



ST JUDE'S PARISH, SCORESBY

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Member of Knox Deanery

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time—Year C

26 February 2022

Weekday Masses this week

Ash Wednesday 9.15am & 7.30pm, Thursday 3 March & Friday 4 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)



ST JUDE'S SCORESBY - PARISH RENEWAL PROGRAM 2022

Welcome to the **final week** of our Parish Renewal Program – the **Parish Commitment Weekend**.

Last week we considered our **engagement** in parish life. We thank our wonderful speakers and those many parishioners who stayed after Masses to participate in the special Parishioner Forums. Your contributions were very much appreciated.

This week we turn our attention to **parish finances**. How do we provide the financial resources for maintenance and mission? How do we fund the priorities of the parish identified during this Program and discussed at our Forums? This **Parish Commitment Weekend**, we once again welcome Stephen Littleton from Parish First, who will speak with us on these important matters, guide us through how we can make our pledge of regular financial support for the parish, and challenge us to respond to the very best of our ability.

YOUR FINANCIAL COMMITMENT – PARISH PLEDGE

What does my financial support pay for?

- It will support our pastoral care and outreach programs
- It will help maintain our churches and other parish facilities
- It will help meet the operating costs of the parish – staff wages, insurance, utilities etc.

YOUR FINANCIAL COMMITMENT – PRESBYTERY PLEDGE

What does my financial support pay for?

- It will support Fr Mark and Fr Samuel in our parish
- It will contribute to the Priests Retirement Foundation – supporting priests in retirement
- It will contribute to the Priests Remuneration Fund – ensuring all priests have a basic level of support
- It will help support the Archbishop and Bishops of the Archdiocese

How much should I pledge?

Our parish income is totally reliant on the financial support of parishioners – no magic wands! We simply ask you contribute to the best of your ability. How do you use your discretionary income? Is support of your parish and your priests a priority for you? We unashamedly ask those with the greatest capacity to contribute the most – reserving special thanks for those on restricted incomes whose continued support is very much appreciated

THOUGHTS FROM OUR LEADERSHIP TEAM

Q: Why do you think it is important to support our parish financially through our Stewardship Program?

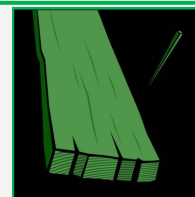
“It enables the parish to undertake the activities that our community needs to be a vibrant, engaging and effective faith community.”

“It is very simple. Our parish community has a financial component just as my family has a financial component. Both need a defined and regular income to meeting outgoing costs and needs.”

“We all have a responsibility. If the parish is not financially viable, then there would not be a parish at all.”

POPE FRANCIS SAYS

“The parish is the presence of God in a given territory, an environment for hearing God’s word, for growth in the Christian life, for dialogue, proclamation, charitable outreach, worship and celebration.” Evangelii Gaudium 28



OUR PARISH OFFICE

- Parish Priest: Rev Mark Reynolds EV
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- Assistant Priest: Rev Samuel Pearson
samuel.pearson@cam.org.au
- Parish Coordinator: Elisa Kelesidis
- Parish Bookkeeper: Ema Rivera
- Property Manager: Xavier David
- Child Safety Officer: Kim Baxter
- Office Hours:**
Tuesday – Friday: 9am to 4pm
- Telephone:** 9763 7302
- Email:** scoresby@cam.org.au
- Website:** pol.org.au/scoresby

SERVICES & CONTACTS

- Community Centre**
- Parish Office 9763 7302
- Fitness Class**
- Pam Jess 9763 7302
- Liturgy Group**
- Leon Raj 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

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

Serve the Lord with Joy

First Reading: Ecclesiasticus 27:4-7

In a shaken sieve the rubbish is left behind,
so too the defects of a man appear in his talk.

The kiln tests the work of the potter,
the test of a man is in his conversation.

The orchard where the tree grows is judged on the quality of its fruit,
similarly a man's words betray what he feels.

Do not praise a man before he has spoken,
since this is the test of men.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:54-58

When this perishable nature has put on imperishability, and when this mortal nature has put on immortality, then the words of scripture will come true: Death is swallowed up in victory. Death, where is your victory? Death, where is your sting? Now the sting of death is sin, and sin gets its power from the Law. So let us thank God for giving us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Never give in then, my dear brothers, never admit defeat; keep on working at the Lord's work always, knowing that, in the Lord, you cannot be labouring in vain.

Gospel: Luke 6:39-45

Jesus told a parable to his disciples, 'Can one blind man guide another? Surely both will fall into a pit? The disciple is not superior to his teacher; the fully trained disciple will always be like his teacher. Why do you observe the splinter in your brother's eye and never notice the plank in your own? How can you say to your brother, "Brother, let me take out the splinter that is in your eye," when you cannot see the plank in your own? Hypocrite! Take the plank out of your own eye first, and then you will see clearly enough to take out the splinter that is in your brother's eye.

'There is no sound tree that produces rotten fruit, nor again a rotten tree that produces sound fruit. For every tree can be told by its own fruit: people do not pick figs from thorns, nor gather grapes from brambles. A good man draws what is good from the store of goodness in his heart; a bad man draws what is bad from the store of badness. For a man's words flow out of what fills his heart.'



We welcome into our Parish Family through the Sacrament of Baptism:

Alysha Faith Tolentino, Keeran Andrew Neri Shane, Amarli Eliza Ebert.

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

Harry Tooth, Damien McKeogh, Karen Woodyard, Regina Moirt, Anthony David, John Hosier, Johann Domantay, Godwin Wanigasinghe, Gregory Walton, David Steen, John Lecmam, Lenny Lecman.

Virtual Lent Series 2022

You are invited to participate in a **Virtual Lent Series** offered by **Yarra Theological Union** and **Garrett Publishing**. The series has a **1 hour Zoom session every Tuesday at 7-8pm during Lent**.

Each week, four biblical scholars give a brief and accessible presentation of the four Scripture readings of the following Sunday (OT reading, Psalm, NT reading, Gospel), followed by some conversation/Q&A.

The following link will lead to some further information and registration portal

<https://garrattpublishing.com.au/blog/post/2022-virtual-lent-series/>

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

Please view the COVID Safe Plan for St Jude's displayed on the entry doors to the church or via the parish website pol.org.au/scoresby

Serve the Lord with Joy

St. Jude's Roadmap for Return to Masses



The check-in process is as follows:

- 1) **Face masks will no longer be required for gatherings indoors from 11.59pm Friday 25 February 2022. However, for the time being, this is optional and you are welcomed to wear a face mask if this is your preference.**
- 2) **The scanning of the QR code is no longer necessary.**
- 3) **Please sanitise your hands on entry to the church & social distance where possible.**

The Lenten Season Approaches

As Lent approaches each year, our minds turn to, "what will we do; what will we give up?". Instead of giving up, why not put something in ... something that will take hold and stay with us for the rest of our lives – since Lent is about change/conversion. Remember that real penance is to live life well: to be the mercy and peace of God toward others.



Perhaps one or two of these ideas will be helpful:

- 1) *As you read/hear the Gospel for the First Sunday of Lent, and reflect on the Spirit driving Jesus to the desert, what is the Spirit driving you, dragging you, to do this Lent? Lent is about God calling us, not us deciding ... but what God wants of us.*
- 2) *Give something away every day (or once a week if every day is too challenging). It could be money, but it doesn't have to be. A smile, a compliment, or a helping hand, sometimes, is more appreciated, more necessary, and harder to give.*
- 3) *Forgive a long-held grudge. Forgiving someone else will bless you as much – if not more – than the person you forgive.*
- 4) *Pray for strangers. In addition to praying for your family/friends, cultivate the habit of praying for people in line at the grocery store, for mourners in a funeral procession, for ambulance passengers, for people in the news, for those beyond our borders, etc.*
- 5) *Complaining Fast. Try to refrain from all whining and complaining. See if this doesn't help you become more aware of all the good things in your life.*
- 6) *The Present Moment. Remind yourself of God's presence with you, by taking a few moments several times a day, to repeat: "God is near, God is here. God is supporting me at each and every moment of my life."*

We begin our **Lenten Season** with **Ash Wednesday**. **Masses** will be held on **Wednesday 2nd March** at **9.15am & 7.30pm**.

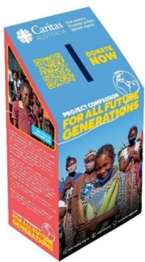
We will also have **Stations of the Cross** every **Friday evening** at **7.30pm**, starting from **Friday 4 March**.

As we approach Lent and Easter, our Liturgies will need to be adapted to ensure personal safety of all. The times of our liturgies may also need to be adjusted to enable Fr Mark & Fr Samuel to attend to the needs of the parishes and schools of St Simon's, Holy Trinity & St Jude's.

Anointing Mass for the Sick & Elderly

There will be an **Anointing Mass** to be held on **Tuesday 8th March** at **11am**. For those requiring assistance with transport please contact Elisa Kelesidis at the Parish Office on 9763 7302.

CARITAS AUSTRALIA—PROJECT COMPASSION 2022



Please take home a Project Compassion box and a set of donation envelopes to support Caritas Australia this Lenten season and help support vulnerable people around the world, now and **For All Future Generations**. With your support, Caritas Australia has been able to support vulnerable communities around the world to tackle poverty, food security, education, water and sanitation and disaster risk reduction to build a better future for all.



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 in the Church foyer or by visiting lent.caritas.org.au, or by calling 1800 024 413.



St Jude's Parish—Liturgy Roster

First Sunday of Lent

Fist Reading: Dt 26:-4-10, Second Reading Rom 10:8-13 & Gospel: Luke 4:1-13

5 / 6 March	Saturday 6pm	Sunday 8.30am	Sunday 10.30am
Readers	Thomas Chan Edwin Fasola	Alan Horwood Mikhail Santosa	Frank McCulloch Linda Lampa
Mass Projector	Adina Atmadja	Catherine Money	Tino Vijendra
Altar Society	C Leitao, A Anthony, F. Belda, T Hettiarachchy & M Kodituwakku		
Church Cleaners	Rosanna Jumonong		



Thank you to all those who "Serve the Lord with Joy" by participating in these rosters.

VINNIES SCORESBY
HOME VISITS - PIETY STORE IN CHURCH
VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Each day across Australia more than 20,000 Vinnies Volunteers visit people in their homes to provide practical assistance for those in hardship. Volunteers will assist people in number of days including providing people with referral information, food vouchers, clothing, furniture, budget support, assistance with utility bills or back to schools costs.

What Do Volunteers do?

- Visit needy people's homes in pairs
- Listen and assess people's needs
- Providing practical assistance and referral support.
- Manning Piety store at our Parish straight after Mass for a few minutes.



Do I need special skills?

No. People from all backgrounds are with life experience and empathy and are encouraged to volunteer.

What is the time commitment?

Volunteers may commit to as little as one hour a week/fortnight.

Flexible options based on your commitment can be rostered for various tasks.

How have Home Visits adapted to COVID?

We now offer phone call support and socially-distance drop off to ensure the safety of our Volunteer Members and community members.

If you think you could make a difference in someone's life and could offer your services please feel free to contact **GLORY BRITTO** on **0432195205** or email scoresby.conf.pres@svdv-vic.org.au or leave your details at parish office on 03 97637302 so we could contact you. For more information on Vincent De Paul Society please click [St Vincent de Paul Society - Good Works \(vinnies.org.au\)](http://St Vincent de Paul Society - Good Works (vinnies.org.au))

Name Badges—Together we are St Jude's

Parishioners are encouraged to wear their name badge to Mass or to a parish function. If you would like to arrange a name badge please record your details on the form situated on the table in the Church foyer. Name Badges will be ready for collection the following weekend.



Bumble Bee Baby and Children's Markets—Sunday, 6th March, 2022
at 9am—12pm



Bumble Bee Baby and Children's Markets are excited to announce our upcoming market at St Jude's Primary School, Scoresby in conjunction with the school's Open Day.

With up to 50 stall holders you are sure to snap up some bargains on new, handmade and preloved baby and children's goods for all ages!

And of course we have a coffee van on hand for all your caffeine needs!

At only \$2 entry for adults (children < 12 years old free) and plenty of free parking it is the perfect Sunday morning outing!

Bring the whole family and be sure to share the event with your friends and extended family! The buzzier the better!