

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."

Feast of the Holy Family—28th and 29th of December 2024



The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

On this day for the last time in the cycle of the liturgical year, the Church invites us to contemplate the mystery of Jesus' humble, hidden life. A feeling of close intimacy and tenderness characterizes this Feast and is expressed in the liturgy of the day: "... it is good for us to recall the little home at Nazareth and the humble life of those who lived there.... In it, Jesus learned Joseph's humble trade, and grew in age, and was happy sharing the work of a carpenter: 'Let the sweat,' He seemed to say, 'trickle over My limbs before they are drenched with the torrent of My Blood, and the pain of this labor shall go to atone for the sins of men!'" (Roman Breviary). Let us enter the little house; in the presence of such humility, which conceals Jesus' infinite Majesty, let us repeat the words of the sacred text: "Thou art indeed a hidden King, O God the Savior, King of Israel" (Roman Breviary).

Today's liturgy particularly emphasizes one typical aspect of the humble life of this hidden God: obedience. "Although He was the Son of God ... He learned to obey; He humbled Himself, becoming obedient even unto death" (Roman Breviary). From Bethlehem to Calvary obedience was His companion. The Gospel (Luke 2:42-52) stresses this obedience of Jesus at Nazareth in words which carry for all time the strength of their first utterance, "He was subject to them." Let us ask ourselves with St. Bernard, "Who obeyed? Whom did He obey?" The Saint replies, "God obeyed man! Yes, the God to whom the angels are subject ... was subject to Mary, and not only to Mary, but also to Joseph. For God to obey a woman is humility without parallel.... Learn then, man, to obey; learn, O earth, to be submissive. God subjected Himself to men; and do you, desiring to rule others,

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 Month 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.

Thank You.

Fr Jerald, The Parish Leadership Team and the Parish Community would like to thank all those who gave so much to the preparation for our Christmas Celebrations.

To all those who helped in any way to make this happen—THANK YOU.

We would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very Happy New Year .

New Year Prayer

As the dawn breaks on a new year, let us give thanks for all we hold dear: our health, our family and our friends.

Let us release our grudges, our anger and our pains, for these are nothing but binding chains. Let us live each day in the most loving ways, the God-conscious way. Let us serve all who are in need, regardless of race, colour or creed. Let us remember that we are all one, embracing all, discriminating against none.

May your year be filled with peace, prosperity and love. May God's blessings shower upon you and bestow upon each of you a bright, healthy and peaceful new year

HAPPY NEW YEAR

New Years Day Masses

Please note, there will be a New Years eve adoration at 11.30 and Midnight Mass held at St Simon's in Rowville. There will be a Morning Mass here at Scoresby on New Years Day—1st of January at 10.00am presided by Fr Jerald.

MASS TIMES:

Week Days:

Wed, Thu & Fri 9.15am

Weekends:

Sat 6pm, Sun 8.30 & 10.30am

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Tue—Fri 9am to 3.30pm

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RECONCILIATION

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Baptisms—1st SUN of the month—

for application form contact the parish office

SERVICES

Community Centre

Parish Office: 9763 7302

St. Vincent De Paul

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St Simon's & St Jude's Youth Group

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Parish Office

Please note, the Parish Office will be closed until the 1st of January. Staff will resume work on the 2nd of January 2024.

First Reading: Daniel 12:1-3

'At that time Michael will stand up, the great prince who mounts guard over your people. There is going to be a time of great distress, unparalleled since nations first came into existence. When that time comes, your own people will be spared, all those whose names are found written in the Book. Of those who lie sleeping in the dust of the earth many will awake, some to everlasting life, some to shame and everlasting disgrace. The learned will shine as brightly as the vault of heaven, and those who have instructed many in virtue, as bright as stars for all eternity.'

Second Reading: Hebrews 10:11-14, 18

All the priests stand at their duties every day, offering over and over again the same sacrifices which are quite incapable of taking sins away. Christ, on the other hand, has offered one single sacrifice for sins, and then taken his place for ever, at the right hand of God, where he is now waiting until his enemies are made into a footstool for him. By virtue of that one single offering, he has achieved the eternal perfection of all whom he is sanctifying. When all sins have been forgiven, there can be no more sin offerings.

Gospel: Mark 13:24-32

Jesus said to his disciples: 'In those days, after the time of distress, the sun will be darkened, the moon will lose its brightness, the stars will come falling from heaven and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in the clouds with great power and glory; then too he will send the angels to gather his chosen from the four winds, from the ends of the world to the ends of heaven.

'Take the fig tree as a parable: as soon as its twigs grow supple and its leaves come out, you know that summer is near. So with you, when you see these things happening: know that he is near, at the very gates. I tell you solemnly, before this generation has passed away all these things will have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. 'But as for that day or hour, nobody knows it, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son; no one but the Father.'

Sacramental Programs for children in Government Schools.

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

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 The Epiphany of the Lord- Year C

First Reading Isaiah 60:1-6 **Second Reading** Ephesians 3:2-3.5-6 **Gospel** Matthew 2:1-12

4th and 5th of January 25	Saturday 6pm	Sunday 8.30am	Sunday 10.30am
Celebrant	Fr Yoris	Fr Jerald	Fr Jerald
Readers:	Max Connors	Rosanna Kelaart	Louise Cooper
	Lauren Pereira	Prema Pinto	Nerina Marotta
Mass Projector	Lawrance	Bill Ta	Tino Vijendra
Childrens Liturgy	School Holidays	School Holidays	School Holidays
Altar Society	Rosanna Kelaart		
Church Cleaners	Rosanna Jumong		

VISIT TO THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

My God, I believe, I adore, I hope and I love Thee!

I ask pardon for those who do not believe, do not adore, do not hope and do not love Thee.

- The Angel of Peace of Fatima, Portugal

We ask for the peace and grace of Eternal Life for those who have recently died and those whose memories are sacred to us at this time especially: Adelaide Cordeiro, John Joseph Trainor, Chuang Hsu, Decima Miranda, Delima Francis Miranda, Franc Domantay, Jessie D. Eade, Lusitano Pereira, Agnese M Baron, Monica Wong, Jean –Pierre Latoie, Bernard Kennedy, Joseph Giorgio, Doreen Florence Johnson, Geoffrey Callander