

## Groups and Meetings

**BAPTISM PREPARATION:** 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month 2.00pm for more information or registration call the 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. St Agatha's Providence House, Cranbourne. Enq: Fiona 5998 0947.  
**YOUTH GROUP:** Meets twice a month at St Peter's College. For enquiries please contact Ryan Fynn 0425 654 017.  
**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 (30/11) 6.00pm:** Rohan & David Willatgamuwa & Winifred Weerakkody (Remb)  
**Sunday (1/12) 9.00am:** People of the Parish  
**Sunday (1/12) 10.45am:** Annie Meneaud (2<sup>nd</sup> Death Anniv)  
**Monday (2/12):** No Mass  
**Tuesday (3/12) 9.15am:** Available (Pls see Father or call the parish office)  
**Wednesday (4/12) 9.15am:** Deceased members of the O'Keefe and Kearns families  
**Thursday (5/12) 9.45am:** Thanksgiving for Chris & Marion & the Dias family (10<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniv)  
**Friday (6/12) 9.15am:** Souls in Purgatory  
**Saturday (7/12) 9.15am:** Thanksgiving for Martina & Parvin on their wedding day on 6<sup>th</sup> Dec.  
**Pray for the sick:** Fr Bernard Buckley, Fr Brian Gleeson, Elle May, Philippe & Marie Tranquille, Walter De Silva, Luicile Noel, Lou & Annette Gaiardo, Fr John O'Kelly, Jim Ryan, Dezlene Orchard  
**Recently deceased:** Ian Fernandez, Josefina Mañego Dimen, Peggy Jans  
**Death anniversary/Remembrance:** Fr James Joseph Hayes, Fr David (Dave) Cagney

### 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

## St Thomas the Apostle

### Catholic Parish, Clyde North



*"My Lord and My God!"*

**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 Safeguarding Officer:** Corralee Floyd (Wednesday 9.00am – 3.00pm)  
**Email:** Clydenorth.Safety@cdsale.org.au

## WELCOME TO OUR MASS

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT (Year A) – 1<sup>st</sup> Dec 2019



Rosters	30/11	1/12		7/12	8/12	
	6.00pm	9.00am	10.45am	6.00pm	9.00am	10.45am
Lectors	Dalreen Thomas	Molly Gerdiman	Rhys Ah Colt	Raquel Catindig	Raquel Catindig	Jamie Floyd
Extraordinary Ministers	Shey Rubite, Maureen Morris, Mary Cooke	Mary Garoni, Fred Garoni, Michael Ryan	Fale Salu, Naomi Ioane, Eugene Catindig	Francoise, Shey Rubite, Simida Coutinho	Maureen Morris, Eugene Catindig, Brunhilda Samuel	Dino Jaboli, Antonia Sopi, Maria Sopi
Welcomers	Moril Cooke	Tom and Emil Vellaramkunnel	TBA	Moril Cooke	Fred and Mary Garoni	TBA
Children's Liturgy		TBA	Christine Salu		Flora Bitoin and Molly Gerdiman	TBA
Morning Tea		Vivian and Priscilla Crasto			Jane Ryan	
Next week's readings:	Isaiah 11:1-10		Roman 15:4-9		Matt 3:1-12	

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

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	GENDER	RELIGION	BIRTH DATE	OCCUPATION/SCHOOL NAME

### 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 (2/12): No Mass

Tuesday (3/12): 9.15am

Wednesday (4/12): 9.15am

Thursday (5/12): 9.45am at St Peter's

**College Cranbourne Campus**

Friday (6/12): 9.15am

Saturday (7/12): 9.15am followed by

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament,

Rosary and Reconciliation.

#### PARISH ADVENT

#### RECONCILIATION

Clyde North - Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December at 7.30pm at St Peter's College

#### Baptism

Sunday at 12noon.

Baptism Preparation:

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the

month. Register at the

Parish Office

#### Reconciliation

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

Isaiah 2:1-5

The vision of Isaiah son of Amoz, concerning Judah and Jerusalem. In the days to come the mountain of the Temple of the Lord shall tower above the mountains and be lifted higher than the hills. All the nations will stream to it, peoples without number will come to it; and they will say: 'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the Temple of the God of Jacob that he may teach us his ways so that we may walk in his paths; since the Law will go out from Zion, and the oracle of the Lord from Jerusalem.' He will wield authority over the nations and adjudicate between many peoples; these will hammer their swords into plough-shares, their spears into sickles. Nation will not lift sword against nation, there will be no more training for war. O House of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord.

The word of the Lord.

## Responsorial Psalm

*R. I rejoiced when I heard them say: 'Let us go to God's house.'*

I rejoiced when I heard them say: "Let us go to God's house." And now our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem. **R.**

It is there that the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord. For Israel's law it is, there to praise the Lord's name. There were set the thrones of judgment of the house of David. **R.**

For the peace of Jerusalem pray: "Peace be to your homes! May peace reign in your walls, in your palaces, peace!" **R.**

For love of my brethren and friends I say: "Peace upon you!" For love of the house of the Lord I will ask for your good. **R.**

## Second Reading

Romans 13:11-14

You know 'the time' has come: you must wake up now: our salvation is even nearer than it was when we were converted. The night is almost over, it will be daylight soon –let us give up all the things we prefer to do under cover of the dark; let us arm ourselves and appear in the light. Let us live decently as people do in the daytime: no drunken orgies, no promiscuity or licentiousness, and no wrangling or jealousy. Let your armour be the Lord Jesus Christ.

The word of the Lord.

## Gospel Acclamation

*Alleluia, alleluia! Let us see, O Lord, your mercy and give us your saving help. Alleluia!*

## Gospel

Matt 24:37-44

Jesus said to his disciples: 'As it was in Noah's day, so will it be when the Son of Man comes. For in those days before the Flood people were eating, drinking, taking wives, taking husbands, right up to the day Noah went into the ark, and they suspected nothing till the flood came and swept all away. It will be like this when the Son of Man comes. Then of two men in the fields one is taken, one left; of two women at the millstone grinding, one is taken, one left. 'So stay awake, because you do not know the day when your master is coming. You may be quite sure of this that if the householder had known at what time of the night the burglar would come, he would have stayed awake and would not have allowed anyone to break through the wall of his house. Therefore, you too must stand ready because the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

## Memorial Acclamation

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

### CHILD SAFE TRAINING

Thank you to those parishioners who recently participated in the Diocese of Sale and CatholicCare Child Safe Training Course. Certificates are available to acknowledge this at the back of the church, organized according your regular mass time. If there are any missing or errors please contact [Clydenorth.Safety@cdsale.org.au](mailto:Clydenorth.Safety@cdsale.org.au)

## NOTICE

### Message from our Parish Priest

*Dear Parishioners,*

*As we begin Advent, we enter a season that is filled with joy. Our news and media are so filled with bad news stories that even Christians need to "stay awake" and "stand ready" to be alert to our great reason for living with joyful hope, the presence of Jesus the Son of God among us. In a world where many people feel overwhelmed and depressed our relationship with Jesus is a source of peace, joy and hope. Our church, filled with this spirit, will indeed be the bearer of Good News for the people of our world by the witness of its life. I encourage you to take time to use Formed.org and its Advent programs, which are available free to all parishioners, or to purchase the booklet "The Way" which has daily Advent and Christmas reflections for this year. May God bless you all, Fr Denis  
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### PLENARY COUNCIL - LISTENING AND DISCERNMENT PHASE 2019-2020

#### HOW IS GOD CALLING US TO BE CHRIST-CENTRED CHURCH

**We cordially invite every parishioner to take part of the sessions of Listening and Discerning**

**Next session: Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> of December 2019 – St Peter's College, 2 pm to 4.30 pm**

As we have heard from Fr Denis and members of the Plenary Council team, in October 2020, the Catholic Church in Australia will gather for the first Plenary Council to be held since the second Vatican Council. We have been praying for the Holy Spirit to guide us in dialogue and help us to understand the current reality of the Catholic Church in Australia. Bishops and many representatives of our parishes, schools and organisations, will gather in conversation and decision making reviewing all the responses we submit in the desire to uphold a Church that is Christ – centred. That is why is so important that we come together to take part in the phase of Listening and Discerning so can our voices will reach the conversations in the Plenary Council. We have this opportunity again to express in communal prayer and reflection our deep hopes and yearnings for a future where Jesus Christ is the centre of the lives in each family.

**In our parish, we will hold 5 sessions all at St Peter's College on a Saturday afternoon from 2 pm to 4.30 pm.**

**7<sup>th</sup> December 2019** – Theme: "A church called to be Christ-centred: Inclusive, participatory and Synodal"

8<sup>th</sup> February 2020 – Theme: "A Church called to be Christ-centred: Prayerful and Eucharistic"

29<sup>th</sup> February 2020 – Theme: "A Church called to be Christ-centred: Humble, healing and Merciful"

21<sup>st</sup> March 2020 – Theme: "A Church called to be Christ-centred: A joyfull, hope-filled and servant community"

18<sup>th</sup> April 2020 – Theme: "A Church called to be Christ-centred: Open to conversation, renewal and reform"

Please contact the Parish Office or Sonia Ruiz Mob No. 0458 252 938 to confirm your attendance so we can prepare the material needed for the day.

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If you would like to have a bit more information on each theme prior to each session, please visit the Plenary Council website:

<https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/themes/about-the-themes/>

**RCIA – Period of Catechumenate.**- Prayer cards: Please collect a card from the entrance tables and continue to pray for Margaret Grech, Junghee Youm and Dhaneshi Mannapperuma. In this period of the RCIA process, we continue sharing with them the Sunday Gospel and we are formed in how to live our faith through every Sacrament. Even our catechumens cannot yet share the Body of Christ, they attend the Liturgy of the Word at 10.45 Masses. Please continue praying for them.

### PARISH ADVENT RECONCILIATION RITES

**Clyde North - Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December at 7.30pm at St Peter's College**

Pakenham – Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December at 7.30pm

Narre Warren – Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December at 7.30pm

Berwick – Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December at 7.30pm

Cranbourne – Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December at 7.30pm

### DURING THIS WEEK:

Tuesday at 7.00pm: St Peter's College Presentation Night

Thursday at 7.30pm: God Start meeting at parish office

**WE WELCOME AS A CHILD OF GOD** – Natalie Georgia Neville, child of Aquiline & Dorothei & Ziah Austin Benvenuto, child of Anotnio & Kimberly.

**STEWARDSHIP ENVELOPES** - Please pick-up your new set of stewardship envelopes at the back of our worship space. For parishioners giving through Direct Debit and Credit Card, please pick-up your receipts. Thank you.

**PIETY STALL – ADVENT WREATH on SALE NOW.** For orders and enquiries, call Rick & Anita on 0450 782 558. Month of December the piety stall will open on 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>.

**ADVENT & CHRISTMAS DAILY REFLECTIONS BOOKLET** – The way is a pocket-size book containing short, spiritually rich daily reflections from the beginning of Advent through to Baptism of the Lord. Cost: \$4.00. Please put your payment in the box provided.

**FORMED.ORG** – prepare for Advent with Formed.Org. Walk with Dr Tim Grey on a journey of renewal to ready your heart for the coming of Christ. Call the Parish Office to get your free subscription code.

**FAMILY PRAYERS** – First Friday of every month. December is on the 6<sup>th</sup> from 7.30pm – 8.30pm St Peter's College Clyde North upper level where Mass is celebrated. For enquiries, call Jean-Paul Antoine 5990 7777.

**BAKE SALE:** Zion Youth fundraiser this weekend. Support our youths and buy your cakes today!

**ALTAR SERVER PIZZA NIGHT** – Friday 13<sup>th</sup> Dec at 6.00pm – 8.00pm at St Peter's College. Please pick-up your consent form and return to the parish office by Sun 8<sup>th</sup> Dec.

**EMMAUS WALKING RETREAT** – is a seven-day Walking Retreat in South Gippsland is a guided retreat with the opportunity to spend some reflective time walking as a small community just like the disciples did on the road to Emmaus. A reasonable fitness is essential with average daily distances between 15 and 24 km. Accommodation and transport are provided, meals are not included. Date: 22<sup>nd</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> March 2020 | Cost: \$1500 (10% early bird discount by 16<sup>th</sup> Dec 2019) | Registration: by 6<sup>th</sup> Jan 2020. For more info, please visit <https://www.cdsale.org.au/events>

**PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND** – Life and Heart of Mary Tour. 12 Days Departing Melbourne 13 Jan 2020 return 26<sup>th</sup> Jan 2020. For more info please contact Regina Abraham 0433 156 419 or email: [bethuelcare@gmail.com](mailto:bethuelcare@gmail.com).