St. Jude the Apostle Parish-

49 George St, Scoresby

"In a spirit of Pastoral outreach, we, the people of the Parish, are called to serve with joy. "

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time—6th and 7th of September 2025

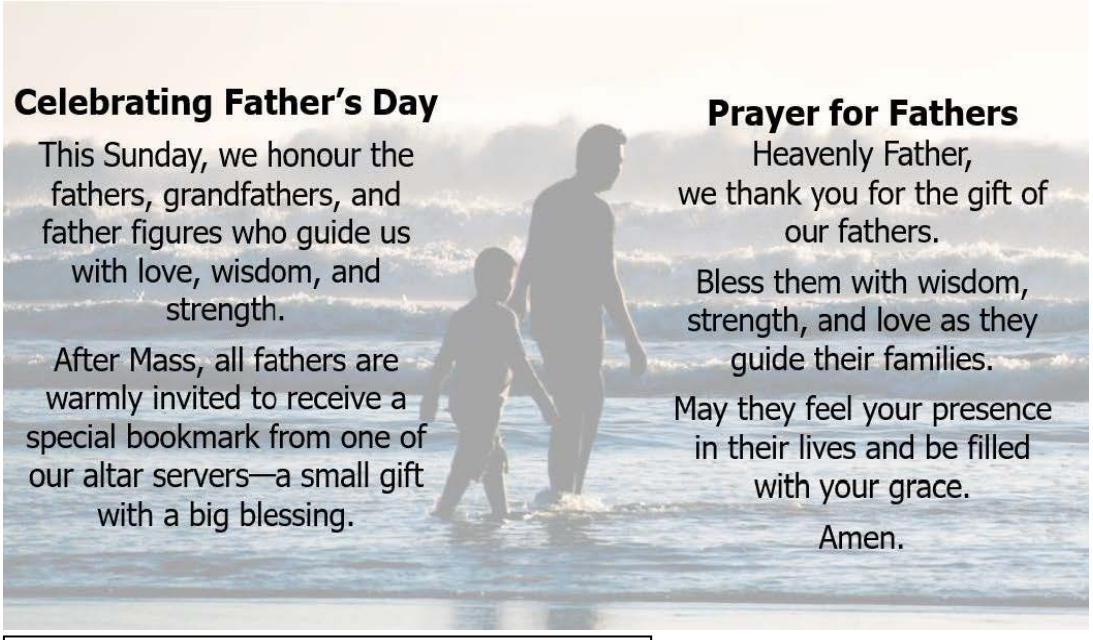
Gospel Reflection – Luke 14:25–33

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus speaks to the crowds about the cost of discipleship. His words are strong and challenging: to follow Him means placing God above everything else in our lives. He is not asking us to abandon our families or responsibilities, but to recognise that our love for Him must be the foundation from which all other loves flow.

Jesus reminds us that discipleship is not something casual or half-hearted. Just as someone building a tower or a king preparing for battle must carefully consider what is required, so too must we honestly reflect on what it means to be His follower. It calls for trust, sacrifice, and sometimes letting go of what holds us back.

This Gospel is an invitation to examine our hearts. What are the "possessions" – whether material, emotional, or spiritual – that weigh us down and keep us from freely following Christ? Jesus asks us to walk the path of discipleship with courage, knowing that true freedom and lasting joy are found only in Him.

With every blessing, Fr Jerald



2025 Archbishop's Campaign

Thank you to everyone who has so generously already made a pledge or gift to the 2025 archbishops' campaign. Every gift, large or small, is greatly appreciated! If you are yet to make a gift , you can still do so. This campaign supports the vital ministries of the church in our Archdiocese. Campaign envelopes with tear-off pledge cards are still available in the church. You can also make a gift online at melbournecatholic.org/archishopcampaign.

MULTICULTURAL ROSARY, ADORATION AND BENEDICTION – ON THE FEAST OF OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY TUESDAY, 7 OCTOBER 2025 AT 7.30 PM.

There will be an entrance procession with Our Lady's Statue, multicultural rosary, adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and benediction.

Sr Maureen and Marian Team.

MASS TIMES:
Week Days:
Wed, Thu & Fri 9.15am
Weekends:
Sat 6pm, Sun 8.30 & 10.30am

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Contact Fr Jerald at the Parish office
Baptisms—1st SUN of the month– for application form contact the parish office

SERVICES
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St Mary's College for the Deaf
Ms Amanda Purcell 98002733

International Food Festival— Save the Date!

We are excited to announce that on **Sunday, 9th November**, St Jude's Parish will be holding an **International Food Festival** following the **10.30am Mass**.

Come and enjoy a wonderful celebration of the diverse cultures within our parish community through food, fellowship, and fun! Bring your family and friends along— there will be something for everyone.

More details to come in the weeks ahead. We look forward to sharing this special day with you!

!Our Young People need your support!

St Judes are hoping to sponsor 3 young people from our community to send to the Australian Catholic Youth Festival at the end of the year. This is a 3-day conference filled with prayer, talks, mass, adoration and connection!

Tickets are currently $400 per person and would appreciate any amount to help offset this cost!

Donations to:
St Jude's Parish

Please title "ACYF"

BSB: 083 347
Acc: 649 410 864

Any questions please contact Dinelle - 0416 810 541

Indian Community – Feast of Our Lady of Good Health This Sunday, 7th September, from 3.30—6.30pm. The Indian Community will be celebrating the Feast Day of Our Lady of Good Health. They are blessed to have the Archbishop joining them for this special occasion.

Please note that in preparation for the celebration, there will be some additional decorations and chairs in the church. This is only for this weekend, and everything will be returned to normal for next weekend.
We thank you for your understanding and invite you to keep the Indian Community in your prayers as they honour Our Lady in this beautiful tradition.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Are you or a friend thinking of becoming a Catholic?

TUE, **EVENINGS, next meeting 16th Sept.**

Ring the Parish Office on 9764 4058 or Phillip on 0437 343 022 or just come along on the night. **"Come and see."**

VISIT TO THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

"Cheap grace is the preaching of forgiveness without requiring repentance, Baptism without church discipline, Communion without confession, grace without discipleship, grace without the cross, and grace without Jesus….Cheap grace costs us nothing (in the short term). Costly grace costs us our life, but it is also the source of the only true and complete life."
- Dietrich Bonhoeffer

We ask for the peace and grace of Eternal Life for those who have recently died especially Janette and those whose memories are sacred to us at this time especially Kathleen Flaherty, Peter O'Reilly, Charlotte Mahony, George Rogers, Linda Worthy, Luciano R Morganella, Martina Galang, Godwin Ceasar Silvera, Hector Barra, Theresa Jodhi, Clare Ross, Geraldine Dillon, Maureen James, Steven Nichols, Adrian Kelp, James Jospeh, Kitty Kwek, Vernon J Lamb, Antonio De Lorenzo, Laura Perera, Numeriana Medel Villareal, Vera Grocholskis

Annual Combined Catholic Parishes Raffle

The annual Combined Catholic Parishes Raffle is now up and running, and once again there are some fantastic prizes to be won — including a brand-new Kia Picanto as first prize!
A full list of all prizes is displayed in the church foyer.
Tickets are just $20 for a book of 10.
A percentage of every ticket sold goes directly towards supporting our parish fundraising efforts, helping us continue the good work of our community. Don't miss this wonderful opportunity — get your tickets today before they sell out!

The knitting group

will take place Wednesday **17th Sept** at the **Parish reception Centre** at **9.30am-11am**.
Enquiries: **Maureen 0417 634 600**

Novena to St Jude Thaddeus
Apostle of Hope

Join us for a Powerful 9-Day Novena to St Jude Thaddeus - Patron of Desperate and Hopeless Cases

Come and experience the strength of prayer and the hope that St Jude offers to those in need. All are welcome to take part in this spiritual journey of faith, healing and trust in God's mercy.

Date : from 19th October 2025 to 27th October 2025
Time : 6:30 pm Mass and 7:00 pm Adoration & Novena
Place : St Jude The Apostle Parish
49 George Street, Scoresby VIC 3179

Phone : (03) 9763 7302 Email: scoresby@cam.org.au

Volunteer Safeguarding requirements

To ensure we meet safeguarding standards and keep our records up to date, all current and new Parish Volunteers are required to complete the ***Volunteer Safeguarding & Compliance Form.*** A copy of the Form will be emailed to you (if you don't receive one, please contact me and I will forward it to you). Alternatively, you may collect and complete a printed copy available in the church foyer. If you need any assistance with completing the form, please contact me.
We thank all our volunteers for their support and commitment. We truly appreciate all that you do for our Parish community.
Contact: Ida on 9763 7302 or **Email**: Ida.Lancuba@cam.org.au

Altar Society

Looking for volunteers to help assist with the St Jude's Altar Society requiring a commitment on a monthly basis. Some of the duties include washing of chalice, ciborium and communion plates and general upkeep in preparation of weekend masses. Volunteers are required to have a current Working with Children Check and appropriate training will be provided. For further details please contact the Parish Office on 9763 7302.

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Readings for 23rnd Sunday in Ordinary Time—6th and 7th of September 2025

First Reading—Wisdom 9:13-18

What man can know the intentions of God? Who can divine the will of the Lord? The reasonings of mortals are unsure and our intentions unstable; for a perishable body presses down the soul, and this tent of clay weighs down the teeming mind. It is hard enough for us to work out what is on earth, laborious to know what lies within our reach; who, then, can discover what is in the heavens? As for your intention, who could have learnt it, had you not granted Wisdom and sent your holy spirit from above? Thus have the paths of those on earth been straightened and men been taught what pleases you, and saved, by Wisdom.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 67
Response: In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

Second Reading Philemon 12-17:Phlm 9-10, 12-17

This is Paul writing, an old man now and, what is more, still a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for a child of mine, whose father I became while wearing these chains: I mean Onesimus. I am sending him back to you, and with him – I could say – a part of my own self. I should have liked to keep him with me; he could have been a substitute for you, to help me while I am in the chains that the Good News has brought me. However, I did not want to do anything without your consent; it would have been forcing your act of kindness, which should be spontaneous. I know you have been deprived of Onesimus for a time, but it was only so that you could have him back for ever, not as a slave any more, but something much better than a slave, a dear brother; especially dear to me, but how much more to you, as a blood-brother as well as a brother in the Lord. So if all that we have in common means anything to you, welcome him as you would me.

Gospel Acclamation :

Alleluia, alleluia! Let your face shine on your servant, and teach me your laws. Alleluia!

Gospel— Luke 14:25-33

Great crowds accompanied Jesus on his way and he turned and spoke to them. 'If any man comes to me without hating his father, mother, wife, children, brothers, sisters, yes and his own life too, he cannot be my disciple. Anyone who does not carry his cross and come after me cannot be my disciple.

'And indeed, which of you here, intending to build a tower, would not first sit down and work out the cost to see if he had enough to complete it? Otherwise, if he laid the foundation and then found himself unable to finish the work, the onlookers would all start making fun of him and saying, "Here is a man who started to build and was unable to finish." Or again, what king marching to war against another king would not first sit down and consider whether with ten thousand men he could stand up to the other who advanced against him with twenty thousand? If not, then while the other king was still a long way off, he would send envoys to sue for peace. So in the same way, none of you can be my disciple unless he gives up all his possessions.'

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

St Jude's Parish—Liturgy Roster

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time —Year C— 13th and 14th of September 2025

First Reading: Number 21: 4-9	**Second Reading:** Phillippians 2: 6-11	**Gospel Reading:** John 3: 13-14	
	Saturday 6.00pm	**Sunday 8.30am**	**Sunday 10.30am**
Celebrant	Fr Jerald	Fr Jerald	Fr Jerald
Readers	Thomas Chan	Peter McCumstie	Nerina Marotta
	Susan Lim	Preama Pinto	Irene Walis
Communion Ministers	Daniel Vrsecky Jerome Hew Don Uberti	Peter Madden	Jenette Vijendra Louise Cooper Rebecca Dellisola
Mass Projectors	Stephanie Smyth	Megan Pinto	Tino Vijendra
Children's Liturgy			Jacklin and Molly
Altar Society	Nicole Moirt		
Church Cleaners	Filomena Uberti	Lucille Everetts	