St. Jude the Apostle Parish

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

Christ the King—22nd and 23rd of November 2025

Gospel Reflection – Luke 23:35–43

Today's Gospel places us at the foot of the Cross, witnessing the ultimate act of love and mercy. As Jesus hangs between two criminals, we see humanity in all its extremes — one mocking, one repentant. It is the repentant thief who speaks a simple, honest plea: "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom."

Jesus' response is immediate and full of grace: "Today you will be with me in Paradise." In these words, we see that no one is beyond the reach of God's mercy. Even in the final moments of life, a sincere heart that turns to Christ is met with forgiveness and hope.

This Gospel calls us to reflect on our own lives. How often do we recognize our need for God? How often do we trust in His mercy, even when we feel unworthy? Like the repentant thief, we are invited to place our hearts in Christ's hands, confident that His love transforms and redeems.

As we meditate on the Cross today, may we be reminded that God's mercy is always available, His love unending, and His invitation to paradise open to all who turn to Him with faith.

With every blessing: Fr Jerald



MASS TIMES:

Week Days: Wed, Thu 9.15am –Mass

Fri: 9.15am Communion

Service Weekends:

Sat 6pm, Sun 8.30 & 10.30am

OFFICE HOURS:

Tue—Fri 9am to 3.30pm

Our Priests

Parish Priest:

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SACRAMENTS:

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

All Other Sacraments: 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

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St Mary's College for the Deaf

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A warm welcome awaits all parishioners on Wednesday 26th
November from 9.30 am in the Parish Centre. Please come
along and enjoy a cuppa, a chat and a few laughs.
Any questions, please contact

Ann (0402 904 678) or Robyn (0407 324 117).

We look forward to your company

Fr Libeesh Is Away

Fr Libeesh will be away on holiday for the month of Nov. During this time Weekday masses will be:

Wed: 9.15am Thurs: 9.15am Mass Fri: 9.15am Communion Service.

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The Knitting Group

Will take place Wednesday 3rd December from 9.30—11am at the Parish reception centre. **Contact** Maureen 0417 634600



VISIT TO THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Only by entering into his embrace do we understand: we come to realize that God went to this extreme, even to the paradox of the cross, in order to embrace every one of us, no matter how far distant we may be from him...- **Pope Francis**

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: Ramona, Doreen Florence Johnson, Geoffrey Callander, Peter Henry James, Armando Cosentino, Brian Grace, Daniel O'Donohue, Don Clement Michael, Harry Poey, Maria Angelica Fernandes, Silvio Baldan, Deogracias Luna Jr, Leopoldinha Coutinho, Monica Wong, Noel & France D'Argent, Peter Wong, Robert Auld, Sean Matthew Doyle, John Martin, Andrew Prassinos, Gail Fernandes.



Thank you to everyone who joined us for the Memorial Mass to honor and pray for your loved ones. It was a tender and grace-filled moment for our community as we gathered to remember those who remain forever in our hearts. We pray you found comfort in being together, in the beauty of the liturgy and the promise of Christ! As Jesus said, "come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest' (Matthew11:28). May these words, renew your strength and gently remind you that, like butterflies emerging into light, our loved ones have been transformed into the fullness of God's life and love.

The butterfly we placed in their honor speaks powerfully of our Christian hope. Just as a butterfly emerges from the cocoon changed and lifted into newness, so too do our loved ones rise to a life beyond our sight. Their journey does not end—it becomes something beautifully renewed. And as St Paul reminds us, "hope does not disappoint," for God's love accompanies us through grief into the promise of eternal life.

A heartfelt thank you to all our volunteers whose dedication, creativity, and compassion shaped such a meaningful and hope-filled memorial. Your loving service created a space where sorrow and hope could meet, and where hearts could be lifted. May love guide you, hope strengthen you, and Christ's light continue.

Loving God, We come before You with hearts full of memory, gratitude, and longing. Hold close to Your heart all our loved ones who have gone before us. May they rest now in the light of Your presence, renewed, transformed, and embraced by Your eternal love. Just as the butterfly emerges from the cocoon, lift our spirits with the promise that life is changed, not ended. Renew in us the grace to trust that hope does not disappoint, for your love is ever faithful and Your mercy never fails. May love guide us, and may hope strengthen us, and may Your presence surround us always.

Amen

<u>Calling All Experienced Musicians – Pianists & Drummers!</u>

Our parish is in urgent need of pianists & drummers for the

6pm Christmas Eve Mass. If God has blessed you with musical gifts,
this is a beautiful chance to share them and help lead our
community in joyful celebration.

Your talent can make this Christmas unforgettable!

If you can help please contact Xavier or the parish office on 9763 7302



Combined Youth Mass- All Are Welcome!

Our Combined Youth Mass will be held every Sunday at St Simon's Church at 5.00pm. These Masses are specially celebrated for the youth of both our parishes, offering a space to come together in prayer, music, and fellowship.

We warmly invite all young people and their families to join us each Sunday at 5:00 PM.

First Reading 2 Samuel 5:1-3

All the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron. 'Look' they said 'we are your own flesh and blood. In days past when Saul was our king, it was you who led Israel in all their exploits; and the Lord said to you, "You are the man who shall be shepherd of my people Israel, you shall be the leader of Israel."' So all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron, and King David made a pact with them at Hebron in the presence of the Lord, and they anointed David king of Israel.

Second Reading—Colossians 1:12-20

We give thanks to the Father who has made it possible for you to join the saints and with them to inherit the light. Because that is what he has done: he has taken us out of the power of darkness and created a place for us in the kingdom of the Son that he loves, and in him, we gain our freedom, the forgiveness of our sins. He is the image of the unseen God and the first-born of all creation, for in him were created all things in heaven and on earth: everything visible and everything invisible, Thrones, Dominations, Sovereignties, Powers – all things were created through him and for him. Before anything was created, he existed, and he holds all things in unity. Now the Church is his body, he is its head. As he is the Beginning, he was first to be born from the dead, so that he should be first in every way; because God wanted all perfection to be found in him and all things to be reconciled through him and for him, everything in heaven and everything on earth, when he made peace by his death on the cross.

Gospel—Luke 23:35-43

The people stayed there before the cross watching Jesus. As for the leaders, they jeered at him. 'He saved others,' they said, 'let him save himself if he is the Christ of God, the Chosen One.' The soldiers mocked him too, and when they approached to offer him vinegar they said, 'If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself.' Above him there was an inscription: 'This is the King of the Jews.'

One of the criminals hanging there abused him. 'Are you not the Christ?' he said. 'Save yourself and us as well.' But the other spoke up and rebuked him. 'Have you no fear of God at all?' he said. 'You got the same sentence as he did, but in our case we deserved it: we are paying for what we did. But this man has done nothing wrong. Jesus,' he said, 'remember me when you come into your kingdom.' 'Indeed, I promise you,' he replied, 'today you will be with me in paradise.'

CHRISTMAS CAROLS & NATIVITY

We invite all children to be part of this year's Christmas Celebration through music, singing and the nativity story on the

24th December at 5.30pm!

Rehearsal's times, at St Jude's Scoresby Church

Saturday 29th Nov at 10.30am Sunday 7th Dec at 4pm, Saturday 13th Dec at 10.30am Sunday 21st Dec at 4pm All children are welcome!

Please add your child's name to the sign up sheet in the church foyer.

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 1st Sunday of Advent—Year C— 29th and 30th of November 2025 Gospel Reading: First Reading: Second Reading: Isaiah 2: 1-5 Romans 13: 11-14 Luke 24: 37-44 Saturday 6.00pm Sunday 8.30am Sunday 10.30am Celebrant Fr Shane Fr Shane Fr Shane Readers Thomas Chan Millicent Miranda Anita Ray **Max Connors** Tony McCumstie Stephanie Smyth **Communion Ministers** Ann Doyle Alan Horwood Lyn Grace Christine Hettiarachi, Irene Horwood. Rebecca Dellisola Jerome Hew Peter McCumstie Adel Medel Aidan **Mass Projectors** Diyen Hettiarachi Isabelle Raj Children's Liturgy Inggrid & Eunice Altar Society Amy David Church Cleaners Filomena Uberti & Lucille Everetts