

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 Saturday (school term) 4pm email: friendsoffjesussttap@gmail.com
YOUNG ADULT GROUP: Ages: 18-35 years. For enquiries, please contact the Parish Office.
ST VINNIES PHONE ROOM – if you or someone you know need assistance from St Vinnies, please call 5995 0211.

Mass Intentions			Parish Council Members:		
Saturday (24/2)	6.00pm	: Repose of the soul of Preethiraj Fernando (Remb)	Fr Denis, Dcn Michael, Jonathan Rubite, Sandra Ignace, Dezlene Orchard, Jerusha Benjamin,		
Sunday (25/2)	9.00am	: Repose of the soul of Francisca Diaz			
	10.45am	: Repose of the soul of Christina Duddy			
	5.00pm	: People of the parish			
Monday (26/2)		: No Mass	Parish Finance Members: Fr Denis, Sinclair Thomas, Patrick Ross, Helene Jayamaha, Peter Gomez, Heidi Keel, Ruwan Kumaraperu		
Tuesday (27/2)		: No Mass			
Wednesday (28/2)		: Thanksgiving Mass for Nipun & Lakshika (Wedding anniv)			
Thursday (29/2)		: Thanksgiving Mass			
Friday (1/3)		: Repose of the soul of Calso Abacan (B’day remb)			
Saturday (2/3)		: Repose of the soul of Ashley De Nitto (Recently deceased)			
Pray for the sick:		: Fr Bernard Buckley, Luicile Noel, Sue Dower, Salvador Guidos, Albert Hartung, Greg Recalde, Carol Vincenz, Anura Fernando, Ross Smith, Clermont Ignace, John Stray, Ben Kerr, Gillian Apollon, Carmen Vella, Jean Camilleri, George Bester			
Recently deceased		: Patricia Walker, Celestine Andrade			
Death Anniv/Remb		: Mark Barbin, Climaco & Carmela Evangelista, Angela Paiola, Virgilio Capacete, Vasudevan, Agnes & Felix Barro, Boy Labor, Fr Gerard Coffey, Fr Daniel O’Shea, Fr John Shanley, Fr John Phelan			

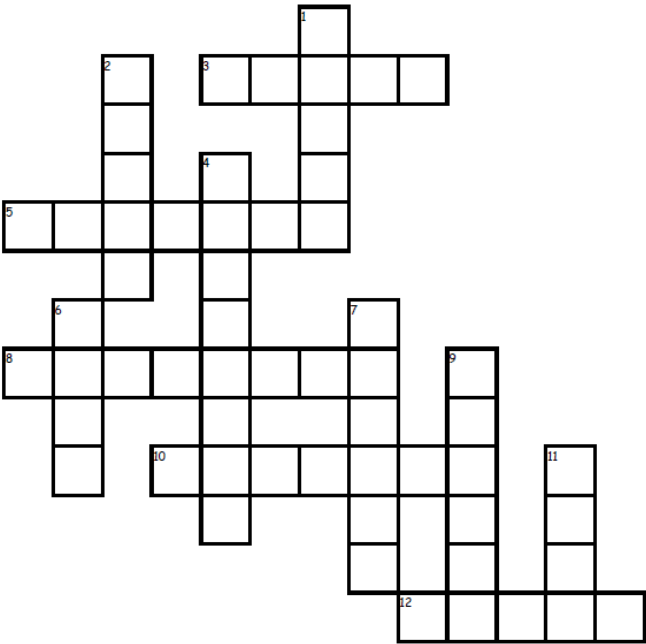
Next week’s readings:	Ex 20:1-3,7-8,12-17	1 Co 1:22-25	Jn 2:13-25
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New Parishioner Registration

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
Nothing can separate us from God's love



- Rom 8:31. 38-39
Ps 103:1-2. 8 & 11. R. v.8a
Mk 9:2-10
- Across
- 3: Jesus and the disciples heard God's voice coming from this
- 5: Jesus' _____ became much whiter
- 8: Jesus and some of his disciples went up a high _____
- 10: if something is happening now, it is happening in the p_____
- 12: this man wanted to build three shelters
- Down
- 1: _____ and Elijah appeared and spoke to Jesus
- 2: the opposite of above
- 4: Peter wanted to build three of these for Jesus, Moses and Elijah
- 6: nothing can separate us from God's _____
- 7: heavenly beings
- 9: if something hasn't happened yet, it might happen in the f_____
- 11: certain

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)
Assistant Priest: Fr Jithin Anto
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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

Pastoral Associate: Sr Juliana Ogbole **Email:** Clydenorth.pastoralassociate@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 MASS
2nd Sunday of Lent (Year B) – 25th February 2024

Masses & Reconciliation Times		Parish Schools
MASS CELEBRATED AT 5 FIORELLI BLVD CRANBOURNE EAST Sunday Masses Saturday Vigil: 6pm Sunday: 9am, 10.45am & 5.00pm Weekday Masses (week of 26th Feb – 2nd Mar) Mon & Tue: No Mass Wed - Sat : 9.30am Praying of the Holy Rosary after morning Mass STATIONS OF THE CROSS Every Friday in Lent at 7.30pm in the church	Baptism Baptism Preparation 1 st Sunday every month. Sacrament of Baptism most Sundays. Reconciliation Every Friday & Saturday after morning Mass & Saturday between 5.30pm to 5.45pm. Blessed Sacrament 24hrs except 1 hr before every Mass. Get access code from the Parish Office. Please get access code from the Parish Office	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

The sacrifice of Abraham, our father in faith

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 115(116):10,15-19

R. I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.

I trusted, even when I said:
‘I am sorely afflicted,’
O precious in the eyes of the Lord
is the death of his faithful. **R.**

My vows to the Lord I will fulfil
before all his people,
in the courts of the house of the Lord,
in your midst, O Jerusalem. **R.**

Your servant, Lord, your servant am I;
you have loosened my bonds.
A thanksgiving sacrifice I make;
I will call on the Lord’s name. **R.**

Second Reading

Ro 8:31-34

God did not spare his own Son

The Word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Glory & praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ! From the shining cloud the Father’s voice is heard:
this is my beloved Son, hear him. Glory & praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Gospel

Mk 9:2-10

This is my Son, the Beloved

Jesus took with him Peter and James and John and led them up a high mountain where they could be alone by themselves. There in their presence he was transfigured: his clothes became dazzlingly white, whiter than any earthly bleacher could make them. Elijah appeared to them with Moses; and they were talking with Jesus. Then Peter spoke to Jesus: ‘Rabbi,’ he said ‘it is wonderful for us to be here; so let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.’ He did not know what to say; they were so frightened. And a cloud came, covering them in shadow; and there came a voice from the cloud, ‘This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him.’ Then suddenly, when they looked round, they saw no one with them any more but only Jesus.

As they came down from the mountain he warned them to tell no one what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead. They observed the warning faithfully, though among themselves they discussed what ‘rising from the dead’ could mean.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Memorial Acclamation

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection, 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 via donation envelope or https://stthomasap.org.au/donate/ or EFTPOS. Donations are not tax deductible.
SAFEGUARDING – Please supervise your child/ren 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	

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



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

Come and join us on Sunday 10th March 6.15pm (new time) in the church. New members welcome. For enquiries, please contact the parish office.

FIRST RECONCILIATION PARENT/CHILD WORKSHOP - A reminder that our Parent & Child Workshop is on 27th & 28th February at 6.45pm and it will be held at St Thomas the Apostle Church. ONE Parent/Guardian per child attend. If you have not received your allocated date & time by email (check spam box), please email: parishofstthomasap@gmail.com

PROJECT COMPASSION - Please take home a Project Compassion box or set of donation envelopes to support Caritas Australia this Lenten season. Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow for all future generations. You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion or by calling 1800 024 413. Boxes due back on Holy Thursday 28 March.

CALLING ALL YOUTH FOR GOOD FRIDAY MORNING STATIONS OF THE CROSS - Calling all youth Yr 7 and up! Are you looking for a meaningful way to contribute this Good Friday? Fill out the clipboard under the Pope Francis picture to help us lead the morning Stations of the Cross on Good Friday.

LENT REFLECTION BOOK – On SALE at the piety shop while stock lasts. \$7 each.
RITE OF SENDING AND CALL TO CONTINUING CONVERSION OF ADULT CANDIDATES SEEKING TO COMPLETE THEIR CHRISTIAN INITIATION - The Rite of Sending and the Rite of Election was celebrated last Sunday.

Our candidates Shenali Perera, Piwai Kahonde, Irma Berciano , Fritz Laguador and their Sponsors were joyful to present themselves to our Bishop Greg Bennet. The experience of carrying in their hearts the blessings of our church community gave the the assurance of the promises of Jesus Christ. Please continue praying for these candidates who are journeying together with us in this Lent season with the view of completing their Christian Initiation at the Easter Feast.

EXTRA SUNDAY EVENING MASS FROM 18TH FEB 5PM – an extra Mass is added to Sunday evenings beginning 18th Feb. If you can help at that Mass, please email our Safeguarding Officer, Ann Rode, at clydenorth.safety@cdsale.org.au

LITTLE FRIENDS OF JESUS – We welcome our children back to the school year. The catechetical session has resumed.

Registration at 3.30pm for a 4pm start.



Save with **CDF COMMUNITY FUND** – it’s in everyone’s best interest.
By opening an account, not only will you receive a competitive financial return, your savings will also help build parishes, classrooms, hospital wings, aged care homes and social service facilities. With a limited time offer of **5.55% p.a.* on a 12-month Term Investment**, it’s a way to save while doing good.
To find out more, visit www.catholicdevelopmentfund.org.au/communityfund/offer, scan the QR code, or speak to us after all Masses this weekend. *Interest rates subject to change. View current rates on the CDF website.

ADORATION CHAPEL - 24 hrs 7 days a week except during Mass and 1 hr before Mass. A new passcode is generated and emailed to those who have registered with the parish office. If you did not receive the email or would like to get a code, please call the office or email: parish@stthomasap.org.au

LEGION OF MARY PRAESIDIUM – Dear parishioners, we would like to start a Legion of Mary Praesidium in our parish. We invite you to be part of this wonderful devotion to Our Holy Mother, which includes prayer and works done in the closest union with Mary and the Holy Spirit. For enquiries or to express your interest, please call Mary on 0432 166 850 or the Parish Office.

WILLS FUNDRAISER: Deacon Michael had emailed a proforma document to be completed and returned by all parishioners who expressed an interest in this appeal. Regrettably, some have not responded or confirmed receipt of his email and the attachment. If you are still interested but have not received or returned the proforma, please ring Deacon Michael on 0458 316 165 or email: michael_manuel@bigpond.com so the proforma can be sent out again.

MARY & THE SAINTS – FATIMA TO LOURDES & GRACES OF FRANCE WITH FR DENIS O’BRYAN AS CHAPLAIN ON THIS TOUR

A Marian journey featuring the villages of some of the Church’s most renowned saints. From the anniversary celebrations in Fatima, through to the walled city of Avila, onto Santo Domingo de Silos, Loyola and Lourdes.
Tour date: 10th to 20th September 2024. With Optional extension - Graces of France Dates: 17th – 27th September
Pilgrimage on the Footsteps of the Saints, from Lourdes to Paris. Beginning with a reflective stay in Lourdes, the City of Mary. Journey on through mountainous villages and holy shrines, weaving a pilgrim trail through the glorious French countryside and the sacred villages of our faith. Please visit www.harvestjourneys.com for itinerary and costs.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO ASSIST WITH FUNERALS, WEDDINGS & OTHER EVENTS – If you can assist the parish by helping to prepare for these ceremonies including the opening and locking of the church during the day, please contact the parish office to express your interest. Training provided.

ST VINNIES FOOD BIN – donate non-perishable food to St Vinnies to help those in the community that are in need. St Vinnies Food bin is in the foyer. Thank you for your generous donation.

DONATIONS TO THE CHURCH – TAP POINT TERMINALS: Terminals are in the foyer on the on the table under the painting of Our Lady. Please note that these donations are NOT combined with the Planned Giving Stewardship donations. To join or donate to the Planned Giving Stewardship Program please contact the parish office.