

## ST JUDE'S PARISH, SCORESBY

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**Member of Knox Deanery** 

# Sixth Sunday of Easter — Year C 22 May 2022

## Weekday Masses this week

Wednesday 25 May & Thursday 26 May at 9.15am

#### **Weekend Masses**

Saturday 6pm, Sunday 8.30am & 10.30am Reconciliation by appointment (contact Fr Mark or Fr Samuel at Parish Office)

## This Is Heaven

A question I regularly pose to children when teaching catechesis: "How do you imagine heaven?" Actually, I like asking young people and adults the same question. How can we speak about something we have never seen? How can we describe that which escapes our understanding because it is beyond even our most sophisticated categories? Yet everyone seems to have something to say about heaven.

Heaven is like a fiesta, a banquet, or a playground. Heaven is like a day at the beach, a trip to the mountains, or a retreat by a lake. Heaven is like gathering with friends or being with those we love most. Heaven is being in the presence of God. Nothing else matters.

The Book of Revelation describes the celestial Jerusalem as being radiant like a precious stone, high walls, twelve gates guarded by angels, with solid foundations. What wonderful imagery. But the overall theme of this Sunday's readings seems to suggest that, more than a place or a pleasant image, heaven is peace. Not the peace we build with our human efforts, but peace as the transforming presence of the Holy Spirit in our lives.

When the Spirit is present, division is no more; then we experience God's peace. When the Spirit enlightens our minds and hearts, we know who God is and what God wants for us; then we experience peace divine.

One day a young person answered my question saying, "For me heaven is to know that God wants me to be better every day." That's it, heaven on earth; peace in the Spirit.

Hosffman Ospino

Hosffamn Ospino is associate professor of theology and education at Boston College's School of Theology and Ministry. Give us this Day May 2022

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



#### **OUR PARISH OFFICE**

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#### **SERVICES & CONTACTS**

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#### PARISH SCHOOL PRINCIPALS

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Ms Maria Haggett 9754 6611

St Joseph's College

Ms Cathy Livingston 9758 2000

#### Serve the Lord with Joy

## First Reading: Acts 15:1-2 22-29

Some men came down from Judaea and taught the brothers, 'Unless you have yourselves circumcised in the tradition of Moses you cannot be saved.' This led to disagreement, and after Paul and Barnabas had had a long argument with these men it was arranged that Paul and Barnabas and others of the church should go up to Jerusalem and discuss the problem with the apostles and elders.

Then the apostles and elders decided to choose delegates to send to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas; the whole church concurred with this. They chose Judas known as Barsabbas and Silas, both leading men in the brotherhood, and gave them this letter to take with them:

'The apostles and elders, your brothers, send greetings to the brothers of pagan birth in Antioch, Syria and Cilicia. We hear that some of our members have disturbed you with their demands and have unsettled your minds. They acted without any authority from us, and so we have decided unanimously to elect delegates and to send them to you with Barnabas and Paul, men we highly respect who have dedicated their lives to the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Accordingly we are sending you Judas and Silas, who will confirm by word of mouth what we have written in this letter. It has been decided by the Holy Spirit and by ourselves not to saddle you with any burden beyond these essentials: you are to abstain from food sacrificed to idols, from blood, from the meat of strangled animals and from fornication. Avoid these, and you will do what is right. Farewell.'

## Second Reading: Rv 21:10-14 22-23

In the spirit, the angel took me to the top of an enormous high mountain and showed me Jerusalem, the holy city, coming down from God out of heaven. It had all the radiant glory of God and glittered like some precious jewel of crystal-clear diamond. The walls of it were of a great height, and had twelve gates; at each of the twelve gates there was an angel, and over the gates were written the names of the twelve tribes of Israel; on the east there were three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. The city walls stood on twelve foundation stones, each one of which bore the name of one of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

I saw that there was no temple in the city since the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb were themselves the temple, and the city did not need the sun or the moon for light, since it was lit by the radiant glory of God and the Lamb was a lighted torch for it.

### Gospel: Jn 14:23-29

Jesus said to his disciples:

'If anyone loves me he will keep my word,

and my Father will love him,

and we shall come to him

and make our home with him.

Those who do not love me do not keep my words.

And my word is not my own:

it is the word of the one who sent me.

I have said these things to you

while still with you;

but the Advocate, the Holy Spirit,

whom the Father will send in my name,

will teach you everything

and remind you of all I have said to you.

Peace I bequeath to you,

my own peace I give you,

a peace the world cannot give, this is my gift to you.

Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid.

You heard me say:

I am going away, and shall return.

If you loved me you would have been glad to know that I am going to the Father,

for the Father is greater than I.

I have told you this now before it happens,

so that when it does happen you may believe.'



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

Elaine Sorensen, Albert Adams, Alice Lim, Thomas Innes, Christopher Kellett, Simon Ravel, Carmen Camilleri, Reginald Thornton, Kathryn Fleming, Boyet Manalasta, Billie Thomas, Ron Thomas, Simon Money

### Serve the Lord with Joy

### **Multicultural Rosary & Benediction**

On Wednesday 25 May 2022 we will have our Multicultural Rosary, Adoration & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 7.30pm in our parish church of St Jude the Apostle, Scoresby.



Enquiries contact Sr Maureen on 9763 7104 or 9763 7012.

# **Anointing Mass for the Sick and Elderly**

There will be an **Anointing Mass** to be held on **Tuesday 14 June** at **11am.** For those requiring assistance with transport please contact Elisa Kelesidis at the Parish Office on 9763 7302.





#### BRING HOPE TO NEELA AND HER FAMILY

This week Catholic Mission offers us the opportunity to be part of a lifechanging program which aims to help prevent malnutrition, especially in babies and young children, and help disadvantaged families provide food for their loved ones.

The Deberety Goat Rearing Centre is a dream of the local Church and community in Emdibir. When established, the Centre aims to provide nutritious goats milk for families in need, like Neela's, so that babies like Ajani can be healthy and strong.

Please give generously today to help kickstart this life-giving program by using the appeal envelopes provided, going online at catholicmission.org.au/ethiopia, or scanning the QR code. Your gift will also help many other similar Churchrun mission programs around the world.



Freecall: 1800 257 296

# The month of May is designated for the Parish & Migrant Community Mass Count 2022 Your attendance is much appreciated.



#### St Jude's Parish—Liturgy Roster

The Ascension of the Lord

Fist Reading: Acts 1:11, Second Reading Eph 1:17-23 & Gospel Lk 24:46-53

28 /29 May	Saturday 6pm	Sunday 8.30am	Sunday 10.30am
Readers	Susan Lim Dinelle Hettiararchi	Eska Ta Mikhail Santosa	Roger Anthony Anita-Kay Taylor
Mass Projector	Adina Atmadja	Bill Ta	Tino Vijendra
Altar Society	Eve Buckeridge		

Jude Philip

**Church Cleaner** 



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

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DUE TO POLLING ON 21 MAY FOR THE FEDERAL ELECTION THE SCHOOL CAR PARK WILL BE CLOSED THIS SATURDAY 21ST MAY 2022.







# Cuppa and a Chat Parishioners Movie Day 25<sup>th</sup> May

This month we look forward to you joining us for a Movie and light lunch in the Parish Theatre beginning at 10.15am.

**Waking Ned Devine** is the movie and this will be followed by a **lunch** of soup and rolls with something sweet to finish - all for a **gold coin donation**.

As seating is limited it is necessary to make a booking through Robyn Pinches (0407 324 117) or Ann Doyle (0402 904 678).



# Social Gathering – 1st Saturday each month

Parishioners are invited to stay and enjoy a social get together in the foyer following the **Saturday evening Mass**.

Beer, wine, soft drink, tea and coffee will be provided.

Please bring a small plate to share.

Our **first gathering** will be on **Saturday June 4**<sup>th</sup>

Aid to the Church in Need Australia: has launched its "Helping form the Priests of Tomorrow" global campaign. For 75 years, the benefactors of *Aid to the Church in Need* have generously supported the formation of seminarians. In fact, some these men now serve as priests in Australia today! At the current time, Aid to the Church in Need in Australia is supporting some 15,000 seminarians on the path to the priesthood.

Please read and reflect on their stories and discern to help us, spiritually and financially, to form the priests of tomorrow. These young men never cease to pray for the benefactors who assisted them on their journey.

Thank you in advance for whatever you can do.

Visitt: www.aidtochurch.org/seminariansglobal



#### **Parish Mission Statement**

In a spirit of Pastoral Outreach of St Jude's Parish, we, the people of the parish, are called to "Serve the Lord with Joy".

We respect diversity and welcome all who choose to belong to our community. By sharing our gifts and resources generously, we support and encourage all people who come our way. Let our voices be heard in a spirit of openness that fosters ongoing communication across our Parish.

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