

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 Saturday (school term) 4pm email: friendssofjesussttap@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.  
**LEGION OF MARY PRAESIDIUM** – For enquiries or to express your interest, please call Mary on 0432 166 850 or the Parish Office

<b>Mass Intentions</b>		
<b>Saturday (9/3)</b>	6.00pm	: Repose of the soul of Abraham Kurian
<b>Sunday (10/3)</b>	9.00am	: Repose of the soul of Cecilia Crasto (Anniv)
	10.45am	: Repose of the soul of Derek Gordon (Anniv)
	5.00pm	: People of the parish
<b>Monday (11/3)</b>		: No Mass
<b>Tuesday (12/3)</b>		: Good health for Eric and all health care professionals
<b>Wednesday (13/3)</b>		: Repose of the soul of Philip Tyronne Redcliffe De Silva
<b>Thursday (14/3)</b>		: B’day thanksgiving for Dias, Clarkes & Caroline
<b>Friday (15/3)</b>		: Repose of the soul of Virgilio D Capacete
<b>Saturday (16/3)</b>		: Repose of the souls of Agnes & Felix Barro & Boy Labor
<b>Pray for the sick:</b>		: 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
<b>Recently deceased</b>		: Rita Vas, Ethan Russo
<b>Death Anniv/Remb</b>		: Roe-Anne Tryon-Ludwick, Roy Jacobs, Judith Tanay

<b>Parish Council Members:</b>
Fr Denis, Dcn Michael, Jonathan Rubite, Sandra Ignace, Dezlene Orchard, Jerusha Benjamin,
<b>Parish Finance Members:</b>
Fr Denis, Sinclair Thomas, Patrick Ross, Helene Jayamaha, Peter Gomez, Heidi Keel, Ruwan Kumaraperu

Next week’s readings:	Jer 31:31-34	Heb 5:7-9	Jn 12:20-33
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New Parishioner Registration

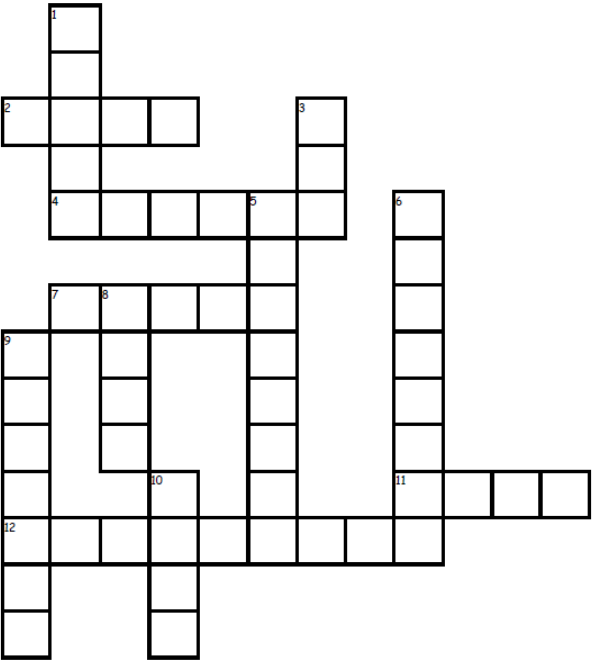
Please register online at <https://stthomasap.org.au/new-parishioner-registration/>  
OR pick up a form from our worship space OR call the Parish Office

SUNDAY ACTIVITY (more activity sheets for children, teens and young adults available in the foyer)

CROSSWORD

God's kindness saves us

Eph 2:4-10  
Ps 25:4-5abc, 6 & 7cd, R. v.6a  
Jn 3:16-17



- Across
- 2: a present
- 4: God has given us a place beside Christ in \_\_\_\_\_
- 7: the opposite of below
- 11: rescue
- 12: Jesus told this man about God's love for us
- Down
- 1: to believe in something is to have \_\_\_\_\_
- 3: God gave his only \_\_\_\_ to give the faithful eternal life
- 5: all people
- 6: it is God's k\_\_\_\_\_ that saves us
- 8: boast
- 9: those who have faith in God will have \_\_\_\_\_ life and never die
- 10: God planned for us to do \_\_\_\_\_ things

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  
**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  
www.facebook.com/stthomasap  
**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 MASS

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent (Year B) – 10<sup>th</sup> March 2024

Masses & Reconciliation Times		Parish Schools
<b>MASS CELEBRATED AT</b> <b>5 FIORELLI BLVD CRANBOURNE EAST</b> <b>Sunday Masses</b> Saturday Vigil: 6pm Sunday: 9am, 10.45am & 5.00pm <b>Weekday Masses (week of 11<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> Mar)</b> Mon: No Mass Tue, Wed, Fri, Sat: 9.30am <b>Thur: 8.00am</b> Praying of the Holy Rosary after morning Mass <b>STATIONS OF THE CROSS</b> Every Friday in Lent at 7.30pm in the church <b>LENTEN PARISH RECONCILIATION:</b> Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> March 7pm. <b>HOLY WEEK &amp; EASTER MASS TIMES</b> (see inside bulletin for details)	<b>Baptism</b> Baptism Preparation 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday every month. Sacrament of Baptism most Sundays. <b>Reconciliation</b> Every Friday & Saturday after morning Mass & Saturday between 5.30pm to 5.45pm. <b>Blessed Sacrament</b> 24hrs except 1 hr before every Mass. Get access code from the Parish Office. Please get access code from the Parish Office	<b>St Thomas the Apostle Primary School</b> 5 Fiorelli Boulevard, Cranbourne East Phone: 5998 9293 Principal: Mrs Kate Dourley  <b>St Peter’s Secondary College (Clyde North Campus)</b> 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

God's wrath and mercy are revealed in the exile and release of his people

The Word of the Lord

R. Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you!

By the rivers of Babylon there we sat and wept, remembering Zion; on the poplars that grew there we hung up our harps. <b>R.</b>	O how could we sing the song of the Lord on alien soil? If I forget you, Jerusalem, let my right hand wither! <b>R.</b>
For it was there that they asked us, our captors, for songs, our oppressors, for joy. ‘Sing to us,’ they said, ‘one of Zion’s songs.’ <b>R.</b>	O let my tongue cleave to my mouth if I remember you not, if I prize not Jerusalem above all my joys! <b>R.</b>

You have been saved through grace

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!

God sent his Son so that through him the world might be saved

Jesus said to Nicodemus:

‘The Son of Man must be lifted up as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him. Yes, God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost but may have eternal life. For God sent his Son into the world not to condemn the world, but so that through him the world might be saved. No one who believes in him will be condemned; but whoever refuses to believe is condemned already, because he has refused to believe in the name of God’s only Son. On these grounds is sentence pronounced: that though the light has come into the world men have shown they prefer darkness to the light because their deeds were evil. And indeed, everybody who does wrong hates the light and avoids it, for fear his actions should be exposed; but the man who lives by the truth comes out into the light, so that it may be plainly seen that what he does is done in God.’

The Gospel of the Lord.

Memorial Acclamation


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

<b>NEW, RELOCATING or LEAVING THE PARISH?</b> New Parishioners – please register @ <a href="https://stthomasap.org.au/new-parishioner-registration/">https://stthomasap.org.au/new-parishioner-registration/</a> Relocating or Leaving Parishioners – please call the parish office	<b>CHURCH BUILDING DONATION</b> via donation envelope or <a href="https://stthomasap.org.au/donate/">https://stthomasap.org.au/donate/</a> or EFTPOS. Donations are not tax deductible.
<b>SAFEGUARDING – Please always supervise your child/ren in the church and in the toilets.</b> 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: <a href="mailto:clydenorth.safety@cdsale.org.au">clydenorth.safety@cdsale.org.au</a> 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.

HOLY WEEK & EASTER MASS TIMES & LOCATION:

- Maundy Thursday 28/3: 7.30pm in the church
- Good Friday Morning Prayer 29/3: 10am } at St Peter’s College Piazza, weather permitting. Listen for announcement at followed by Stations of the Cross at 10.30am } Mass or on our Facebook page. Limited seats available, BYO chair.
- Good Friday Passion of the Lord 29/3: 3pm in the church
- Holy Saturday Morning Prayer 30/3: 10am in the church
- Saturday Easter Vigil 30/3: 7.30pm in the church
- Easter Sunday 31/3: 9am, 10.45am & 5pm in the church

**YOUNG ADULTS GROUP (YAG) for 18-35 YEARS:** We are now on  [stthomasap.yag](https://www.instagram.com/stthomasap.yag)  
**Young Adults 18-35: BEAT ANXIETY – YOU HAVE THE POWER!! Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> 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> or scan the QR Code. This event is FREE however donations are welcome. FREE SUPPER PROVIDED!



<b>YOUTH VOLUNTEERS FOR GOOD FRIDAY STATIONS OF THE CROSS &amp; 3PM LITURGY</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- <b>Good Friday Liturgy 3PM:</b> 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.</li><li>- <b>Good Friday morning Stations of the Cross –</b> For those who have signed-up, <b>practices will be on Fridays 6:15pm to 7:30pm, in the church foyer.</b></li></ul>
<b>VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED:</b> <b>FOR PIETY SHOP –</b> If you can operate the shop after the Sunday 10.45am Mass, please contact the Parish Office. <b>HELP WITH FUNERALS, WEDDINGS &amp; OTHER EVENTS</b> happening in the church please contact the parish office to express your interest. Training provided.

**LENT REFLECTION BOOK – On SALE at the piety shop while stock lasts. \$7 each.**  
**OFFICE CLOSE** on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March. Staff attending retreat.  
**NEW & CURRENT ALTAR SERVERS WORKSHOP** is on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> March from 10:15am - 1:00 pm.  
If you are new to the Altar Server ministry, please register with QR Code.  
**COMMISSIONING OF LECTORS & EUCHARISTIC MINISTER** at all weekend Masses this weekend.  
This commissioning is for those who attended the workshops and waiting to be commissioned.  
**LENTEN RECONCILIATION TIMES:** Berwick 13<sup>th</sup> Mar 7:30pm, **Clyde North 21<sup>st</sup> Mar 7pm,** Cranbourne 19<sup>th</sup> Mar 7pm, Iona 22<sup>nd</sup> Mar 5pm, Koo-Wee-Rup 21<sup>st</sup> Mar 5pm, Narre Warren 14<sup>th</sup> Mar 7pm, Pakenham 12<sup>th</sup> Mar 7pm.  
**ADULT SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM "call to continuing conversion of adult candidates seeking to complete their christian initiation\_** Please continue to pray 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. These candidates are seeking to receive the Sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion on Easter Vigil.  
**ADORATION CHAPEL** - 24 hrs everyday except during Mass and 1 hr before Mass. A new passcode is generated. If you did not receive the email or would like to get a code, please call the office or email: [parish@stthomasap.org.au](mailto:parish@stthomasap.org.au)  
**WILLS FUNDRAISER:** If you are considering making a will, please ring Deacon Michael on 0458 316 165 or email: [michael\\_manuel@bigpond.com](mailto: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/>  
**OLIVE WOOD SHOP** - handcrafted olive wood biblical items for sale after all weekend Masses on the 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> of March. These items are hand crafted in Bethlehem by catholic families. All purchase will help support the catholic community in the Holy Land and improve their livelihood and also maintain the Holy sites. Please support generously.  
**PROJECT COMPASSION** - You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes or by visiting [caritas.org.au/project-compassion](https://caritas.org.au/project-compassion) or by calling 1800 024 413. **Boxes due back on Holy Thursday 28 March.**  
**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](mailto: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.