

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 Easter Year B - 28th April 2024



*Life without connection with God
is meaningless*

John 15:1-18 offers profound insight into the relationship between love and spiritual growth. Jesus uses the analogy of a vine and its branches to convey profound truths about the relationship between us and himself, as well as the role of love in spiritual growth. In this passage, Jesus identifies himself as the true vine, emphasising his centrality and indispensability to our lives. Just as branches derive their sustenance and life from the vine, so too we draw our spiritual nourishment and vitality from our union with Christ.

Crucially, Jesus highlights the significance of abiding in him—a state of intimate communion and union that is sustained by love. As branches abide in the vine, they remain connected to the source of life, enabling them to bear fruit. This imagery underscores the essential role of love in fostering a deep, abiding relationship with Jesus. Love serves as the bond that unites us to Christ, allowing us to experience the fullness of his life-giving presence and power.

Moreover, Jesus emphasises the transformative impact of this abiding relationship, stating that those who abide in him will bear much fruit. This fruitfulness encompasses not only the outward expression of good works and acts of service but also the inward transformation of character and spiritual growth. Through our union with Christ and the cultivation of love, we are empowered to reflect his love, joy, and peace in our lives.

In essence, John's Gospel invites us to reflect on the inseparable connection between love and spiritual vitality. Love serves as the catalyst for growth, enabling us to abide in Christ, bear fruit, and experience the abundant life that he offers. As we cultivate a deep, abiding love for Jesus and one another, we participate in the ongoing work of transformation and bear witness to the power of God's love in the world.

Heavenly Father,

Thank you for your love and guidance. Help us to stay connected to you, like branches to a vine. Fill our hearts with love for you and for others, so we can bear good fruit in our lives. Guide us in our journey of faith and help us to grow spiritually each day. amen

thank you

We extend our heartfelt thanks to all parishioners for their vibrant participation and insightful contributions to shaping the future directions of our parish at the **Annual General Meeting** last week. Your dedication shapes our path forward, uniting us in purpose. Please find the meeting minutes and presentation on the notice board in the church foyer. Additionally, a copy has been emailed to all parishioners. Please check your in box.

Thank you for your continued support and commitment to our Parish community. Together we strive to a brighter future filled with unity and purpose.

Fr Jerald & The Leadership Team

MASS TIMES:

Week Days:

Wed, Thu, Fri 9.15am

Weekends:

Sat 6pm, Sun 8.30 & 10.30am

RECONCILIATION

Contact Fr Jerald or Fr Joel at the Parish office

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Melody Wells-Jansz

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Xavier David

Child Safety Officer:

Princy Samuel

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Mater Christi College

Ms Maria Haggett 9754 6611

St Joseph's College

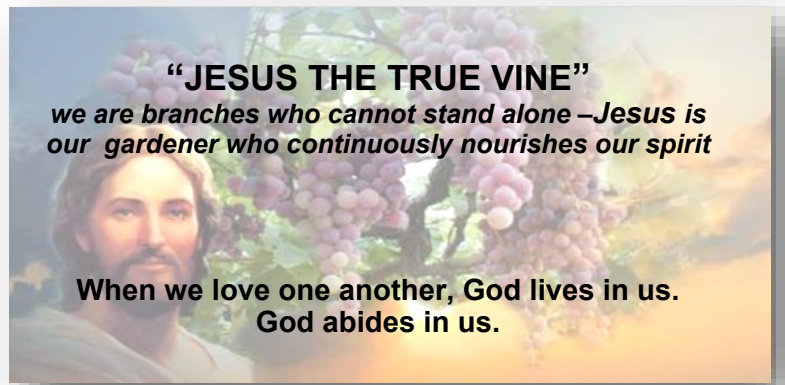
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First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 9:26-31

When Saul got to Jerusalem he tried to join the disciples, but they were all afraid of him: they could not believe he was really a disciple. Barnabas, however, took charge of him, introduced him to the apostles, and explained how the Lord had appeared to Saul and spoken to him on his journey, and how he had preached boldly at Damascus in the name of Jesus. Saul now started to go round with them in Jerusalem, preaching fearlessly in the name of the Lord. But after he had spoken to the Hellenists, and argued with them, they became determined to kill him. When the brothers knew, they took him to Caesarea, and sent him off from there to Tarsus. The churches throughout Judaea, Galilee and Samaria were now left in peace, building themselves up, living in the fear of the Lord, and filled with the consolation of the Holy Spirit.

Second Reading: 1 John 3:18-24

My children, our love is not to be just words or mere talk, but something real and active; only by this can we be certain that we are the children of the truth and be able to quieten our conscience in his presence, whatever accusations it may raise against us, because God is greater than our conscience and he knows everything. My dear people, if we cannot be condemned by our own conscience, we need not be afraid in God's presence, and whatever we ask him, we shall receive, because we keep his commandments and live the kind of life that he wants. His commandments are these: that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and that we love one another as he told us to. Whoever keeps his commandments lives in God and God lives in him. We know that he lives in us by the Spirit that he has given us.



Gospel Reading: John 15:1-8

Jesus said to his disciples:

'I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. Every branch in me that bears no fruit he cuts away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes to make it bear even more. You are pruned already, by means of the word that I have spoken to you. Make your home in me, as I make mine in you. As a branch cannot bear fruit all by itself, but must remain part of the vine, neither can you unless you remain in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me, with me in him, bears fruit in plenty; for cut off from me you can do nothing. Anyone who does not remain in me is like a branch that has been thrown away – he withers; these branches are collected and thrown on the fire, and they are burnt. If you remain in me and my words remain in you, you may ask what you will and you shall get it. It is to the glory of my Father that you should bear much fruit, and then you will be my disciples.'



MULTICULTURAL ROSARY, ADORATION AND BENEDICTION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
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 755 972

VISIT TO THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

The Eucharist is the source and summit of the Christian life; all of our works are oriented towards it. Jesus' body, blood, soul and divinity are truly present in a small host.

We ask for the peace and grace of Eternal Life for those who have recently died and those whose memories are sacred to us at this time especially: Jean O'Brien, Pauline Nyuk Sim Un, Roger Leoncio, Brian Brown, Cath Thorpe, Iraidia Gomes, Cliff Emerson, Mollie Whitehead, Noel Schmidt, Rita Samson, Mary Matchado, Paul Di Bianco, Leonard Gunawardena, Trevor James, Yopie Zandt, Henrica Van Elderen, Tony Barnao, Giuseppe Di Benedetto, Jennifer Yeow.



Saturday Social Gathering - May 4th

Please join us after the 6.00pm Mass, in the church foyer, to enjoy some conversation and friendship and the opportunity to meet new parishioners on Saturday May 4th.

Please bring a small plate to share for a light supper.

Tea, coffee, soft drink and wine provided.

As always - we look forward to your company.

Pilgrimage of a Lifetime,

Holy Shrines of Spain, Portugal & Lourdes. departing on September 16th for 19 days.

Chaplain - Fr. Dominic Murphy. **Cost \$9,290.**

Further Info. Kathryn 0398305489 or kathryn@oconnortravelworld.com.au

LIFE BOAT FOUNDATION

*“So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is **LOVE**”*

1 Corinthians 13:13

Need to dispose of a Vehicle?

If you need to dispose of a vehicle from a deceased estate or which is no longer required, could you consider gifting it to the “Lifeboat Foundation”, a registered charity with tax deductible status, which for ten years has been providing pastoral and practical support to nearly 150 victims / survivors across Australia of church-related sexual abuse.

Many of these suffer Post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), and have had limited or no employment.

A donated vehicle could vastly improve their quality of life and / or generate much needed funds to assist personal, medical and accommodation needs. Please contact:

Fr. Kevin Dillon (frkdillon@outlook.com.au /0421 777 360) or Adam Kaali (0411 486 605 or adamkaali@hotmail.com)

KNITTING WITH LOVE



Create something that brings joy & happiness

The knitting group will take place Wednesday **May 1st** at the **Parish reception Centre** at **9.30am-11am.**

A warm welcome awaits.

Enquiries: **Maureen** 0417 634 600

Mission Warriors

Attention all curious minds aged 16+) We humbly encourage you to

join us for a heartfelt invitation from the Lord to engage in open discussions and deepen our discipleship with Jesus within a supportive community setting.

Date / Time: Sunday, 5th May @ 6pm (meeting fortnightly)

Where: St Simon the Apostle, Rowville (Parish Centre) For enquiries, please call: Kim—0403 323 353 or Elysia—0432 079 978



St Jude's Parish—Liturgy Roster

Sixth Sunday of Easter—Year B

First Reading Acts of the Apostles 10:25-26. 44-48 **Second Reading** 1 John 4:7-10 **Gospel** John 15:9-17

April 4/5	Saturday 6pm	Sunday 8.30am	Sunday 10.30am
Celebrant	Fr Yoris Role	Fr Ken	Fr John Murphy
Readers:	Max Connors Susan Lim	Tony McCumstie Millicent Miranda	Nerina Marotta Linda Lampa
Mass Projector	Adina Atmadja	Megan Pinto	T.J/Victoria Bulloch
Children's Liturgy	Ingrid & Molly		
Altar Society	Rosanna Kelaart		
Church Cleaner	Rosanna Jumong & Juliet		

LEND A HELPING HAND AND SPREAD SOME LOVE

Volunteers are the heart of our community!
"By this my father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples"



We need projectionists for **Sunday 8:30am & 10:30am mass.**
It is a very simple task and we provide training and supervision until you are comfortable to do the task on your own.
If you are interested, please contact: **Abigail on 0405725047.**

CONFIRMATION CLASSES

Classes for children attending non-Catholic Schools will commence at **9.30am** at the **Parish Reception Centre.**

Classes:
5th, 19th & 26th May.
12th May no Classes
(Mother's Day)



SSJ YOUTH

Year 5 - 10 students

MOVIE NIGHT

WEAR YOUR OODIES, PJS, BLANKETS ETC!

SNACKS & DINNER WILL BE PROVIDED. A \$5 DONATION IS MOST WELCOME

**SUNDAY 28TH
APRIL
5:00 - 7:00PM**



**ST SIMON'S
PARISH CENTRE
CINEMA**

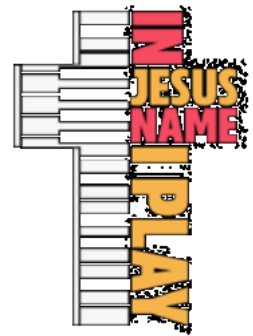
Please contact Denise & Dinelle:
youthteam@stsimonsparish.com.au

EXPERIENCED MUSICIANS NEEDED

The gift of service leads to a life of love

"for even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve"

We are looking for volunteers to play 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 with us, please contact: **Xavier on 0448 766 705** or contact the **Parish Office on 9763 7302**



**INFORMATION SESSION PERMANENT DIACONATE
ARE YOU BEING CALLED TO SERVE?**



COME & SEE! An Information Session about the Permanent Diaconate will be held on **4 May 2024** Saturday, 10:00 -11.45 am at the Catholic Theological College, 278 Victorian Parade, East Melbourne.

For more information: The Vocations website for the Archdiocese is available
Contact: Office of the Permanent Diaconate (Phone) 03 9412 3357 (Email) diaconate@cam.org.au

Prayer of the Faithful For all deacons, guardians of the service in the Church, that their faithful service to the Word, altar and to the poor may be an invigorating symbol for the entire Church¹. Let us pray to the Lord. **LORD HEAR OUR PRAYER.** *Based on Pope Francis' 2020 prayer intention for the Deacon around the world.*

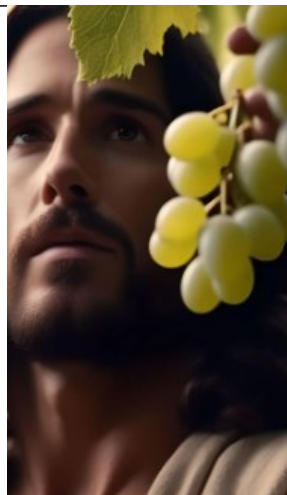


**THE WORLD MISSION
May Rosary Prayers**

Join Catholic Mission online to honour Mother Mary during the month of May through praying the Rosary
Mon-Fri

**Time: 2pm Brisbane/Melbourne time
12pm Perth time**

Join Zoom Meeting
<https://tinyurl.com/cmprayer>
Meeting ID: 89387982280
Password: 876574



Catholic Theological College
Sign for one of 9 online sessions
Engaging Your Faith May 2024
Theology, Scripture, Meditation, spirituality, science & faith

Choose what interests you from \$25 per session
For More information and to register:
Ctc.edu.au/engaging-your-faith/

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