

St Thomas the Apostle

Catholic Parish, Clyde North



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MASS TIMES:

(All Masses are streamed LIVE on our Facebook page)

Sunday Mass: 9.00am

Daily Mass: 9.00am

Fridays in the Month of May: Holy Hour at 7.00pm

***We are a Child Safe Parish.** All children, young persons and vulnerable adults have the right to feel & be safe, and be heard & included in decisions affecting them. If you are concerned that someone has been abused, is being abused, or is at significant risk of being abused in the future, you should immediately raise your concerns with one of our Parish Safeguarding Officers, Corralee Floyd or Peter Gomez. Contact via the Parish Office: 5998 0947 or email Clydenorth.Safety@cdsale.org.au. Remember in an emergency situation, you can call the Police on 000 for help or advice.*

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (Year A) – 10th May 2020

First Reading

Acts 2:14. 36-41

About this time, when the number of disciples was increasing, the Hellenists made a complaint against the Hebrews: in the daily distribution their own widows were being overlooked. So the Twelve called a full meeting of the disciples and addressed them, 'It would not be right for us to neglect the word of God so as to give out food; you, brothers, must select from among yourselves seven men of good reputation, filled with the Spirit and with wisdom; we will hand over this duty to them, and continue to devote ourselves to prayer and to the service of the word.' The whole assembly approved of this proposal and elected Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, together with Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolaus of Antioch, a convert to Judaism. They presented these to the apostles, who prayed and laid their hands on them.

The word of the Lord continued to spread: the number of disciples in Jerusalem was greatly increased, and a large group of priests made their submission to the faith.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

R. Lord, let your mercy be on us,
as we place our trust in you.

Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just;
for praise is fitting for loyal hearts.

Give thanks to the Lord upon the harp,
with a ten-stringed lute sing him songs. (R.)

For the word of the Lord is faithful
and all his works to be trusted.

The Lord loves justice and right
and fills the earth with his love. (R.)

The Lord looks on those who revere him,
on those who hope in his love,
to rescue their souls from death,
to keep them alive in famine. (R.)

Second Reading

1Peter 2:20-25

The Lord is the living stone, rejected by men but chosen by God and precious to him; set yourselves close to him so that you too, the holy priesthood that offers the spiritual sacrifices which Jesus Christ has made acceptable to God, may be living stones making a spiritual house. As scripture says: See how I lay in Zion a precious cornerstone that I have chosen and the man who rests his trust on it will not be disappointed. That means that for you who are believers, it is precious; but for unbelievers, the stone rejected by the builders has proved to be the keystone, a stone to stumble over, a rock to bring men down. They stumble over it because they do not believe in the word; it was the fate in store for them.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a consecrated nation, a people set apart to sing the praises of God who called you out of the darkness into his wonderful light.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia! I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord; no one comes to the Father, except through me. **Alleluia!**

Gospel

John 10:1-10

Jesus said to his disciples:

‘Do not let your hearts be troubled.
Trust in God still, and trust in me.
There are many rooms in my Father’s house;
if there were not, I should have told you.
I am now going to prepare a place for you,
and after I have gone and prepared you a place,
I shall return to take you with me;
so that where I am
you may be too.
You know the way to the place where I am going.’

Thomas said, ‘Lord, we do not know where you are going, so how can we know the way?’ Jesus said:

‘I am the Way, the Truth and the Life.
No one can come to the Father except through me.
If you know me, you know my Father too.
From this moment you know him and have seen him.’

Philip said, ‘Lord, let us see the Father and then we shall be satisfied.’ ‘Have I been with you all this time, Philip,’ said Jesus to him ‘and you still do not know me?’

‘To have seen me is to have seen the Father,
so how can you say, “Let us see the Father”?
Do you not believe
that I am in the Father and the Father is in me?
The words I say to you I do not speak as from myself:
it is the Father, living in me, who is doing this work.
You must believe me when I say
that I am in the Father and the Father is in me;
believe it on the evidence of this work, if for no other reason.

‘I tell you most solemnly,
whoever believes in me
will perform the same works as I do myself,
he will perform even greater works,
because I am going to the Father.’

The Gospel of the Lord.

Mass Intentions

Sunday (10/5) 9.00am: For the People of the Parish

Monday (11/5) 9.00am: Available (pls call the parish office)

Tuesday (12/5) 9.00am: Available (pls call the parish office)

Wednesday (13/5) 9.00am: Patrick Ross (B'day Blessing) & Stenio Ross (B'day Remb)

Thursday (14/5) 9.00am: Alec & Rosemary Templeton (Remb)

Friday (15/5) 9.00am: Antanas Laugalis (Recently deceased)

Saturday (16/5) 9.00am: Anna & Joseph Thekkettathu (Death Anniv)

Recently deceased: Antanas Laugalis, Gabriel Orinya (Father of Sr Victoria), Moises Abaja, Walter De Silva

Pray for the sick: Fr Bernard Buckley, Fr Brian Gleeson, Luicile Noel, Annette Gaiardo, Anne Marie Hartung, Sue Dower, Sr Kathleen Boschetti, Michael Garoni,

NOTICES

SUPPORT OUR PARISH – We are so grateful to all who have responded to support our parish in this trying time. Your contribution has helped the parish perform the regular work as well as prepare for the building of our new church. For those who have missed out on last week's bulletin, this is the information for you if you would like to contribute to the parish:

- To contribute by Cash or through Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT), please call the parish office.
- For Credit Card, you can also contact the parish office or copy the link to your browser and donate through CDF <https://secure.artezpacific.com/registrator/FundraisingPage.aspx?registrationID=1310022&langPref=en-CA> You can choose 'Give one time' or 'Set up recurring offering' and choose for Presbytery or Parish.

NOTE: If you currently give to the Stewardship Program via envelopes, please select Parish under the Offering Intention section, and be sure to list your envelope number in the Notes section. If you are unsure of your Stewardship envelope number, please call the parish office on 5998 0947.

STEWARDSHIP ENVELOPES - Please note that our Stewardship envelopes will be sent out mid-May. For convenience, if you would like to change your giving over to either Direct Debit or Credit Card contributions, **now would be the best time to do so.** Please contact the parish office before 1st May so that we can forward you the required authorisations.

Please note however, that we are still accepting the cash envelopes if this is your preferred method of giving. Could all envelope contributors contact the parish office so that we can discuss the best way to get these donations to us. Please feel free to contact us at the parish office on 5998 0947 should you have any further queries or concerns.

On behalf of Fr Denis, we would like to thank each of you for your continued generosity in supporting the parish, especially during these uncertain circumstances.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION – We are inviting families who have Confirmation candidate to please register your interest with Fiona by email to Clydenorth.Secretary2@cdsale.org.au with the name of the child/ren, parents' name, email address and contact number. If you have any queries, please call the parish office on 5998 0947.

HOLY HOUR – In the month of May, we invite you to join us every Friday at 7.00pm on our Facebook page for Holy Hour with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and praying the rosary.

EDUCATION OF SEMINARIANS BURSARY FUND – This fund helps to support the further education of seminarians and priests in Victoria. If you would like to contribute, please call the parish office on 5998 0947.

PARISH RAFFLE TICKETS – Due to the current restrictions imposed by the Victorian Government because of the Corona Virus pandemic, the new return, draw & publication dates of the raffle tickets are now:

Return to parish office before: 1st September 2020

Draw Date: 26 September 2020 at 7.15 pm

Publication of Winners Date: 30 September 2020

KEEP (ME) CHILDREN SAFE DURING COVID-19

For children and/or families finding this time difficult to manage, the attached information sheet provides helpful advice. The Parish would like to use the results from **Activity 2: Things that make me feel safe** to inform policies and practices, particularly the Code of Conduct which is currently being updated. <https://safeguardingchildren.acu.edu.au/practice-tools/safeguarding-children-during-covid-19>. Click on the link to “Principle 1 - Keep me safe during Covid 19”. Please email copies of completed activities to Clydenorth.Safety@cdsale.org.au.

WALK WITH ME – LOUNGEROOM SESSIONS with Gary Pinto, organised through Caritas Australia.

Australian singer, songwriter and musician, Gary Pinto will lead a **free online concert on Saturday, May 9 for Project Compassion**, bringing Australian and international music start direct from their lounge room to yours. Gary is urging thousands of school children, teachers, churches and families across Australia during this challenging time, to stand in solidarity with those most vulnerable to COVID-19 globally, during Caritas Australia’s Project Compassion.

The lineup will be announced over the coming weeks, but Australian stars, Diesel, Matt Gresham, Carmen Smith, Nashville-based Bobby Lee Stamper and many others are expected to be among those generously putting on the show.

You can find more details on the concert and view the great artist line-up at caritas.org.au/loungeroomsessions.

To view the concert, supporters will need to register at livemusic2u.com/loungeroomsessions/

CARITAS - For the next three weeks, our COVID-19 Crisis Appeal will be asking for urgent donations to help those families living in poverty to access hygiene knowledge, health supplies, soap and clean water that will save their lives. Through this appeal, Caritas can expand their capacity to assist communities at serious risk of infection and to help contain the spread of the virus. Caritas understand that many in Australia are 'doing it tough', but they are asking those who feel able to assist in aiding the many throughout the world whose lives and families may well be devastated by the pandemic. For more information and how to contribute to the appeal please visit

<https://www.caritas.org.au/donate/covid-19-crisis-appeal>

Any questions, please feel free to contact Jim Curtain on jim.curtain@cam.org.au or on 0437 118 637.

LOOKING FOR MORE LITURGY RESOURCE, FAMILY PRAYER AND ACTIVITIES then visit the Liturgy Brisbane website at <https://www.liturgybrisbane.net.au/prepare/sunday-readings-and-family-prayer/> and will be updated each week. This special resource is designed for families with young children. An extract from the Sunday gospel is provided, along with some reflection questions, a family activity and a worksheet for children.

MUSIC AND PRAYER FOR YOU AT HOME

You are invited to pray at home with the Sunday readings with free access to the following online music and video resources

- Psalms and chants from Marist Music <http://www.maristmusic.org.au/easter-yr-a> - select Easter 5A for the psalm and gospel chant available as sheet music or audio
- Seeking Stillness – beautiful psalm music and Gospel meditations from Gen Bryant Seeking Stillness - Playlist

CARITAS is pleased to announce the launch of the Caritas Australia COVID-19 Resource Hub!

<https://www.caritas.org.au/welcome/caritas-australia-resource-hub>. It is packed with updated resources for Parishes and live streamed masses, family and at home resources, virtual learning resources as well as resources for Diocesan teams and the media. The Resource Hub will evolve over time, as new resources are added over the coming weeks in response to the COVID-19 crisis.

CATHOLIC CARE Resources to help with the current pandemic with valuable tips. Please visit <https://www.ccam.org.au/page/125/catholiccares-response-to-the-covid-19-coronavirus-pandemic>

COVID-19 multilingual resource library providing information in 18 languages from health authorities at Federal, State and Global levels. This information when used in conjunction with www.health.gov.au may be useful to you and your clients for current, reputable in-language information and advice. Visit the site: <https://www.ethnolink.com.au/covid-19-coronavirus-translated-resources/>

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