

OUR MASS TIMES

Wed, Thurs: 9:15am Mass
Fri: 9.15am: Communion Service
Sat: 6.00pm Vigil Mass
Sun: 8.30am and 10.30am
**Sun: 5.00pm Charismatic Youth Mass
at St Simon's**

RECONCILIATION

Sat: 5.30pm - 5.50pm

OFFICE HOURS

Tue - Fri: 9am - 3.30pm

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Mass Times



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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 the Lord with joy
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26th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

26/27 SEPTEMBER 2026 | Year A

Matthew 21:31 | "I tell you solemnly, tax collectors and prostitutes are making their way into the kingdom of God before you."

A Change of Heart

The Gospel presents us with two sons who receive the same invitation from their father: "Go and work in the vineyard today." One initially says no, but later thinks better of it and goes. The other says yes, but does not follow through.

Jesus challenges us to look beyond our words and consider the response of our hearts.

There are times when we may say no to God. We may resist His invitation because we are uncertain, distracted, hurt or simply not ready. Yet the Gospel reminds us that our first response does not have to be our final response. We can think again. We can change direction. We can open our hearts to God and take a different path.

This is at the heart of conversion. God does not ask us to have everything worked out before we respond to Him. He meets us where we are and continually invites us into a deeper relationship with Him.

The words of Jesus are challenging because those who appeared to be far from

God were the ones who eventually believed and responded to His invitation. Their lives were changed because they were open to hearing the call.

Perhaps this Gospel invites us to ask ourselves: Where is God inviting me to change direction? Is there something He has been asking of me that I have been reluctant to embrace?

Discipleship is not about getting everything right. It is about having a heart that remains open to God — willing to listen, to change and to take the next step. **Sometimes the most important "yes" we give God is the one that comes after we have first said no.**

Each day, God invites us into His vineyard. What matters is not simply what we say, but whether our lives become a response to His invitation.

A change of heart can become the beginning of a new response to God.

**In Christ,
Fr Jerald**

STEP INTO SPRING DINNER DANCE

Dinner Dance Update

We are delighted that so many of you have booked for our upcoming Dinner Dance on 10 October 2026.

For those who have reserved tickets, we kindly ask that payment be made in full as soon as possible, as we are now finalising numbers for the event.

Your tickets will be available for collection from our committee members at the front desk in the foyer.

Thank you, and we look forward to seeing you there!



St Jude's Men's Social Gathering is Back!

All men are warmly invited to the first gathering of our renewed
St Jude's Men's Social Group on
Friday, 2 October at 7.00 pm
in the **Old Tennis Club Rooms**.

Come along for a chat, fellowship,
and a bite to eat. **BYO drinks.**

For more information, please contact
Don Uberti on **0419 541 044**.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Social Gathering

Saturday
3 October

The evenings are brighter and the weather warmer so why not stay a while after the 6pm Mass for our social gathering in the church foyer.

This gathering provides a perfect opportunity for parishioners to come together, connect, and enjoy one another's company.

Please bring a small plate to share for a light supper.

Tea, coffee, soft drink and wine provided.

Please join us following the Youth Mass.



2026 Combined Catholic Parishes Raffle

Thank you to all that took Raffle Tickets.

We are waiting for 95 books to be returned. If you have not yet returned ticket butts, can please do so to the Parish Office or to the Collector at each Mass **in the next week**.

Thank you.

Multicultural Rosary Adoration & Benediction

Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary
Wed, 7 October 2026 | 7.30–8.30pm
St Jude's Church

Come and honour Jesus and Mary in an evening of prayer and devotion.

- Candle-lit Procession
- Multicultural Rosary in 10 languages
- Adoration & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

Following Our Lady's request at Fatima, we come together in prayer, asking that people throughout our world may turn to God and renew their faith.

All are warmly invited.

Enquiries: Sr Maureen | 0410 755 972

First Saturday Devotion to Our Lady on 3 October



Rosary and Benediction: 8:45am

Holy Mass: 9:15am

Place: St Jude's Parish Church,
George St Scoresby

WE PRAY FOR

Our Prayers are asked for those who have died recently and those whose memories are sacred to us at this time: Magdalene Peries, Prasanna Peries, Joseph Wang, Gregory Myles Kellett, Jeanette Barbara Jenkins, Robert Rossato, Margaret H Ellison, Ah-khoon Teh, Mel Hodges, Antoinette Matchado, Domenico Carbone, Tessy Moses, Luisito De Leon, Lottie Lewis, Elena Lancuba,

Olivewood Religious Items from Bethlehem

On 3 & 4 October, there will be a display of handcrafted olivewood religious items available for purchase after ALL masses.



These items are handcrafted in Bethlehem, the Holy Land, by Catholic families.

Your purchase helps support these families and contributes to

preserving the Holy Sites in Bethlehem.

More than 600 families rely on this work as their main source of income.

However, with the ongoing conflict, hardly any pilgrims are visiting Bethlehem.

By purchasing these items, you are offering much-needed support to the Christian community in Bethlehem and helping to keep the faith alive in the Holy Land.



VISIT TO THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

"How sweet did it suddenly become to me to be free of the sweets of folly -things that I once feared to lose, it was now joy to put away."— *The Confessions of St Augustine*

The Knitting Group

takes place every first and third Wednesday each month.

Our next meetup is
Wednesday, 7 October
from 9.30—11am at the
Parish reception center.

Contact Maureen
0417 634 600



GOT A POOL TABLE TO DONATE?

Our **Men's Social Group** is looking for
a pool table .

If you have a pool table you no longer
need, we would love to hear from you!

Can you help?

Please contact the Parish Office.

65 Years as a Vincentian, Bernie Fewster



For 65 years, Bernie has faithfully
served the St Vincent de Paul Society,
beginning his journey at just 14 years of
age.

His first involvement was helping prepare
parcels of donated clothing, fruit and
vegetables from the garage of Fr Ryan's
home, at a time when there was not yet a
church or presbytery. At 18, Bernie
officially joined the **St Michael's
Conference**, beginning a lifelong
commitment to serving others.

Over the years, Bernie's Vincentian
journey has taken him through **St
Michael's, St Joseph's Boronia, St
Jude's Scoresby and Our Lady of
Lourdes, Bayswater**. He generously
gave his time and leadership, serving as
President for many years and helping
establish and strengthen Conferences
along the way.

Even when Bernie thought it was time to
step back, he was often called upon to
help — and his "temporary" commitments
somehow became years of service!

Although he has now stepped away from
full-time Conference responsibilities,
Bernie continues to serve at the
**St Jude's Piety Stall after the 10.30am
Sunday Mass**.

***Congratulations, Bernie, on
65 remarkable years of Vincentian
service. Your faithfulness, generosity
and commitment are an inspiration to
us all.***



A FAITH FORMATION
initiative by St Jude's
and St Simon's



IS THERE MORE??

Do you have questions
about life and faith?

Would you like to
understand more deeply?

Would you like to feel more
confident talking about faith
with others?

SYCAMORE

Sycamore creates a
relaxed space to
explore through
connection, content and
conversation.

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**Come curious.
Come as you are.**

Thursday, 8 October 7pm
in St Simon's Parish Centre,
2 Taylors Ln, Rowville

Everyone is welcome.

SCAN TO
REGISTER



Hospitality is at the heart of St Jude's

Since our parish was established in
1974, hospitality has always played
an integral part in the community, a
tradition that proudly continues
today.

Our hospitality group is all about
bringing the members of our parish
family together for friendly catch-ups,
shared companionship and support.
We love keeping everyone
connected with our **movie days,**
card making days, social

**gathering Saturdays and casual
"cuppa and chat" mornings.** These
gatherings are a wonderful way to
make sure no one misses out on the
fun or feels isolated. We would love to
see you there; details of events are
always posted in the newsletter.

**Did you know that the hospitality
team is there to provide a
comforting and supportive hand
with funeral catering following the
service at St Jude's?** During a time

when support is needed most, we are
only a phone call away.

We have a wonderful group of
volunteers, but we always welcome
new members to our team. There are
many ways in which you can help:
making a plate of sandwiches, baking
a cake, serving tea, or just sitting
down for a friendly chat.

We would love to have you on board!

Ann and Robyn
(0402 904 678 – 0407 324 117)

First Reading: *Ezekiel 18:25-28*

The word of the Lord was addressed to me as follows: ‘You object, “What the Lord does is unjust.” Listen, you House of Israel: is what I do unjust? Is it not what you do that is unjust? When the upright man renounces his integrity to commit sin and dies because of this, he dies because of the evil that he himself has committed. When the sinner renounces sin to become law-abiding and honest, he deserves to live. He has chosen to renounce all his previous sins; he shall certainly live; he shall not die.’

Responsorial Psalm 24

Remember your mercies, O Lord.

Second Reading: *Philippians 2:1-11*

If our life in Christ means anything to you, if love can persuade at all, or the Spirit that we have in common, or any tenderness and sympathy, then be united in your convictions and united in your love, with a common purpose and a common mind. That is the one thing

which would make me completely happy. There must be no competition among you, no conceit; but everybody is to be self-effacing. Always consider the other person to be better than yourself, so that nobody thinks of his own interests first but everybody thinks of other people’s interests instead. In your minds you must be the same as Christ Jesus: His state was divine, yet he did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave, and became as men are; and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia! My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me. Alleluia!

Gospel: *Matthew 21:28-32*

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, ‘What is your opinion? A man had two sons. He went and said to the first, “My boy, you go and work in the vineyard today.” He answered, “I will not go,” but afterwards thought better of it and went. The man then went and said the same thing to the second who answered, “Certainly, sir,” but did not go. Which of the two did the father’s will?’ ‘The first’ they said. Jesus said to them, ‘I tell you solemnly, tax collectors and prostitutes are making their way into the kingdom of God before you. For John came to you, a pattern of true righteousness, but you did not believe him, and yet the tax collectors and prostitutes did. Even after seeing that, you refused to think better of it and believe in him.’

Blessing of Pets at St Simon’s

Join us as we celebrate the Feast of St Francis of Assisi, patron saint of animals and creation, with a special Blessing of Pets.

Sunday 4 October @St Simon’s Parish, 2 Taylors Ln, Rowville, 4.00pm

All pets and their families are welcome!

Please assemble with your pets on the School Netball Courts before 4pm.

Please ensure your pets are safely supervised and cared for throughout the outing. (Dogs on a leash).

Come and give thanks for the gift of creation and the joy and companionship our pets bring into our lives.

St Francis of Assisi, pray for us.



NEXT WEEKEND ROSTER		27th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — 4 OCTOBER 2026 Isaiah 5:1-7, Philippians 4:6-9, Matthew 21:33-43	
MASS TIMES	3 OCT, SATURDAY 6.00PM	4 OCT, SUNDAY 8.30AM	4 OCT, SUNDAY 10.30AM
Celebrant	Fr Jerald	Fr Jerald	Fr Jerald
Commentator	Aidan	Rosanna Kelaart	Louise Cooper
Reader	Rosalen/Roberto	Prema Pinto	Irene Wallis
Communion Ministers	Filomena Uberti	Francis Joachim	Lynette Grace
	Rosary Pereira	Bernard Dias	Norma Geronimo
	Susan Lim	Megan Pinto	Adel Medel
Projectionist	Diyen Hettiarachi	Megan Pinto	Merin
Children’s Liturgy			No Children’s Liturgy
Altar Society	Amy David	Church Cleaners	Volunteer Needed