

## Groups and Meetings

**BAPTISM PREPARATION:** 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month 2.00pm at St Peter's College. Registration: Parish Office or visit our website.  
**RCIA:** For adults interested to join the Catholic Faith. Classes to begin soon. For enquiries, contact Joy Andriaanse on 5991 5669.  
**RCIC:** For older children who have not completed their Sacraments at St Agatha's Providence House, Cranbourne. Enq: Fiona 5998 0947.  
**YOUTH GROUP:** Meets twice a month at St Peter's College. For more enquiries, contact the parish office.  
**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (R.E.):** For children who are in non-catholic schools. Every Wednesday at St Agatha's Parish Hall, Cranbourne, 4.00pm – 5.00pm. Enq: Fiona 5998 0947

**Mass Intentions**

**Saturday (1/6) 6.00pm:** Thanksgiving (Chamanthi)  
**Sunday (2/6) 9.00am:** Thanksgiving (Ani & Tom)  
**Sunday (2/6) 10.45am:** People of the parish  
**Tuesday (4/6): No Mass**  
**Wednesday (5/6) 9.15am:** Jayani Jeevananda (B'day remb)  
**Thursday (6/6) 9.15am:** Available (Pls see Fr Denis or call the parish office)  
**Friday (7/6) 9.15am:** Souls in Purgatory  
**Saturday (8/6) 9.15am:** Available (Pls see Fr Denis or call the parish office)  
**Recently Deceased:** Kevin O'Bryan, John Rohan  
**Death Anniversary/Remembrance:** Monsignor Edward Hynes & Fr James Byrne

**Parish Council Members:**  
 Fr Denis, Vivian Crasto, Dezlene Orchard, Fale Salu, Neil Mendes, Mick Ryan, Jonathan Rubite, Shiran Jayamaha, Tom Joseph and Colleen Johnson.

**Parish Finance Members:**  
 Fr Denis, Heidi Keel, Sinclair Thomas, Patrick Ross, Helene Jayamaha, Peter Gomez, Vincent Willatgamuwa

Rosters	1/6	2/6		8/6	9/6	
	6.00pm	9.00am	10.45am	6.00pm	9.00am	10.45am
Lectors	Orestes Jr Quito	Rita Scicluna	Jordan Salu	Patrick Ross	Priscilla Crasto	Andrew Shulberg
Extraordinary Ministers	Shey Rubite, Christine Fernandez, Manni Vailamanni	Mary Garoni, Fred Garoni, Declan Floyd	Dezlene Orchard, Naomi Ioane, Fale Salu	Maureen Morris, Vimi Pinto, Fraulin Mendes	Maureen Morris, Julie Sheedy, Michael Ryan	Dino Jaboli, Neil Teanio, Amanda Ah Colt
Welcomers	Dalreen & Sinclair	Vivian and Alisha Crasto	TBA	Vailmanni Carvalho	Carrien and Ted Wynen	TBA
Children's Liturgy		TBA	Christine Salu		Flora Bitoin and Sala Fatialofa	TBA
Morning Tea		Jose and Flora Bitoin			Tom and Ani Vellaramkunnel	
Next week's readings:	Acts 2:1-11		Rom 8:8-17	John 14:15-16, 23-26		

**New Parishioner Registration (to return, drop this form in the Parish Office Box at Church or the Parish Office):**

Please complete this card so that we register you as a parishioner and send you a welcome letter

Please circle – Mr/Mrs/Ms/Miss

CHRISTIAN NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ SURNAME: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ MOBILE: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

OCCUPATION: \_\_\_\_\_ RELIGION: \_\_\_\_\_

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ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like to join the Stewardship Program and support the parish financially? YES / NO

If Yes, please select one from the following: ENVELOPES / CREDIT CARD / DIRECT DEBIT

Weekly / Fortnightly / Monthly / Other (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

**CHILDREN INFORMATION:** (please attach paper for additional children)

FIRST NAME	SURNAME	SEX	RELIGION	BIRTH DATE	OCCUPATION/SCHOOL NAME



# St Thomas the Apostle

## Catholic Parish, Clyde North

**Church:** St Peter's College, 55 MacKillop Way, Cnr Heather Grove, Clyde North  
**Parish Priest:** Fr Denis O'Bryan EV  
**Parish Office:** 50 Heather Grove, Cranbourne East (PO Box 6089, Clyde VIC 3978)  
**Parish Office Hours:** Tuesday – Friday 9.00am – 3.00pm  
**Parish Office Phone:** 5998 0947  
**Email:** parish@stthomasap.org.au **Website:** www.stthomasap.org.au **FB:** www.facebook.com/stthomasap  
**Parish Secretaries:** Christine Salu **Email:** Clydenorth.Secretary1@cdsale.org.au & Fiona Goh **Email:** Clydenorth.Secretary2@cdsale.org.au  
**Parish Safety Officer:** Corralee Floyd (Wednesday 9.00am – 3.00pm) **Email:** Clydenorth.Safety@cdsale.org.au

***"My Lord and My God!"***

***WELCOME TO OUR MASS***  
 ASCENSION OF THE LORD (Year C) – 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2019



**Masses & Reconciliation Times**

**Sunday Mass**  
 (Masses celebrated at St. Peter's College, 55 MacKillop Way, Clyde North. Entrance via Heather Grove)  
**Saturday Mass:** 6.00pm  
**Sunday Mass:** 9.00am & 10.45am

**Weekday Masses**  
 Weekday Masses are at Blue Hills Chapel unless stated otherwise.

Monday (3/6): No Mass  
 Tuesday (4/6): No Mass  
 Wednesday (5/6): 9.15am  
 Thursday (6/6): 9.15am at St Peter's College Clyde North  
 Friday (7/6): 9.15am  
 Saturday (8/6): 9.15am followed by Reconciliation, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Recitation of the Holy Rosary

**Baptism**  
 Sunday at 12noon.  
 Baptism Preparation: 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month. Register at the Parish Office

**Reconciliation**  
 Friday & Saturday: 9.45am after morning Mass at Blue Hills Chapel  
 Saturday: 5.30pm before evening Mass at St Peter's College

**Parish Schools**

**St Thomas the Apostle Primary School**  
 5 Fiorelli Boulevard, Cranbourne East  
 Phone: 5998 9293  
 Principal: Mr Brendan Marrinon

**St Peter's Secondary College (Clyde North Campus)**  
 55 MacKillop Way, Clyde North  
 Phone: 5990 7777  
 Principal: Mr Chris Black

***Prayer of Saint Thomas the Apostle***

*Glorious Saint Thomas, Your love for Jesus, and faith in Him as your Lord and God, are an inspiration for all who seek Jesus. You gave up your life for Him as an Apostle, and as a missionary. You encourage us to be courageous in giving witness to our faith and in proclaiming the Gospel. You lead us to be missionary in our endeavours. As our patron, pray for us as we build a new Catholic Church in Clyde North. We ask your intercession that we may spend ourselves in the service of Jesus and His mission. Under your watchful care may we grow in faith, and generously use our talents, gifts and vision in the service of Christ Jesus, and in love for our neighbour.*

*St Thomas the Apostle  
 Pray For Us*

## First Reading

Acts 1:1-11

In my earlier work, Theophilus, I dealt with everything Jesus had done and taught from the beginning until the day he gave his instructions to the apostles he had chosen through the Holy Spirit, and was taken up to heaven. He had shown himself alive to them after his Passion by many demonstrations: for forty days he had continued to appear to them and tell them about the kingdom of God. When he had been at table with them, he had told them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for what the Father had promised. 'It is' he had said 'what you have heard me speak about: John baptised with water but you, not many days from now, will be baptised with the Holy Spirit.' Now having met together, they asked him, 'Lord, has the time come? Are you going to restore the kingdom of Israel?' He replied, 'It is not for you to know times or dates that the Father has decided by his own authority, but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you, and then you will be my witnesses not only in Jerusalem but throughout Judaea and Samaria, and indeed to the ends of the earth'. As he said this he was lifted up while they looked on, and a cloud took him from their sight. They were still staring into the sky when suddenly two men in white were standing near them and they said, 'Why are you men from Galilee standing here looking into the sky? Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven, this same Jesus will come back in the same way as you have seen him go there.'

The word of the Lord.

## Responsorial Psalm

*R. God goes up with shouts of joy; the Lord goes up with trumpet blast.*

All peoples, clap your hands, cry to God with shouts of joy! For the Lord, the Most High, we must fear, great king over all the earth. **R**

God goes up with shouts of joy; the Lord goes up with trumpet blast. Sing praise for God, sing praise, sing praise to our king, sing praise. **R.**

God is king of all the earth. Sing praise with all your skill. God is king over the nations; God reigns on his holy throne. **R.**

## Second Reading

Eph 1:17-23

May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give you a spirit of wisdom and perception of what is revealed, to bring you to full knowledge of him. May he enlighten the eyes of your mind so that you can see what hope his call holds for you, what rich glories he has promised the saints will inherit and how infinitely great is the power that he has exercised for us believers. This you can tell from the strength of his power at work in Christ, when he used it to raise him from the dead and to make him sit at his right hand, in heaven, far above every Sovereignty, Authority, Power, or Domination, or any other name that can be named, not only in this age, but also in the age to come. He has put all things under his feet, and made him, as the ruler of everything, the head of the Church; which is his body, the fullness of him who fills the whole creation.

The word of the Lord.

## Gospel Acclamation

*Alleluia, alleluia! Go, make disciples of all the nations; I am with you always; yes, to the end of time. Alleluia!*

## Gospel

Lk 24:46-53

Jesus said to his disciples: 'You see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witness to this. 'And now I am sending down to you what the Father has promised. Stay in the city then, until you are clothed with the power from on high.' Then he took them out as far as the outskirts of Bethany, and lifting up his hands he blessed them. Now as he blessed them, he withdrew from them and was carried up to heaven. They worshipped him and then went back to Jerusalem full of joy; and they were continually in the Temple praising God.

The Gospel of the Lord.

## Memorial Acclamation

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

## Message from our Parish Priest

### Dear Parishioner

The past week has been a sad one for my family with the sudden death of my brother Kevin last Sunday morning. I wish to express my gratitude and that of my brothers and sisters for your many kind thoughts and prayers, both at the news of Kevin's death and at his funeral during the week. They have been a source of great consolation for us. Thank you!!!  
In the sadness of death, we are encouraged by our Christian hope. This Sunday we celebrate the Ascension of Jesus into heaven. St Augustine writes, *"Let our hearts ascend with him... Out of compassion for us he descended from heaven, and although he ascended alone, we also ascend, because we are with him by grace."*  
As he grew older Pope St John XXIII wrote to his niece Giuseppina (in 1954), *"As our years increase we become accustomed to the thought that we only lent to this world, and so, without losing our joy in life and our wish to serve our neighbour, we find that in the depths of our hearts we are enjoying the love of Jesus which gives us life and makes us holy."*  
May God bless you all, Fr Denis

**ST PETER'S COLLEGE:** The relationship between St Peter's College and St Thomas the Apostle Parish has been strong since its beginning. The College is an outstanding place for the education and formation in faith of the young people of our parish. At the 10.45am Mass this Sunday we welcome staff and student leaders of St Peter's College giving us the opportunity to express the deep gratitude that we have for their dedication and the witness of their faith.

## Plenary Council "Year of Listening and Discernment"

### Diocesan Pilgrimage in St John's Parish, Koo Wee Rup

Plenary Council website: [www.plenarycouncil.com.au](http://www.plenarycouncil.com.au)

## Notice

### PARISH STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM 2019

Welcome to the first weekend of our Parish Stewardship Program. The Program recognizes that 'Parishes are the Heartbeat of the Church' and will challenge us to reflect on what it means to be a member of our St Thomas the Apostle Parish community. We encourage you to be actively involved – read the materials, listen to the speakers and follow the Program on the parish website and our parish Facebook. Reflect, pray about and discuss the themes and topics with your family, friends and fellow parishioners. This weekend we will hear from some of our Parishioners who have kindly accepted to be on the Program Leadership Team. They will also introduce a special message of welcome from the Bishop of the Sale diocese, Bishop Pat O'Regan. Members of the Program Leadership Team will be distributing copies of the Program brochure and Groups & Ministry listing at all Masses – you may have already received your copies by email and copies can also be viewed and downloaded from the parish website. **PARISH 'OUR FUTURE' FORUM**  
A reminder that all parishioners are warmly invited to a special event as part of the Program – the **Our Future Forum on Wednesday 19 June at 7.30pm**. It will be a great opportunity to contribute to the discussion on our priorities for the future.

### **POPE FRANCIS SAYS**

*"The Church must be a place of mercy freely given, where everyone can feel welcomed, loved, forgiven and encouraged to live the good life of the Gospel"* Evangelii Gaudium 114

Together we pray for the success of the Program.

### ***Stewardship Program Prayer***

*Lord, we thank you for calling us to be your Church. Through our Baptism we are called to service and to witness. In the Eucharist we sustain and strengthen that call. By serving others we follow your example and proclaim our beliefs. By our Christian generosity we demonstrate our love and care. Lord, help us always to worship you as you deserve, to grow in faith and service and to give without counting the cost.*

*We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen*

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT** – After 1<sup>st</sup> June Saturday 6.00pm Mass.

**YOUTH MEETING** – our parish Zion Youth group will be meeting up on 7<sup>th</sup> June 7.30pm at St Peter's College Clyde North on the ground floor. All youths welcome.

**Building a CHILD SAFE ENVIRONMENT WORKSHOPS** - The Diocese has contracted CatholicCare to deliver a series of workshops throughout the Diocese, which are intended to build on work that has already taken place throughout the Diocese. It is aimed at all parish staff and volunteers, leaders, Priests and Deacons. It is up to the individual which workshop they attend and you are only requested to attend one 2.5 hour workshop. Registration at <https://www.sale.catholic.org.au/> or [www.ccam.org.au/chiltsafetraining](http://www.ccam.org.au/chiltsafetraining). For enquiries, please contact our Parish Safety Officer at the parish office or email [clydenorth.safety@cdsale.org.au](mailto:clydenorth.safety@cdsale.org.au).

Workshops open for bookings are:

Cranbourne – St Agatha's Parish – Tuesday 11/06/19 – 7pm – 9:30pm

Berwick – St Michael's Parish – Tuesday 25/06/19 – 7pm – 9:30pm

Pakenham – St Patrick's Parish – Wednesday 17/07/19 – 7pm – 9:30pm

### **NATIONAL REDRESS SCHEME**

In response to the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse, the Diocese of Sale has signed on to the National Redress Scheme. If you would like information regarding this scheme for those who have suffered child sexual abuse in the Diocese of Sale prior to July 1, 2018, please contact the National Redress Scheme on 1800 737 377. Website [www.nationalredress.gov.au](http://www.nationalredress.gov.au) This website has information regarding legislation and rules, monetary payment and designated personal responder (DPR) instruments, legislation guide and where to go for assistance.

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY:** "Hello all the volunteers who put their hand up to establish and join the new Conference for St Thomas. Our apologies for the lack of notice about what's going on. We've had a few hiccups with people ill and paper work issues. A **meeting will be held at St Agatha's Parish Hall on Tuesday the 11/6/19 at 7pm**. We invite all those who have already volunteered and any new people who are interested to come along and we will explain what's happening. Unfortunately the forms you completed are now out of date and we have a complete new set for everyone to do, so please bring your drivers licence or some photo id. We hope to see you on the 11/6/19. It will be a short meeting. Regards, Mary Cincotta."

### **UPCOMING MEETING:**

Building Committee – Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June 7.30pm at the parish office.