

## 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.  
**MARRIAGES:** At least 6 months' notice. Call the Parish Office  
**RCIA:** For adults interested to join the Catholic Faith. Classes to begin soon. For enquiries, contact Ruth Marais on 0430 716 664.  
**SACRAMENT FOR SCHOOL AGED CHILDREN (1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation, 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion & Confirmation) :**  
 Email parishofstthomasap@gmail.com  
**LITTLE FRIENDS OF JESUS** – teaching of the catholic faith to children from Prep – Gr 6. Every Saturdays (school term) email: friendsofjesusstap@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 (12/8)** 6.00pm : Repose of the souls of Joe Candappa & Tony Gregory  
**Sunday (13/8)** 9.00am : B'day blessing for Zachary Mathew  
 10.45am : Repose of the soul of Judith Alfelore Tanay  
**Monday (14/8)** : No Mass  
**Tuesday (15/8)** 9.30am : Special Intention for Shiela Candappa  
 6.00pm : Repose of the soul of Fr Ashton  
 7.30pm : Repose of the soul of Ivor Peters  
**Wednesday (16/8)** : No Mass  
**Thursday (17/8)** : No Mass  
**Friday (18/8)** : No Mass  
**Saturday (19/8)** : No Mass  
**Pray for the sick:** : Fr Bernard Buckley, Fr Brian Gleeson, Luicile Noel, Sue Dower, Salvador Guidos, Albert Hartung, Greg Recalde, Carol Vincenz, Baby De'andre Hooft, Anura Fernando, Ross Smith, Clermont Ignace, John Stray, Odelia Schreurs, Daphne Philomena Louis  
**Recently deceased** : Audrey Bulner, Fr Sunday Ejeh, Jean McCarthy  
**Death Anniv/Remb** : Silvina Lim, Miguella Marajas, Maria Vita Pereira, Jose Amaya, Frank & Charlotte D'Souza, Aileen & Tony Decouto, Bishop Patrick Lyons, Fr Donal Madigan

### Parish Council Members:

Fr Denis, Dcn Michael, Jonathan Rubite, Sandra Ignace, Dezlene Orchard, Jerusha Benjamin,

### Parish Finance

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

Next week's readings: Is 56:1, 6-7 Romans 11:13-15,29-32 Matthew 15:21-28

## 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 in the foyer)

### SENIOR WORDSEARCH

Lord, show us your mercy and love

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

Try to find these words:

afraid  
 boat  
 cave  
 earthquake  
 Elijah  
 fire  
 ghost  
 mountain  
 Peter  
 robe  
 sink  
 water

1 Kg 19:9a, 11-13a  
 Ps 85:8abc & 9, 10-11, 12-13  
 Mt 14:22-33

# St Thomas the Apostle

## Catholic Parish, Clyde North



*"My Lord and My God!"*

**Church & Parish Office:** 5 Fiorelli Blvd, Cranbourne East 3977

**Mailing address:** PO Box 6089, Clyde VIC 3978

**Parish Priest:** Fr Denis O'Bryan

**Presbytery Phone:** 5999 0059 (After office hours emergency)

**Deacon:** Michael Manuel

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**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

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**Parish Safeguarding Officer:** Ann Rode (Wednesday 9.00am – 3.00pm)

**Email:** Clydenorth.Safety@cdsale.org.au

## WELCOME TO OUR

19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A) – 13<sup>th</sup> August 2023

### Masses & Reconciliation Times

**MASS CELEBRATED AT  
 5 FIORELLI BLVD CRANBOURNE  
 EAST**

#### Sunday Masses

Saturday Vigil: 6pm  
 Sunday: 9am, 10.45am

#### Weekday Masses (week of 14<sup>th</sup> Aug – 19<sup>th</sup> Aug)

**No weekday morning Mass while Fr Denis is away except on the FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION Tuesday Aug 15 : Holy day of obligation – Mass times: 9.30am, 6pm & 7.30pm**

*Feast & Solemnity day:*

*Monday 14<sup>th</sup> Aug – St Maximilian Kolbe*

*Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> Aug – Assumption of the BVM*

#### Baptism

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

#### Reconciliation

Every Saturday on request. Please give office advance notice 5.30pm to 5.45pm.

#### Blessed Sacrament

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament  
 Every Friday after morning Mass to 7pm

### 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

1 Kings 19:9,11-13

**The Lord was not in the wind, or the earthquake, or the fire**

The Word of the Lord

## Responsorial Psalm

Ps 96(97):1-2,5-6,9

**R. Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.**

I will hear what the Lord God has to say,  
a voice that speaks of peace.  
His help is near for those who fear him  
and his glory will dwell in our land. **R.**

Mercy and faithfulness have met;  
justice and peace have embraced.  
Faithfulness shall spring from the earth  
and justice look down from heaven. **R.**

The Lord will make us prosper  
and our earth shall yield its fruit.  
Justice shall march before him  
and peace shall follow his steps. **R.**

## Second Reading

Roman 9:1-5

**I would willingly be condemned if it could help my brothers**

The Word of the Lord

## Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia, alleluia!** I hope in the Lord, I trust in his word. **Alleluia!**

## Gospel

Matt 14:22-33

**Jesus walks on the water**

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side while he would send the crowds away. After sending the crowds away he went up into the hills by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, while the boat, by now far out on the lake, was battling with a heavy sea, for there was a head-wind. In the fourth watch of the night he went towards them, walking on the lake, and when the disciples saw him walking on the lake they were terrified. 'It is a ghost' they said, and cried out in fear. But at once Jesus called out to them, saying, 'Courage! It is I! Do not be afraid.' It was Peter who answered. 'Lord,' he said 'if it is you, tell me to come to you across the water.' 'Come' said Jesus. Then Peter got out of the boat and started walking towards Jesus across the water, but as soon as he felt the force of the wind, he took fright and began to sink. 'Lord! Save me!' he cried. Jesus put out his hand at once and held him. 'Man of little faith,' he said 'why did you doubt?' And as they got into the boat the wind dropped. The men in the boat bowed down before him and said, 'Truly, you are the Son of God.'

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.

**SAFEGUARDING** – Please do not leave children unsupervised in the church and in the toilets. 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, Ann Rode, can be contacted via email: [clydenorth.safety@cdsale.org.au](mailto:clydenorth.safety@cdsale.org.au) or call 5998 0947

## NOTICES

### RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

WEEKLY SESSIONS STARTING THIS WEEK. We welcome Fritz Lejan and Shenali Perera to this time of catechesis which will lead them to complete the Sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Communion. We ask our parish community to keep them in prayer. Please note also that at any time during the year our parish community invites those interested in becoming Catholic or those who would like to learn about our faith to join us in these weekly meetings. You may consider to come along and/or invite a family member or a friend who you may see is seeking to encounter the redeeming love of our Heavenly Father. All enquires to our Parish office 5998 0947 or to the RCIA Team Coordinator Ruth Marais - Mobile No. 0414 191 694.

**LITTLE FRIENDS OF JESUS** – An invitation for all primary school aged children Prep – Gr 6 from both government and Catholic schools to join in an exciting new program!! Suitable for children preparing for their sacrament. Every Saturday at 4pm during school term. For more information, please call Sr Julie at the Parish Office or email [friendsofjesusstap@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofjesusstap@gmail.com)

**FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION** - Dear parishioners, to honour Our Holy Mother Mary in celebrating the Feast of her Assumption we will start a Novena on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> Aug which will finish on 14/8/23. On the Feast day we will pray Rosary and Litany after the 9.30am Mass and at 5.15pm (before the 6.00pm mass). Please take home a copy of the Novena in the foyer. This Novena will also be posted on our Facebook page each day.

**YOUNG ADULTS GROUP LAUNCH** – (Ages 18 -35 years) We have had a huge response for sign-ups for our Young Adults Group. For those who have not yet had a chance to sign up, there is still time. Please register your interest on the forms available after Masses today. Watch this space for 1st meeting Launch date in the next few weeks.

**YOUTH GROUP – (ages 13-17 years)**. There will be an exciting event for teens coming in September. Please register your interest after Masses on the sign up sheets this weekend. For further enquiries please contact parish office on 5998 0947 or [parish@stthomasap.org.au](mailto:parish@stthomasap.org.au)

**ST VINNIES FOOD BIN** – if you'd like to help those in the community that are doing it tough this winter, the St Vinnies Food bin in the foyer is available for you to donate nonperishable food. Thank you.

**ADORATION CHAPEL** - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is on every Friday after morning Mass till 7pm. For code to access the chapel, please contact the office on 5998 0947 or [parish@stthomasap.org.au](mailto:parish@stthomasap.org.au)

**CDF Investment** – 5.5% p.a. 12-month term investment with CDF Community Fund. More information visit [catholicdevelopmentfund.org.au/communityfund/offer](http://catholicdevelopmentfund.org.au/communityfund/offer) or scan the QR code



**PALMS AUSTRALIA** – Palms Australia recruits qualified and experienced Australians who participate in an exchange of knowledge and skills to meet the requests of overseas communities seeking to reduce poverty by developing the capacities of their people and organisations. Skills required are determined by the requests received from community organisations overseas including educators, accountants, managers, tradespeople, agriculturalists, IT specialist, community and social workers, doctors, & health workers. If you'd like to hear more about the experiences & opportunities, register for the webinar here <https://palms.org.au/events/>

**CATHOLIC CARE VICTORIA SUNDAY APPEAL** – Thank you from CatholicCare Victoria. CatholicCare Victoria is deeply grateful for the support of our parish during last week's appeal. Because of the generosity of our parish community a total of \$1492.75 was donated, CatholicCare Victoria can continue to ensure that vulnerable individuals and families in our community have the opportunity to live life to the full.

**GOD & BEER** - Topic: Reflections of an Australian Catholic Exorcist

Speaker: Fr Michael Shadbolt Date: Monday 14th August Time: 6.30pm dinner available for purchase, 7.30pm for the talk Venue: Notting Hill Hotel (Steakhouse Room), 260-262 Ferntree Gully Rd, Notting Hill, VIC RSVP: [GodandBeer.com.au](http://GodandBeer.com.au)

The Catholic Charity **AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED** has launched their "Nigeria: Young. Faithful. Crucified" global campaign. Did you know that in 2022 a total of 5,014 Christians were killed for their faith in Nigeria? These were not Nigerians who happened to be Christian, but rather, their allegiance to the Lord saw them face a brutal death. This is a Church being crucified with Christ. To watch testimonies and to make an offering visit [www.aidtochurch.org/nigeriaglobal](http://www.aidtochurch.org/nigeriaglobal)

**RETREAT IN EVERYDAY LIFE** – Moments of Grace – over five weeks, beginning Monday, 31 July and concluding 28 August (at Heart of Life, Malvern, or via Zoom) Flexible timing. Mindfulness & Meditation – Saturday, 28 August 2023, 10 am – 3.30 pm (in-person), Treasuring Our Later Years (in-person event), Sat 5 Aug, 10am–4pm Enquiry & Registration visit <https://www.heartoflife.melbourne/events/retreat-in-everyday-life-moments-of-grace/> or [info@heartoflife.melbourne](mailto:info@heartoflife.melbourne)

**EVENTS AROUND THE DIOCESE** – To find out about events happening in the Diocese of Sale, visit the Diocese of Sale website <https://www.cdsale.org.au/parish-resource>

**CATHOLIC RESOURCES:** [formed.org](http://formed.org) (get free access password from the parish office), [shalomworld.org](http://shalomworld.org), [EWTN.org](http://EWTN.org), [aleteia.org](http://aleteia.org)

**BILLINGS LIFE** - During Natural Fertility Awareness Week, in August, a special, free webinar in recognition of Dr John Billings' work, entitled "Understanding Couple Fertility: the Male Perspective" will be held on Monday 21st August 2023 at 7.30pm AEST. As well as highlighting the male perspective in using the Billings Ovulation Method®, couples will reflect on how it has helped them in understanding their joint fertility, as well as benefiting their relationships and family life. Please follow the link to register [www.billings.life/en](http://www.billings.life/en)

All enquiries for Church booking, please speak with Christine or Fiona in the office.

**We kindly ask that you keep the house of GOD clean. No Food & Drinks in the Church and check that you did not leave any belongings behind before leaving Church.**

### 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

via donation envelope or <https://stthomasap.org.au/donate/> or EFTPOS. Donations are not tax deductible.