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:

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. Mon – Fri 10am – 2pm

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 (8/2) 6.00pm : People of the parish

Sunday (9/2) 9.00am : Repose of the soul of Benedicta Crasto (anniv)

10.45am: B'day blessing for Ayden Trousse

5.00pm: Repose of the soul of Frank Borg

Monday (10/2) : No Mass

Tuesday (11/2) : Repose of the souls of John Chacko & Lukose Thomas (Anniv)

Wednesday (12/2) : Repose of the soul of Chester

Thursday (13/2) : Repose of the souls of Estilleta Nanaman, Lucia & Benito Padernos

Friday (14/2) : Thanksgiving Mass & for good health

Saturday (15/2) : Repose of the souls of Faustina & Gerrit Van Den Akker & Shane Rainbird Pray for the sick : Angelo D'Souza, Rita Scicluna, Caleb Ginger, Eric, Rutia Aiava, Dominica

Laboucherie, Remedios Patawaran (names more than 2 months in sick list will be removed

Death Anniv/Remb : Maureen Isaac, Deceased clergy of the Diocese of Sale

Parish Council Members:

Fr Denis, Fr Jithin, Sr Julie, Dcn Michael, Jonathan Rubite, Sandra Ignace, Dezlene Orchard

Parish Finance

Members: Fr Denis, Shereen Anandappa, Heidi Keel, Declan McDermott, Ruwan

Kumaraperu, Charlton Mendes, Sinclair Thomas, Peter Gomez, Patrick

Ross

Jer 17:5-8 1 Cor 15:12,16-20 Lk 6:17,20-26 Next Sunday's readings:

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 (do not draw/write on the seat)

CROSSWORD

The Lord has forgiven my sins

Is 6:1-2a, 3-8 Ps 138:1abcd-2a, 4-5 R.v.1c 1 Cor 15:3-8, 11

Across

- 2: people who go fishing
- 3: the apostle whose brother was John
- 6: a dark earthy rock used as a fuel
- placed in the ground
- 8: used to catch fish
- 10: something that is seen

- 1: gave a sermon
- 2: not able to hold more
- 4: land along the edge of water
- 5: the seat where a king sits
- vessels for transport on water
- 9: to become submerged

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

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C) – 9th February 2025 **Word of God Sunday**

Masses & Reconciliation Times

Mass Celebrated At 5 Fiorelli Blvd **Cranbourne East**

Sunday Masses

Saturday: 6pm

(Saturday 15th Feb NO EVENING

MASS)

Sunday: 9am, 10.45am & 5.00pm

Weekday Masses

(week of $10^{th} - 15^{th}$ Feb) Monday, Friday & Saturday: No Mass

Tuesday - Thursday: 9.30am

Praying of the Holy Rosary after morning

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

Mon 10/2 – St Scholastica, virgin (M) Fri 14/2 – Sts Cyril, monk, and Methodius,

bishop (M)

Baptism

Baptism Preparation 1st Sunday of every

month.

Sacrament of Baptism most Sundays.

Reconciliation

Every Friday & Saturday after morning

Mass & Saturday between 5.20pm to 5.40pm.

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

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

'Here I am: send me'

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 137(138):1-5,7-8

R. In the sight of the angels I will sing your praises, Lord.

I thank you, Lord, with all my heart: you have heard the words of my mouth.

In the presence of the angels I will bless you.

I will adore before your holy temple. R.

I thank you for your faithfulness and love, which excel all we ever knew of you.

On the day I called, you answered; you increased the strength of my soul. R.

All earth's kings shall thank you when they hear the words of your mouth. They shall sing of the Lord's ways: 'How great is the glory of the Lord!' **R.**

You stretch out your hand and save me, your hand will do all things for me.
Your love, O Lord, is eternal, discard not the work of your hands. **R.**

Second Reading

1 Cor 15:1-11

I preached what they preach, and this is what you believe

The Word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Come follow me, says the Lord, and I will make you fishers of my people. Alleluia!

Gospel Lk 5:1-11

Jesus was standing one day by the Lake of Gennesaret, with the crowd pressing round him listening to the word of God, when he caught sight of two boats close to the bank. The fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats – it was Simon's – and asked him to put out a little from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat.

When he had finished speaking he said to Simon, 'Put out into deep water and pay out your nets for a catch.' 'Master,' Simon replied, 'we worked hard all night long and caught nothing, but if you say so, I will pay out the nets.' And when they had done this they netted such a huge number of fish that their nets began to tear, so they signalled to their companions in the other boat to come and help them; when these came, they filled the two boats to sinking point.

When Simon Peter saw this he fell at the knees of Jesus saying, 'Leave me, Lord; I am a sinful man.' For he and all his companions were completely overcome by the catch they had made; so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were Simon's partners. But Jesus said to Simon, 'Do not be afraid; from now on it is men you will catch.' Then, bringing their boats back to land, they left everything and followed him.

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 Officer, Ann Rode, can be contacted via email: clydenorth.safety@cdsale.org.au or call 5998 0947

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SUPPORT SERVICES: In immediate danger CALL 000 | Orange Door: 1800 319 354 (Monday to Friday, 9am – 5pm) | Safesteps: 1800 015 188 or safesteps.org.au – any time | 1800RESPECT: 1800 737 732 or 1800respect.org.au – any time | MensLine: 1300 78 99 78 or mensline.org.au – any time | Djirra: (Aboriginal Support Service): 1800 105 302 (Monday to Friday, 9am – 10pm) For more information head to https://safeandequal.org.au/

Please help us maintain the sanctity of our church. No food and drinks in the house of God and before you leave, ensure that you have taken all your belongings with you. Thank you for your cooperation.

NOTICES

Message from our Parish Priest

Diocesan Assembly

The Sale Diocesan Assembly will be held next Friday and Saturday at Federation University, Churchill. Please pray for all 217 Delegates to the Assembly. From our own Parish the Delegates include Hashika DeSilva, Christine Salu, Nicole Chingwe, Fr Denis, Fr Jithin, Deacon Michael, Alexis Ignace, Jerusha Benjamin, Vivian Crasto, as well as Delegates from our parish Catholic Primary Schools and St Peter's College.

Please do note that for this assembly, all clergy from the Diocese of Sale will be in attendance therefore there will be NO Mass on Friday and Saturday (including 6pm Mass)

St Josephine Bakhita School

Congratulations to the staff, students, and families of St Josephine Bakhita School for a fantastic first week for our new parish Catholic Primary School.

The week concluded with the official Blessing and Opening of the new school on Friday, led by Bishop Greg Bennet, the State Member of Parliament for Cranbourne, Pauline Richards MLA and Director of DOSCEL, Paul Velten. It was a wonderful occasion with many visiting dignitaries.

This weekend we celebrate the Feast Day of St Josephine Bakhita, 8th February. Let us give thanks to God for the many blessings of this week.

BIRTHDAY WISHES FOR FR DENIS – We wish Fr Denis a Blessed & Happy 70th Birthday. Thank you, Fr Denis, for your continuous guidance and care for this parish. We pray that the Holy Eucharist will always be your strength and guide.

WELCOME ST JOSEPHINE BAKHITA SCHOOL STAFF MEMBERS & FAMILIES present at the 6pm Mass this weekend to celebrate the Feast Day of St Josephine Bakhita.

PARISH CENSUS - A parish census will be conducted following the Homily at all Masses this weekend - 8/9 February. This will enable us to update our parish records – adding new members of our community and noting changes with addresses, emails and phone numbers. This is particularly important as we welcome new families to our rapidly growing parish. Census cards and pencils will be placed in the pews prior to each Mass, and you are requested to return your completed cards and pencils into the designated baskets on your exit from Mass. Your assistance with this important process is very much appreciated.

FIRST RECONCILIATION 2025 REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN – Sacrament of Reconciliation 2025 - PARENT Formation Night on Wednesday 12th February 6:45pm, ONE NIGHT ONLY. Parents only & please bring a copy of your child's baptism certificate. Enrol with QR Code before attending. Attendance is pre-requisite for this sacrament program.



YOUNG ADULTS- ages 18-35: You're invited to the first meeting for 2025. Sunday 9th February at 6.30pm in the church foyer. New Members Welcome! St Thomas Young Adults is a group to meet new people, go on social outings together, learn about the faith, have interesting discussions and encounter Jesus in a new and powerful way! You are invited to journey with people your own age in exploring the faith and navigating this crazy life! Any enquiries, please contact the Parish Office or find us on instagram stthomasap.yag

LENTEN RETREAT 2025

You are warmly invited to join us for the Lenten Retreat at St Thomas the Apostle Church, Clyde North. Under the theme "Repent for the Kingdom of Heaven is near," we will gather for a time of spiritual renewal on Saturday, 8th March: 11:00 AM - 4:30 PM & Sunday, 9th March: 12:30 PM - 5:00 PM (Sunday Mass at 5pm).

We are honoured to have an International Catholic preacher, Brother Colin Calmiano, as our speaker on both days. Please BYO lunch. Flyers are available in the foyer. For more information, please contact Jon: 0411 381 924 or Emma: 0418 918 787 We hope to see you there for a blessed and enriching weekend!

SAUSAGE SIZZLE FUNDRAISER FOR ALPHA! Join us for a delicious sausage sizzle to support Alpha in our parish! Come along after the 9:00 AM and 10:45 AM Mass on Sunday, 16 February, at the basketball court. Enjoy great food, fellowship, and the chance to support this wonderful program. Bring your family and friends—we look forward to seeing you there!

NEW ALTAR SERVER WORKSHOP - We are excited to invite new altar servers to join our Altar Server Ministry in the parish! If your child would like to serve in this ministry, please be sure to register with the parish office beforehand. A mandatory workshop for <u>all NEW Altar Servers</u> will take place on Saturday, 22nd February at 11:00 AM in the church foyer. To ensure an accurate count of attendees, please make sure to register in advance. We look forward to welcoming you!

2025 YOUTH CONFERENCE – The L.A.M.P Youth Conference is back! Join in for a day of Games! Food! Praise & Worship! & Moving Presentations! If you are in High school and are age 18+, do come for the Youth Conference on Saturday 1st March 2025 from 12.30pm – 7.00pm at St Agatha's Parish Cranbourne. Please scan the OR code on the flyers & posters to register!

FIRST FRIDAYS ADORATION –join us every first Friday of the month for a sacred evening of worship, prayer, and reflection at our church from 7pm - 8pm. It's an opportunity to spend time with our Lord through Eucharistic adoration, music, and moments of peace. All are welcome.