritas.org.au/project-compassion](https://www.caritas.org.au/project-compassion) or by calling 1800 024 413

### LENTEN TAIZE PRAYER

Join the Salesian Sisters  
Community for  
**Taizé Prayer**  
A Prayer experience with  
Candlelight—Music—Chants Con-  
templation and reflective reading  
Scriptures. **On 5 Wednesdays during  
Lent 7.00pm—8.00pm At  
43 George Street Scoresby  
21st Feb, 28th Feb, 6th March,  
13th March & 20th March  
Contact the Salesian Sisters on  
9763 7104**



We welcome with great joy  
into our Parish community,  
through  
the sacrament of Baptism :

**Kruna Sylv Crane  
Darcy James Matthews  
Chiara Lia Bellizia**

### A visit to the Blessed Sacrament

Humility, humility, and ever humility, as we can do nothing of ourselves;  
all is purely and simply God's grace. - - Fr. Andrasz, S.J. From Sr Faustina Divine Mercy in *My Soul Diary*

## St Jude's Parish—Liturgy Roster

### Fourth Sunday of Lent

**First Reading** 2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23 **Second Reading** Ephesians 2:4-10 **Gospel** John 3:14-21

March 9/10	Saturday 6pm	Sunday 8.30am	Sunday 10.30am
<b>Celebrant</b>	Fr Jerald Maria Das	Fr Jerald Maria Das	Fr Jerald Maria Das
<b>Readers:</b>	Rosary Pereira Alfred Saldanha	Tony McCumstie Millicent Miranda	Louise Cooper Nerina Marotta
<b>Mass Projector</b>	Adina Atmadja	Megan Pinto	T.J/Victoria Bulloch
<b>Children's Liturgy</b>	Leeana & Melanie		
<b>Altar Society</b>	Cora Lijinders		
<b>Church Cleaner</b>	Rosanna Jumong and Juliet		

*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](https://www.pol.org.au/Scoresby)*



## First Eucharist And Confirmation Classes 2024 for children attending non-Catholic Schools



The following classes will commence at **9.30am** at the **Parish Reception Centre**.

### First Eucharist Classes:

March 10, 17, 24th and 21st April.

**Parent/Child Workshop** on 25th July at 6pm

**First Eucharist Commitment Masses** at 6pm and 10.30am on Weekend 27 /28 July .

**Sacrament of First Eucharist** will be at 6pm and 10.30am Masses on Weekends 10/11, 17/18 and 24/25 August.

### Confirmation Classes:

28th April, 5, 19, 26 May. 12th May is Mother's Day so no Classes.

**Parent/Child Workshop** 13th June 6pm.

**Commitment Masses** 15/16 June at 6pm and 10.30am

**Sacrament of Confirmation** will be on 1st August at 5.30pm and 7pm.

If you would like to register your son/daughter in these classes please contact the **Parish Office** on **9763 7302** or email [scoresby@cam.org.au](mailto:scoresby@cam.org.au) for an **enrolment form**.

**The cost of the program** is **\$30** per Sacrament which includes workbooks and other supplies required.

## PIETY STORE NEWS

*The piety store will be open every fortnight and we now have some new products :*

- First Communion Gifts
- Risen Christ Statue
- Our Lady of Health Statues
- St Joan Arch Statue
- Palm in Hand Statue
- Votive Candle Sacred Heart
- God Bless Home Plaque
- Rosaries

### Clearance Sale

Columban Calendars \$5

## William Matthews Funerals

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## KNITTING GROUP

Will take place this **Wednesday 6th March** at the **Parish Reception Centre** at **9.30am-11am**.

A warm welcome awaits.

Enquiries: **Maureen** 0417 634 600



### Mission: Transform Lives - theirs...and yours.

Communities in Africa, Asia, Australia and the Pacific are looking for qualified and experienced Australians from ALL sectors to share their skills with those who have had little opportunity for formal training. You too will learn and grow within a most welcoming community. Experience the joy as you assist to change lives. Learn more: Join our [Mission Webinar](#) March 5th, 2024, 6:00 - 6:30 pm. 63 years preparing Australians for enduring global relationships to build sustainable, self-reliant, community development. Learn Even More: Join our [two-week tour to Timor-Leste on 06/05/2024](#) to see Palms program participants our local partner communities in action together. Contact: 02 9560 5333/[palms@palms.org.au](mailto:palms@palms.org.au)

## SSJ YOUTH

Year 5 to Year 10 students

# COMING BACK MARCH 17TH!

STAY TUNED FOR MORE INFORMATION!



FOR ENQUIRIES, PLEASE CONTACT DENISE & DINELLE:  
[YOUTHTEAM@STSIMONSPARISH.COM.AU](mailto:YOUTHTEAM@STSIMONSPARISH.COM.AU)

### EXPERIENCED MUSICIANS NEEDED

We are looking for parishioners or if you know of someone who may be interested, who plays the **piano** or the **drums** to come and join a friendly group of musicians to play at our weekend masses. We are hoping to organise a roster to play on monthly basis. If you would like to share your gift of music, please contact: **Xavier** on **0448 766 705** or contact the **Parish Office** on **9763 7302**