

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.
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 (1st Reconciliation, 1st 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: friendsofjesustap@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 (26/8) 6.00pm : Repose of the soul of Roger Savannah (6th Anniv)
Sunday (27/8) 9.00am : Thanksgiving for Emil Tom
 10.45am : Repose of the soul of Raymond Thompson (B'day remb)
Monday (28/8) : No Mass
Tuesday (29/8) : No Mass
Wednesday (30/8) : No Mass
Thursday (31/8) : No Mass
Friday (1/9) : No Mass
Saturday (2/9) : 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, Maria Krotwarr, Ben Kerr
Death Anniv/Remb : Tirtio Gerdiman, Yengky Kadaroesman, Frits Houben, Fr Patrick Cremin

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: Jer 20:7-9 Ro 12:1-2 Mt 16:21-27

New Parishioner Registration

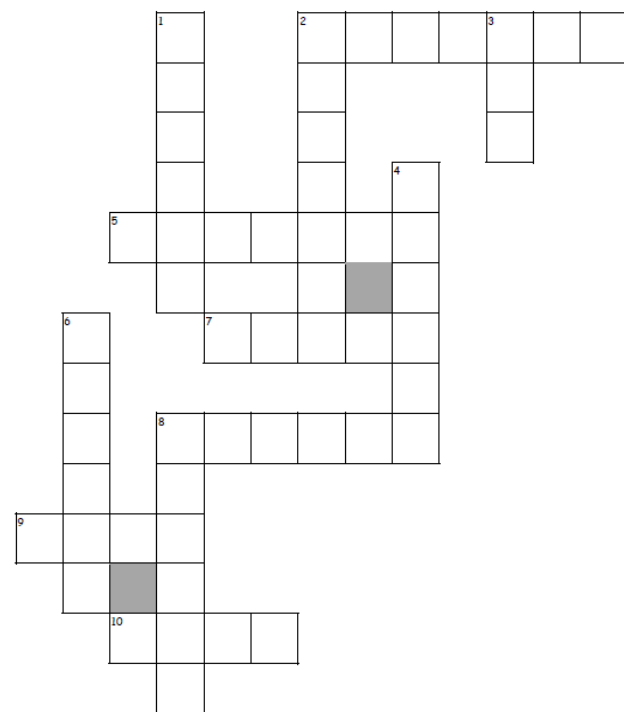
Please register online at <https://stthomasap.org.au/new-parishioner-registration/>

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)

CROSSWORD

Everything comes from the Lord



Rom 11:33-36
 Ps 138:1-2a, 2bc & 3, 6 & 8cde, R. v.8b
 Mt 16:13-20

Across

- 2: the opposite of sister
 5: God's chosen one
 7: Jesus gave Simon this new name
 8: to have lots of money is to have _____
 9: these are used to unlock things
 10: the name Peter means _____

Down

- 1: if you borrow something from somebody they have _____ it to you
 2: some people thought Jesus was John the _____
 3: the opposite of her
 4: Jesus said "On this rock I will build my _____"
 6: a female sibling
 8: wise thought

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

Email: Michael.Manuel@cdsale.org.au

Parish Office Hours: Tuesday – Friday 9.00am – 3.00pm

Parish Office Phone: 5998 0947

Email: parish@stthomasap.org.au

Website: www.stthomasap.org.au



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Pastoral Associate: Sr Juliana Ogbole **Email:** Clydenorth.pastoralassociate@cdsale.org.au

Parish Secretaries: Christine Salu

Email: Clydenorth.Secretary1@cdsale.org.au

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

Email: Clydenorth.Safety@cdsale.org.au

WELCOME TO OUR

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A) – 27th 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 28th Aug – 2nd Sep)

No weekday morning Mass while Fr Denis is away

Baptism

Baptism Preparation
 1st Sunday every month.
 Sacrament of Baptism
 most Sundays.

Reconciliation

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

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 Isaiah 22:19-23

I place the key of the House of David on my servant's shoulder

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 137(138):1-3, 6-8

R. Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.

I thank you, Lord, with all my heart:

you have heard the words of my mouth.

In the presence of the angels I will bless you.

I will adore before your holy temple. **R.**

I thank you for your faithfulness and love,

which excel all we ever knew of you.

On the day I called, you answered;

you increased the strength of my soul. **R.**

The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly

and the haughty he knows from afar.

Your love, O Lord, is eternal,

discard not the work of your hands. **R.**

Second Reading

Roman 11:33-36

All that exists comes from him; all is by him and from him.

The Word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! You are Peter, the rock on which I will build my Church; the gates of hell will not hold out against it. **Alleluia!**

Gospel

Matt 16:13-20

You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church

When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say he is John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he said 'who do you say I am?' Then Simon Peter spoke up, 'You are the Christ,' he said, 'the Son of the living God.' Jesus replied, 'Simon son of Jonah, you are a happy man! Because it was not flesh and blood that revealed this to you but my Father in heaven. So I now say to you: You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church. And the gates of the underworld can never hold out against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven: whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.' Then he gave the disciples strict orders not to tell anyone that he was the Christ.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Memorial Acclamation

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

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.

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 or call 5998 0947

NOTICES

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND WORKSHOPS

LECTORS WORKSHOP - on Sunday 27th Aug 2pm – 4pm in the Church. Current and those interested to join this ministry are invited.

ST VINNIES MEETING – For all parishioners volunteering to assist with SVDP. Wednesday 6th September at the Church from 7pm – 8.30pm

MINISTRY OF HOLY COMMUNION WORKSHOP – on Saturday 2nd Sept 12noon – 2pm in Church. Current & those interested to join this ministry are invited.

YOUTH GROUP – (ages 13-17 years). There will be an exciting event for teens coming soon. Watch this space. 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

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

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CANDIDATES – For the children currently enrolled in this sacrament, confession on Thursday 31st Aug 6.50pm in Church. NOTE: There will be no other day.

RAFFLE TICKETS – on sale NOW! \$2.00 per ticket or \$20.00 a book. Draw on Saturday 2nd Dec. 1st Prize Kia Picanto S 1.25ltr Auto. Raffle Permit No: 10175/23. Books to be returned no later than 22nd Oct to be in the draw.

FATHER'S DAY APPEAL FOR THE PRIESTS' WELFARE FOUNDATION OF THE DIOCESE OF SALE: This Fund supports the priests and deacons of our diocese in times of sickness or retirement. At present the Foundation is supporting nine priests and three deacons in retirement and is responsible for the other priests, including our overseas priests, and deacons in time of sickness. The budgeted expenditure of the Foundation for them over the next year will be about \$400,000.

Envelopes are available in the foyer for the Special Collection to be taken up this weekend to assist the work of the Priests' Welfare Foundation of the Diocese of Sale. All donations of \$2.00 and over are tax deductible. Please print your name and address **clearly** on the envelope and a receipt will be issued in due course.

AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED (CAN) is running an emergency campaign for Pakistan. Recently up to 24 churches, hundreds of Christian homes and a Christian cemetery were targeted in an attack in Pakistan which was sparked by reports of blasphemy allegations against two Christians accused of desecrating the Qur'an. ACN is working with project partners on the ground to aid the current needs of the Christian people. To learn more and to make an offering visit www.aidtochurch.org/pakistanappeal.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

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.

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

SPIRITUAL RETREAT ON THE HOLY MASS (for children aged 5 – 15) – Organise by Divine Kids Date: 16 & 17 Sep Time: 9.00am – 3.30pm Venue: Holy Family Parish, Doveton. Food provided, enrolments required www.divinekids.com.au

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



RETREATS AT JESUITS AND IGNATIAN SPIRITUALITY AUSTRALIA: <https://jisa.org.au/vic-campion/>

IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MARY MACKILLOP – An Australian Pilgrimage led by a Sister of Saint Joseph & the Inaugural Director of the Mary Mackillop Heritage Centre. 17 – 28 Oct 2023. For enquiry, email to national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au Brochure in the foyer.

REVIVE SRM RETREAT with Br Stanley Joseph – Healing and Deliverance prayer Thursday 14 September 7:30-09:30 pm Our Lady Help of Christians Parish. More info, contact Bobby 0400680005 or visit www.Srmaustralia.org

ENNEAGRAM DAY – Saturday, 9 September 2023, 9 am – 4.30 pm (in-person event)

This one-day practical workshop offers a transformational experience where you will gain invaluable insight into the unique way in which we relate and respond to the people with whom we share our lives, and the world around us. Facilitated by our Program Director Dr Lynn Moresi, she will dwell into topics of discovering your Enneagram Type; identifying your pathways of strength and challenge; understanding/interacting with other Types; handling conflict; and effective communication. Join this small group setting for a day of fun, laughter, challenge and insight. Places limited. Bookings via <https://www.heartoflife.melbourne/events/enneagram-day/> or email info@heartoflife.melbourne. Cost: \$80 including notes (BYO lunch)

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 (get free access password from the parish office), shalomworld.org, EWTN.org, aleteia.org

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.