

## 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: friendsofjesustap@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

### Mass Intentions

**Saturday (23/3)** 6.00pm : People of the parish  
**Sunday (24/3)** 9.00am : Repose of the souls of Francesca & Pasquale Caminiti  
 10.45am : Repose of the soul of Jayani Jeevananda  
 5.00pm : People of the parish  
**Monday (25/3)** : No Mass  
**Tuesday (26/3)** : No Mass  
**Wednesday (27/3)** : Repose of the souls of June & Theodore Aldonis & Anna & Wilfred Peres  
**Thursday (28/3)** 7.30pm : Repose of the souls of family & friends of the Schulberg family  
**Friday (29/3)** : Passion of the Lord  
**Saturday (30/3)** : No morning Mass  
**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, Elena Laugalis  
**Death Anniv/Remb** : Nelia Villamor, Annakutty Varkey & deceased clergy of the Diocese of Sale

### 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: Acts 10:34,37-43 Col 3:1-4 Jn 20:1-9

## 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)

### SENIOR WORDSEARCH

Hosanna to God in heaven!

Mk 11:1-10

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Try to find these words:

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# 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

Palm Sunday (Year B) – 24<sup>th</sup> March 2024

### Masses & Reconciliation Times

**MASS CELEBRATED AT**  
**5 FIORELLI BLVD CRANBOURNE EAST**

#### Sunday Masses

Saturday Vigil: 7.30pm (Easter Vigil)

Sunday: 9am, 10.45am & 5.00pm

#### Weekday Masses (week of 25<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> March)

Mon, Tue & Thur: No morning Mass

Wed: 9.30am

Praying of the Holy Rosary after morning Mass

#### HOLY WEEK & EASTER MASS TIMES

- Maundy Thursday: 7.30pm in the church

- Good Friday Morning Prayer: 10am & Good Friday Passion of the Lord: 3pm (St Peter's College Piazza. Weather permitting. BYO chair)

- Holy Saturday Morning Prayer: 10am in the church

- Easter Vigil (Sat): 7.30pm

Easter Sunday: 9am, 10.45am, 5pm

#### Baptism

Baptism Preparation 1<sup>st</sup>

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

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### 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

Is 50:4-7

**I did not cover my face against insult: I know I shall not be shamed**

The Word of the Lord

## Responsorial Psalm

Ps 21(22):8-9,17-20,23-24

**R. My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?**

All who see me deride me.  
They curl their lips, they toss their heads.  
'He trusted in the Lord, let him save him;  
let him release him if this is his friend.' **R.**

They divide my clothing among them.  
They cast lots for my robe.  
O Lord, do not leave me alone,  
my strength, make haste to help me! **R.**

Many dogs have surrounded me,  
a band of the wicked beset me.  
They tear holes in my hands and my feet  
I can count every one of my bones. **R.**

I will tell of your name to my brethren  
and praise you where they are assembled.  
'You who fear the Lord give him praise;  
all sons of Jacob, give him glory.  
Revere him, Israel's sons. **R.**

## Second Reading

Phil 2:6-11

**Christ humbled himself but God raised him high**

The Word of the Lord

## Gospel Acclamation

**Glory & praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!** *Christ became obedient for us even to death, dying on the cross. Therefore God raised him on high and gave him a name above all other names. Glory & praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!*

## Gospel

Mk 15:1-39

**The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark**

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.

<p><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</p>	<p><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.</p>
<p><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</p>	

## NOTICES

**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.

**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).

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

- **Good Friday Liturgy 3PM:** Rehearsal is on Wed 27<sup>th</sup> Mar 6.30pm in the church

### VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED:

**FOR PIETY SHOP** – If you can operate the shop after the Sunday 10.45am Mass, please contact the Parish Office.  
**HELP WITH FUNERALS, WEDDINGS & OTHER EVENTS** happening in the church please contact the parish office to express your interest. Training provided.

### SPECIAL COLLECTION

**PROJECT COMPASSION** - You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes or by visiting [caritas.org.au/project-compassion](http://caritas.org.au/project-compassion) or by calling 1800 024 413. **Boxes due back on Holy Thursday 28 March.**

**HOLY PLACES COLLECTION** – The annual collection for the support of the church in the Holy Land will take place on Good Friday, March 29<sup>th</sup>. This collection promotes the missionary work of the Church in the Holy Land by providing welfare assistance to local Christians in areas such as health, education, employment, housing. Parishes, and orphanages. It is also used to maintain over 70 churches and shrines associated with the life of Jesus. Due to the ongoing war, the Church and people of the Holy Land are still struggling with reduced income due to fewer pilgrims and lower church attendance around the world. In 2023 Australian Catholics were once again extremely generous and we were able to send to the Holy Land nearly \$1.4 million [\$1.4 million (2022), \$1,126,098 (2021), \$406,023 (2020) and \$1.3 million (2019)]. The reality for the Holy Land mission is that they will continue to face challenges financial and spiritual and so we again ask Catholics around the world again to be as generous as possible, with their financial support as well as the spiritual support. Please remember the Christians of the Holy Land. A collection will be taken at the Good Friday Mass or you can donate via envelopes in the foyer.

**YOUNG ADULTS GROUP (YAG) for 18-35 YEARS:** We are now on [stthomasap.yag](http://stthomasap.yag)

We thank all those who attended our last session 'Overcome Anxiety – You Have the Power!' As a follow up, our Young Adults will be holding a workshop on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March from 6.30-8.30pm at St Thomas the Apostle Church Foyer. **Join us for an evening of powerful testimonies from those who have battled anxiety and who can offer coping strategies and encouragement to all who struggle with this debilitating emotion.** A light supper will be provided. For further details contact [parish@stthomasap.org.au](mailto:parish@stthomasap.org.au)

**SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION** - Enrolment will be open next week and closes on 3<sup>rd</sup> May. This sacrament is offered to Grade 6 and older children. Prerequisite: Baptism, Reconciliation & First Holy Communion.

Email [parishofstthomasap@gmail.com](mailto:parishofstthomasap@gmail.com) for more information.

**CHRISM MASS AT THE CATHEDRAL** – Mass is at 11am at St Mary, Sale. Or join us online starting at 10.45am at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vdtFFyh0D4>

**ADULT SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM "call to continuing conversion of adult candidates seeking to complete their Christian Initiation** - Please continue praying for our candidates Piwai Kahonde, Shenali Perera, Irma Berciano and Fritz Laguador who are journeying in faith to complete their Sacraments of Initiation on Easter Vigil.

**SR MARY OLOFU, SON** – We warmly welcome Sr Mary Olofu, Mother General of the Sisters of the Nativity (SON), to St Thomas the Apostle Church. Sr Mary joined St Agatha's community in 2013 and in 2023 was appointed Mother General to Sr Julie's order, the Sisters of the Nativity. Sr Mary will meet & greet parishioners after the 9am & 10.45am Mass this Sunday. Light refreshment provided.

**HOOR OF GRACE** - Jesus Youth (JY) is running an Hour of Grace in the church from 8:30pm to 9:30pm on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March. Hour of Grace is a time of guided adoration, where we praise and worship the exposed Blessed Sacrament through songs and also spend some time interceding for the intentions of the church, JY and for current events.

**OLIVE WOOD SHOP** - handcrafted olive wood biblical items for sale after all Masses this weekend. 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.

**DIVINE RENOVATION** is organising an event to be held at OLHC on Saturday 13 April from 9:15am (mass) to 4:30pm. The DR President, Dan O'Rourke will be the keynote speaker on the theme 'Equipped for Mission: Answering the call to 'Go Make Disciples.' The event will provide awareness of the need to be more mission focussed but will also provide practical advice and interactive workshops in the areas of leadership, creating a culture of invitation, how to engage youth for mission, and we will also have Barb Conlon from Alpha Australia instructing on how to run Alpha more effectively. The event start with the regular parish mass and close with Adoration and Benediction before afternoon tea. For more information about Divine Renovation, visit <https://divinerenovation.org>

**ADORATION CHAPEL – the chapel will be closed from 10.30pm on Holy Thursday up until after Easter Vigil.**

**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/>

**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.**