

First Reading: Isaiah 63:16-17; 64:1. 3-8

You, Lord, yourself are our Father, Our Redeemer is your ancient name. Why, Lord, leave us to stray from your ways and harden our hearts against fearing you? Return, for the sake of your servants, the tribes of your inheritance. Oh, that you would tear the heavens open and come down- at your Presence the mountains would melt. No ear has heard, no eye has seen any god but you act like this for those who trust him. You guide those who act with integrity and keep your ways in mind. You were anary when we were sinners: we had long been rebels against you. We were all like men unclean, all that integrity of ours like filthy clothing. We have all withered like leaves and our sins blew us away like the wind. No one invoked your name or roused himself to catch hold of you. For you hid your face from us and gave us up to the power of our sins. And yet, Lord, you are our Father; we the clay, you the potter, we are all the work of your hand.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ send you grace and peace. I never stop thanking God for all the graces you have received through Jesus Christ. I thank him that you have been enriched in so many ways, especially in your teachers and preachers; the witness to Christ has indeed been strong among you so that you will not be without any of the gifts of the Spirit while you are waiting for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed; and he will keep you steady and without blame until the last day, the day of our Lord Jesus Christ, because God by calling you has joined you to his Son, Jesus Christ; and God is faithful.

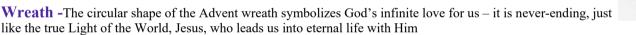
Gospel: Mark 13:33-37

Jesus said to his disciples: 'Be on your guard, stay awake, because you never know when the time will come. It is like a man travelling abroad: he has gone from home, and left his servants in charge, each with his own task; and he has told the doorkeeper to stay awake. So stay awake, because you do not know when the master of the house is coming, evening, midnight, cockcrow, dawn; if he comes unexpectedly, he must not find you asleep. And what I say to you I say to all: Stay awake!'

Please Note: The 24th December we will only have the 8:30am Mass and there will be no 10:30am Mass

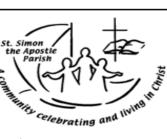
First advent candle—Hope

"Once in our world, a stable had something in it that was bigger than our whole world." It is only fitting that the first candle on the **Advent wreath** represents **Hope** – the first Sunday of Advent not only leads us to anticipate the birth of Christ but celebrate the beginning of a new liturgical season as well. The first candle is **purple**, the primary colour of Advent and a colour symbolizing royalty.





WE ARE HIRING!!! Finance Administrator



St Simon's Parish Rowville & St Jude's Parish Scoresby are seeking to employ a Finance Administrator (To work across both Parishes). For a position description and to apply visit: https://melbournecatholic.org/job-vacancies/stewardship-administrator-st-simons-parish Should you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact Human Resources at hradmin@cam.org.au

A visit to the Blessed Sacrament Jesus is here! Jesus is here! Do not leave him abandoned! - St Manuel González García

We usually are open from Tuesday-Friday, 9am-3.30pm

We ask for the peace and grace of Eternal Life for those whose memories are sacred to us at this time especially: Brian Eaton, Jessie Tuckett, William Mahoney, Mary (Molly) Nelson, Roman Syrek, Eustacchio Uberti, John Anthony Hill, Oliver Buckle, Philomena Fernandez, Carmine Di Gioacchino, John Martinuo, Wilfred Amarant, Giuseppe Corizzo, Martin Boek.





Tuesday 12th Dec at 7:30pm

The Sacrament of Reconciliation literally and truly cleanses our souls from sin. When we receive the Sacrament, we have a chance to give all our pain and brokenness to Jesus. And then, once this is done, the priest says those words, "*I absolve you*," (You!) "in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit."

In this instant, everything is erased, and our soul is wiped clean! That is what Reconciliation is - it gives us a second chance. It reconciles us with God. And God, the Good, the Merciful, the Loving God, will forgive

You are invited to take this opportunity to receive the healing that comes with this beautiful Sacrament that will be held at St. Judes on Tuesday, 12 December at 7:30 pm



We need volunteers to assist with the distribution of parish Christmas cards

The Parish has prepared a Christmas Card to invite members of our local community to join us for our Christmas Masses. We require assistance on Saturday 9th December from 8.30am11.00am to distribute these cards in our local area.

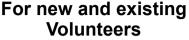
To sign up please record your name on the sign-up sheets in the foyer after mass or contact the Parish office on 9763 7302

Jude Philip

Church Cleaner







Altar

Training session is on the 3rd of December 4pm -5pm. We hope to see you all there!

For any enquiries please contact Fr Samuel email Samuel.pearson@cam.org.au or Fr Jerald email jerald.mariadas@cam.org.au or call Ida on 97637302

PIETY STORE NEWS

COLUMBAN CALENDER 2024 &

VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY CHRISTMAS CARDS ON SALE



Columban Calendar 2024 & Vinnies Christmas cards are on sale at piety store. Please visit store after mass or contact parish office on (03) 9763 7302 or email scoresby.conf.pres@svdp-vic.org.au and we will contact you.

Second Sunday of Advent—Year B First Reading Isaiah 40:1-5. 9-11Second Reading 2 Peter 3:8-14 Gospel Mark 1:1-8

Dec 9/10	Saturday 6pm	Sunday 8.30am	Sunday 10.30am
Celebrant	Fr Casmir (OMI)	Fr Casmir (OMI)	Fr John Murphy
Readers:	Ann Doyle	Rosanna Kelaart	Rhea Torres
	Susan Lim	Tony McCumstie	Melanie Van Esch
Mass Projector	Diyen Hettiarachi	Megan Pinto	Audrey/Isabelle Raj
Children's Liturgy	Leeana & Molly		
Altar Society	Filomena Uberti		

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

Evergreens Christmas Lunch 65+ Christmas Eve Carols & Mass The Anointing Mass followed by the annual Evergreens Christmas Lunch is on Tuesday, December 5th. To enjoy this lovely occasion, please add your name to the list in the St Jude's the Apostle Parish Scoresby foyer or contact Ann 0402 904 678 or Robyn 0407 324 117 Sunday 24th of December 2023 We look forward to your company. Carols 5:30pm Mass 6:pm Your participation in this Joyful event is highly appreciated. Please put down your child/en name on the spreadsheet in the Parish foyer or contact Adina on 0410 779 258. We will let you know the details for the choir practice soon! Thank you for making the festive seasons more iovful. Bookings close Wednesday 29th November nnn CHRISTMAS APPEAL Help families in need this Christmas Donate what you can to the Scoresby St Vincent de Paul FARMS TO FAMILIES MARKET DONATIONS CAN BE MADE BY THE FOLLOWING FREE fresh food and hampers OPTIONS: Over the phone- call 13 18 12 and quote 'Scoresby DATE: Sunday, 10 December 2023 Online- scan the QR code to donate online. Direct Deposit-**TIME: Register online for times** Account Name: St Vincent de Paul Society Victoria Gift Fund WHERE: Knox City Council Civic Centre, BSB: 063 000 511 Burwood Hwy, Wantirna South VIC 3152 Account No: 106 07556 Reference: X23 + 421 Cash or Cheque, Gift cards As always cash, cheque and Gift cards are welcome and can be left in the red box on the table in the Fover or at Scan the QR code the Parish office or call (03) 9763 7302 to register. Music is to the Soul MON'S AND ST JUDE'S YOUTH What Words are by to the Mind b by to the Mind Q m We are looking for parishioners or if you know of someone who may be COME CELEBRATE WITH US! OUR LAST SESSION FOR THE YEAR interested who loves playing either **GINGERBREAD HOUSE DECORATING, MUSIC, DANCING AND FOOD!** the **piano** or the **drums** to come and join a friendly group of musicians to SUNDAY 10TH SIMON' play at our weekend masses. We are hoping to organise a roster to RISH CENT play on monthly basis. If you would like to share your gift of music, please contact: Xavier on 0448 766 S MOST WELCOME. 705 or contact the Parish Office on 9763 7302 PLEASE CONTACT DENISE & DINELLE: YOUTHTEAM@STSIMONSPARISH.COM.AU OR 0491 176 149 William Matthews Funerals Owned and operated by an Australian family CALL BILL, NARELLE, BEAU OR MELANIE MATTHEWS Phone: 9739 6868 Email: funerals@bigpond.com