

## 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 Ruth Marais on 0430 716 664.  
**RCIC:** For older children who have not completed their Sacraments. St Agatha's Providence House, Cranbourne. Enq: 5996 1985.  
**YOUTH GROUP:** Ages: 12-25years old. Meets fortnightly at St Peter's College. For enquiries, please the Angelin Tom 0422 127 624, 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  
**ST VINNIES PHONE ROOM** – if you or someone you know needs assistance from St Vinnies, please call 5995 0211.

### Mass Intentions

**Saturday (21/1)** 6.00pm : Ivy Apollon (5<sup>th</sup> Month Death Anniv)  
**Sunday (22/1)** 9.00am : Thanksgivin Mass for Alexis & Sandra Ignace  
 10.45am : People of the parish  
**Monday (23/1)** : No Mass  
**Tuesday (24/1)** : B'day blessings for Patrick & Bernadette Goh & Emmanuel Teo  
**Wednesday (25/1)** : Gabriel Goh (Remb)  
**Thursday (26/1)** : Departed souls of the Crasto & D'Rozario families  
**Friday (27/1)** : B'day blessing for Teagan Trousse  
**Saturday (28/1)** : Departed soul of Joseph Vellaramkunel  
**Pray for the sick:** Fr Bernard Buckley, Fr Brian Gleeson, Luicile Noel, Sue Dower, Salvador Guidos, Albert Hartung, Greg Recalde, Carol Vincenzi, Evelyn Camille, Emma Willrow, Baby De'andre Hooft, Anura Fernando  
**Recently deceased** : Fr Tao Pham, Carlisle Laine, Sean McDermott

### Parish Council Members:

Fr Denis, Vivian Crasto, Dezlene Orchard, Mick Ryan, Jonathan Rubite, Sandra Ignace, Jessica Paynter and Jerusha Thompson

### Parish Finance

**Members:** Fr Denis, Sinclair Thomas, Patrick Ross, Helene Jayamaha, Peter Gomez, Heidi Keel, Ruwan Kumaraperu

Next week's readings: Zep 2:3; 3:12-13 1 Cor 1:26-31 Matt 5:1-12

## New Parishioner Registration

Please register online at <https://stthomasap.org.au/new-parishioner-registration/>

OR pick up a form from our worship space

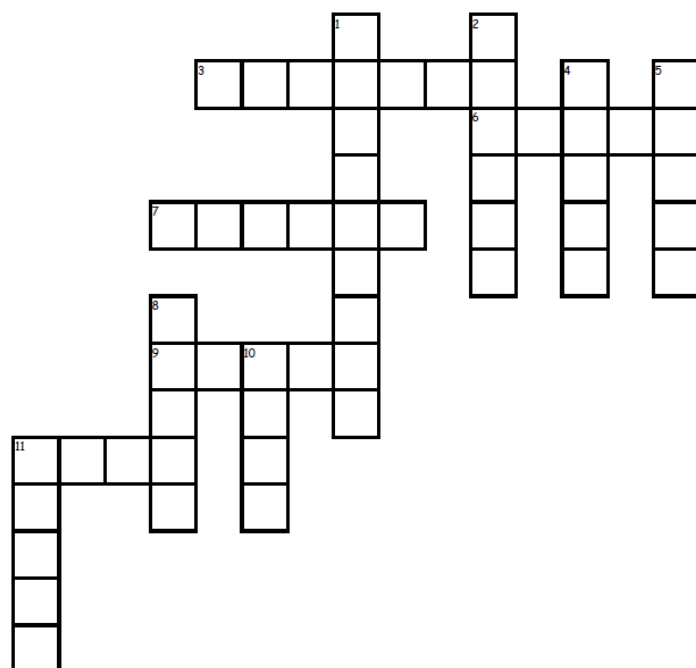
OR call the Parish Office

**SUNDAY ACTIVITY** (more activity sheets for children, teens and young adults available on the table at the back of our worship area)

### CROSSWORD

The people have seen a great light

Is 9:2-4  
Ps 27:1. 4abc  
1 Cor 1:10-13. 17  
Mt 4:17-23



#### Across

- 3: Jesus walked along the shore of this lake  
 6: the opposite of disagree  
 7: wrecked, in need of fixing  
 9: to disagree in an angry way  
 11: a large body of water

#### Down

- 1: people who catch fish  
 2: God's kingdom of eternal life  
 4: the wooden structure used in a crucifixion  
 5: Simon, the fisherman, was also known as \_\_\_\_\_  
 8: The brother of John who was also a fisherman  
 10: not bad  
 11: the opposite of dark

## 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 **Deacon:** Michael Manuel

**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

## WELCOME TO OUR MASS

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A) – 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2023

### Masses & Reconciliation Times

#### Sunday Masses

**St Peter's College Clyde North**  
 (entrance via Heather Gv & Mackillop Way) **Upper Level.**  
 Saturday Vigil: 6pm  
 Sunday: 9am, 10.45am

#### Weekday Masses

(St Peter's College Upper Level)

Mon (23/1): No Mass

Tue (24/1) – Sat (28/1): 9.30am @ St Peter's College upper level

\* Australia Day 26 January - Holiday

#### Baptism

Baptism Preparation 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday every month.  
 Sacrament of Baptism most Sundays.

#### Reconciliation

Every Friday & Saturday after morning Mass at the Parish Office.

Every Saturday 5.30pm to 5.45pm.

Or by appointment.

### Parish Schools

#### St Thomas the Apostle Primary School

5 Fiorelli Boulevard, Cranbourne East  
 Phone: 5998 9293  
 Principal: Mrs Kate Dourley

#### 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

Is 8:29-9:3

**In the Galilean country, the people have seen a great light**

The Word of the Lord

## Responsorial Psalm

Ps 26:1. 4. 13-14

**R.** The Lord is my light and my help

The Lord is my light and my help;  
whom shall I fear?

The Lord is the stronghold of my life;  
Before whom shall I shrink? **(R.)**

There is one thing I ask of the Lord,  
for this I long,  
to live in the house of the Lord,  
all the days of my life,  
to savour the sweetness of the Lord,  
to behold his temple. **(R.)**

I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness  
in the land of the living.  
Hope in him, hold firm and take heart.  
Hope in the Lord! **(R.)**

## Second Reading

1 Cor 1:10-13,17

**I appeal to you, my brothers and sisters, make up the differences between you.**

The Word of the Lord

## Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia, alleluia!** Jesus proclaimed the Good News of the kingdom, and cured all kinds of sickness among the people. **Alleluia!**

## Gospel

Mt 4:12-17

**He went to Capernaum, that the prophecy of Isaiah be fulfilled.**

Hearing that John had been arrested Jesus went back to Galilee, and leaving Nazareth he went and settled in Capernaum, a lakeside town on the borders of Zebulun and Naphtali. In this way the prophecy of Isaiah was to be fulfilled:

Land of Zebulun! Land of Naphtali!

Way of the sea on the far side of Jordan,

Galilee of the nations!

The people that lived in darkness has seen a great light;

on those who dwell in the land and shadow of death a light has dawned.

From that moment Jesus began his preaching with the message, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.'

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.**

### NEW, RELOCATING or LEAVING THE PARISH?

New Parishioners – please register with us. Relocating or Leaving Parishioners – please call the parish office to update our records. **We welcome our new parishioners at all our weekend Masses.**

### CHURCH BUILDING DONATION

- via donation envelope. Return via the collection plate or to the parish office or
- visit <https://stthomasap.org.au/donate/> Or contribute directly to CDF PAY <https://sale.cdfpay.org.au/> Write CHBLD in comment. Donations are not tax deductible.

## NOTICE

### MESSAGE FROM FR DENIS:

Dear Parishioners,

Seven years ago, on 20<sup>th</sup> January 2016, our parish was established with the new St Thomas the Apostle Parish, Clyde North, being separated from St Agatha's Parish, Cranbourne. We have celebrated that Parish Foundation Day at Masses on Friday in this past week.

We look forward now to establishing ourselves in our new parish church. During the past week we received some frustrating news in that an ongoing delay with one of the service providers has meant that we have confirmed with the builders and architects that we will not be able to celebrate the Dedication Mass for our new church on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> February, as we had advertised before Christmas. It is disappointing. The delay is expected to be a matter of a few weeks only, so we anticipate being in the new church by late February or early March.

In discussion with Bishop Greg, we now are looking forward to a Mass of Dedication on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> April in the joy of the Easter season.

I remain grateful for the amazing generosity of our parishioners, and I ask you to continue to pray for the safe and successful completion of this major project in the parish. St Thomas the Apostle, pray for us. Fr Denis

**RCIA: Stage of the Catechumenate 2023** - Our Catechumen, Snehapriya Sinha, is earnestly preparing for Baptism and we ask for your continued prayers so that her personal prayer life will develop in strength with God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**FORMING A VOCATIONS TEAM** - Bishop Greg is inviting every parish to a period of prayerful discernment for Vocation Awareness in the weeks leading up to the Feast of the Immaculate Conception (8th December). He asks us to ponder deeply who in each of our communities might be called to assist as a point of reference for Vocation Awareness – at the local parish and who might like to join a Diocesan Vocation Team. You may feel prompted by the Holy Spirit to offer yourself, or you may know someone that you wish to recommend. Please contact the parish office in the coming week.

### 2023 FEAST OF THE STO NINO at St Mary's Cathedral, Sale

The 13th Fiesta Gathering of the Filipino Community of the Sale and Districts in honour of Sto Nino (Holy Infant Jesus) will take place on **Sunday 29 January at 9.30am in St Mary's Cathedral.**

9.30am Mass, 10.30am Morning Tea. Anyone with a Sto Nino statue can bring it along for a blessing.

Wearing of traditional Filipino costumes is encouraged.

Everyone is invited to share a Filipino feast organised by the Bayanihan Circle and friends in the assembly area of the Cathedral after Mass. Celebrant: Bishop Gregory Bennet, Choir: The Bayanihan Circle (Filipino Choir)

### POSITION VACANT

#### Parish Secretary:

The position of Parishes Secretary has become available based at St Joseph's Parish Office Warragul. The primary purpose of this role is to provide secretarial, administrative support to the Parish Administrator and Parish, also including bookkeeping. Hours of work are 27.5 per week 9am-3pm. Applications are to be submitted by email to [Confidence.Masvosva@cdsale.org.au](mailto:Confidence.Masvosva@cdsale.org.au) by Friday 27th January. For a position description please contact Fr Confidence via email.

#### Sacrament & Catechist Coordinator:

The position of Sacrament & Catechist Coordinator has become available based at St Joseph's Parish Office Warragul. The primary purpose of this role is to coordinate the Sacraments of Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation and run Catechist classes for our parish children who do not attend Catholic Schools. Hours of work are Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 9am to 5pm. Applications are to be submitted by email to [Confidence.Masvosva@cdsale.org.au](mailto:Confidence.Masvosva@cdsale.org.au) by Friday 27th January. For a position description please contact Fr Confidence via email.

**SYNOD OF BISHOPS CONTINENTAL STAGE** - The Church around the world has entered the Continental Stage for the Synod of Bishops on Synodality. Access the Document for the Continental Stage [www.catholic.org.au/synodalchurch](http://www.catholic.org.au/synodalchurch)

**WORLD YOUTH DAY 2023** – The Diocese of Sale is organising groups of young people between the ages of 16-35 and join with the archdiocese of Melbourne for pilgrimage to Portugal. For more info, contact Fr. Avinash George on [avinash.george@cdsale.org.au](mailto:avinash.george@cdsale.org.au) or 5997 1510.

**WORLD MISSION SUNDAY** - Thank You! Your support of the World Mission Sunday Appeal 2022 enables Church workers in 1047 mission dioceses to offer Good News to their local communities. Thank you for contributing to the amount of \$963.00 which was raised by St Thomas the Apostle community for Catholic Mission. Our partnership with local churches in over 160 countries is dependent upon the prayerful and financial support of many. Through your contribution, communities in Ethiopia look forward with hope, with easier access to health, educational and spiritual resources. **THANK YOU.**

**AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED** is asking for support to aid sisters in Kenya in building a new mother house and formation centre for their local community. The diocesan congregation of the "Visitation Daughters of the Immaculate Heart" were established in order to help this needy population. The sisters' work includes caring for expectant mothers, acting as midwives, providing counselling, caring for the sick and looking after the elderly and orphans who are frequently abandoned by society. Your support will help these sisters to continue their mission by providing them with a permanent convent. To make an offering and learn more visit <https://aidtochurch.org/monthlyproject> or scan the Qr code.



### KITCHEN HELPERS NEEDED FOR CHURCH OPENING & DEDICATION

- Assistance in the kitchen with set-up, pack-up, food preparation & clean-up. We require at least 40 volunteers. Please contact Wendy Naik on 0414 191 694