

First Reading: Jeremiah 20:7-9

You have seduced me, Lord, and I have let myself be seduced; you have overpowered me: you were the stronger. I am a daily laughing-stock, everybody's butt. Each time I speak the word, I have to howl and proclaim: 'Violence and ruin!' The word of the Lord has meant for me insult, derision, all day long. I used to say, I will not think about him, I will not speak in his name any more. Then there seemed to be a fire burning in my heart, imprisoned in my bones. The effort to restrain it wearied me, I could not bear it.

Responsorial Psalm:

Ps 62:2-6. 8-9. R. v.2

(R.) My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

1. O God, you are my God, for you I long; for you my soul is thirsting. My body pines for you like a dry, weary land without water **(R.)**
2. So I gaze on you in the sanctuary to see your strength and your glory. For your love is better than life, my lips will speak your praise. **(R.)**
3. So I will bless you all my life, in your name I will lift up my hands. My soul shall be filled as with a banquet, my mouth shall praise you with joy. **(R.)**
4. For you have been my help; in the shadow of your wings I rejoice. My soul clings to you; your right hand holds me fast. **(R.)**

Second Reading: Romans 12:1-2

Think of God's mercy, my brothers, and worship him, I beg you, in a way that is worthy of thinking beings, by offering your living bodies as a holy sacrifice, truly pleasing to God. Do not model yourselves on the behaviour of the world around you, but let your behaviour change, modelled by your new mind. This is the only way to discover the will of God and know what is good, what it is that God wants, what is the perfect thing to do.

Gospel Acclamation: See Ephesians 1:17-18

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart, that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called.

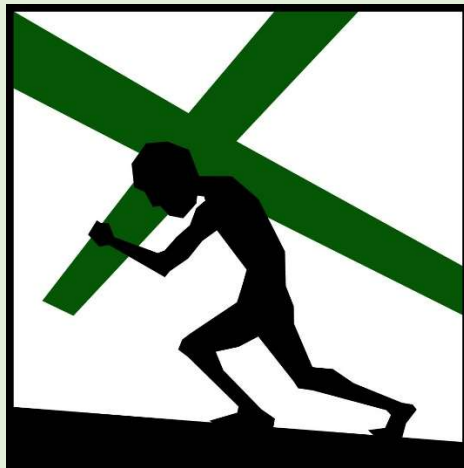
Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 16:21-27

Jesus began to make it clear to his disciples that he was destined to go to Jerusalem and suffer grievously at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, to be put to death and to be raised up on the third day. Then, taking him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. 'Heaven preserve you, Lord,' he said. 'This must not happen to you.' But he turned and said to Peter, 'Get behind me, Satan! You are an obstacle in my path, because the way you think is not God's way but man's.' Then Jesus said to his disciples, 'If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it. What, then, will a man gain if he wins the whole world and ruins his life? Or what has a man to offer in exchange for his life? 'For the Son of Man is going to come in the glory of his Father with his angels, and, when he does, he will reward each one according to his behaviour.'

Communion Antiphon: Psalm 30:20

How great is the goodness, Lord, that you keep for those who fear you.



Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA

The gospel does not say that Jesus will gallantly step forward, take suffering upon himself, and thus demonstrate his power. Instead, his fate will be a demonstration of his vulnerability. He will be taken forcibly and will suffer at the hands of others. He will do this willingly, but not as a volunteer. Jesus will be a victim. This picture of Jesus carries implications for discipleship. Whoever follows him must follow him to the cross. If we participate in his success, we must also share in his shame. Disciples have a choice to follow or not to follow, but if they choose in his favour they must be ready for suffering and humiliation.

Paul exhorts us to reject the standards of the world. This is a very difficult path to follow, especially when it seems that those who conform to this age prosper. Following Christ can place barriers between ourselves and others. If we no longer share their values and their interests, we may feel alienated. Suffering is bound to invade our ministerial lives as well. We must remember that Jesus' message antagonised many people in his day. Those who proclaim the same message in their own contexts must be prepared for a similar reaction.

After witnessing the marvellous feats that Jesus accomplished, we discover that he is going to suffer and be put to death. How can this be? With Peter we protest. With Jeremiah we wonder: Have we been duped? The realisation that we too will have to suffer becomes a crucial test of our faith.



ST. JUDE'S PARISH – LANGWARRIN

"May mercy, peace and love be yours in abundance" - Jude 1:2

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Year A 29/30 AUGUST 2026

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Tuesdays

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8.30 am – 1:30 pm

MASS TIMES

Tuesday – 01 Sep 2026

6.00pm – 6.30pm:

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament,
Rosary and Divine Mercy Prayer
(Priest available for confession)

6.30pm – 6.45pm:

Silent Adoration

6.45pm – 7.00pm:

Devotion to St. Jude and Reposition of the
Blessed Sacrament
Mass: 7.00pm

Wednesday to Saturday

02 – 05 Sep 26

Mass: 9.30am

Weekend Mass

05 Sep 2026

Saturday Vigil 6.30pm

06 Sep 2026

Sunday 8.30am & 10.00am

RECONCILIATION

Priest available for Confession on Saturdays
after 9.30 am Mass

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**For the Son of Man is going to come in the glory of his Father
with his angels**

Matthew 16:27

Next Sunday's Readings – Twenty-third in Ordinary Time – Year A (06th September 2026)

1st Reading: Ezekiel 33:7-9

2nd Reading: Romans 13:8-10

Gospel: Matthew 18:15-20

PARISH MINISTRIES & NOTICES

NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER			
5/6 September 2026 Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A	Saturday Vigil	Sunday	
	6.30pm	8.30 am	10.00 am
Leader	Roshan Kallakkavumkel	J. Paglia	F. McCrae
Reader	A. Talbot	D. Cachia	N. Crowe
Special Ministers	M. Burke	D. Balcke	K. Uden
Meet and greet	Volunteer Required	A. Miles	M. Staffa

PRAYING FOR THE SICK IN OUR COMMUNITY

We also pray for all those who are sick, Joan Burrowes, Janice Garac, Liz & Robert Yole, Jeff Balcke, Martin and Kris Corcoran, Bill Warner, Christine Suriano, Jim Drinan, Isaac de Figueredo and all our family, friends and parishioners that they may feel God’s healing love.

RECENTLY DECEASED:

ANNIVERSARY: Mary Gibson

If you would like to offer a Mass for a loved one, please contact the parish office

LAST WEEK’S COLLECTION
1ST COLLECTION - PRESBYTERY
\$604.70 <i>This collection supports the priest in our parish.</i>
2ND COLLECTION - THANKSGIVING OFFERING
(not including the Direct debts and card payments)
\$474.80 <i>This collection goes towards the running costs of the Parish (staff wages, utilities, insurance, cleaning, etc).</i>
SPECIAL COLLECTION
None

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You can set up a recurring donation with your credit card or bank account by contacting the parish office.



Please send any Newsletter related announcements before Wednesday 1.30 pm to langwarrin@cam.org.au

**ST GREGORY THE GREAT
POPE AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH**

3 SEPTEMBER

Gregory the Great was born in Rome in 540 AD. He used his own money to establish monasteries in Rome and Sicily, and became a monk at the age of 35. In 590 he became the first monk to be elected pope and the first pope to take the name Gregory. He was known as a great statesman and is accounted the fourth of the great Latin doctors of the church. His influence on church music gave rise to plainsong becoming known as Gregorian chant. Gregory was the father of the medieval papacy and was instrumental in helping Western Europe rise from the ashes of the fallen Roman Empire. He referred to himself as ‘the servant of the servants of God’, a term which popes have used ever since.

DID YOU KNOW?

Points of interest and Catholic lore

- This text marks the beginning of the fourth major section of Matthew’s Gospel, which follows Jesus’ journey to Jerusalem and death.
- The word *Satan* originally meant ‘adversary’ or ‘accuser’. Later it came to mean personified evil. Here Jesus uses it figuratively of Peter, who does not yet understand the meaning of Jesus’ mission.
- The name Peter comes from the Latin word for ‘rock’. In last week’s gospel, Jesus named Peter as the rock on which the Church would be built. In this week’s gospel, that rock has become a stumbling block in Jesus’ path!

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DRAWN: Saturday 5th December 2026 at 7:00pm at Holy Trinity Parish 844 Centre Rd Bentleigh East

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SAFEGUARDING ESSENTIALS TRAINING AND CODE OF CONDUCT

A reminder to all volunteers, in all parish ministries, that you are required by the Safeguarding Standards to have a Working with Children Check (WWCC), have signed a Code of Conduct Declaration (CoC) and have completed the Safeguarding Essentials Training. The training, which helps you to understand your role, is to be done on commencement as a volunteer and every three years. You can complete the training module electronically and sign the CoC Declaration at the same time by going to the Archdiocese website www.safeguarding.melbournecatholic.org Please contact the parish office. If you need any assistance.

VOLUNTEERS – WWCC/POLICE CHECK

Please make sure that your WWCC/POLICE CHECK documents are current, that is, have not expired, and copies made available to the Parish Office.

Mass & Celebration

30TH AUGUST 2026

You are warmly invited to attend Mass at 10:00am on Sunday 30th August 2026 as we give thanks to God and celebrate the contributions that the following parishioners have made to St Jude’s Parish:

- John Prince – former Parish Pastoral Council member
- Ivan Grzan – former Parish Pastoral Council & Parish Finance Committee member
- Emma Allitt – former Parish Finance Committee member
- John McMillan – former Parish Finance Committee member
- Liliana van der Zyppe – assisting with washing & caring for the linens used at Mass – retiring from this ministry.
- Pauline Barclay – assisting with preparation of families for infant Baptism – retiring from this ministry.

Through their dedication, generosity, and faithful service, each of these parishioners has been a blessing to St Jude’s and to our parish community. We invite you to join us in thanking them for their commitment and to recognise their generous contributions.

Following mass, light refreshments will be served in the parish hall.

Please RSVP by completing this form on or before Sunday 23rd August 2026.

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ONLINE INFORMATION SESSION ON THE PERMANENT DIACONATE

The permanent diaconate is open to single and married men, aged from 30 into their 50’s, who want to serve God and the Church as ordained ministers. The information session is open to everyone interested in knowing more about the permanent diaconate.

Online Diaconate information meeting

Tuesday, 22 September 2026 beginning 19:00 – 20:00 Location: via ZOOM

Attendance will be by invitation. Express your interest by emailing Deacon Kevin Pattison Kevin.Pattison@cam.org.au

In the week before the session the ZOOM link will be sent to those who have expressed interest.

Open LUNCH Gathering

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Everyone is warmly invited to our next **Open Lunch Gathering!**

VENUE: Trios Bistro 30 Grant Street, Cranbourne

DATE: Wednesday 2nd September

TIME: 12.00pm

This is an informal social gathering where parishioners and friends come together to enjoy lunch, conversation and fellowship. It is open to everyone, and there is no need to be a regular attendee to join us.

A sign-up sheet is available in the church foyer for those wishing to attend.

We look forward to sharing this enjoyable time *together!*

MATTHEW 16:27

FOR THE SON OF MAN IS GOING TO COME IN THE GLORY OF HIS FATHER WITH HIS ANGELS.

THE PROMISE Jesus will return in glory as the Son of Man.

THE GLORY He will come with the glory of His Father and with His angels.

THE MEANING This is our hope and our call to live faithfully, ready for His coming.

“For the Son of Man is going to come in the glory of his Father with his angels.”

LET US LIVE EACH DAY IN FAITH, *hope and readiness.*

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YEAR A | 30 AUGUST 2026

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