



ST JUDE'S PARISH, SCORESBY

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Member of Knox Deanery



Fifth Sunday of Easter —Year A

7th May 2023

Weekday Masses/ Communion Service this week at 9.15am

Mass Wednesday, 10th May, Communion Service Thursday, 11th May & Mass Friday, 12th May

Weekend Masses

Saturday 6pm, Sunday 8.30am & 10.30am

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

No Words Suffice

God is not only closer to me than I am to myself, God is *one with me* and with you. There is a mysterious oneness between God and our true selves, and consciousness of this oneness is at the centre of every mystical experience. ...

What matters for our spiritual practice today is that the mystics experienced a oneness with God that was so overwhelming that no words, no matter how exaggerated, could adequately describe the experience.

What then are we to make of Jesus' experience of oneness with God? What his disciples and friends found so extraordinary about Jesus was not just that he called God his *abba*, but that he identified himself with God. There is a way of identifying oneself with God that is an ego trip of the worst kind. But that is because one begins with an image of God as an egotistical dictator who dominates the world. Jesus identified himself with a humble, compassionate, loving, and serving God, and he was bold enough and confident enough to speak and act as that kind of divinity—without qualification.

Jesus' disciples and friends had never witnessed anything like it before. For years afterwards they struggled to find words to describe their experience of a human person who seemed to identify himself with God. Successive generations have continued with this through centuries of theological debate. [We do well, however,] to find a way of imitating Jesus, not explaining him. Our need is to develop a deeper awareness of *our* oneness with God.

Fr. Albert Nolan, *Jesus Today*

Albert Nolan, OP (d. 2022), was an influential leader in the struggle against apartheid in his native South Africa. He wrote several books, including Jesus Before Christianity.

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

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Liturgy Group

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Parish Leadership Team

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Ms Amanda Purcell 9800 2733

Mater Christi College

Ms Maria Haggitt 9754 6611

St Joseph's College

Ms Cathy Livingston 9758 2000

Serve the Lord with Joy

First Reading: Acts 6:1-7

About this time, when the number of disciples was increasing, the Hellenists made a complaint against the Hebrews: in the daily distribution their own widows were being overlooked. So the Twelve called a full meeting of the disciples and addressed them, 'It would not be right for us to neglect the word of God so as to give out food; you, brothers, must select from among yourselves seven men of good reputation, filled with the Spirit and with wisdom; we will hand over this duty to them, and continue to devote ourselves to prayer and to the service of the word.' The whole assembly approved of this proposal and elected Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, together with Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolaus of Antioch, a convert to Judaism. They presented these to the apostles, who prayed and laid their hands on them.

The word of the Lord continued to spread: the number of disciples in Jerusalem was greatly increased, and a large group of priests made their submission to the faith.

Second Reading: 1 Pt 2:4-9

The Lord is the living stone, rejected by men but chosen by God and precious to him; set yourselves close to him so that you too, the holy priesthood that offers the spiritual sacrifices which Jesus Christ has made acceptable to God, may be living stones making a spiritual house. As scripture says: See how I lay in Zion a precious cornerstone that I have chosen and the man who rests his trust on it will not be disappointed. That means that for you who are believers, it is precious; but for unbelievers, the stone rejected by the builders has proved to be the keystone, a stone to stumble over, a rock to bring men down. They stumble over it because they do not believe in the word; it was the fate in store for them.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a consecrated nation, a people set apart to sing the praises of God who called you out of the darkness into his wonderful light.

Gospel Jn 14:1-12

Jesus said to his disciples:

'Do not let your hearts be troubled.
Trust in God still, and trust in me.
There are many rooms in my Father's house;
if there were not, I should have told you.
I am now going to prepare a place for you,
and after I have gone and prepared you a place,
I shall return to take you with me;
so that where I am you may be too. You know the way to the place where I am going.'

Thomas said, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going, so how can we know the way?' Jesus said:

'I am the Way, the Truth and the Life.
No one can come to the Father except through me.
If you know me, you know my Father too.
From this moment you know him and have seen him.'

Philip said, 'Lord, let us see the Father and then we shall be satisfied.' 'Have I been with you all this time, Philip,' said Jesus to him 'and you still do not know me?

'To have seen me is to have seen the Father,
so how can you say, "Let us see the Father"?'
Do you not believe
that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words I say to you I do not speak as from myself: it is the Father, living in me, who is doing this work. You must believe me when I say
that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; believe it on the evidence of this work, if for no other reason. 'I tell you most solemnly, whoever believes in me will perform the same works as I do myself, he will perform even greater works, because I am going to the Father.'



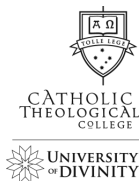
We ask for the peace and grace of Eternal Life for those whose memories are sacred to us at this time especially:

Russel Batey, Arch McCulloch, Tess Mahony, Elizabeth Cafferty, Bernadette Eaton, Reg Hardy, Jean Truran, Libby Lucas, Joseph Matchado, Teresa Langan, Sean O'Hagan, Arthur Dep, Mary Yim, Norma Nash, Richard Taylor, Tony Baker, Lisa Finalayson, Gaetan Tirchett.

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<https://ctc.edu.au/community/good-shepherd-Sunday-appeal/>

EXPOSITION OF THE EUCHARIST— MULTICULTURAL ROSARY—BENEDICTION

WEDNESDAY, 17TH MAY 2023

You are all invited to St Jude's Scoresby, for an hour before the Blessed Sacrament with Multicultural Rosary and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament on **Wednesday, 17th May 2023 from 7.30pm-8.30pm**, to pray for our world, that all may turn to God in their need.



The **Sisters of Saint Joseph** have prepared an **Australian Pilgrimage, "In the Footsteps of Mary MacKillop"** commencing in Melbourne on **17 October**, journeying through Victoria and South Australia, and ending at **Mary MacKillop Place, North Sydney on 28 October 2023**. During the Pilgrimage visits will be made to many places associated with Mary MacKillop's life and ministry. Please see flyers in the Church foyer or item on Parish Noticeboard.

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.

A Visit to the Blessed Sacrament



"Adore in the Most Blessed Sacrament My Heart, which is full of mercy. - Diary of Sr. Faustina

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

Heart of Life Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral Formation

Reflection day in May

'Pondering Grief' (in-person event), **Saturday 20 May 2023, 10am—3.30pm**.

This day offers an invitation to reflect on and honour our inner life of change and transition. With creativity, space and gentle guiding support, this workshop will offer a sacred place for the breadth of human experiencing and spirit to guide the individual exploration.

Facilitated by Linda Espie a counsellor of loss, grief and bereavement for over 35 years.

Cost: \$80 including 'Pondering Grief' book (BYO lunch). Book and pay via website www.heartoflife.melbourne, email info@heartoflife.melbourne or telephone 9890 1101.



St Jude's Parish—Liturgy Roster

First Reading Acts 8:5-8 14-17, Second Reading 1 Pt 3:15-18 Gospel Jn 14:15-21

**13 / 14 May
Readers**

Saturday 6pm
Alfred Saldanha
Susan Lim

Sunday 8.30am
Alan Horwood
Mikhail Santosa

Sunday 10.30am
Louise Cooper
Anita Ray

Mass Projector

Diyen Hettiarachchi

Megan Pinto

Audrey/Isabelle Raj

Children's Liturgy

Nerina & Jacklin

Altar Society

Cora Lijnders

Church Cleaner

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.
or via the parish website pol.org.au/scoresby*

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Cuppa and a Chat Seniors Exercise Park Talk

Please join us on
Wednesday, May 24th
for our a **Cuppa and a
Chat** when we will be
joined by the Senior

Champions from Carrington Park to talk about the Seniors Exercise Park; an age-friendly space to play. It is purpose-built to support seniors with their balance, mobility, coordination and strength building. And also gives an opportunity for older adults to engage in physical activity and social interaction.

Please contact Ann (0402 904 678) or Robyn (0407 324 117) for information.

All parishioners are very welcome and we look forward to your company.

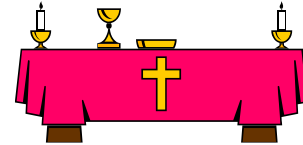
**Social Gathering this Saturday,
6th May** following Saturday evening Mass. Beverages will be supplied and invite you to bring a small plate to share.



**We look forward to another enjoyable
St Jude's gathering.**



Looking for volunteers to help assist with the St Jude's Altar Society requiring a commitment on a monthly basis. Some of the duties include washing of chalice, ciborium and communion plates and general upkeep in preparation of weekend masses. Volunteers are required to have a current Working with Children Check and appropriate training will be provided. For further details please contact the Parish Office on 9763 7302.



Parish & Migrant Community Mass Count 2023

In keeping with custom the month of **MAY** is designated to the "**Mass Count**"

This will commence this weekend **6/7 May** and conclude on **27/28 May**.

Your presence is greatly appreciated.

WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK & THE SIGNING OF THE SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE CODE OF CONDUCT ARE MANDATORY FOR ALL VOLUNTEERS AT ST JUDE'S PARISH SCORESBY

For St Jude's Parish to be compliant with the Safeguarding requirements **all volunteers over the age of 18 years** are required to have a current **Working with Children Check** which can be accessed by visiting www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au and follow the prompts. Under the field "Child-Related Work, choose "64-Religious Organisation". It is imperative that all volunteers have this check in place. In the instance that you are a registered teacher with the VIT and although you are not required to have a WWCC it is necessary to notify Working with Children Check Victoria that you volunteer at St Jude's Parish.

Another requirement is to read the "**Safeguarding Children & Young People Code of Conduct Declaration**", sign and return the '**Code of Conduct**' to the **Parish Office** at your earliest convenience.

Copies can be found at the exit points of the Church, on the parish website, or by phoning the Parish Office. Could you please write on the document the name(s) of the group(s) you participate in, for example, reader/cleaner etc. by doing so this will make it easier to categorise the parish groups and ensure our parish data base is accurate.

Please do not hesitate to contact Elisa Kelesidis on 9763 7302 if you need any clarification regarding either matter from Tuesday to Friday between 9am-4pm.

Thank you to all our **volunteers** for your commitment to our parish and for your continued support.



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