

**Parish Mission Statement:**

In a spirit of Pastoral Outreach of St Jude's Parish, 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



**MASS TIMES:**

**Week Days:**

Wed, Thu, Fri 9.15am

**Weekends:**

Sat 6pm, Sun 8.30am & 10.30am

**RECONCILIATION**

Contact Fr Jerald or Fr Samuel at the Parish office

**OFFICE HOURS:**

Tuesday—Friday 9am to 3.30pm

**Telephone:** 9763 7302

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**The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph—Year B  
31st December 2023**

**REFLECTION:**

Luke 2:22-40 invites reflection on faith, patience, and the transformative power of encountering Christ. This passage teaches us that Christ brings light to the darkness, hope to the hopeless, and salvation to all who await His coming. Let us approach our lives with the same anticipation, knowing that God's promises are fulfilled in His perfect timing.



*Dear heavenly Father,*

*May we, too, find peace in Your presence and trust in Your Divine plan.  
Help us to persevere in our faith, knowing that you are always at work,  
even in the quiet moments of our lives. Amen*

**OUR PARISH OFFICE**

**Parish Priest:**

Rev Jerald Mariadas  
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**Assistant Priest:**

Rev Samuel Pearson  
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**Parish Leadership Team**

Contact number: 9763 7302

**Parish Coordinator:** Ida Lancuba

**Parish Bookkeeper:** Ema Rivera

**Property Manager:** Xavier David

**Child Safety Officer:** Kim Baxter

**Transfer and appointments:**

We have received news from the Archbishop of Melbourne that on the 31st of January 2024, Fr Samuel will be appointed to a new Parish. In light of this change, we express our deepest appreciation for Fr Samuel's dedicated service to our community and wish him success in his new chapter.

As we bid farewell to Fr Samuel, we extend a warm welcome to our new assistant priest, Fr Joel Peart. Let's embrace him warmly as we continue our spiritual journey together.

Wishing everyone blessings on this transitional journey.

**Fr Jerald**



**SERVICES**

**Community Centre**

Parish Office: 9763 7302

**Liturgy Group**

Leon Raj

liturgy.stjudes@gmail.com

**St. Vincent De Paul**

Helpline 1800 305 330

**St Simon's & St Jude's Youth Group**

youthteam@stsimonsparish.com.au

0491 176 149

**Fitness Class**

Pam Jess 0419555694

**New Year's Eve Mass:**

**(at St Simon's Parish Rowville)** Thanksgiving & adoration at 11:30pm & mass at 12am.



We wish everyone a joyful New Year filled with love, laughter and endless possibilities in 2024.

May God be with you and fill your heart with comfort and love this day and always.

**Happy New Year!!!!**

**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 Hagggett 9754 6611

**St Joseph's College**

Ms Cathy Livingston 9758 2000

**First Reading: Sirach 3:2-6. 12-14**

The Lord honours the father in his children, and upholds the rights of a mother over her sons.

Whoever respects his father is atoning for his sins, he who honours his mother is like someone amassing a fortune. Whoever respects his father will be happy with children of his own, he shall be heard on the day when he prays. Long life comes to him who honours his father, he who sets his mother at ease is showing obedience to the Lord. My son, support your father in his old age, do not grieve him during his life. Even if his mind should fail, show him sympathy, do not despise him in your health and strength; For kindness to a father shall not be forgotten but will serve as reparation for your sins.

**Second Reading: Colossians 3:12-21**

You are God's chosen race, his saints; he loves you and you should be clothed in sincere compassion, in kindness and humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with one another; forgive each other as soon as a quarrel begins. The Lord has forgiven you; now you must do the same. Over all these clothes, to keep them together and complete them, put on love. And may the peace of Christ reign in your hearts, because it is for this that you were called together as parts of one body. Always be thankful. Let the message of Christ, in all its richness, find a home with you. Teach each other, and advise each other, in all wisdom. With gratitude in your hearts sing psalms and hymns and inspired songs to God; and never say or do anything except in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him. Wives, give way to your husbands, as you should in the Lord. Husbands, love your wives and treat them with gentleness. Children, be obedient to your parents always, because that is what will please the Lord. Parents, never drive your children to resentment or you will make them feel frustrated.

**Gospel: Luke 2:22-40**

When the day came for them to be purified as laid down by the Law of Moses, the parents of Jesus took him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord – observing what stands written in the Law of the Lord: Every first-born male must be consecrated to the Lord – and also to offer in sacrifice, in accordance with what is said in the Law of the Lord, a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons. Now in Jerusalem there was a man named Simeon. He was an upright and devout man; he looked forward to Israel's comforting and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death until he had set eyes on the Christ of the Lord. Prompted by the Spirit he came to the Temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus to do for him what the Law required, he took him into his arms and blessed God; and he said:

'Now, Master, you can let your servant go in peace, just as you promised; because my eyes have seen the salvation which you have prepared for all the nations to see, a light to enlighten the pagans and the glory of your people Israel.' As the child's father and mother stood there wondering at the things that were being said about him, Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother, 'You see this child: he is destined for the fall and for the rising of many in Israel, destined to be a sign that is rejected – and a sword will pierce your own soul too – so that the secret thoughts of many may be laid bare.'

There was a prophetess also, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was well on in years. Her days of girlhood over, she had been married for seven years before becoming a widow. She was now eighty-four years old and never left the Temple, serving God night and day with fasting and prayer. She came by just at that moment and began to praise God; and she spoke of the child to all who looked forward to the deliverance of Jerusalem.

**We ask for the peace and grace of Eternal Life for those whose memories are sacred to us at this time especially:**  
Margherita Mangion, Adelaide Cordeiro, Juliette Sabatero, Antonio De Venuto, Garry Vincent Kelly, Percival Pereira

**The Epiphany of the Lord**

**First Reading** *Isaiah 60:1-6* **Second Reading** *Ephesians 3:2-3. 5-6* **Gospel** *Matthew 2:1-12*

<b>Jan6/7</b>	Saturday 6pm	Sunday 8.30am	Sunday 10.30am
<b>Celebrant</b>	Fr Samuel Pearson	Fr Samuel Pearson	Fr Samuel Pearson
<b>Readers:</b>	Edwin Fasola Susan Lim	Mary King Kim Baxter	Sr Sialei Lagaala Linda Lampa
<b>Mass Projector</b>	TBC	TBC	TBC
<b>Children's Liturgy</b>	No Children Liturgy during school holidays		
<b>Altar Society</b>	Rosanna Kelaart		
<b>Church Cleaner</b>	Rosanna Jumong and 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](http://pol.org.au/Scoresby)*