

## 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 Adriaanse 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, email: zionyouthgp@gmail.com  
 FB: www.facebook.com/groups/zionyouthgrp/  
**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**

**Sunday (13/9)** 9.00am: People of the Parish  
**Monday (14/9):** John O'Keefe (Remb)  
**Tuesday (15/9):** Kevin O'Bryan (B'day remb)  
**Wednesday (16/9):** Giuseppe Andolfatto (4<sup>th</sup> Death Anniv)  
**Thursday (17/9):** Peter McHugh (Anniv)  
**Friday (18/9):** Deceased family & friends of the Mackay, Donaldson & Salu families  
**Saturday (19/9):** Deceased relatives & friends of the O'Keefe & Kearns families  
**Pray for the sick:** Fr Bernard Buckley, Fr Brian Gleeson, Luicile Noel, Annette Gaiardo, Anne Marie Hartung, Sue Dower, Michael Garoni  
**Recently Deceased:** Xavier Carvalho  
**Death anniversary/Remembrance:** Fr Thomas Hurley, Fr John Howard & Dean Peter Joseph Coyne

**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.

Rosters	Not Available			
Outdoor Greeter				
Lector				
Registration				
Usher				
Powerpoint				
Cleaners				
Next week's readings:	Isaiah 55:6-9	Phil 1:20-24, 27	Matt 20:1-16	

**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	GENDER	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  www.facebook.com/stthomasap  
**Pastoral Associate:** Sr Juliana Ogbole **Email:** Clydenorth.Pastoralassociate@cdsale.org.au  
**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

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

## WELCOME TO OUR MASS

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Year A) – 13<sup>th</sup> September 2020



**Masses & Reconciliation Times**

**Sunday Mass**  
**Sunday 9.00am** (live streamed on our FB page).

**Baptism & Reconciliation**  
 Please call our Parish Office.

**Weekday Masses**  
 (live streamed on our Facebook page)  
**Monday (14/9) - Saturday (19/9) 9.15am**

**Holy Hour**  
**Friday (18/9) 6.00pm**

**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*

## Entrance Antiphon

Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you, that your prophets be found true. Hear the prayers of your servant, and of your people Israel.

## First Reading

Ecc1 27:33-28:9

Resentment and anger, these are foul things, and both are found with the sinner. He who exacts vengeance will experience the vengeance of the Lord, who keeps strict account of sin. Forgive your neighbour the hurt he does you, and when you pray, your sins will be forgiven. If a man nurses anger against another, can he then demand compassion from the Lord? Showing no pity for a man like himself, can he then plead for his own sins? Mere creature of flesh, he cherishes resentment; who will forgive him his sins? Remember the last things, and stop hating, remember dissolution and death, and live by the commandments. Remember the commandments, and do not bear your neighbour ill-will; remember the covenant of the Most High, and overlook the offence.

The word of the Lord.

## Responsorial Psalm

**R:** *The Lord is kind and merciful: slow to anger, and rich in compassion.*

My soul, give thanks to the Lord  
all my being, bless his holy name.

My soul, give thanks to the Lord  
and never forget all his blessings.

It is he who forgives all your guilt,  
who heals every one of your ills,  
who redeems your life from the grave,  
who crowns you with love and compassion.

His wrath will come to an end;  
he will not be angry for ever.

He does not treat us according to our sins  
nor repay us according to our faults.

For as the heavens are high above the earth  
so strong is his love for those who fear him.

As far as the east is from the west  
so far does he remove our sins.

## Second Reading

Romans 14:7-9

The life and death of each of us has its influence on others; if we live, we live for the Lord; and if we die, we die for the Lord, so that alive or dead we belong to the Lord. This explains why Christ both died and came to life: it was so that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living.

The word of the Lord.

## Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia, alleluia!** *I give you a new commandment: love one another as I have loved you. Alleluia!*

## Gospel

Matthew 18:21-35

Peter went up to Jesus and said, ‘Lord, how often must I forgive my brother if he wrongs me? As often as seven times?’ Jesus answered, ‘Not seven, I tell you, but seventy-seven times. ‘And so the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who decided to settle his accounts with his servants. When the reckoning began, they brought him a man who owed ten thousand talents; but he had no means of paying, so his master gave orders that he should be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, to meet the debt. At this, the servant threw himself down at his master’s feet. “Give me time” he said “and I will pay the whole sum.” And the servant’s master felt so sorry for him that he let him go and cancelled the debt. Now as this servant went out, he happened to meet a fellow servant who owed him one hundred denarii; and he seized him by the throat and began to throttle him. “Pay what you owe me” he said. His fellow servant fell at his feet and implored him, saying, “Give me time and I will pay you.” But the other would not agree; on the contrary, he had him thrown into prison till he should pay the debt. His fellow servants were deeply distressed when they saw what had happened, and they went to their master and reported the whole affair to him. Then the master sent for him. “You wicked servant,” he said “I cancelled all that debt of yours when you appealed to me. Were you not bound, then, to have pity on your fellow servant just as I had pity on you?” And in his anger the master handed him over to the torturers till he should pay all his debt. And that is how my heavenly Father will deal with you unless you each forgive your brother from your heart.’

The Gospel of the Lord.

## Communion Antiphon

How precious is your mercy, O God! The children of men seek shelter in the shadow of your wings.

## NOTICE

**FAMILIES IN NEED INITIATIVE:** St Thomas the Apostle Parish is inviting parishioners to nominate families who they feel have been directly impacted by the Coronavirus Epidemic, and who may benefit from assistance with groceries. Nominated household do not need to part of the parish, simply located in our parish zone. Please nominate households by completing the Families in Need Nomination Form <https://bit.ly/31Z93se> and returning to parish@stthomasap.org.au. If you would like to donate funds to assist with the purchase of groceries for this very worthy cause, please email us on the listed email or phone 03 5998 0947 during office hours.

**CONTRIBUTION TO THE PARISH – Thank you for your support.** 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. Please call the Parish Office

- If you would like to support by Cash, Credit Card or through Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT).
- or if you would like to find out how to return your Stewardship envelopes to the parish.

**PLENARY COUNCIL 2020** - In October 2020, the Catholic Church in Australia will gather for the first Plenary Council to be held since the second Vatican Council. In 2018, the entire People of God in Australia began preparing for this historic moment by listening to God, by listening to one another’s stories of faith. Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, **Plenary Council 2020 Assembly 1 Has Been Postponed.** See the new **PLENARY COUNCIL JOURNEY 2020-2022.**

Click [HERE](#) to access the new resource, the Reflection guide to responding to the Thematic Discernment papers. Click [HERE](#) to access “A Journey of Discernment: The Plenary Council”, a paper by Archbishop Timothy Costelloe.

**FORMED.ORG** is an app that has thousands of books, movies, audio & programs for children and adults that answers questions or increase your knowledge about the Catholic Faith. Useful especially during the lockdown period, get this app for FREE! call the Parish Office for your code today!! **PIETY STALL** –For enquiries, call Rick & Anita on 0450 782 558 or visit their website on <http://holybeginnings.com/>

### SPECIAL COLLECTION

**Holy Land Commissariat** - The Commissariat supports the Custody of the Holy Land in the pastoral service of the Holy Sites and of Christian communities, as well as their charitable, educational, social, ecumenical and cultural organizations. Please help to support their mission and donate generously to **Holy Land Commissariat BSB 062-267 Account No. 1001 4847**

### NEW DIGITAL FAITH PLATFORM *THE WELL*

A new online place for prayer, spiritual nourishment, stories and resources for young people, families and adults. A place to be inspired, enriched and connected with a community on mission with Jesus Christ. Explore fresh offerings every week on topical issues that inform, entertain and challenge. Experience the variety for families and friends of all ages, and all those seeking to serve in our church and beyond.

<https://thewell.org.au/about>

**MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER ONLINE WEEKEND** If you are spending time together, but feel the distance between you. A great opportunity to spend a weekend improving your communication in the comfort of your own home. This VIRTUAL Weekend gives couples the chance to sleep in their own beds and check-in on kids or animals during meal times. Come and learn how to keep/rekindle the passion in your relationship and how to keep your love growing! The weekend we offer is based around Catholic values but couples of all faiths are welcome. Couples from regional areas may find this option ideal.

Date: 9-11th October 2020. Information/Bookings: Phone Mercy & James 0409 183 676 or

Email: vicbookings@wwme.org.au Website: wwme.org.au

**SEASON OF CREATION 2020** - Every year, Christians of all denominations join in prayer and action for our common home and celebrate the **Season of Creation** starting on 1 September, the Day of Prayer for Creation and ending on 4 October, the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi. For more information, go to <https://www.columban.org.au/media-and-publications/articles/features/>

### ADDITIONAL RESOURCES FOR 24<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**Sunday Readings and Children’s Liturgy /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/> & from Columbans

<https://www.columban.org.au/media-and-publications/educational-resources/a-catholic-season-of-creation-sundays-of-september-year-a>

### Message from our Safeguarding Officer on Child Protection Week – 6 – 12 Sept

Also to celebrate Child Protection Week, we share with you this video <https://youtu.be/EmRtR59NTTQ> produced by NAPCAN in 2018 to give another viewpoint on how every member of the community can help to prevent abuse and neglect of children, young people and vulnerable adults. Please watch the video and if you believe it is appropriate share this with your children – make sure you keep the lines of communication open if they would like to talk about what they see.

**PRAYER FOR BISHOP-ELECT GREG BENNET** - We warmly welcome Bishop-elect Bennet to our Diocese and pray for him as we prepare for his episcopal ordination on 20th October 2020.



*Eternal God, our Shepherd and Guide  
We bless and thank you for the  
appointment*

*of your servant, Greg Bennet,  
as the tenth Bishop of Sale.*

*May your Holy Spirit grace him  
with the gifts of wisdom and strength,  
gentleness and compassion,*

*as he prepares to take up his role as our pastor and teacher.*

*May he be a shepherd after your own heart,*

*who will walk in your ways and, with loving care, watch over your  
people. May he be a leader of vision and a teacher of your truth.*

*As Bishop-elect Bennet prepares to make his home among us,  
may we welcome him joyfully into our Diocesan community,  
now entrusted to his care and leadership.*

*May we, as the Body of Christ in the Diocese of Sale,*

*through our work and prayer together bear witness to Christ and the  
building up of your kingdom. We ask this through your Son Jesus  
Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God, for ever  
and ever. Amen,*

*Our Lady of Perpetual Help pray for us*

*St Mary of the Cross MacKillop pray for us.*

### PRAYER FOR FATHER

*God, our Father, We give you thanks and praise  
for fathers young and old. We pray for young fathers,  
newly embracing their vocation: may they find courage and  
perseverance to balance work, family and faith in joy and  
sacrifice. We pray for fathers around the world whose  
children are lost or suffering: may they know that the God of  
compassion walks with them in their sorrow.*

*We pray for men who are not fathers but still mentor and  
guide us with fatherly love and advice. We remember fathers,  
grandfathers and great grandfathers who are no longer with  
us, but who live forever in our memory and nourish us with  
their love. Amen.*