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"



Fifth Sunday of Lent—17th March 2024

Embracing Sacrificial love John 12:20-33

"A Journey to Eternal Life"



John 12:20-33 presents a profound reflection on the nature of love, sacrifice, and the divine purpose. In this passage, Jesus speaks of his impending death as the culmination of his mission on earth. He uses the metaphor of a grain of wheat falling to the ground and dying to produce many seeds to illustrate the transformative power of sacrifice and love. This teaches us that true love often involves sacrifice an selflessness. Moreover, Jesus emphasises the importance of following him, even in the face of challenges and suffering as this leads to eternal life. Reflecting on this passage can inspire us to deepen our love for others and to embrace sacrificial love as a fundamental aspect of our faith.

"Love and sacrifice are closely linked, like the sun and the light. We cannot love without suffering and we cannot suffer without love"

Lord teach me to love sacrificially as you did and grant me the strength to follow you faithfully, even in difficult times. 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

Good Friday Stations of the Cross

Join us on Good Friday for Stations of the Cross

There are two options for Parishioners:

Ecumenical Stations, 10am:

Walk the stations in open space with St Simon's Parishioners at Rowville Community Centre.

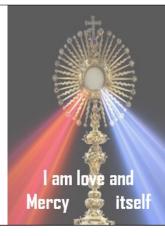
Traditional Stations. 11am: Attend at St Jude's Parish for the Stations of the Cross in the church.

We welcome all to join us in observing this solemn day.

Join us for the Devine Mercy Sunday on the 7th of April 2024 At St Simon's Parish, 2 Taylors Lane Rowville

2:pm - Rosary & Confession 2:30pm - Benediction & Devine Mercy Chaplet 3:00pm - Mass

"Humanity will not find peace until it turns trustfully to Divine Mercy" St Faustina's dairy,p.132



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

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Ida Lancuba

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Mr Tim McMullen 8761 9600

Holy Trinity Primary

Mr Adrian Scutt 9801 8296

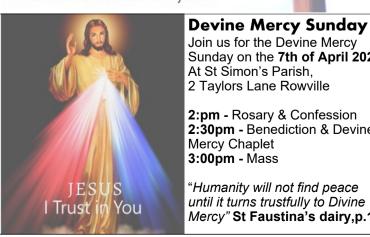
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Ms Amanda Purcell 9800 2733

Mater Christi College

Ms Maria Haggett 9754 6611

St Joseph's College Ms Cathy Livingston 9758 2000



First Reading: Jeremiah 31:31-34

See, the days are coming – it is the Lord who speaks – when I will make a new covenant with the House of Israel and the House of Judah, but not a covenant like the one I made with their ancestors on the day I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt. They broke that covenant of mine, so I had to show them who was master. It is the Lord who speaks. No, this is the covenant I will make with the House of Israel when those days arrive – it is the Lord who speaks. Deep within them I will plant my Law, writing it on their hearts. Then I will be their God and they shall be my people. There will be no further need for neighbour to try to teach neighbour, or brother to say to brother, 'Learn to know the Lord!' No, they will all know me, the least no less than the greatest – it is the Lord who speaks – since I will forgive their iniquity and never call their sin to mind.

Second Reading: Hebrews 5:7-9

During his life on earth, Christ offered up prayer and entreaty, aloud and in silent tears, to the one who had the power to save him out of death, and he submitted so humbly that his prayer was heard. Although he was Son, he learnt to obey through suffering; but having been made perfect, he became for all who obey him the source of eternal salvation.

Gospel: John 12:20-33

Among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. These approached Philip, who came from Bethsaida in Galilee, and put this request to him, 'Sir, we should like to see Jesus.' Philip went to tell Andrew, and Andrew and Philip together went to tell Jesus. Jesus replied to them:

'Now the hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. I tell you most solemnly, unless a wheat grain falls on the ground and dies, it remains only a single grain; but if it dies, it yields a rich harvest. Anyone who loves his life loses it; anyone who hates his life in this world will keep it for the eternal life. If a man serves me, he must follow me, wherever I am, my servant will be there too. If anyone serves me, my Father will honour him. Now my soul is troubled. What shall I say: Father, save me from this hour? But it was for this very reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name!' A voice came from heaven, 'I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.'

People standing by, who heard this, said it was a clap of thunder; others said, 'It was an angel speaking to him.' Jesus answered, 'It was not for my sake that this voice came, but for yours.

'Now sentence is being passed on this world; now the prince of this world is to be overthrown. And when I am lifted up from the earth, I shall draw all men to myself.'

By these words he indicated the kind of death he would die.

LENT 2024



Week 5 Lent Prayer

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 20th of March at 7pm in the Meeting Room at the parish hall

LENTEN TAIZE PRAYER

Join the Salesian Sisters Community
On Wednesday 20th March,
7.00pm—8.00pm
At the Convent Hall
43 George Street Scoresby
Contact the Salesian Sisters on 9763 7104

Sorry seems to be the hardest word?

I'm sorry. In life, we err frequently; we make many mistakes. We all do. Pope Francis, February 14,2014: St Peter's Square, Vatican

Forgiving God,

In humility, I place myself in a position open to your healing touch. I am sorry for causing pain; to those I have encountered during my life. I am sorry that I have not dealt with the consequences of these failings.

I place before you.....

(if you wish, talk to God now about who you need to say sorry to, and then, try to remain silent and allow whatever it is that God wants you to know, to stir the deepest part of your heart)

Help me now, Lord. Show me how to be a person of love. Show me what I can do to heal the past. And, if it is not possible to make amends to those I have hurt, help me to know your forgiveness, your love, your peace. *Amen*

We ask for the peace and grace of Eternal Life for those whose memories are sacred to us at this time especially: Paul Azzopardi, Giuseppe Demarte, James Broadley, John Doudle, Patricia O'Reilly, Giuseppe Pellegrino, Joseph Lobo, Doris Hearn, Paul Wernert, Vincenza Marmora, Caetano Leitao, Therese Leddin, Leo O'Reilly, Maria Lopes, Jennifer Yeow, Annie Mildred Gomes.



THERE WILL BE NO MASS THIS WEDNESDAY THE 20TH OF MARCH

DUE TO OUR PRIESTS
ATTENDING MASS OF THE OILS
AT
ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL



JOIN US FOR OUR WORKING BEE! Clearance of all hard rubbish 30 Volunteers needed!



Our Working Bee day is scheduled for the **13th of April**, **9am to 2pm** and we need your help! It is a huge job, we need to clear rubbish from the tennis court to the youth portable, including the house on the parish site. **Lunch will be provided**! If you can help please add your contact details on the sign- up sheet in the church foyer.

Thank you so much for your support!

Announcing Fr Jerald's Sabbatical



May - August

Fr Jerald will be taking a sabbatical from May to August this year for a period of spiritual renewal. His time will be dedicated to spiritual retreats, pilgrimages, and a well-deserved holiday. During Fr Jerald's absence, we are fortunate to have Fr Joel as part of our community. Additionally we extend a warmwelcome to Fr Yoris Role Dosen from Indonesia. We are grateful for their presence and guidance during this time. Please keep Fr Jerald in your prayers for a fruitful and enriching sabbatical. **Thank you for your support.**

PROJECT COMPASSION

A reminder to return your Project Compassion **boxes** & **envelopes** on **Holy Thursday**. It would assist us greatly if any coin donations are changed to notes. You can also donate online <u>caritas.org.au/project-compassion</u> or by calling 1800 024 13.

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On Wednesday, 15 May, 2024, our multicultural rosary, adoration and benediction of the Blessed Sacrament will be held at St Jude's parish church from 7.30pm – 8.30 pm. The intention is to honour Jesus and Mary and pray for our parish community and our world, so that all peoples may turn away from sin and turn back to God. We begin with a candle-lit procession accompanying Our Lady's statue and the monstrance, followed by our multicultural rosary, adoration and benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. All are welcome.

Marian Team contact Maureen 0410 755

Volunteers Needed!

To operate the church slide projector

We need two additional projectionists for Sunday 8:30am mass, and 10:30am mass. It is a very simple task and we provide training and supervision until you



are comfortable to do it on your own.

If you are interested, please
contact Abigail on
0405725047.

Thank you!



St Jude's Parish—Liturgy Roster Palm Sunday



First Reading Isaiah 50:4-7Second Reading Philippians 2:6-11 Gospel Mark 14:1 - 15:47

March 23/24 Saturday 6pm Sunday 8.30am Sunday 10.30am

Celebrant Fr Jerald Maria Das Fr Jerald Maria Das Fr Jerald Maria Das

Readers: Max Connors Sharlynn Arulanandam Leon Raj
Anne Doyle Kim Baxter Anita Ray

Mass Projector Diven Hettiarachi Aidan Audrey/Isabelle Raj

Children's Liturgy Ingrid & Melanie

Altar Society Frankie Belda and Filippa Palumbieri

Church Cleaner Rosanna Kelaart

FIRST EUCHARIST & 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 on the 14th of September at 2pm & 4pm

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 please contact the Parish Office on 9763 7302 or email scoresby@cam.org.au for an enrolment form. The cost of the program is \$30 per Sacrament.

KNITTING GROUP

Will take place this Wednesday 20th Marchat the Parish Reception Centre at 9.30am-11am. A warm welcome awaits. Enquiries: Maureen 0417 634 600



The work of Caritas Australia is only possible with generous supporters and the dedication, passion and tenacity of our local partners who implement the programs. They are the heroes on the ground working tirelessly behind-thescenes every day to create a better future for their communities. Please donate to Project Compassion.

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 and envelopes available from the church foyer, by visiting caritas.org.au/
project-compassion or by calling 1800 024 13.



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

Etienne Todorov, Elliot & Austin Jansz

St Jude's Bus Trip - Thursday 18th April

Parishioners, join us for a fun-filled day out as we head to the lovely seaside town of Hastings.

While there, we will visit the Dolphin Research Institute (entry fee \$12) to learn about Victoria's living Marine Treasures that live in our bays - https://www.dolphinresearch.org.au

Then enjoy free time to explore Hastings: have a coffee in one of the many cafes; maybe take a picnic to the foreshore and watch the Pelicans; or wander through the local shops.



The bus will depart from St Jude's at 9.30am and return to St Jude's at 3.00pm For more information or to book, please contact **Ann 0402 904 678** or **Robyn 0407 324117.** Seats are limited and bookings close on **25**th **March**.

Fancy a cuppa?

We are looking forward to your company on Wednesday 27th from 9.30am in the Parish Centre, at our monthly Cuppa and A Chat.

A warm welcome awaits

Any questions, please contact Ann(0402 904 678) or Robyn (0407 324 117)

visit to the Blessed Sacrament

"Only a few seconds, a simple look of adoration, and I renew you entirely."

- Message of Merciful Love to Little Souls

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: <u>Xavier on 0448 766 705</u> or contact the Parish Office on 9763 7302

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