



4th Sunday of Advent

Welcome to St Jude the Apostle Parish

The Advent Candle of Love

The Advent season is a time of anticipation and reflection as we prepare our hearts for the coming of Christ. The fourth candle on the Advent wreath, the Candle of Love, reminds us of the boundless and selfless love of God that was made manifest in the birth of Jesus Christ.

This candle symbolizes the love that God has for us—a love so great that He sent His only Son to be our Savior (John 3:16). It also calls us to reflect on the love we are called to share with others. As we light the Candle of Love, we are reminded of the depth of Christ's love for humanity and how we can reflect that love in our relationships, our community, and the world.

May this candle inspire us to love as Christ loves—unconditionally, generously, and without limits. In Christ's peace, Fr Jerald.

ST SIMONS AND ST JUDE'S CHRISTMAS MASSES INVITE YOU TO COME AND JOIN US FOR OUR CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS

ST SIMON'S MASS TIMES
2 TAYLOR'S LANE, ROWVILLE

CHRISTMAS EVE:

6.00PM CHILDRENS MASS(5.30PM CAROLS)
9.00PM VIGIL MASS (8.30PM CAROLS)
12.00AM MIDNIGHT MASS (11.30PM CAROLS)

CHRISTMAS DAY:

10.00AM MASS (9.30AM CAROLS)

NEW YEAR'S EVE:

11.30PM ADORATION AND 12.00AM MASS

NEW YEAR'S DAY:

10.00AM MASS

ST JUDE'S MASS TIMES
49 GEORGE STREET, SCORESBY

CHRISTMAS EVE:

6.00PM CHILDRENS MASS (5.30PM
CAROLS)
9.00PM VIGIL MASS (8.30PM CAROLS)

CHRISTMAS DAY:

8.30AM AND 10.30AM MASS

NEW YEAR'S DAY:

10.00AM MASS

After School Catechist Classes

Registration is now open for the sacrament of Reconciliation. These classes are for children in Government school. All children in Grade 3 and above are invited to register for this sacrament. Classes will commence on the 9th of Feb with the sacrament taking place on the 19th of March .

On the notice board in the foyer are the dates for the sacrament of First Communion and Confirmation.

To register your child , please get in touch with the Parish Office on 9763 7302 or email Scoresby@cam.org.au

Christmas Eve– 6.00pm Childrens Mass

The 6:00 pm celebration of the Eucharist on Christmas Eve is especially for children. Please join us for carols at 5:30 pm, followed by Mass at 6:00 pm.

We also invite all children to come dressed as character in the Christmas Nativity, such as Mary, Joseph, shepherds, angels or one of the 3 wisemen.

No Mass

Please note, there will be no morning mass on the 26th and 27th of December.

Parish Office

Please note, the Parish Office will be closed from the 24th December 2024 through to the 1st of January inclusive. Staff will resume work on the 2nd of January 2024.

MASS TIMES:

Week Days:

Wed, Thu & Fri 9.15am

Weekends:

Sat 6pm, Sun 8.30 & 10.30am

OFFICE HOURS:

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SACREMENTS:

RECONCILIATION

Contact Fr Jerald at the

Parish office

**Baptisms—1st SUN of the
month—** for application form
contact the parish office

SERVICES

Community Centre

Parish Office: 9763 7302

St. Vincent De Paul

Helpline 1800 305 330

St Simon's & St Jude's

Youth Group youthteam@

stsimonsparish.com.au

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 98002733

First Reading: Micah 5:1-4

The Lord says this: You, Bethlehem Ephrathah, the least of the clans of Judah, out of you will be born for me the one who is to rule over Israel; his origin goes back to the distant past, to the days of old.

The Lord is therefore going to abandon them till the time when she who is to give birth gives birth. Then the remnant of his brothers will come back to the sons of Israel. He will stand and feed his flock with the power of the Lord, with the majesty of the name of his God. They will live secure, for from then on he will extend his power to the ends of the land. He himself will be peace.

Second Reading: Hebrews 10:5-10

This is what Christ said, on coming into the world: You who wanted no sacrifice or oblation, prepared a body for me. You took no pleasure in holocausts or sacrifices for sin; then I said, just as I was commanded in the scroll of the book, 'God, here I am! I am coming to obey your will.'

Notice that he says first: You did not want what the Law lays down as the things to be offered, that is: the sacrifices, the oblations, the holocausts and the sacrifices for sin, and you took no pleasure in them; and then he says: Here I am! I am coming to obey your will. He is abolishing the first sort to replace it with the second. And this will was for us to be made holy by the offering of his body made once and for all by Jesus Christ.

Gospel: Luke 3: 39-45

Mary set out and went as quickly as she could to a town in the hill country of Judah. She went into Zechariah's house and greeted Elizabeth. Now as soon as Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. She gave a loud cry and said, 'Of all women you are the most blessed, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. Why should I be honoured with a visit from the mother of my Lord? For the moment your greeting reached my ears, the child in my womb leapt for joy. Yes, blessed is she who believed that the promise made her by the Lord would be fulfilled.'

Youth Mass

We are very happy to announce that from February 2025, on the 1st Sunday of the Month, with the help of the MGL's—we will be having a joint Youth Mass at 6.00pm here at St Simons.

This special Mass is an opportunity for our youth to come together in faith, build community, and celebrate the love of Christ in a way that speaks directly to their hearts and experiences.

We are blessed to have the MGL's supporting us in this initiative. With their dynamic energy and deep commitment to evangelizing young people, they will help make this a vibrant and meaningful celebration of our faith.

Please help spread the word, and feel free to invite friends and family. Let's come together to celebrate the faith, energy, and hope of our youth.

Vanuatu Earthquake Appeal

Vanuatu has experienced two earthquakes within 24 hours impacting over 116,000 people and causing significant damage to buildings and infrastructure. The main hospital in Port Vila has sustained extensive damage and is overwhelmed by the mass casualties.

There are hundreds of people have been injured or trapped under rubble and at least 14 people deceased with the death toll expected to continue to rise. People remain fearful of further disaster, as Vanuatu is one of the most susceptible countries to natural disasters such as earthquakes, storm damage, flooding, and tsunamis. This appeal will provide support to our on the ground partners who are ready to respond to the humanitarian requirements by providing emergency shelter, food and other essentials, psychosocial support, and recovery efforts.

Please
Donate today: <http://www.caritas.org.au/vanuatu>

St Jude's Parish Community Christmas Cards.

We still require assistance in delivering our community Christmas Cards. This is the last weekend that we can deliver. If you are able to assist, there are BUNDLES of our printed Christmas Cards to DISTRIBUTE in our church foyer. Please make sure to mark the area you will be covering in the Zone maps provided.

THANK YOU.

We extend our sincere gratitude to everyone who dedicated their time to deliver our community Christmas cards. Your generosity and effort in taking on this significant task is deeply appreciated. A special thanks also goes to the Tim and Kath Murphy from St Jude's, who generously printed the cards for our parish. Your support has been invaluable.

VISIT TO THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

"An important aspect of our Advent preparation for the Saviour's coming is to journey within and see the places that are empty and in need of Him..."

- Heather Khym, author of Encountering Emmanuel

We ask for the peace and grace of Eternal Life for those who have recently died especially Brian McKeogh and those whose memories are sacred to us at this time especially: Patricia M Ellison, Vincenzo Abbatangelo, Bernie Lewis, Maurice Piston, Anne Piston, Colleen Peters, William Shack, Constancio Geromino, George O Hindmarsh, Molly Dentry, Richards Craig Peters, Yves Lionnet. Ratcliffe Nelson.

Many Thanks!

Thank you to all who have supported us through the year at our social gatherings.

Cuppa and a Chat
Bus Trip
Card Making
Movie Day
Evergreens
Saturday Social Gathering

We trust you enjoyed the get-togethers and would appreciate any ideas you may have for other social events. We look forward to you joining us again in the new year.

A special thank you to Fr Jerald for his support and encouragement throughout the year.
We wish all parishioners a joyful and peaceful Christmas.

Best wishes, Ann & Robyn

Heartfelt Thanks

Robyn and I would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to all who have supported the Hospitality Team throughout the year. Your assistance, especially in providing food and offering hospitality after funeral masses, has been invaluable. This service is deeply appreciated by all who benefit from it, as it alleviates a significant burden for families during such difficult times. As we make calls, contacting people for 'a plate' we are always met with a cheerful Hello and a 'happy to help' comment, it makes 'requesting' easier to do.

We are truly grateful for your untiring support and wish you all the joys and blessings of this beautiful season.

Ann & Robyn

Save the Date

Let's come together to honour the memory of Adrian Klep and support the MSA community.

Can you name the first Prime Minister of Australia?
Test your knowledge at our trivia night!
Book your spot now!"

Our Multiple System Atrophy (MSA) Trivia Night is a unique event designed to raise awareness and funds for MSA research. It's a chance to test your knowledge, enjoy friendly competition, and contribute to a meaningful cause.

What to Expect:

Engaging Trivia: Put your wits to the test with challenging trivia questions covering a wide range of topics.

Silent Auction: Bid on exciting items and experiences, all while supporting MSA research.

Mini Games: Participate in fun mini-games for a chance to win prizes and add to the excitement.

BYO Food and Drinks: Bring your favorite snacks and beverages to share with friends and fellow trivia enthusiasts.

All proceeds from the event will go directly to National MSA Research to fund research.

So, gather your friends, form a team, and get ready for a night of laughter, learning, and making a difference and win the Trophy

Date: Saturday 22 March 2025 6:30 PM - 11:00 PM (UTC+11)

Location: St Jude's Parish Hall—51 George Street, Scoresby Victoria 3179

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

St Jude's Parish—Liturgy Roster Feast of the Holy Family - Year C

First Reading Ecclesiasticus Sir 3:2-6. 12-14 **Second Reading** Colossians Col 3:12-21 **Gospel** Luke 2:41-52

28th and 29th of Dec	Saturday 6pm	Sunday 8.30am	Sunday 10.30am
Celebrant	Fr Jerald	Fr Jerald	Fr Jerald
Readers:	Susan Lim Filomena Uberti	Dinelle Hettiarachchi Millicent Miranda	Irene Wallis Melanie Van Esch
Mass Projector	Macarius	Aidan	Isabelle Raj
Childrens Liturgy	School Holidays		
Altar Society	Eve Buckeridge		
Church Cleaners	Rosanna Kelaart		



CAROLS & NATIVITY DRESS REHEARSAL

Sunday, 22nd December
at 4:00pm
in the church

ALTAR SERVERS

Sunday, 22nd December
at 5:00pm
in the church

Please bring water bottle.



CHRISTMAS APPEAL 2024

Each year Parish Christmas Appeal plays a vital role in enabling the good works of the Society and, with your support, we hope to achieve a strong result so we can continue serving the community.

DONATIONS CAN BE MADE BY THE FOLLOWING OPTIONS:

Over the phone Call 13 18 12 and quote 'Scoresby'

Online Scoresby Conference - Vinnies
Christmas Appeal 2024

QR CODE Scan the QR code below to donate
online.

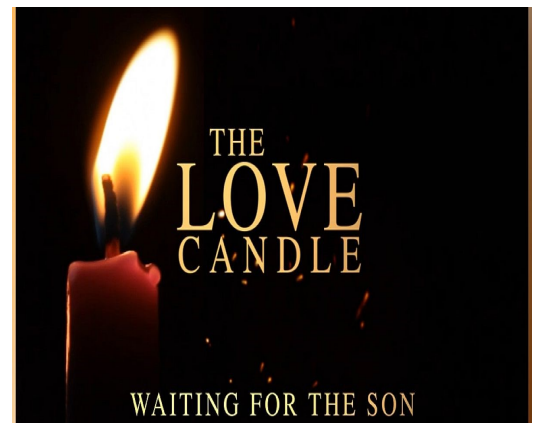
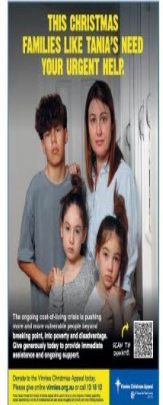
Direct Deposit Account Name: St Vincent de Paul
Society Victoria Gift Fund

BSB: 063 000 Acct No: 1060 7556 Reference: Conf 421

Cash, Cheque & Can be deposited in the red box on the table in the Foyer

Gift cards or at the parish office.

Your support is greatly appreciated.



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24 Hour Service—All Areas



We are looking for Volunteers!

"We serve God by serving others"

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**

Write Way—English for
Students.
English tuition at home.
Call Francis on 0418 540 191