## **Groups and Meetings**

BAPTISM PREPARATION: 1st 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.

SACRAMENT FOR SCHOOL AGED CHILDREN: Email parishofstthomasap@gmail.com

**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 (18/2) 6.00pm : Repose of the souls of Angeline D'Silva & John Baptist D'Silva

**Sunday (19/2)** 9.00am : 27<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary of Fale & Christine

10.45am : People of the parish

**Monday (20/2)** : No Mass

Tuesday (21/2) : Repose of the soul of Teresita Sabelina

Wednesday (22/2) : Available (pls call the parish office to book a Mass)
Thursday (23/2) : Available (pls call the parish office to book a Mass)

Friday (24/2) : Successful surgery for Ross Smith

Saturday (25/2) : Available (pls call the parish office to book a Mass)

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, Ross Smith, Rudolph Moses

Jacobs

Recently deceased : Albarnas Paniyadima (Fr Ajin's father), Su'a Popi Collins Mataafa

**Death Anniversary** : Mark Barbin, Fr Joseph O'Hagan, Fr Gerard Coffey

### **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: Gen 2:7-9, 3:1-7 Ro 5:12-19 Matt 4:1-11

## **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 Lord is kind and merciful

Lev 19:1-2. 17-18 Ps 103:1-2. 3 and 13 Cor 3:18-20 Mt 5:38-48

#### Across

- 4: people who do not believe
- 7: telling a lie is a \_ \_ \_
- 8: those who are against you
- 9: incorrect
- 10: clothing worn over the upper body
- 11: not sensible

#### Down

- 1: welcome
- how we feel when we know we have done something wrong
- 3: to have wise thoughts
- 5: sacred texts
- 6: a gift for good deeds
- 12: Jerusalem is a city in this country

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# 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 **Email:** Michael.Manuel@cdsale.org.au **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
Parish Secretaries: Christine Salu
Fiona Goh
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**Parish Safeguarding Officer**: Corralee Floyd (Wednesday 9.00am – 3.00pm)

Email: Clydenorth.Safety@cdsale.org.au

## WELCOME TO OUR MASS

**7th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)** – 19<sup>th</sup> February 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**

(Prayer room next to St Peter's reception bldg. Entrance via MacKillop Way)

Mon (20/2): No Mass

Tue (21/2), Thur (23/2), Fri (24/2) & Sat (25/2) 9.30am @ Prayer room

## ASH WEDNESDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> February

9.30am @ Prayer Room

6pm & 7.30pm @ upper level our

Sunday worship area

## **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

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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

You must love your neighbour as yourself

The Word of the Lord

## Responsorial Psalm

Ps 102(103):1-4, 10, 12-13

## R. The Lord is compassion and love.

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. **R.** 

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. **R.** 

The Lord is compassion and love, slow to anger and rich in mercy.

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

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

As a father has compassion on his sons, the Lord has pity on those who fear him. **R.** 

**Second Reading** 

1 Cor 3:16-23

You belong to Christ and Christ belongs to God

The Word of the Lord

## **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia! When anyone obeys what Christ has said, God's love comes to perfection in him. Alleluia!

Gospel Mt 5:38-48

## Love your enemies

Jesus said to his disciples: 'You have learnt how it was said: Eye for eye and tooth for tooth. But I say this to you: offer the wicked man no resistance. On the contrary, if anyone hits you on the right cheek, offer him the other as well; if a man takes you to law and would have your tunic, let him have your cloak as well. And if anyone orders you to go one mile, go two miles with him. Give to anyone who asks, and if anyone wants to borrow, do not turn away.

'You have learnt how it was said: You must love your neighbour and hate your enemy. But I say this to you: love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you; in this way you will be sons of your Father in heaven, for he causes his sun to rise on bad men as well as good, and his rain to fall on honest and dishonest men alike. For if you love those who love you, what right have you to claim any credit? Even the tax collectors do as much, do they not? And if you save your greetings for your brothers, are you doing anything exceptional? Even the pagans do as much, do they not? You must therefore be perfect just as your heavenly Father is perfect.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

## **Memorial Acclamation**

Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

SAFEGUARDING – Our parish is committed to providing a safe and supportive environment for all people with special concern for children, young people and adults at risk. Our Safeguarding Office, Corralee Floyd, can be contacted via email: <a href="mailto:clydenorth.safety@cdsale.org.au">clydenorth.safety@cdsale.org.au</a> or call 5998 0947

#### **NOTICE**

**RCIA:** Stage of the Catechumenate 2023 - We keep praying for our Cathechumen Priya Sinha as she continues encountering our Trinitarian God in prayer, reflection and faith-learning. The following four weekly sessions orior to the Rite of Election and of the Lenten season will be: 1. Discovering authentic love. 2. God's plan for sexuality. 3. Building a Civilisation of Love. 4. Protecting the Dignity of the Human Person.

### Rite of Election for Catechumens and the Formal Recognition of Baptised Candidates

An invitation is extended to all catechumens, candidates, and their families, RCIA team members and parishioners to the Rite of Election, to be celebrated by Bishop Greg Bennet on Sunday 26th February at 3.00 pm in St. Mary's Cathedral, Sale.

2.00 pm Bishop Greg warmly invites catechumens, candidates and their families, godparents, sponsors and RCIA teams to meet him at the Chapter House (at the rear of the Cathedral precinct)

3.00 pm The Rite of Election of Catechumens and Formal Recognition of Baptised Candidates in the Cathedral 4.00 pm Afternoon tea in the Cathedral gathering space. Please bring some food to share.

**CHOIR** - As in past years, we are forming a Diocesan choir for the Rite of Election at St Mary's Cathedral on Sunday 26th February 2023, at 3.00 pm in St. Mary's Cathedral, Sale.

1.30-2.30 pm Choir rehearsal 3.00-4.00 pm Rite of Election

To register your interest and receive the music pack and rehearsal links, please contact Sophy Morley on smorley@sale.catholic.org.au without delay or phone the diocesan office on 5622 6677.

### **VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED!**

#### 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

**CHURCH CLEANING & FLOWERS:** Volunteers & families needed to assist with regular cleaning of our new church. We also require volunteers who are able to assist with flower arrangements. Please contact the parish office. parish@stthomasap.org.au & 5998 0947. If you are able to donate industrial vacuum cleaners to the parish, please also contact our office.

**EXTRAORDINARY EUCHARISTIC MINISTER** for Age Care facilities on Wednesdays. If you can volunteer your time on Wednesday mornings (during school term) to bring the Holy Eucharist to our brothers & sisters at both the Age Care facilities in our parish, please contact the Parish Office. The existing lovely team of volunteers are eagerly looking forward to welcoming you.

**THE ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE CHOIR** which sings every 1st & 2nd Sundays during the 10:45am Mass, is seeking new members. We would like to invite parishioners who have interest in singing to join us. Please approach any of the choir members to discuss. Alternatively, you may message 0451226701 or 0430144145. Thank you & may God bless you in many ways."

**PROJECT COMPASSION** - Please take home a Project Compassion box or a set of donation envelopes to support Caritas Australia this Lenten season and help support vulnerable people around the world, now and For All Future Generations. With your support, Caritas Australia has been able to support vulnerable communities around the world to tackle poverty, food security, education, water and sanitation and disaster risk reduction to build a better future for all. You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available at both entrances, by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion, or by calling 1800 024 413.



**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 or call our parish office.

**ANNUAL CATECHIST GATHERING AND EUCHARIST** is coming up on 21st March @Teacher's Centre, Sion House, Warragul at 9am.

**PRAYING THE ROSARY** with others - St Mary's Parish, Bairnsdale invites you to the online community to pray the Rosary each week at 7pm on Monday nights via Zoom. Email Michelle stm.michelleg@gmail.com to receive a link to join us.

**CARITAS AUSTRALIA** partners **Caritas Syria** and other Caritas agencies on the ground in Syria are coordinating with local authorities and other organisations to see how they can best assist. If you can help, the link to the Caritas appeal is: https://www.caritas.org.au/donate/middle-east-crisis-appeal-turkey-syria/

AID TO THE CHURCH in Need is still supporting the Catholic Church in Ukraine in its commitment to stay on the ground and keep serving its flock in the face of material and economic war. ACN is helping priests and religious, who are working across the country in parishes, with refugees, in orphanages and homes for the elderly. We are doing everything we can to assist our Ukrainian brothers and sisters to be strengthened in their faith so that they may continue to be a light in Ukraine. ACN needs your help to continue this mission. To make an offering and learn more visit https://aidtochurch.org/ukraine

#### 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

- Church Building Donation form or 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 deductable.