



## ST JUDE'S PARISH, SCORESBY

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Member of Knox Deanery



## Third Sunday of Advent —Year A

11th December 2022

Weekday Mass this week

Wednesday 14th December, Thursday 15 December & Friday 16 December at 9.15am

### Weekend Masses

Saturday 6pm, Sunday 8.30am & 10.30am

Reconciliation by appointment (contact Fr Mark or Fr Samuel at Parish Office)

### Solar Panels

*Over the last six months or so the Parish has been exploring the possibility of the installation of solar panels to help reduce power costs in the Reception Centre and Hall. The Parish Pastoral Council is most appreciative of the research and negotiation that Xavier David has done in regard to this and I am pleased to advise that we are installing solar panels in January and early February next year. This initiative also includes the house and parish office.*



### "Tennis Club"

*Over many years and after being a vital part of the life of St Jude's Parish our Tennis Club has been slowly diminishing in more recent years to the point there are no longer any members. This has been the worry with many tennis clubs both parish and suburban over recent years. One of the things that is absolutely certain is that parishes without a stream of income in addition to parish stewardship offerings will struggle to survive in the medium to long term. To help ensure that St Jude's Parish is not one of those parishes the development of the "tennis court site" has been under exploration for some time and I have established a Working Party under the leadership of Vito Trifilo to explore some possibility of site development, and to this end we are working in conjunction with the Property and Infrastructure personnel of the Archdiocese. At this stage it is too early to indicate precisely "what or when" but our early thinking is around the development of early learning facilities or retirement. Realistically any such development is 3-5 years away. The Parish Pastoral Council has endorsed this initiative.*

*Any thoughts would be most welcome.*

Fr Mark

### 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](mailto: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](mailto:pastoral.stjudes@gmail.com)

### 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 Hagggett 9754 6611

St Joseph's College

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.*

## Serve the Lord with Joy

### First Reading: Is 35:1-6 10

Let the wilderness and the dry-lands exult,  
let the wasteland rejoice and bloom, let it bring forth flowers like the jonquil,  
let it rejoice and sing for joy.

The glory of Lebanon is bestowed on it,  
the splendour of Carmel and Sharon;  
they shall see the glory of the Lord,  
the splendour of our God.

Strengthen all weary hands, steady all trembling knees  
and say to all faint hearts, 'Courage! Do not be afraid.  
'Look, your God is coming,  
vengeance is coming,  
the retribution of God;  
he is coming to save you.'

Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened,  
the ears of the deaf unsealed,  
then the lame shall leap like a deer  
and the tongues of the dumb sing for joy,  
for those the Lord has ransomed shall return.

They will come to Zion shouting for joy,  
everlasting joy on their faces;  
joy and gladness will go with them  
and sorrow and lament be ended.

### Second Reading: Jas 5:7-10

Be patient, brothers, until the Lord's coming. Think of a farmer: how patiently he waits for the precious fruit of the ground until it has had the autumn rains and the spring rains! You too have to be patient; do not lose heart, because the Lord's coming will be soon. Do not make complaints against one another, brothers, so as not to be brought to judgement yourselves; the Judge is already to be seen waiting at the gates. For your example, brothers, in submitting with patience, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord.

### Gospel: Mt 11:2-11

John in his prison had heard what Christ was doing and he sent his disciples to ask him, 'Are you the one who is to come, or have we got to wait for someone else?' Jesus answered, 'Go back and tell John what you hear and see; the blind see again, and the lame walk, lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, and the dead are raised to life and the Good News is proclaimed to the poor; and happy is the man who does not lose faith in me.'

As the messengers were leaving, Jesus began to talk to the people about John: 'What did you go out into the wilderness to see? A reed swaying in the breeze? No? Then what did you go out to see? A man wearing fine clothes? Oh no, those who wear fine clothes are to be found in palaces. Then what did you go out for? To see a prophet? Yes, I tell you, and much more than a prophet: he is the one of whom scripture says: Look, I am going to send my messenger before you; he will prepare your way before you. I tell you solemnly, of all the children born of women, a greater than John the Baptist has never been seen; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he is.'

#### **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.*



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

**Kim Eng Teh Chuah, Philomena Fernandez, Daniel Pagano,  
Kenneth D'Silva, Teng Khoon Khoo, Iva Thatcher,  
Margaret Neary, Stephen McMahon, Michael Hageman,  
Jack Beard, Lorrie Bubeck.**

## Serve the Lord with Joy

### Third Sunday of Advent: Joy

As we make our way through Advent, there is a sense of urgency in the scripture readings. And maybe, yet again, we find ourselves wondering if God's kingdom will ever arrive. Will the day come when there is food enough for all, and no child goes hungry? We can easily become despondent when we consider the world's injustice.

As we get closer to Christmas, and the carols and decorations become pervasive, will we actually invite Jesus off the verandah and into our homes?

*God, in whom we find our joy,*

*Set the prisoners free and loose the captives and the oppressed.*

*Hear the cries of those who are in the wilderness.*

*Remember the poor in spirit and those who suffer pain or loss.*

*Expand the gathering of your people, to include those who are marginalized and those who feel beyond our easy reach.*

*Remind us of your love for the poor and remember us when we are distressed.*

*Enter the world afresh this Advent, bless those who find this time hardest.*

*Jesus, gather your scattered flock and let the deaf hear, the blind see, and the lame dance.*

*We love you, God – gift us with your love to share around.*

*Increase the joy in our community – lift the hearts of the depressed.*

*Care for and restore your blessed Creation – so we may rejoice with Creation again.*

**Third Sunday of Advent** **Sharing God's love this Christmas**



Zimbabwe is suffering from critically low food reserves, as climate change brings harsher and more frequent drought. Families already living in poverty and hunger are now being plunged further into crisis.

Through your gift this Christmas Bowl, you can support Act for Peace's local partner, Christian Care, to provide training in the latest climate-resilient farming techniques so families can be more food secure. **Please give today.**

CALL: 1800 025 101 VISIT: [actforpeace.org.au/christmasbowl](http://actforpeace.org.au/christmasbowl)

The Christmas appeal of Act for Peace, the international humanitarian agency of the National Council of Churches in Australia. ABN 86 619 970 188



### ADVENT EVENING PRAYER

The Salesian Sisters Community invite those who wish, to join us for:

**Evening Prayer on: Monday 12th December & Monday 19th December from 5pm-5.45pm.**

### CHRISTMAS TIMETABLE 2022

**Parish Advent Reconciliation: Tuesday 13th December at 7.30pm**

**Christmas Eve Masses—Saturday 24th December 2022**

**6pm Mass (Carols begin at 5.30pm)**

**9pm Mass (Carols begin at 8.30pm)**

**Christmas Day Masses—Sunday 25th December 2022**

**8.30am & 10.30am Masses**



### St Vincent de Paul Piety Stall News

Available for purchase at the **Piety Stall** are packs of **10 Majellan Christmas Cards** for \$8 and the beautifully illustrated **Columban Calendar** \$10 each.

### A Visit to the Blessed Sacrament

*Silent Eucharistic adoration as a chance to encounter Christ in a way that can "really change our lives".*  
- Cardinal Robert Sarah

*We usually are open from Tuesday-Friday, 9am-4pm*

**Serve the Lord with Joy**



**St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal**

Help families in need this Christmas.  
 Donate what you can to the Scoresby St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal.

**DONATIONS CAN BE MADE BY THE FOLLOWING OPTIONS:**

Over the phone- call 13 18 12 and quote 'Scoresby'  
Online- scan the QR code to donate online.

Direct Deposit-  
 Account Name: St Vincent de Paul Society Victoria Gift Fund  
 BSB: 063 000  
 Account No: 106 07556  
 Reference: X22 + 4308C



Cash or Cheque

As always cash and cheque are welcome and can be left in the red box on the table in the Foyer.  
 Your support is greatly appreciated.

**St Vincent de Paul Christmas Giving Tree:**



As always, we will be collecting **Gift Cards** and **Gift Vouchers**. These will be distributed to families which creates the pleasure of buying suitable gifts for their families. Suggested gift vouchers, Big W, Kmart, Target, JB-HiFi, Village Cinema etc. **Please note we will not be collecting toys.**

Please take a gift card tag from the Christmas Tree in the Church Foyer and attach it to the envelope or as wrapping for the gift card. Please write **Vinnies Christmas Vouchers** and seal it. Collection boxes will be located in the Church Foyer. Alternatively, please leave it at the Parish Office. Please note **Gift Cards** need to be **returned by 16th December** enabling us time to deliver the same to disadvantaged families before Christmas. For further information please contact Parish Office on 9763 7302 who will direct you to one of the **St Vincent de Paul** members. As always, the **St Vincent de Paul Scoresby Conference** appreciates your generosity and efforts at this time of the year.

Thank you, St Vincent de Paul Scoresby Conference

**Evergreens Christmas Lunch 2022**—*To all those who helped make this event a very enjoyable and successful one, we offer our sincere thanks. Without your support the Evergreens Lunch could not take place. A big **Thank You** also to the staff and students of St Jude's who sang their hearts out entertaining our guests with Christmas Carols. Much to the delight of our guests Santa Claus arrived with a big Ho! Ho! and was very warmly welcomed.*

*Thank you to our Evergreens for being so supportive of the parish over many years, we enjoyed your company on Tuesday.*  
 Robyn and Ann on behalf of the Parish Pastoral Council.

**2022 Combined Catholic Parishes Raffle** was drawn last weekend and we thank you for your generosity for participating in this fundraising activity for our parish. The Raffle results are displayed in the Church Foyer.

Many thanks again, Parish Pastoral Council

The **Knitting Group** has now finished for the year and will resume **Wednesday, 11 January 2023.**



**St Jude's Parish—Liturgy Roster**  
**Fourth Sunday of Advent**

*First Reading: Is 7:10-14, Second Reading Rom 1:1-7 & Gospel Mt 1:18-24*

17 / 18 December	Saturday 6pm	Sunday 8.30am	Sunday 10.30am
<b>Readers</b>	Susan Lim Rosary Pereira	Millicent Miranda Alan Horwood	Rhea Torres Trish Welti
<b>Mass Projector</b>	Stephanie Smyth	Bill Ta	T.J/Victoria Bulloch
<b>No Children's Liturgy during the School Holidays</b>			
<b>Altar Society</b>	Filomena Uberti		
<b>Church Cleaner</b>	Rosanna Jumonong & 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.**