

3rd Sunday of Advent—A season of Peace Welcome to St Jude the Apostle Parish

A Season of Peace - The Candle of Joy

As we continue our journey through the sacred season of Advent, we light the candles on the Advent wreath, each one illuminating the path toward the celebration of Christ's birth. This week, we light the candle of Joy—a vibrant reminder of the deep and abiding joy that comes from knowing and walking with God.

Joy is a gift that transcends circumstances. It is not merely happiness that depends on external events but a profound sense of peace and gladness rooted in God's presence and promises. In Luke 2:10, the angel proclaims to the shepherds, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people." This announcement of Christ's birth is the ultimate source of our joy—the assurance that God is with us, Emmanuel. Advent invites us to rediscover this joy and to share it with others. In a world that often feels weighed down by sorrow and challenges, we are called to be witnesses of Christ's joy. This might mean offering a kind word to a stranger, sharing laughter with loved ones, or finding moments to give thanks amidst our busy lives. Joy is contagious, and as we live it out, we invite others to experience its transformative power. As we light the candle of Joy, let us remember that this joy is a reflection of God's love and faithfulness. It is a joy that cannot be diminished by the trials of life because it is anchored in the hope of Christ's coming. May this light fill our hearts and our homes, reminding us that the true joy of Christmas is found in Jesus.

This week, let the flame of the Joy candle brighten your spirit and inspire your actions. Pray for the grace to embrace joy in all circumstances and to share it generously with those around you. Together, as a parish family, let us rejoice in the promise of God's love made manifest in the birth of His Son.

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

RECONCILIATION SERVICE:

TUE 17TH DEC -7.30PM

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

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CHRISTMAS DAY:

8.30AM AND 10.30AM MASS

NEW YEAR'S DAY:

10.00AM MASS

Funeral of Brian McKeogh

It with heavy hearts that we advise the community that Brian went home to God on the 11th of Dec. Brian's funeral will be held here at St Jude's on Thursday the 19th of December at 10.30am.

Refreshments will be held in the hall after the funeral with a funeral service at Springvale Cemetery at 12.30am. The family will return to St Jude's for refreshments after.

Everyone is invited to attend should you wish to do so.

May He Rest in Peace

MASS TIMES:

Week Days:

Wed, Thu & Fri 9.15am

Weekends:

Sat 6pm, Sun 8.30 & 10.30am

OFFICE HOURS:

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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

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stsimonsparish.com.au

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Mr Adrian Scutt 9801 8296

St Mary's College for the

Deaf

Ms Amanda Purcell 98002733

First Reading: Zephaniah 3:14-18

Shout for joy, daughter of Zion, Israel, shout aloud!
Rejoice, exult with all your heart, daughter of Jerusalem!
The Lord has repealed your sentence; he has driven your enemies away. The Lord, the king of Israel, is in your midst; you have no more evil to fear. When that day comes, word will come to Jerusalem: Zion, have no fear, do not let your hands fall limp. The Lord your God is in your midst, a victorious warrior. He will exult with joy over you, he will renew you by his love; he will dance with shouts of joy for you as on a day of festival.

Second Reading: Philippians 4:4-7

I want you to be happy, always happy in the Lord; I repeat, what I want is your happiness. Let your tolerance be evident to everyone: the Lord is very near. There is no need to worry; but if there is anything you need, pray for it, asking God for it with prayer and thanksgiving, and that peace of God, which is so much greater than we can understand, will guard your hearts and your thoughts, in Christ Jesus.

Gospel: Luke 3:10-18

When all the people asked John, 'What must we do?' he answered, 'If anyone has two tunics he must share with the man who has none, and the one with something to eat must do the same.' There were tax collectors too who came for baptism, and these said to him, 'Master, what must we do?' He said to them, 'Exact no more than your rate.' Some soldiers asked him in their turn, 'What about us? What must we do?' He said to them, 'No intimidation! No extortion! Be content with your pay!'

A feeling of expectancy had grown among the people, who were beginning to think that John might be the Christ, so John declared before them all, 'I baptise you with water, but someone is coming, someone who is more powerful than I am, and I am not fit to undo the strap of his sandals; he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing-fan is in his hand to clear his threshing-floor and to gather the wheat into his barn; but the chaff he will burn in a fire that will never go out.' As well as this, there were many other things he said to exhort the people and to announce the Good News to them.

EXPERIENCED MUSICIANS & CHOIR SINGERS NEEDED

The gift of service leads to a life of love

We warmly invite volunteers to join our Church Choir to sing for the 8.30am Mass. We are also seeking musicians who play the piano or the drums to be part of our music ministry. We are aiming to set up a monthly roster for weekend Masses. If you are interested in sharing your musical gifts with our Parish Community,

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



Advent Reconciliation Liturgy

To prepare our hearts and mind for the coming of Christ, there will be an Advent Reconciliation Liturgy (an examination of conscience and Individual confession) on Wednesday the 18th of Dec at 7:30 pm at St. Judes. There will be several priests present to hear individual con-



Piety Stall

Have you visited our Piety Stall lately to see all the wonderful products they have to offer?

There are still some Columban calendars available for sale at \$12.00 each. What a wonderful resource to have in your home. Get yours as soon as Possible.

Looking for religious Christmas Cards? The piety stall also have a stock of Majellan Christmas Cards for sale.

VISIT TO THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

“My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior...”

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: Margaret Neary, Michael Hageman, Patricia King, William Storen, Antonio Zarro, Jack A Beard, Lorrie Bubeck, Francis Miranda, Cecilia Clement, Edmund Thvapragsam, Maria Baldin, Milton Gardiner, Pamela Hall, Robert Lewis, Rose Wong, Shamanthi Jeyaseelan, Stuart Linden erguson, Terry Eaton, Bruno Volpi, Carlos morales, Gabor Nemeth, Pamela Hargreaves, Sheila Hill, Ian Duncan.

Combined Catholic Parishes Raffle 2024

Thank you to all those who participated and to all those that sold tickets for the 2024 Raffle which raised much needed funds for the parish. In particular we would like to thank one parishioner who sold over 20 books. We raised an amazing \$2,980.00. We The raffle was drawn on the 7th of December. Please see the list of winners below.

2024 CCPR RAFFLE - LIST OF WINNERS
DRAWN SATURDAY 7TH DECEMBER AT 7:30PM
AT RESURRECTION PARISH
402 CORRIGAN ROAD, KEYSBOROUGH
Permit No - **10159/24**

PRIZE	WINNING TICKET NUMBER	NAME OF WINNER	ORGANISATION SELLING TICKET
1st Prize Kia Picanto Auto	2472	Kean Chan Yew Poa	Holy Family Parish Mt Waverley
2nd Prize \$5000 Coles/Myer Voucher	67713	Marj Coghlan	Lifeboat Geelong
3rd Prize \$3000 Coles/Myer Voucher	13770	Dao Nguyen	St Damian's Parish Bundoora
4th Prize \$1000 Coles/Myer Voucher	4478	Louisa Ngo	Holy Family Parish Mt Waverley
5th Prize \$1000 Coles/Myer Voucher	9902	Leigh Carleton	Holy Trinity Parish East Bentleigh
6th Prize \$500 Coles/Myer Voucher	44491	Josie Fanti	St Simon's Parish Rowville
7th Prize \$500 Coles/Myer Voucher	63430	Stan Greengrass	St Anthony's Parish Noble Park

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. Thank You.

Need to dispose of a Vehicle?

Disposal of a car when a family member has had to relinquish their licence, or has passed away can be very challenging.

If you would like to explore the possibility of gifting a

potentially suitable vehicle to "Lifeboat",

contact Fr. Kevin Dillon

(frkdillon@outlook.com.au — 0421 777 360) or **Adam Kaali** (0411 486 605 or adam-kaali@hotmail.com)

Thank you for your support and generosity!



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.



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 4th Sunday of Advent - Year C

First Reading Micah 5:1-4 **Second Reading** Hebrews 10:5--10 **Gospel** Luke 1:39-45

21st and 22nd of Dec	Saturday 6pm	Sunday 8.30am	Sunday 10.30am
Celebrant	Fr Jerald	Fr Jerald	Fr Jerald
Readers:	Thomas Chan	Prema Pinto	Trish Welti
	Ann Doyle	Tony McCumstie	Irene Wallis
Mass Projector	Lawrance	Catherine Money	David Pahor
Childrens Liturgy	School Holidays		
Altar Society	Cora Lijnders		
Church Cleaners	Filomena Uberti	Lucillee Everetts	



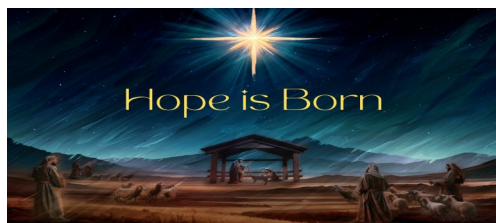
CAROLS PRACTICE

Sunday, 15th December
at 4:00pm
in the church

NATIVITY PRACTICE

Sunday, 15th December
at 5:00pm
in the church

Please bring water bottle.

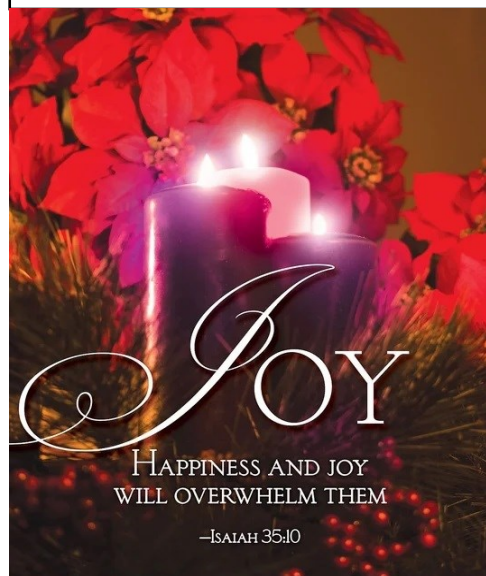


**St Simon's and Jude's Parish
Community Christmas Cards.**

**We would like to reach out and
invite our wider community to
our Christmas Season Masses.**

**If you are able to assist us, this
weekend we will have
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 for help with this
important task.**



**Do you know that hospitality is offered each Sunday Morning
following Mass?** All parishioners are warmly invited to stay for a drink

and to share some time getting to know each other.

*We have much appreciation for those who serve our community and give
generously of their time each Sunday. Thnkn you!*

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**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