

OUR MASS TIMES

Wed & Thurs: 9.15am Mass
Fri: 9.15am (Communion Service)
Sat: 6.00pm
Sun: 8.30am and 10.30am

RECONCILIATION

Sat: 5.30pm - 5.50pm

OFFICE HOURS

Tue - Fri: 9am - 3.30pm

OUR PRIESTS

PARISH PRIEST

Rev Jerald Mariadas (Away on holiday)
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ASSISTANT PRIEST

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ANointing OF THE SICK

Contact the Parish Office

OUR SERVICES

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DEADLINE FOR BULLETIN NOTICES

Wednesday 4.00pm



Mass Times



Website

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St Jude the Apostle Parish

In a spirit of Pastoral outreach, we, the people of the Parish, are called to serve with joy
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THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 24/25 JANUARY 2026 | YEAR A

Matthew 4:12-23 | 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand'



In today's Gospel, Jesus begins his public ministry with a simple but challenging message: "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand." In everyday terms, Jesus is saying, "God is near — it's time to change direction."

Repentance isn't about guilt or beating ourselves up. It's about stopping, taking stock of our lives, and asking whether the path we're on is really leading us where we want to go. Jesus invites people to leave behind whatever is holding them back and to step into something new.

We see this clearly when Jesus calls the fishermen. They are ordinary working people, busy with their nets, not religious experts or important figures. Yet Jesus calls them just as they are. He doesn't ask them to fix

themselves first — he simply invites them to follow. Their response is immediate, showing a deep trust that life with Jesus will be worth the risk.

The image of light shining in darkness reminds us that Jesus meets people in real, messy situations. No matter how stuck, tired, or overlooked someone may feel, God's light can still reach them.

This Gospel challenges us to listen for Jesus' call in our own everyday lives — at work, at home, in our relationships. Where might we need to let go, change direction, or trust more deeply? Jesus still calls ordinary people, and he still brings light where it's needed most.

With Blessings, Fr Jerald



Farewell Masses for Fr Libeesh

14–15 Feb, St Simon's;
28 Feb–1 Mar, St Jude's.
*We wish him blessings and
assure him of our prayers.*



**Are you planning
a Baptism or
a Marriage?**

**PLEASE CONTACT
THE PARISH OFFICE
9763 7302**

Parish Rostering Update



From 2026, the parish office will manage the rosters for Readers and Holy Communion Ministers. Current rosters until the end of February 2026 remain unchanged.

We thank Sharlynn, our Readers coordinator for the work she has done over the last two years, and welcome Crystal Saldahna who will take on this role going forward.

Thank you for your support! If you have any questions or suggestions, we're always happy to hear from you.





Sacraments for children attending non-Catholic schools (at least 1 parent to attend)



Reconciliation Classes:

Sundays: 9.30am at St Jude's
8, 15, 22 February and 1 March

Parent Workshops

26 Feb & 5 March 6.30pm to 7.30pm

Commitment Masses

28 February at 6pm **or** 1 March at
10.30am

Reconciliation Sacrament/Ceremony:

18 March 6.30pm to 7.30pm

First Eucharist Classes:

Sundays at 9.30am at St Jude's
15, 22, 29 March 26 April

Parent Workshops

30 April & 7 May 6.30pm to 7.30pm

Commitment Masses

2 May at 6pm **or** Sunday 3rd May at
10.30am

Sacrament of First Eucharist

St. Jude's Church 16 May 4pm to 5pm

Confirmation Classes:

Sundays at 9.30am at St Jude's
19, 26 July 2, 9 August

Parent Workshops:

23 July and 6 August at 6.30pm to 7.30pm

Commitment Masses:

1 August at 6pm **or** 2 August at 10.30am

Sacrament of Confirmation:

St Jude's Church, 21 August 6pm to 7.30pm



To register your child, please contact Ida at the
parish office on 9763 7302 or email:
Ida.Lancuba@cam.org.au or SCAN the QR code



PLEASE BRING IN YOUR
OLD LENTEN PALMS
AND
PLACE THEM
IN THE BASKET
IN THE CHURCH FOYER
BY 8 FEBRUARY



*Where in your life is there a need to 'repent'
– turn around; change your mind?*

Fancy a Cuppa?



Robyn and I look forward
to catching up with parishioners on
Wednesday 28 Jan, 9.30am in the
Parish Centre, for our First Cuppa and
a Chat this year.

We would love to hear how you
celebrated Christmas and welcomed in
the New Year. Did you go away for a
few days, if so, have you got a
recommendation?

If you made a New Year's
Resolution, are you keeping to it? 😊

Everyone is very welcome

Any questions, please contact

**Ann 0402 904 678 or
Robyn 0407 324 117**

Touch of Heaven

ALAN AMES MINISTRY

A unique faith filled experience of the
healing power of our Lord

Alan has visited 40 countries and will speak
of his dramatic conversion from alcoholism
and violence to a deeply prayerful and
sacramental life. Alan's healing ministry has
resulted in hundreds of healings and
conversions around the world.



10 Feb St Gregory the Great, DONCASTER

11 Feb St Simon the Apostle, ROWVILLE

12 Feb St Martin de Porres, LAVERTON

6:30pm Rosary, 7:00pm Mass followed by Alan Ames talk

Enquiries, please contact: Bernadette O'Hanlon | 0407 007 708 or Divine Mercy
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VISIT TO THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Lord, be my light and salvation in every area of my life. Father, help me to trust You as my stronghold and refuge.

- Weekly Reflection, St Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, Haskell, New Jersey, USA

AUSTRALIA DAY MASS



St Jude's and St Simon's warmly invite you to a special Combined Parish Mass as we come together in faith, friendship, and community.

- ☐ Monday 26 January 2026
- ☐ 10:00am
- ☐ St Jude the Apostle Church, Scoresby

Let's celebrate Australia Day by uniting our two parish communities and strengthening the bonds that bring us together. Everyone is welcome

Experienced Musicians Needed

The gift of service leads to a life of love

We are looking for volunteers to play 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 a monthly basis.

If you would like to share your gift of Music with us: please contact:
Xavier on 0448 766 705 or
the Parish Office on 9763 7302



We'd like you to join us as we serve up a 'Cuppa' and Sunday Morning Cheer after 10.30am Mass



We need volunteers for our "Sunday Morning Cuppa"
If you can help, please contact Kath Murphy on 9763 7384 or the Parish Office on 9763 7302.

A Farewell collection for Fr Libeesh

As we prepare to farewell Fr Libeesh, we would like to present him with a small gift as a token of our gratitude for his faithful service, kindness, and dedication to our parish community.

If you would like to contribute toward this gift, donations may be made at the parish office or via the marked collection box after Mass. Your generosity, in any amount, will be deeply appreciated — but most of all, your prayers and good wishes mean just as much.

Thank you for helping us express our thanks in a meaningful way.



WE PRAY FOR

Our Prayers are asked for those who have died recently and those whose memories are sacred to us at this time especially Avice S Abernethy, Benny Yui Fah Chan, Cornelia Van Hoorn, Iva Thatcher, Nicholas Grace, Bruce Northey, Dillon John Casey, Jack Ernest Sandry, Maureen Lionnet, Norma Joan Hindmarsh, Sydney Rayeroux, Ronald Benton Johnson, Salvatore Speranza, Francesca Demarte, Larry D Lim

PARISH LENTEN PROGRAM 2026

We will offer the **Compassio Lenten Program 2026**, developed by the Archdiocese of Wollongong. This well-established program invites parishioners into a deeper Lenten journey through Scripture, prayer, reflection, and shared discussion, helping us grow in faith and live the call to compassion more fully.

Each session provides a welcoming space to pause with God's Word and support one another as we prepare our hearts for Easter. Parishioners of all ages and stages of faith are warmly encouraged to take part.

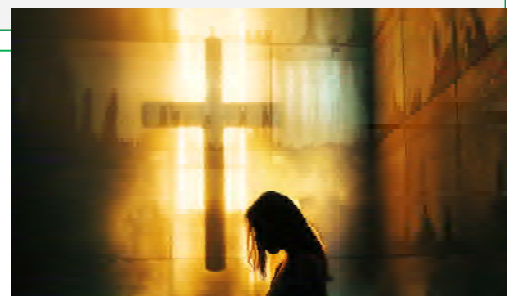
Sessions will be held at the following times, in the Board Room, and you are welcome to attend whichever session best suits your schedule:

Mondays starting 16 February at 6pm – 7pm

Thursdays starting 19 February at 10am – 11am

Please register for your session through the sign-in sheets in the church foyer.

This is a wonderful opportunity to journey together as a parish during Lent, grounded in prayer, tradition, and shared faith. All parishioners are most welcome.



Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, 24/25 January 2026

First Reading: *Isaiah 8:23 – 9:3*

In days past the Lord humbled the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in days to come he will confer glory on the Way of the Sea on the far side of Jordan, province of the nations.

The people that walked in darkness has seen a great light; on those who live in a land of deep shadow a light has shone.

You have made their gladness greater, you have made their joy increase, they rejoice in your presence as men rejoice at harvest time, as men are happy when they are dividing the spoils.

For the yoke that was weighing on him, the bar across his shoulders, the rod of his oppressor, these you break as on the day of Midian.

Responsorial Psalm 26

The Lord is my light and my salvation.

Second Reading: *1 Cor 1:10-13, 17*

I appeal to you, brothers, for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ, to make up the differences between you, and instead of disagreeing among yourselves, to be united again in your belief and practice. From what Chloe's people have been

telling me, my dear brothers, it is clear that there are serious differences among you. What I mean are all these slogans that you have, like: 'I am for Paul', 'I am for Apollos', 'I am for Cephas', 'I am for Christ'. Has Christ been parcelled out? Was it Paul that was crucified for you? Were you baptised in the name of Paul?

For Christ did not send me to baptise, but to preach the Good News, and not to preach that in the terms of philosophy in which the crucifixion of Christ cannot be expressed.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom and healed all who were sick. Alleluia!

Gospel: *Matthew 4:12-23*

Hearing that John had been arrested Jesus went back to Galilee, and leaving Nazareth he went and settled in Capernaum, a lakeside town on the borders of Zebulun and Naphtali. In this way the prophecy of Isaiah was to be fulfilled:

Land of Zebulun! Land of Naphtali!

Way of the sea on the far side of Jordan, Galilee of the nations!

The people that lived in darkness has seen a great light; on those who dwell in the land and shadow of death a light has dawned.

From that moment Jesus began his preaching with the message, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.' As he was walking by the Sea of Galilee he saw two brothers, Simon, who was called Peter, and his brother Andrew; they were making a cast in the lake with their net, for they were fishermen. And he said to them, 'Follow me and I will make you fishers of men.' And they left their nets at once and followed him.

Going on from there he saw another pair of brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John; they were in their boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. At once, leaving the boat and their father, they followed him.

He went round the whole of Galilee teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the Good News of the kingdom and curing all kinds of diseases and sickness among the people.



Fr Jerald will be on holiday from 12 January to 6 February

WEEKDAY MASSES *St Simon's—Tuesday and Friday | St Jude's—Wednesday and Thursday*
COMMUNION SERVICE *St Simon's—Wednesday and Thursday | St Jude's—Friday*

NEXT WEEKEND ROSTER		Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time — 31 JAN / 1 FEB 2026 — Zephaniah 2:3; 3:12-13, 1 Cor 1:26-31, Matthew 5:1-12	
MASS TIMES	31 JAN, SATURDAY 6.00PM	1 FEB, SUNDAY 8.30AM	1 FEB, SUNDAY 10.30AM
Celebrant	Fr Libeesh	Fr Libeesh	Fr Brian Ahern
Readers	Jerome Hew Alfred Saldanha	Millicent Miranda Sharlynn Arulanandam	Louise Cooper Adel Medel
Communion Ministers	Daniel Vrsecky Filomena Uberti Sheran Hettiarachi	Francis Joachim Jude Miranda Peter McCumstie	Anita Ray Frank McCulloch Lynette Grace
Mass Projectors	Macarius	Megan Pinto	Isabelle Raj
Children's Liturgy	No Children's Liturgy	No Children's Liturgy	No Children's Liturgy
Altar Society	Nicole Moirt	Church Cleaners	Rosanna Jumonong & Juliet

St Jude's Parish Community is committed to the Victorian Child Safe Standards and acknowledges that child safe guarding is everyone's responsibility.