

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. 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: 5996 1985
ST VINNIES PHONE ROOM – if you or someone you know needs assistance from St Vinnies, please call 5995 0211.

Mass Intentions

Saturday (4/3) 6.00pm : People of the Parish
Sunday (5/3) 9.00am : Thanksgiving Mass for Rita Scicluna
 10.45am : Departed family & friends of the Schulberg family
Monday (6/3) : No Mass
Tuesday (7/3) : No Mass
Wednesday (8/3) : No Mass
Thursday (9/3) : No Mass
Friday (10/3) : Marie Gomez (Death anniv)
Saturday (11/3) : Departed family & friends of the Andolfatto & McHale families
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 Willow, Baby De'andre Hooft, Anura Fernando, Ross Smith, Rudolph Moses Jacobs
Recently deceased : Kerry Carboon, Jacinta Viegas, Emma De Maria Willow, Srimathy Fernando, Jean Claude Piston
Death Anniversary : Fr John Phelan, Fr Peter Dawson

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: Ex 17:3-7 Ro 5:1-2, 5-8 John 4:5-42

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)

SENIOR WORDSEARCH

I will bless you and make you into a great nation

O S J A M E S U K J Q X J K I R J
 Z X B O M H K N L I U O O J J E Q
 T Q V H U X U G K A E D H K S L K
 G W U G D Z G R X U S J H Z G A H
 N M F L C L Y Z T T L C B G C T X
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 Q N N U R K V U A D M O G Y I W R
 A S T K Y O G S U B N O M B A L B
 G V D A I B H O T V R G O J T U Y
 O R E C J Q L P S V S A H M N J A
 F U E L M C W V F Q E V H P U U Q
 R O M Y K Z U X N H O J Z A O X A
 J K U A W B M K X A D S H J M I U

Try to find these words:

Abraham
 cloud
 country
 family
 famous
 good
 James
 John
 mountain
 relatives
 sun
 voice

6m 12:1-4a
 Ps 33:4-5, 20 & 22 R.v.22
 Mt 17:1-9

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

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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

2nd Sunday of Lent (Year A) – 5th March 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 (5/3) - Thur (9/3): No Mass.
 Fri (10/3) & Sat (11/3) 9.30am @ Prayer room
 Funeral Mass for Emma Willow is on Fri 10th March 11.30am at St Agatha

STATIONS OF THE CROSS every Friday in Lent @ 7.30pm. Ground level.

PARISH LENTEN RECONCILIATION Wednesday 22nd March @ 7pm.

Baptism

Baptism Preparation 1st 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

Gen 12:1-4

All the tribes of the earth shall bless themselves by you

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 32(33):4-5, 18-20,22

R. May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you.

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.

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.

Our soul is waiting for the Lord.
The Lord is our help and our shield.
May your love be upon us, O Lord,
as we place all our hope in you.

Second Reading

2 Tim 1:8-10

God calls and enlightens us

The Word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Glory and Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ! From the bright cloud the Father's voice was heard: "This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him." **Glory and Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!**

Gospel

Matt 17:1-9

His face shone like the sun

Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain where they could be alone. There in their presence he was transfigured: his face shone like the sun and his clothes became as white as the light. Suddenly Moses and Elijah appeared to them; they were talking with him. Then Peter spoke to Jesus. 'Lord,' he said 'it is wonderful for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' He was still speaking when suddenly a bright cloud covered them with shadow, and from the cloud there came a voice which said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; he enjoys my favour. Listen to him.' When they heard this the disciples fell on their faces, overcome with fear. But Jesus came up and touched them. 'Stand up,' he said 'do not be afraid.' And when they raised their eyes they saw no one but only Jesus.

As they came down from the mountain Jesus gave them this order, 'Tell no one about the vision until the Son of Man has risen from the dead.'

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 @ <https://stthomasap.org.au/new-parishioner-registration/> Relocating or Leaving Parishioners – please call the parish office

CHURCH BUILDING DONATION

- Church Building Donation form or via donation envelope or <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.

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: clydenorth.safety@cdsale.org.au or call 5998 0947

NOTICE

You are warmly invited to attend the Blessing & Dedication of St Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church on Sunday 23rd April 2023. We will be honoured by the presence of His Excellency Charles Balvo, Apostolic Nuncio to Australia & Most Rev Gregory Bennet, Bishop of Sale who will preside at the Concelebrated Ritual Mass of Dedication of the Church & Altar beginning at St Peter's College Clyde North at 1.00pm and walking in procession to enter the new Church at 2.00pm.

Message from our Parish Priest

Dear Parishioners,

As we come close to entering our new church, I wish to make one last appeal to you and I hope that you are able to respond generously.

For ten and a half years St Peter's College has made us welcome for our weekend Masses and various parish gatherings, and since Covid for our weekday Masses as well. I have constantly been amazed at their generosity to our church and parish, and they could not have done more to enable us to succeed in our efforts to establish a new church and parish. We owe St Peter's College a huge debt of gratitude.

I am appealing for \$20,000 to enable us to commission to glass mosaics, to be done by the same artist who has done so much beautiful artwork for our new church, the stained-glass windows, the Stations of the Cross, and the Icon of Our Lady of Perpetual Help.

We wish to gift one to St Peter's College and have one in our church as permanent memorials of our gratitude. Please contact the parish office to make donations. I thank you in anticipation.

Fr Denis

**** SPECIAL COLLECTION towards this gift will be collected at all weekend Masses on 11th / 12th MARCH****

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: We are still seeking volunteers / families to assist with regular cleaning of our new church on a rostered rotation. 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. We are also still seeking volunteers to sign up to assist with cleaning our new church on a rostered basis. Please contact the parish office to register your interest.

CHURCH CLEANING VOLUNTEERS: We are looking for a volunteer who has had prior experience with church cleaning to help train our church cleaning volunteers with their church cleaning duties. Please contact the parish on 5998 0947 if you are able to assist.

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."

WE WELCOME AS CHILD OF GOD: Xaliya Amaré Merenia Marie Salu, child of Keziah & Jordan

RCIA: Priya Sinha has now entered the period of purification and enlightenment which occurs during Lent. It is a time of deep spiritual preparation and reflection. At Mass this period of purification and enlightenment is marked by three celebrations known as the scrutinies where we will share our beautiful prayers of The Creed and The Our Father with Priya. Please keep Priya Sinha in your prayers.

FIRST RECONCILIATION – Parent & Child workshop on 14th / 15th March at St Thomas the Apostle Primary at 6.45pm

PROJECT COMPASSION - Please take home a Project Compassion box or a set of donation envelopes to support Caritas Australia this Lenten season. All donation boxes/envelopes due back on Good Friday.

DISCOVER WHAT ST. PETER'S COLLEGE HAS TO OFFER Join us for our College Open Discovery Evenings. Meet our Principal, Teachers and have a Student-Led Tour of our classrooms in action, where your child can join in some learning activities. Cranbourne Campus Tuesday 21 March at 7pm and Clyde North Campus Thursday 23 March at 7pm. Please contact the College Registrar on 5990 7777 if you have any questions or to book in.

COME FOLLOW ME: One day discipleship retreat – Date: 8 March Time: 10am – 4pm Preacher: Colin Calmiano. For location or more information, contact Emma 0418 918 787. Lunch provided. Registration required.

ARE YOU ARE MAKING OR REVIEWING YOUR WILL? Did you know that you can have Masses offered for your soul regularly (for a period of up to 3 years) after you have passed away? You can ask your lawyer to include a clause in your Will directing your Trustees to arrange for Masses to be said for yourself and/or for another family member at your nominated church.

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.

CATHOLIC RESOURCES: formed.org (get free access at parish office), shalomworld.org, EWTN.org, aleteia.org

“Do you wish your prayer to fly toward God? Make for it two wings: fasting and almsgiving.” —Saint Augustine of Hippo