

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: friendsofjesussttap@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.

Saturday (2/3)	6.00pm	: Souls in Purgatory
Sunday (3/3)	9.00am	: Repose of the soul of Estiletta Nanaman (Anniv)
	10.45am	: Repose of the soul of George Thomas
	5.00pm	: People of the parish
Monday (4/3)		: No Mass
Tuesday (5/3)		: Special Intention
Wednesday (6/3)		: B'day thanksgiving
Thursday (7/3)		: For the conversion of heart
Friday (8/3)		: Intentions of the Pierrus family
Saturday (9/3)		: Repose of the souls of John Chacko & Lukose Thomas
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, Gillian Apollon, Carmen Vella, Jean Camilleri, George Bester, Ethan Russo
Recently deceased		: Rita Vas
Death Anniv/Remb		: Fortunata & Antonio Angelone, Fr Peter Dawson

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:	2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23	Ep 2:4-10	Jn 3:14-21
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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

The Lord gave Moses the commandments

Ex 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17
Ps 19:7, 8, 9cd-10ab, R. Jn 6:68c
Jn 2:13-22

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commandments
destroy
doves
Egypt
marketplace
money
Moses
mother
punish
sheep
steal
temple



“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
Assistant Priest: Fr Jithin Anto
Deacon: Michael Manuel
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
Parish Secretaries: Christine Salu
 Fiona Goh
Parish Safeguarding Officer: Ann Rode (Wednesday 9.00am – 3.00pm)
Email: Clydenorth.Safety@cdsale.org.au

3rd Sunday of Lent (Year B) – 3rd March 2024

Masses & Reconciliation Times		Parish Schools
<p>MASS CELEBRATED AT 5 FIORELLI BLVD CRANBOURNE EAST</p> <p><u>Sunday Masses</u> Saturday Vigil: 6pm Sunday: 9am, 10.45am & 5.00pm</p> <p><u>Weekday Masses (week of 4th – 9th Mar)</u> Mon: No Mass Tue - Sat: 9.30am Praying of the Holy Rosary after morning Mass</p> <p><u>STATIONS OF THE CROSS</u> Every Friday in Lent at 7.30pm in the church</p> <p><u>HOLY WEEK & EASTER MASS TIMES:</u> - Maundy Thursday 28/3: 7.30pm - Good Friday Morning Prayer 29/3: 10am followed by Stations of the Cross at 10.30am - Good Friday Passion of the Lord 28/3: 3pm - Holy Saturday Morning Prayer 29/3: 10am - Saturday Easter Vigil 30/3: 7.30pm - Easter Sunday 31/3: 9am, 10.45am & 5pm</p>	<p><u>Baptism</u> Baptism Preparation 1st Sunday every month. Sacrament of Baptism most Sundays.</p> <p><u>Reconciliation</u> Every Friday & Saturday after morning Mass & Saturday between 5.30pm to 5.45pm.</p> <p><u>Blessed Sacrament</u> 24hrs except 1 hr before every Mass. Get access code from the Parish Office. Please get access code from the Parish Office</p>	<p>St Thomas the Apostle Primary School 5 Fiorelli Boulevard, Cranbourne East Phone: 5998 9293 Principal: Mrs Kate Dourley</p> <p>St Peter's Secondary College (Clyde North Campus) 55 MacKillop Way, Clyde North Phone: 5990 7777 Principal: Mr Chris Black</p>

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

Ex 20:1-3,7-8,12-17

The Law given at Sinai

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 18(19):8-11

R. Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

The law of the Lord is perfect,
it revives the soul.
The rule of the Lord is to be trusted,
it gives wisdom to the simple. **R.**

The fear of the Lord is holy,
abiding for ever.
The decrees of the Lord are truth
and all of them just. **R.**

The precepts of the Lord are right,
they gladden the heart.
The command of the Lord is clear,
it gives light to the eyes. **R.**

They are more to be desired than gold,
than the purest of gold
and sweeter are they than honey,
than honey from the comb. **R.**

Second Reading

1 Cor 1:22-25

The crucified Christ, the power and wisdom of God

The Word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Glory & praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ! God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son, that all who believe in him might have eternal life. Glory & praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Gospel

Jn 2:13-25

Destroy this sanctuary and in three days I will raise it up

Just before the Jewish Passover Jesus went up to Jerusalem, and in the Temple he found people selling cattle and sheep and pigeons, and the money-changers sitting at their counters there. Making a whip out of some cord, he drove them all out of the Temple, cattle and sheep as well, scattered the money-changers’ coins, knocked their tables over and said to the pigeon-sellers, ‘Take all this out of here and stop turning my Father’s house into a market.’ Then his disciples remembered the words of scripture: Zeal for your house will devour me. The Jews intervened and said, ‘What sign can you show us to justify what you have done?’ Jesus answered, ‘Destroy this sanctuary, and in three days I will raise it up.’ The Jews replied, ‘It has taken forty-six years to build this sanctuary: are you going to raise it up in three days?’ But he was speaking of the sanctuary that was his body, and when Jesus rose from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the scripture and the words he had said.

During his stay in Jerusalem for the Passover many believed in his name when they saw the signs that he gave, but Jesus knew them all and did not trust himself to them; he never needed evidence about any man; he could tell what a man had in him.

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 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.

NOTICES

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

Young Adults 18-35: BEAT ANXIETY – YOU HAVE THE POWER!!

Sunday 10th March, 6:30-8:30pm St Thomas the Apostle Parish Church Foyer.

Join our Young Adults of St Thomas the Apostle Parish ages 18-35 for this empowering talk on how to beat anxiety in our everyday lives. Fr Mark Hughes will speak on how to identify what anxiety looks like for young people in this modern world and how to cope when we can often feel defeated by this overwhelming emotion. Together we will learn to use the tools provided to us by our faith so that we can learn to overcome this debilitating emotion. It is time to become empowered in Christ! 'I can do everything through Christ who strengthens me' Phil 4:13. **BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL**
<https://www.trybooking.com/CPSQR> This event is FREE however donations are welcome. FREE SUPPER PROVIDED!
NEW & CURRENT ALTAR SERVERS WORKSHOP is on Saturday 16th March from 10:15am - 1:00 pm.
If you are new to the Altar Server ministry, please register with QR Code.



YOUTH VOLUNTEERS FOR GOOD FRIDAY STATIONS OF THE CROSS & 3PM LITURGY

- Good Friday Liturgy 3PM:** An invitation for young people in high school through to young Adults who would like to assist with the Good Friday Passion of the Lord Liturgy at 3pm. If you are able, please list your details on the clipboards (purple paper) supplied in the Foyer of the church.
- 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.

COMMISSIONING OF LECTORS & EUCHARISTIC MINISTER at all weekend Masses this weekend and next weekend. This commissioning is for those who attended the workshops and waiting to be commissioned.

ADULT SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM - call to continuing conversion of adult candidates seeking to complete their christian initiation - Please continue praying for our candidates Shenali Perera, Piwai Kahonde, Irma Berciano , Fritz Laguador and their Sponsors who are journeying together with us in this Lent season with the view of completing their Christian Initiation at the Easter Feast.



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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: If you are considering making a will, please ring Deacon Michael on 0458 316 165 or email: michael_manuel@bigpond.com.

ST PETER'S COLLEGE - 2024 DISCOVERY EVENINGS

Come see our College in action!

Our Discovery Evenings deliver opportunities for parents and students to meet and talk with our current staff & students and to join in some classroom activities. Both will commence at 6pm with registration open from 5.45pm.

- Cranbourne Campus - Tuesday 26 March
- Clyde North Campus - Wednesday 27 March

BOOK NOW <https://www.stpeters.vic.edu.au/book-a-campus-tour/>

PROJECT COMPASSION - Please take home a Project Compassion box or set of donation envelopes to support Caritas Australia this Lenten season. 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.
MARY & THE SAINTS – FATIMA TO LOURDES & GRACES OF FRANCE WITH FR DENIS O’BRYAN AS CHAPLAIN ON THIS TOUR for more information, please visit www.harvestjourneys.com for itinerary and costs.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - to assist with funerals, weddings & other events happening in the church 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: 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.
CASUAL POSITION VACANT – Assistant Parish Gardening and Maintenance Person.

A casual position, currently offering three days a week, has become available based at St Agatha’s Parish, Cranbourne. This role is to provide assistance with the gardening and general maintenance work for the Parish grounds and properties. Applications are to be addressed to the Parish Priest and emailed to parishoffice@stagathas.org.au by Friday 9th March 2024. For a copy of the job description please contact the parish office via email or directly on 03 95996 1985.