

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"

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord—24th March 2024



OH, HOW GOD LOVES US

Jesus' passion is not simply what happened on good Friday. We can't separate his death from the Passion that animated his life. Jesus shows us what he was Passionate about, God and God's Passion for justice, love, forgiveness, and us. He came to give us life and life to the full. He showed us how to live our fully human life with all the ups and downs. And suffering is part of being fully human, part of living life to the full and it helps us become better versions of ourselves. Now we've got two choices with suffering, it can transport us out of pain by giving it to somebody else, "well this is your fault, not mine, I don't deserve this!" But even Jesus prayed to God to take this cup away. He didn't want to die or suffer. Our other choice is allowing the pain to transform us, to sit in the middle of it, feel it. Jesus's words take the cup away but I'll do what you want if there is no other way and I must suffer then I'll do what you want. Jesus trusts that all should be well in the end. It was the Passion of pure love that was happening on the cross. Jesus forgives those who killed him, made fun of him, he didn't judge them. On the cross Jesus showed us how to hold the pain and let it transform us, not to pass it on to those around us. Jesus is not changing God's mind about us, he is changing our mind about God. God is passionately in love with us and instead of us needing to spilling blood to get to God, we have God spilling blood to get to us. That's real passion.

Anne Frawley—Mangan

Holy Week & Mass Times:

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 Mass, followed by an Easter Celebration
Breakfast in the parish Centre. All are welcome!

8:30 & 10:30am Mass

Good Friday Stations of the Cross

Join us on Good Friday for:

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.

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

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FIRST RECONCILIATION CELEBRATIONS CONGRATULATIONS & THANKS

Congratulations to all reconciliation candidates from St. Jude and Holy Trinity, as well as Parish Catechism students who made their first reconciliation. Thanks to both school staff, Religious Education teachers and our Parish Catechist teachers, Mary and Leanna for preparing the children. *Fr Jerald*



JESUS
I Trust in You

Divine Mercy Sunday

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

2:pm - Rosary & Confession
2:30pm - Benediction & Divine Mercy Chapelet
3:00pm - Mass

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



I am love and
Mercy itself

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

First Reading: Isaiah 50:4-7

The Lord has given me
 a disciple's tongue.
 So that I may know how to reply to the wearied
 he provides me with speech.
 Each morning he wakes me to hear,
 to listen like a disciple.
 The Lord has opened my ear.
 For my part, I made no resistance,
 neither did I turn away.
 I offered my back to those who struck me,
 my cheeks to those who tore at my beard;
 I did not cover my face
 against insult and spittle.
 The Lord comes to my help,
 so that I am untouched by the insults.
 So, too, I set my face like flint;
 I know I shall not be shamed.

Second Reading: Philippians 2:6-11

His state was divine, yet Christ Jesus did not cling
 to his equality with God but emptied himself
 to assume the condition of a slave,
 and became as men are,
 and being as all men are,
 he was humbler yet,
 even to accepting death,
 death on a cross.
 But God raised him high
 and gave him the name
 which is above all other names
 so that all beings
 in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld,
 should bend the knee at the name of Jesus
 and that every tongue should acclaim
 Jesus Christ as Lord,
 to the glory of God the Father.

Gospel (shorter version) Mark 15:1-39

First thing in the morning, the chief priests together with the elders and the scribes, in short the whole Sanhedrin, had their plan ready. They had Jesus bound and took him away and handed him over to Pilate. Pilate questioned him, 'Are you the king of the Jews?' 'It is you who say it' he answered. And the chief priests brought many accusations against him. Pilate questioned him again, 'Have you no reply at all? See how many accusations they are bringing against you!' But to Pilate's amazement, Jesus made no further reply. At festival time Pilate used to release a prisoner for them, anyone they asked for. Now a man called Barabbas was then in prison with the rioters who had committed murder during the uprising. When the crowd went up and began to ask Pilate the customary favour, Pilate answered them, 'Do you want me to release for you the king of the Jews?' For he realised it was out of jealousy that the chief priests had handed Jesus over.

The chief priests, however, had incited the crowd to demand that he should release Barabbas for them instead. The Pilate spoke again. 'But in that case,' he said to them 'what am I to do with the man you call king of the Jews?' They shouted back, 'Crucify him!' 'Why?' Pilate asked them 'What harm has he done?' But they shouted all the louder, 'Crucify him!' So Pilate, anxious to placate the crowd, released Barabbas for them and, having ordered Jesus to be scourged, handed him over to be crucified. The soldiers led him away to the inner part of the palace, that is, the Praetorium, and called the whole cohort together. They dressed him in purple, twisted some thorns into a crown and put it on him. And they began saluting him, 'Hail, king of the Jews!' They struck his head with a reed and spat on him; and they went down on their knees to do him homage. And when they had finished making fun of him, they took off the purple and dressed him in his own clothes. They led him out to crucify him. They enlisted a passer-by, Simon of Cyrene, father of Alexander and Rufus, who was coming in from the country, to carry his cross.

They brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha, which means the place of the skull. They offered him wine mixed with myrrh, but he refused it. Then they crucified him, and shared out his clothing, casting lots to decide what each should get. It was the third hour when they crucified him. The inscription giving the charge against him read: 'The King of the Jews.' And they crucified two robbers with him, one on his right and one on his left. The passers-by jeered at him; they shook their heads and said, 'Aha! So you would destroy the Temple and rebuild it in three days! Then save yourself: come down from the cross!' The chief priests and the scribes mocked him among themselves in the same way. 'He saved others,' they said 'he cannot save himself. Let the Christ, the king of Israel, come down from the cross now, for us to see it and believe.' Even those who were crucified with him taunted him. When the sixth hour came there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour. And at the ninth hour Jesus cried out in a loud voice, 'Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani?' which means, 'My God, my God, why have you deserted me?' When some of those who stood by heard this they said, 'Listen, he is calling on Elijah'. Someone ran and soaked a sponge in vinegar and, putting it on a reed, gave it him to drink saying, 'Wait and see if Elijah will come to take him down.' But Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last.

All kneel and pause a moment.

And the veil of the Temple was torn in two from top to bottom. The centurion, who was standing in front of him, had seen how he had died, and he said, 'In truth this man was a son of God.'

We ask for the peace and grace of Eternal Life for those whose memories are sacred to us at this time especially: Andrew M. Duncan, Anna Maria Montalban, Carmel Young, George Vella, Gino Rossi, Arul Anandan, Kevin Kariatty, Alfia Harrap, Anton Lappen, Phyllis Sawyer, Rosemarie Volpi, Michael Le, Adam Buick, Hans Gooiker, Jacques Stevens.

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)

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.

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 warm welcome 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
 FOR ALL FUTURE GENERATIONS

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.



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

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.**



St Jude's Parish—Liturgy Roster
Easter Sunday

First Reading Acts of the Apostles 10:34. 37-43 **Second Reading** Colossians 3:1-4 **Gospel** John 20:1-9

March 31	Sunday 6am	Sunday 8.30am	Sunday 10.30am
Celebrant	Fr Jerald	Fr Joel Peart	Fr Joel Peart
Readers:	TBC	TBC	TBC
	TBC	TBC	TBC
Mass Projector	Adina	Bill Ta	Tino Vijendra
Children's Liturgy	No Children Liturgy during school holidays		
Altar Society	Frankie Belda and Filippa Palumbieri		
Church Cleaner	Rosanna Kelaart		

CONFIRMATION CLASSES

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

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.

THE SACRAMENT OF FIRST EUCHARIST

First Eucharist Commitment Masses

Weekend 27 /28 July at 6pm and 10.30am

Sacrament of First Eucharist

14th of September at 2pm & 4pm



May the Lord's Triumphal Spirit Reflect in Our Lives and Help Us Conquer Every Difficulty.

Wishing Everyone a
Lovely Palm Sunday!

Visit the Blessed Sacrament

"O Jesus, Your Face is the only beauty that delights my heart." - *St Therese of the Child Jesus*

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KNITTING GROUP

Will take place 3rd of **April** at the **Parish Reception Centre** at **9.30am-11am**. A warm welcome awaits. Enquiries: **Maureen** 0417 634 600



As Project Compassion 2024 comes to an end, we want to thank you for your incredibly generous support throughout Lent. This year, we shared with you the story of three inspiring women from across the globe, who overcame challenges to complete their education, access water and find secure employment. With the support of compassionate people like you, they are now forging a path to a better future for their families and their communities. There is still time to donate! Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow. You can donate through Project Compassion by visiting caras.org.au/project-compassion or by calling 1800 024 413.

Carrying the Cross

As they led him away, they seized a man, Simon of Cyrene, who was coming from the country, and they laid the cross on him, and made him carry it behind, Jesus. Luke 25:26

Dear Jesus

You know what it is like to carry a cross.
Sometimes I wish I could cast my cross into the ocean, and continue my journey free of its burden.

But I can't. It is there, day in, day out.
(If you wish, take some time now to speak to God about any crosses you have to bear)

Jesus, help me to understand why you have given me this cross.

Give me courage to carry it, and confidence to ,
ask for help when I sink beneath its weight.
I give you thanks for the loving people who help me to carry my burden.

Let me be gracious in accepting their support.
I surrender myself to your love and mercy.
Amen.

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: Xavier on 0448 766 705 or contact the Parish Office on 9763 7302**

