

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 (31/8) 6.00pm : Repose of the soul of Clifford Edwards (B'day remb)

Sunday (1/9) 9.00am : Repose of the soul of Avanthi Chandrasekara (Death anniv)

10.45am : Repose of the soul of Raymond Thompson

5.00pm : People of the parish

Monday (2/9) : No Mass

Tuesday (3/9) : Repose of the souls of Joseph John & Mohan Joseph

Wednesday (4/9) : Thanksgiving Mass

Thursday (5/9) : Thanksgiving Mass

Friday (6/9) : Special Intention

Saturday (7/9) : Thanksgiving Mass for Joseph & Simon families

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

Recently deceased : Vince Atulia

Death Anniv/Remb : Pacita Dela Cruz, Raffaella & Guglielmo Piraino, Mary Jose, Jay Adams McClure, Cecilia Garcia, Carmen Golonski, Otto Harris, Gaetano Pantorno & deceased members of the Trousse family & 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: Is 35:4-7 James 2:1-5 Mk 7:31-37

New Parishioner Registration

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

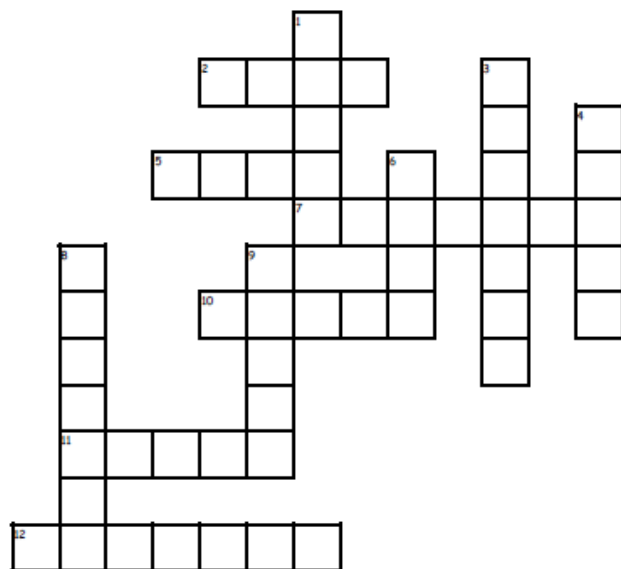
OR pick up a form from our worship space OR call the Parish Office

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

CROSSWORD

Obey the commands of God

Dt 4:1-2, 6-8
Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc & 5ef, R, v.1a
Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22
Mk 7:1-6, 14-16, 21-23



Across

- 2: to do as you are told
5: the opposite of unfair
7: someone who teaches
10: Jesus said, 'The bad _____ that come out of your mouth are what make you unclean'
11: the Pharisees and all other Jewish people always washed these before eating
12: God wanted us to be his own _____ people

Down

- 1: evil thoughts and foolishness come from your _____
3: the Pharisees wanted to know why the disciples ate without doing this to their hands first
4: God sent the true message to give us new _____
6: Moses said, 'listen carefully to the _____ and commands that I am teaching you'
8: Jesus told the crowd that it is not food that makes you unfit to _____ God
9: this man told the people of Israel about God's commandments

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

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B) – 1st September 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 2nd – 7th Sept)

Monday: No Mass

Tuesday - Saturday: 9.30am

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

Tuesday 3/9 – St Gregory the Great, pope, doctor (m)

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.sjbclydenorth.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

Deu 4:1-2,6-8

Observe these laws and customs, that you may have life

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 14(15):2-5

R. The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

Lord, who shall dwell on your holy mountain?
He who walks without fault;
he who acts with justice
and speaks the truth from his heart;
he who does not slander with his tongue. **R.**

He who keeps his pledge, come what may;
who takes no interest on a loan
and accepts no bribes against the innocent.
Such a man will stand firm for ever. **R.**

He who does no wrong to his brother,
who casts no slur on his neighbour,
who holds the godless in disdain,
but honours those who fear the Lord. **R.**

Second Reading

James 1:17-18,21-22,27

Accept and submit to the word

The Word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! The Father gave us birth by his message of truth, that we might be as the first fruit of his creation. **Alleluia!**

Gospel

Mk7:1-8,14-15,21-23

You put aside the commandment of God, to cling to human traditions

The Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered round Jesus, and they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with unclean hands, that is, without washing them. For the Pharisees, and the Jews in general, follow the tradition of the elders and never eat without washing their arms as far as the elbow; and on returning from the market place they never eat without first sprinkling themselves. There are also many other observances which have been handed down to them concerning the washing of cups and pots and bronze dishes. So these Pharisees and scribes asked him, 'Why do your disciples not respect the tradition of the elders but eat their food with unclean hands?' He answered, 'It was of you hypocrites that Isaiah so rightly prophesied in this passage of scripture:

This people honours me only with lip-service, while their hearts are far from me. The worship they offer me is worthless, the doctrines they teach are only human regulations.

You put aside the commandment of God to cling to human traditions.' He called the people to him again and said, 'Listen to me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that goes into a man from outside can make him unclean; it is the things that come out of a man that make him unclean. For it is from within, from men's hearts, that evil intentions emerge: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, malice, deceit, indecency, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within and make a man unclean.'

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

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.

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.

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 registration close. If you have missed this round, join us next round in 2025! For those who have registered, our first meeting is on Wednesday 4th September in the church at 7pm. We are excited to welcome you!

SPECIAL COLLECTION taken up on 7th /8th Sept for **FATHER'S DAY APPEAL FOR THE PRIESTS' WELFARE FOUNDATION OF THE DIOCESE OF SALE**: This fund supports the priests and deacons of our Diocese in times of sickness or retirement. At present the Foundation is supporting nine priests and three deacons and their wives in retirement and is responsible for the other priests, including our overseas priests, and deacons in time of sickness. The budgeted expenditure of the Foundation for them over the next year will be over \$200,000. This includes wages for a clinical nurse and case manager (2 days per week equivalent). Online donations can now be made at <https://www.cdsale.org.au/priestswelfarefoundation> The foundation is most appreciative of your support for our priests and deacons in sickness and retirement. All donations of \$2.00 and over are tax deductible and a receipt for tax deduction purposes will be automatically sent if an email address is provided. Envelopes available in the foyer.

FR ROBERT MCCULLOCH – Fr Robert McCulloch is from Melbourne and is a member of the Missionary Society of St Columban. He spent 4 years as a missionary in Mindanao in the Philippines and then has spent more than 34 years in Pakistan. At the same time as teaching in the seminary in Karachi and looking after a big parish, Fr Robert heads a healthcare system that includes a 100-bed hospital, home-based palliative care for terminally ill cancer patients, a mobile medical outreach programme, a School of Nursing and Healthcare Sciences and a residential School of Midwifery for Christian women in Hyderabad Pakistan. This is the public face of the Catholic Church in Hyderabad. In 2007, Father Robert founded 2 centres of education which enable Catholic boys and young men overcome the religious discrimination which surround them because they are Christians in the Islamic Republic of Pakistan. Fr Robert will be speaking at all the Masses this weekend about these works which depend on the generous support of Catholics.

MIGRANT AND REFUGEE MASS 29 SEPTEMBER AT 3.00PM AT ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH BERWICK

"God walks with His people", is the title chosen by Pope Francis for his Message for the upcoming World Day of Migrants and Refugees.

The Holy Father reminds us that all of us, God's people, are migrants on this earth, on our way to the "true homeland", the Kingdom of Heaven. St Michael's, Berwick will host this wonderful occasion for all our different cultures to come together and celebrate the diversity within our Diocese.

Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Greg Bennet, together with Fr Jeff, Fr Paul and priests and deacons from our Diocese, followed by a sit-down function in the St Michael's School Stadium.

We would like to have as many countries as possible represented: in food preparation, cultural dancing and singing and general help on the day. Please contact Dorota Shields at the Parish Support Centre on 9707 1355

or secretary@stmichaelsparish.org.au if you can assist in any way. If you are bringing food, (no nuts please) please list all the ingredients used. Also, if you have your country's flag and would like to carry it into the Church, please let the Parish know, as we already have a large number of flags. You are encouraged to wear national dress from your country of origin.

Everyone welcome!!



Child Safety Week 1-7th September

Every Conversation Matters, Every Child in every Community needs a fair go.

Please help keep our Parish Safe by looking out for each other.

You may like to share this video on Social Media using the

link: <https://bit.ly/3WGmrwo>

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 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.