

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. For enquiries, contact Ruth Marais on 0430 716 664 or the Parish Office.

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:

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

LITURGY MINISTRIES (Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers, Altar set-up/pack-up, sacred linen care) please call Emma 0418 918 787 | Eugene 0404

170 798 | Mary 0432 166 850 | Asilo 0452 434 681.

Mass Intentions

Saturday (17/8) 6.00pm : People of the parish

Sunday (18/8) 9.00am : Repose of the soul of Jose Amaya

10.45am : Repose of the soul of Pradeep Liyanage

5.00pm : Thanksgiving Mass for Stella Mathias

Monday (19/8) : No Mass

Tuesday (20/8) : Thanksgiving Mass from the Yong family

Wednesday (21/8) : Good health for Gillian Apollon

Thursday (22/8) : Repose of the souls of Mr & Mrs L Wijeyatunge & Joseph Perera

Friday (23/8) : Special Intentions for Lydiah Waivimu

Saturday (24/8) : Special Intention for Irene Ujeri

Pray for the sick : Shireen Chater, Caleb Ginger, Cesar Huezo, Merlyn Crocker, Rasanga Fernando, Merlyn Crocker (names more than 2 months in sick list will be removed)

Recently deceased : Desmond Oaks, Fr Matthew Shins

Death Anniv/Remb : Aileen & Tony Delouto, Ivy Apollon, Tagrid Nicolas, Norma O'Bryan & 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, Shereen Anandappa, Heidi Keel, Declan McDermott, Ruwan Kumaraperu, Charlton Mendes, Sinclair Thomas, Peter Gomez, Patrick Ross

Next week's readings: Josh 24:1-2,15-18 Eph 5:21-32 Jn 6:60-69

New Parishioner Registration

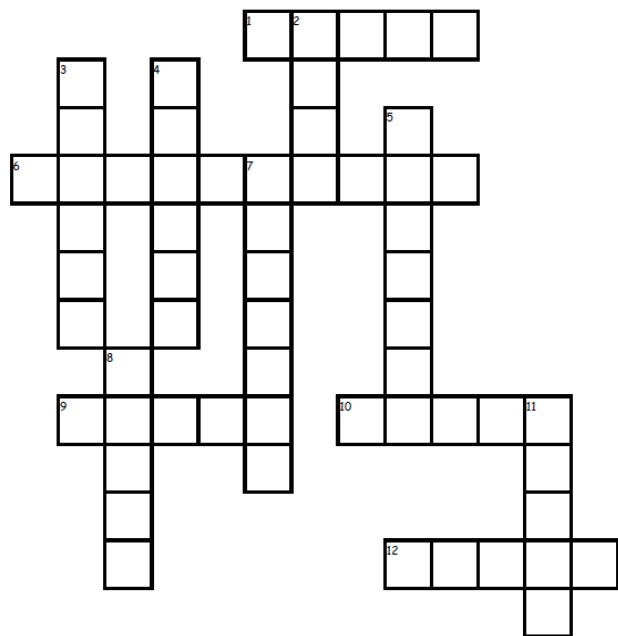
Please register online at <https://stthomasap.org.au/new-parishioner-registration/>

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

Praise the Lord with all your heart



Across

- Jesus said, 'My _____ is the true food, and my blood is the true drink.'
- Wisdom sent her servant women to announce this from the hills
- the opposite of men
- Jesus told the crowd, 'I am the _____ from heaven!'
- we praise God by singing psalms and _____

Down

- Jesus told the crowd they would be raised to life on the _____ day
- sixty seconds equal one of these
- God wants us to let the _____ fill our lives
- everyone who eats the bread from heaven will live _____
- the people were confused by Jesus' words and started _____
- a type of building people live in
- you do this when you are thirsty

Prv 9:1-6
Ps 34:1-2, 9-10, R. v.9a
Eph 5:15-20
Jn 6:51-58

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

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B) – 18th August 2024

Masses & Reconciliation Times

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

Sunday Masses

Saturday: 6pm

Sunday: 9am, 10.45am & 5.00pm

Weekday Masses (week of 19th – 24th Aug)

Monday: No Mass

Tuesday - Saturday: 9.30am

Solemnity (S), Feast (F) & Memorial (M)

Tuesday 20/8 – St Bernard, abbot, doctor (M)

Wednesday 21/8 – St Pius X, pope (M)

Thursday 22/8 – The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary (M)

Saturday 24/8 – St Bartholomew, apostle (F)

Baptism

Baptism Preparation 1st

Sunday of 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. Obtain access code from the Parish Office.

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

St Josephine Bakhita Primary School (planned opening in 2025)

40 Wild Goose Way, Clyde North.
Enquiries for student places, visit:
<https://www.sjbcllydenorth.catholic.edu.au/>
Principal: Mrs Kathryn Pepper

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

Prov 9:1-6

Wisdom builds her house and invites all to eat her bread there

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 33(34):2-3,10-15

R. Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

I will bless the Lord at all times,
his praise always on my lips;
in the Lord my soul shall make its boast.
The humble shall hear and be glad. **R.**

Revere the Lord, you his saints.
They lack nothing, those who revere him.
Strong lions suffer want and go hungry
but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing. **R.**

Come, children, and hear me
that I may teach you the fear of the Lord.
Who is he who longs for life
and many days, to enjoy his prosperity? **R.**

Then keep your tongue from evil
and your lips from speaking deceit.
Turn aside from evil and do good;
seek and strive after peace. **R.**

Second Reading

Eph 5:15-20

Be filled not with wine, but with the Spirit

The Word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! All who eat my flesh and drink my blood live in me and I in them, says the Lord. **Alleluia!**

Gospel

Jhn 6:51-58

My flesh is real food and my blood is real drink

Jesus said to the crowd: 'I am the living bread which has come down from heaven. Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world.'

Then the Jews started arguing with one another: 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' they said. Jesus replied: 'I tell you most solemnly, if you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you will not have life in you. Anyone who does eat my flesh and drink my blood has eternal life, and I shall raise him up on the last day. For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me and I live in him. As I, who am sent by the living Father, myself draw life from the Father, so whoever eats me will draw life from me. This is the bread come down from heaven; not like the bread our ancestors ate: they are dead, but anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Memorial Acclamation

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

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

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.

SAFEGUARDING – Please always 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

FR PETER BICKLEY – We extend a warm welcome to Fr Peter Bickley at St. Thomas. Fr Peter will be assisting Fr Jithin with the Sunday Masses during Father Denis's sabbatical leave. We ask for your prayers for Fr Denis as he undertakes a 30-day retreat and as he marks his 45th Ordination Anniversary on the 18th of August.

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP (YAG) for 18-35 YEARS



We are now on instagram [stthomasap.yag](https://www.instagram.com/stthomasap.yag) For further details, email parish@stthomasap.org.au. New young adults welcome. **Next meeting: 25th Aug** Time: 6.30pm Talk: Theology of the body: You Are Good.

ADORATION CHAPEL – new code generated, please contact the Parish Office for access.

WORKSHOP FOR ALL Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Please save this date on your calendar **7th Sept Saturday** - Workshop for all Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion who have not attended any session last year and this year, and all new volunteers to this ministry. Any enquiries, please call Emma on 0418 918 787.



ALPHA is a friendly and informal environment for people of all ages and beliefs to explore the meaning of life, faith & God. We ask all parishioners to consider inviting family and friends who may not necessarily be church goers or of the same faith. Regardless of what they believe - all are welcome at Alpha!

Each night is simple - we start with dinner, watch a thought-provoking video exploring life from a Christian perspective and have a time of sharing in small groups. As the weeks progress we'll get into various topics, exploring the faith in greater detail and have the opportunity to discuss our questions with each other.

Alpha is a free event and everyone is welcome to join - we ask for people to come and see for themselves what it's all about!

DATES: First session starts 4 September 2024 and runs for 10 sessions (every Wednesday) 7.00pm - 9.00pm in the parish foyer.

Registrations now open! Register with QR code or trybooking link <https://www.trybooking.com/CTWCG> Limited space, so don't delay.



DIOCESAN CONSULTATION - PHASE 1 COMPLETED!

During June and July, a significant number of people across the whole Diocese of Sale participated in the first phase of the Diocesan Consultation process. Bishop Greg wants to thank all those who chose to participate by sharing their stories and experiences of the past five years and listened attentively to others. Thank you to those people who helped to organise and facilitate the meetings. Phase 1 is now complete! During the month of August, the feedback will be compiled into a report. During September & October, the second phase of the consultation, "Looking to the Future," will take place. Dates and times of the meetings will be posted soon. Everyone is welcome. Holy Spirit of wind and fire, come! (Diocesan Animation Team)

SPECIAL COLLECTION taken up on 7th /8th Sept – **PRIEST WELFARE FOUNDATION** supports our sick and retired priests and deacons in their time of need by providing them with suitable accommodation and support services. They also support those overseas priests working in our diocese in times of sickness. Donations of \$2 or more are tax deductible.

Envelopes available in the foyer.

VOLUNTEERS FOR LITURGY MINISTRIES (Lectors, Extraordinary Minister, altar set-up/pack-up, sacred linen care) – Appealing for volunteers to join in any of the Liturgy Ministries. As the parish has grown with 4 Sunday Masses, we need volunteers for service at all these Masses, particularly the 5pm Sunday Mass. These ministries are so important for our divine worship and is a means for all parishioners to be of service to the parish. Please register your interest on the clipboard provided in the foyer or contact the Core group members Emma 0418 918 787 | Eugene 0404 170 798 | Mary 0432 166 850 | Asilo 0452 434 681.

VOLUNTEERS 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.

VOLUNTEERS TO VISIT NURSING HOME - Dear parishioners, we appeal to Eucharistic Ministers as well as anyone who has the time and will, to join our team to bring Holy Communion to the Nursing homes (on Wednesdays) and to those who are house bound. It is such a special and vital ministry. Please call the parish office or contact Mary Schulberg on 0432166850.

INVITATION to ALL GRANDPARENTS & ELDERLY - Mass and Anointing service for the elderly is on Friday, 30th August, at 12:00 noon. We extend a special invitation to all parish volunteers who have retired from active service, as a gesture of gratitude for your contributions. **Lunch will be provided following the Mass. Kindly inform the parish office if you plan to attend and mention any specific dietary needs. Please RSVP by 23rd August** to assist with catering.

MISSIONARY FAMILIES OF CHRIST (MFC) Singles Australia invites you to the upcoming MFC AUSTRALIA SINGLES CONGRESS! Many things in our lives may change, but our God remains constant and unchanging all throughout our days.

Let's remain grateful and steadfast in faith; let's keep our eyes FIXED ON JESUS ❤️. **Australia Singles Congress 2024** is here! **REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN.** Join us for some fun, fellowship, and a whole lot of praise and worship. Don't forget to bring your friends with you - this event is open to all Single Catholic young adults aged 20 and above. We can't wait to see you!

👉 **Register at bit.ly/MFCSinglesASC2024 📅 20-22 September 2024** (Friday 5:30pm registration. Ends Sunday 3pm.)

📍 Don Bosco Retreat Centre, Lysterfield, VIC. For questions, email: mfc-singles.australia@gmail.com

NATURAL FERTILITY AWARENESS WEEK 2024 (August 19 – 25) promotes an alternative, healthy option to family planning compared with chemical and other contraceptive devices. You are invited to join the Billings LIFE free webinar on Monday 19th August 2024 at 7:30pm AEST where you can listen to the conversation about the basics of the Billings Ovulation Method® and its application, including during times of breastfeeding. Further info @ ph: 1800 335 860 or website: www.billings.life/en/. <https://events.humanitix.com/trust-your-body-s-natural-signals-of-fertility-free-webinar>