

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: 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 (16/9) 6.00pm : Thanksgiving Mass for blessings received
Sunday (17/9) 9.00am : Repose of the souls of Cecilia & John Viegas
 10.45am : People of the parish
Monday (18/9) : No Mass
Tuesday (19/9) : Repose of the soul of K.T. Joseph Kunnamkottu (20th death anniv)
Wednesday (20/9) : Repose of the soul of Saipela Taupau
Thursday (21/9) : For holy souls in purgatory
Friday (22/9) : Repose of the soul of T.T. Joseph Thattamattathil
Saturday (23/9) : Repose of the soul of Gladys Schulberg & Emma Zwane
Pray for the sick: : Fr Bernard Buckley, Luicile Noel, Sue Dower, Salvador Guidos, Albert Hartung, Greg Recalde, Carol Vincenz, Baby De'andre Hooft, Anura Fernando, Ross Smith, Clermont Ignace, John Stray, Daphne Philomena Louis, Maria Krotwarr, Ben Kerr, Joan Hughes
Recently deceased : Ethel Joachim, Odelia Schreurs, Fr Brian Gleeson, Carmen Katharina Golonski,
Death Anniv/Remb : George Gunton, Gihan Jayasundera, Sebastian, Fr Thomas Hurley, Fr John Howard, Dean Peter Coyne

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 55:6-9 Phil 1:20-24,27 Matt 20:1-16

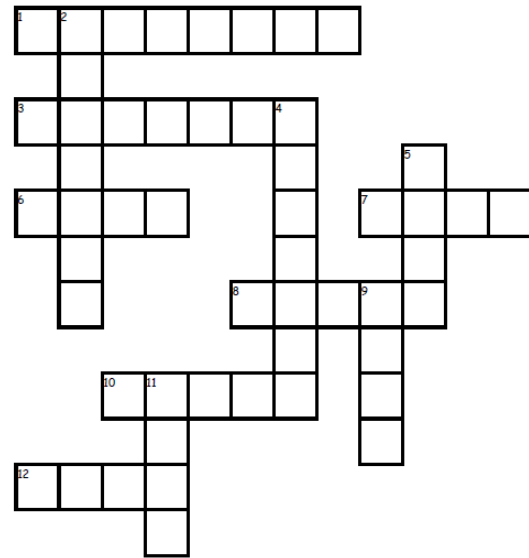
New Parishioner Registration

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

Forgive and forget



Across

- 1: the _____ owed the king fifty million silver coins
 3: people you most like to spend time with
 6: Christ _____ and rose to life
 7: a male monarch
 8: really mad
 10: we use this to buy what we need
 12: to be alive

Down

- 2: to accept someone's apology
 4: Jesus told Peter to forgive not just seven times, but _____ -seven times
 5: feeling sorry for someone
 9: Christ died and _____ to life
 11: to have people in debt to you

Sir 28:2-5, 6b-7
 Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 11-12, R. v.8a
 Rom 14:7-9
 Mt 18:21-35

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



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

Parish Secretaries: Christine Salu

Email: parish@stthomasap.org.au

Fiona Goh

Email: Clydenorth.Secretary2@cdsale.org.au

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

Email: Clydenorth.Safety@cdsale.org.au

WELCOME TO OUR

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A) – 17th September 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 17th Sep – 23 Sep)

Monday: No Mass
 Tuesday – Saturday: 9.30am
 Praying of the Holy Rosary after morning Mass

Feast day:

Wed 20th Sept: Sts Andrew Kim Tae-gon, priest & martyr, Paul Ching Ha-sang & companions, martyrs
Thur 21st Sept: St Matthew, apostle, evangelist
Sat 23rd Sept: St Pius of Pietrelcina, priest

Baptism

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

Reconciliation

Every Saturday
 between 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

Ecc 27:33-28:9

Forgive your neighbour the hurt he does you; and when you pray, your sins will be forgiven

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 102(103):1-4,9-12

R. The Lord is kind and merciful: slow to anger, and rich in compassion

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.**

His wrath will come to an end;
he will not be angry for ever.
He does not treat us according to our sins
nor repay us according to our faults. **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.**

For as the heavens are high above the earth
so strong is his love for those who fear him.
As far as the east is from the west
so far does he remove our sins. **R.**

Second Reading

Rom 14:7-9

Alive or dead, we belong to the Lord

The Word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! I give you a new commandment: love one another as I have loved you. **Alleluia!**

Gospel

Matt 18:21-35

To be forgiven, you must forgive

Peter went up to Jesus and said, 'Lord, how often must I forgive my brother if he wrongs me? As often as seven times?' Jesus answered, 'Not seven, I tell you, but seventy-seven times.'

'And so the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who decided to settle his accounts with his servants. When the reckoning began, they brought him a man who owed ten thousand talents; but he had no means of paying, so his master gave orders that he should be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, to meet the debt. At this, the servant threw himself down at his master's feet. "Give me time" he said "and I will pay the whole sum." And the servant's master felt so sorry for him that he let him go and cancelled the debt. Now as this servant went out, he happened to meet a fellow servant who owed him one hundred denarii; and he seized him by the throat and began to throttle him. "Pay what you owe me" he said. His fellow servant fell at his feet and implored him, saying, "Give me time and I will pay you." But the other would not agree; on the contrary, he had him thrown into prison till he should pay the debt. His fellow servants were deeply distressed when they saw what had happened, and they went to their master and reported the whole affair to him. Then the master sent for him. "You wicked servant," he said "I cancelled all that debt of yours when you appealed to me. Were you not bound, then, to have pity on your fellow servant just as I had pity on you?" And in his anger the master handed him over to the torturers till he should pay all his debt. And that is how my heavenly Father will deal with you unless you each forgive your brother from your heart.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Memorial Acclamation

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

NOTICES

MESSAGE FROM MOTHER MARY OLOFU – I sincerely thank all of you dear Parish priest, Deacon, Sister, Staff and parishioners of St Thomas the Apostle parish for your love and friendship. I believe that the good relationship that you have established with the Sisters of the Nativity will continue to grow and blossom. You played a very active role in my farewell which was organised under a very short notice. Thank you for your sacrifices and generosity. May God who knows all your needs replenish you from His abundance and grant your hearts desires.

I will always remember you in my prayers. Please keep me and the Congregation of Sisters of the Nativity in your prayers. We love you.
May God bless you all.

Yours in Christ,
Mother Mary Olofu.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR CHILDREN CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENT OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION. Please remember them in your prayers.



YOUNG ADULTS GROUP (18-35 YEARS): We are now on [stthomasap.yag](https://www.instagram.com/stthomasap.yag)



Instagram

Scan the QR code if you would like to follow us for updates & upcoming events.
Please contact our parish office for further details, parish@stthomasap.org.au

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

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS - We ask our parish community to pray for Fritz Laguador and Shenali Perera as they strive to be forever connected to the love, peace and joy of Jesus. May God bless them for their commitment to walk towards the completion of the the sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation.

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 friendsofjesussttap@gmail.com

RAFFLE TICKETS – SOLD OUT! Thank you for supporting your parish. Reminders: Tickets to be returned no later than 22nd Oct to be in the draw. **DO NOT REMOVE STAPLES.** The draw will take place on Saturday 2nd Dec. 1st Prize Kia Picanto S 1.25ltr Auto. Raffle Permit No: 10175/23..

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

2024 Study Tour Journey with Paul: Türkiye – Greece: 20 September – 6 October 2024

Tour Leader: Dr Rosemary Canavan **Online Information Sessions:** 23 September, or 7 October 2023 at 2pm

Participants have the opportunity to undertake a study unit with CTC in conjunction with the tour for credit towards an award. RSVP & further information: rosemary.canavan@ctc.edu.au

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

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.

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