

ST JUDE'S PARISH, SCORESBY

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Member of Knox Deanery



Third Sunday of Lent —Year A 12th March 2023 Weekday Mass this week

Thursday, 16th March & Friday 17th March at 9.15am

Weekend Masses

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



If only you knew what God is offering

In the next three Sundays the Gospels come from John and focus on three major symbols of Easter—water, light and life. In today's reading Jesus meets a woman of Samaria who represents the whole Samaritan race. There was conflict between Samaritans and Jews so it is surprising that Jesus speaks to this woman. But Jesus has come to bring all people to life in God, which is the point of this episode. Jesus invites even the Samaritans to share the gifts he brings, expressed in the symbol of living water that will last forever.

This living water symbolises the life of God. We are to be like the well with God's own life flowing within us. This is completely new revelation to the Samaritans and to the Jews. This is why Jesus speaks of a new way of worshipping that will go beyond Israel's worship in Jerusalem and the Samaritans' worship on mount Gerazim. No one place or people has a monopoly on God. The life of God within us will enable Christians to worship in Spirit, and enter into a true relationship with God. The woman's former husbands symbolise the way people in the past tried to be in relationship with God, but now Jesus has come to offer a new and fuller way of relating with God. From now on all people are invited to come to God in Jesus.

Are we ever aware of God's life within us? Do we ever catch a glimpse of the wonder or beauty of God? This week spend some time beside the well of your own life and acknowledge the God who dwells within.

Sundays under the Southern Cross—Mary Coloe PBVM

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

OUR PARISH OFFICE

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SERVICES & CONTACTS

Community Centre

Parish Office: 9763 7302

Fitness Class

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Liturgy Group

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PARISH SCHOOL PRINCIPALS

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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

Serve the Lord with Joy

First Reading: Ex 17:3-7

Tormented by thirst, the people complained against Moses. 'Why did you bring us out of Egypt?' they said. 'Was it so that I should die of thirst, my children too, and my cattle?' Moses appealed to the Lord. 'How am I to deal with this people?' he said. 'A little more and they will stone me!' The Lord said to Moses, 'Take with you some of the elders of Israel and move on to the forefront of the people; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the river, and go. I shall be standing before you there on the rock, at Horeb. You must strike the rock, and water will flow from it for the people to drink.' This is what Moses did, in the sight of the elders of Israel. The place was named Massah and Meribah because of the grumbling of the sons of Israel and because they put the Lord to the test by saying, 'Is the Lord with us, or not?'

Second Reading: Rom 5:1-2 5-8

Through our Lord Jesus Christ by faith we are judged righteous and at peace with God, since it is by faith and through Jesus that we have entered this state of grace in which we can boast about looking forward to God's glory. This hope is not deceptive, because the love of God has been poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit which has been given us. We were still helpless when at his appointed moment Christ died for sinful men. It is not easy to die even for a good man – though of course for someone really worthy, a man might be prepared to die – but what proves that God loves us is that Christ died for us while we were still sinners.

Gospel: Jn 4:5-15 19-26 39-42

Jesus came to the Samaritan town called Sychar, near the land that Jacob gave to his son Joseph. Jacob's well is there and Jesus, tired by the journey, sat straight down by the well. It was about the sixth hour. When a Samaritan woman came to draw water, Jesus said to her, 'Give me a drink.' His disciples had gone into the town to buy food. The Samaritan woman said to him, 'What? You are a Jew and you ask me, a Samaritan, for a drink?' – Jews, in fact, do not associate with Samaritans. Jesus replied:

'If you only knew what God is offering and who it is that is saying to you: Give me a drink, you would have been the one to ask, and he would have given you living water.'

'You have no bucket, sir,' she answered 'and the well is deep: how could you get this living water? Are you a greater man than our father Jacob who gave us this well and drank from it himself with his sons and his cattle?' Jesus replied:

'Whoever drinks this water will get thirsty again: but anyone who drinks the water that I shall give will never be thirsty again: the water that I shall give will turn into a spring inside him, welling up to eternal life.'

'Sir,' said the woman, 'give me some of that water, so that I may never get thirsty and never have to come here again to draw water. I see you are a prophet, sir. Our fathers worshipped on this mountain, while you say that Jerusalem is the place where one ought to worship.' Jesus said:

'Believe me, woman, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we do know; for salvation comes from the Jews.

But the hour will come – in fact it is here already – when true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth: that is the kind of worshipper the Father wants.

God is spirit, and those who worship must worship in spirit and truth.'

The woman said to him, 'I know that Messiah – that is, Christ – is coming; and when he comes he will tell us everything.' 'I who am speaking to you,' said Jesus 'I am he.'

Many Samaritans of that town had believed in him on the strength of the woman's testimony, so, when the Samaritans came up to him, they begged him to stay with them. He stayed for two days, and when he spoke to them many more came to believe; and they said to the woman, 'Now we no longer believe because of what you told us; we have heard him ourselves and we know that he really is the saviour of the world.'

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

Godwin Wanigasinghe, Linda Bryans, Maria Teofilo, Eric Cooper, Paul Hon Shing Un, Leonie Brewty, Akhtar Akram, Patricia Scamell, JB Loi Pham, Paul Azzopardi, Guiseppe Demarte, John Doudle, Patricia O'Reilly, James Broadley, Marge Rosevear



The **Stations of the Cross** will be held every **Friday** at **7.30pm** during **Lent**.

Please join the **Salesian Sisters Community** for **Taizé Prayer** held on **Wednesday** evenings at **7pm-8pm** at the **Convent Hall**, 43 George St, Scoresby.

Volunteers for Holy Week Preparations

- Preparing the Palms for Palm Sunday—we need about 6 volunteers on Saturday, 1st April in the morning (after 10am) for 1 to 2 hours. Please bring your own gloves & secateurs.
- Moving chairs from the Parish Hall to the Church—calling for a few strong volunteers at midday (after Stations of the Cross) and again on Easter Saturday to help with moving chairs—many hands make light work!
- Calling Altar Servers for Holy Week—if you would like to serve during Holy Week, please let Fr Samuel or Xavier David know by emailing either at samuel.pearson@cam.org.au or scoresby@cam.org.au There will be a training and an information session, as there are some specific roles and tasks for altar servers during Holy Week liturgies.

Please put you name and contact details on the clipboards at the back of the church or provide your details to either Xavier David (0400 757 350) or Leon Raj liturgy.stjudes@gmail.com

Liturgy Team



EASTER TIMETABLE 2023 AT ST JUDE'S PARISH, SCORESBY SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM SERVICES

Lenten Reconciliation Service Tuesday, 14 March at 7.30pm

Holy Thursday – Thursday 6 April Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7.30pm

Good Friday – Friday 7 April

Stations of the Cross at 11am
Passion of the Lord at 3pm

Holy Saturday – Saturday 8 April There will be no liturgical services held on Saturday.

Easter Sunday—Sunday 9 April Easter Vigil at 6am Sunday morning

(followed by a Sausage Sizzle & Hot Cross Bun Breakfast)

Sunday of the Resurrection, Masses at 8.30am & 10.30am



Zimbabwe is experiencing an intense drought, exacerbated by climate change. With the support of Caritas Hwange, Priscilla learnt conservation farming skills to grow drought-resistant crops and started poultry farming to support her family during the current food crisis.



Please donate to Project Compassion 2023

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 donation boxes/envelopes** available in the **Church Foyer**, scanning the **QR Code** by visiting **caritas.org.au/project-compassion**, or by calling **1800 024 413**.



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Who: **Year 5—Year 10 Students** Time: **5.30pm-7pm**

Resuming—Sunday, 12th March, 2023 (St Simon's Parish Centre)

Dinner will be provided: **\$5 Donation**

Contact:

youthteam@stsimonsparish.com.au



St Jude's Parish Sausage Sizzle 2023

As you would all be aware the **Aston-By- Election** will be held on **Saturday 1st April**and we are planning to host another **Sausage Sizzle**.

We are looking for volunteers to assist from **7am -4.30pm**, ideally for **1** to **2 hour shifts** to help fundraise for our parish. This a great day and an opportunity to be part of the wonderful community spirit that exists at St Jude's Parish.

If you are able help out on the day please register your interest on the sign-up sheets located in the Church Foyer or contact Elisa at the Parish Office.

Many hands make light work!

Save the Date—

Parishioners are again welcome to attend the

Zoo Do event in

conjunction with St Jude's, Holy Trinity and St Simon's Schools

on Saturday 18 March 5.30pm-9.30pm.



The cost will be \$10 per family and tickets can be purchased after all Masses this weekend or from the Parish Office Tuesday-Friday between 9am-4pm.

The **Knitting Group** will take place this

Wednesday, 15th March at the Parish Reception Centre at 9.30am-11am.

A warm welcome awaits.

Enquiries: **Maureen** 0417 634 600



Coffee with a friend is like capturing happiness in a cup.

Cuppa and a Chat— Change of Plans

Unfortunately we have to postpone our **Card Creating** day until our **April** get together. Thank you to

Carmel for being so accommodating. The Parish Centre is out of bounds from March 18 for a few weeks due to the Aston-By-Election. Therefore, our next Cuppa and a Chat on Wednesday March 22nd will take place in the Narthex after 9.15am Mass.

All are welcome

Please contact **Ann Doyle (0402 904 678)** or **Robyn Pinches (0407 324 117)**

for further information.

St Jude's Parish—Liturgy Roster

4th Sunday of Lent

First Reading: 1 Sm 16:1 6-7 10-13, Second Reading Eph 5:8-14 & Gospel Jn 9:1-41

18 / 19 MarchSaturday 6pmSunday 8.30amSunday 10.30amReadersLauren PereiraPrema PintoAnita Kay-Taylor

Rosary Pereira Marcel Koper Adel Medel

Mass Projector Adina Atmadja Catherine Money Tino Vijendra Children's Liturgy Nerina & Inggrid

Altar Society Filomena Uberti
Church Cleaner Rosanna Jumonong & Julie

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.

