

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: 9.15am (new time)

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.*

PENTECOST SUNDAY (Year A) – 31st May 2020

First Reading

Acts 2:1-11

When Pentecost day came round, they had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech.

Now there were devout men living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled, each one bewildered to hear these men speaking his own language. They were amazed and astonished. 'Surely' they said 'all these men speaking are Galileans? How does it happen that each of us hears them in his own native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; people from Mesopotamia, Judaea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya round Cyrene; as well as visitors from Rome – Jews and proselytes alike – Cretans and Arabs; we hear them preaching in our own language about the marvels of God.'

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

R *Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.*

Bless the Lord, my soul!

Lord God, how great you are,
How many are your works, O Lord!
The earth is full of your riches.

You take back your spirit, they die,
returning to the dust from which they came.
You send forth your spirit, they are created;
and you renew the face of the earth.

May the glory of the Lord last for ever!
May the Lord rejoice in his works!
May my thoughts be pleasing to him.
I find my joy in the Lord.

Second Reading

Eph 1:17-23

No one can say, 'Jesus is Lord' unless he is under the influence of the Holy Spirit.

There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose.

Just as a human body, though it is made up of many parts, is a single unit because all these parts, though many, make one body, so it is with Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised, Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well as citizens, and one Spirit was given to us all to drink.

The word of the Lord.

Sequence

Holy Spirit, Lord of Light,
From the clear celestial height
Thy pure beaming radiance give.

Come, thou Father of the poor,
Come with treasures which endure
Come, thou light of all that live!

Thou, of all consolers best,
Thou, the soul's delightful guest,
Dost refreshing peace bestow

Thou in toil art comfort sweet
Pleasant coolness in the heat
Solace in the midst of woe.

Light immortal, light divine,
Visit thou these hearts of thine,
And our inmost being fill:

If thou take thy grace away,
Nothing pure in man will stay
All his good is turned to ill.

Heal our wounds, our strength renew
On our dryness pour thy dew
Wash the stains of guilt away:

Bend the stubborn heart and will
Melt the frozen, warm the chill
Guide the steps that go astray.

Thou, on us who evermore
Thee confess and thee adore,
With thy sevenfold gifts descend:

Give us comfort when we die
Give us life with thee on high
Give us joys that never end.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia! Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. **Alleluia!**

Gospel

Mt 28-16-20

In the evening of the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you', and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.'

'As the Father sent me,
so am I sending you.'

After saying this he breathed on them and said:

'Receive the Holy Spirit.
For those whose sins you forgive,
they are forgiven;
for those whose sins you retain,
they are retained.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Mass Intentions

Sunday (31/5) 9.00am: For the People of the Parish

Monday (1/6) 9.15am: Antanas Laugalis (1 month Anniv)

Tuesday (2/6) 9.15am: Special Intentions

Wednesday (3/6) 9.15am: Deceased family & friends of the O'Keefe & Kearns families

Thursday (4/6) 9.15am: Rolando Almonte (Recently deceased)

Friday (5/6) 9.15am: Available (pls call the Parish Office)

Saturday (6/6) 9.15am: Wedding Anniversary of Ani & Tom Velleramkunnel

Recently deceased: John Baldacchino, Francis Veigas (in Mumbai. Uncle of Vivian Crasto) & Rolando Almonte

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

Following the Victoria Government's decision to ease restriction on our Mass gathering, we are now inviting you to join us in attendance at our Sunday Mass by filling-in the booking forms at <https://stthomasap.org.au/>. Call us on 5998 0947 if you have any queries. We look forward to welcoming you at our Sunday Mass again!

And if you are currently a holder of a valid Working With Children Check Card and are able to volunteer your service to help with sanitising after our gathering, please email your interest to Corralee at Clydenorth.Safety@cdsale.org.au.

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 would like to support the parish, you can contribute by:

- Cash or through Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT), please call the parish office.
- Credit Card, please contact the parish office or copy the link to your browser and donate through CDF <https://secure.artezpacific.com/registant/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.

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.

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.

NEW PRINCIPAL FOR ST THOMAS THE APOSTLE PRIMARY SCHOOL – The Diocese of Sale Catholic Education has announced that Mrs Kate Dourley has been seconded to the role of Principal at St Thomas the Apostle Primary School. Kate will begin this appointment on 13th July.

MUSIC AND PRAYER FOR PENTECOST SUNDAY

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 www.maristmusic.org.au/pentecost-2 psalm and gospel chant available as sheet music and audio
- Seeking Stillness – beautiful psalm music and Gospel meditations from Gen Bryant Seeking Stillness - Playlist
- Sunday Readings and Family Prayer – download and pray the Scriptures of the Sunday Mass and/or use the Family Prayer sheets with children. From Liturgy Brisbane <https://www.liturgybrisbane.net.au/>
- Sunday Liturgy of the Word at Home (for families with kids) <http://melbournecatholic.org.au/easter>
- Commemorating Pentecost Sunday by Fr Andrew Hamilton SJ <https://tinyurl.com/Pentecost-Sunday>

ST VINCENT PALLOTTI SCHOLARSHIP TRUST

The St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship Trust offers scholarships to enable lay people to further their understanding and skills in leadership/ministry or a specialised activity, such as promoting faith enhancement, social justice and pastoral care. More information and Applications Forms are available on our website <https://pallottine.org.au/scholarships/st-vincent-pallotti-scholarship-for-lay-ministry.html> Closing Date 31 July 2020

CARITAS – If you are able and would like to continue your support to caritas in their COVID-19 Crisis 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.

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/>

THE LAUDATO SI' YEAR 2020-2021.

In commemorating the 5th anniversary of his encyclical Laudato Si' – On the Care of Our Common Home, Pope Francis has invited everyone to take part in the Laudato Si' Year which began last Sunday and ends on 24 May 2021. The Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development has prepared resources for the year. <http://www.humandevlopment.va/en.html>
The Pope announced a special prayer dedicated to the Laudato Si' Year

Prayer for the Year of Laudato Si' (24 May 2020-24 May 2021)

Loving God,
Creator of Heaven, Earth, and all therein contained.
Open our minds and touch our hearts,
so that we can be part of Creation, your gift.

Be present to those in need in these difficult times,
especially the poorest and most vulnerable.
Help us to show creative solidarity
as we confront the consequences of the global pandemic.
Make us courageous in embracing
the changes required to seek the common good.
Now more than ever, may we all feel interconnected and interdependent.

Enable us to succeed in listening and responding
to the cry of the Earth and the cry of the poor.
May their current sufferings become the birth-pangs
of a more fraternal and sustainable world.

We pray through Christ our Lord,
under the loving gaze of Mary Help of Christians,
Amen.

NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK 27 MAY – 3 JUNE (ending with Mabo day on 3 June). Attached is the Prayer of Aboriginal People composed for the visit of Pope John Paul II to Alice Springs in 1986. The Pope told the gathering of indigenous people *“You are part of Australia and Australia is part of you. And the Church herself in Australia will not be fully the Church that Jesus wants her to be until you have made your contribution to her life and until that contribution has been joyfully received by others.”* This year’s theme for National Reconciliation Week is ***In This Together***. Visit <https://www.reconciliation.org.au/national-reconciliation-week/> for information.

Prayer of Aboriginal People

(For the Pope John Paul II’s visit to Australia in 1986, Aboriginal people composed the following prayer for the ceremony in Alice Springs. This prayer now is prayed by many Catholic Aboriginal groups around the country.)

Father of all, you gave us the Dreaming.

You have spoken to us through our beliefs.

You then made your love clear to us in the person of Jesus.

We thank you for your care. You own us.

You are our hope. Make us strong as we face the problems of change.

We ask you to help the people of Australia to listen to us and respect our culture.

Make the knowledge of you grow strong in all people, so that you can be at home in us and we can make a home for everyone in our land.

Amen.

For more resources, visit NATSICC (National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholic Council)
<https://www.natsicc.org.au/liturgy-resources.html>

DIOCESAN ADMINISTRATOR – Fr Peter Slater has been elected as the Diocesan Administrator and asks for prayers for the Diocese and for himself during this time of awaiting the appointment of next Bishop.

Prayer for a new Bishop for our Diocese

Loving God,
in your faithfulness,
grant to the Diocese of Sale
a shepherd whose watchful care
and kindly zeal
will continue the good work
of his predecessors.

In your love for us,
give us a shepherd who will lead us
in being Christ's heart of mercy,
voice of hope, and hands of justice.

Help him to fill our minds and hearts
with the truth of the Gospel,
the power of the sacraments,
and the desire to build up your holy Church.

We ask this through Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.