# **Groups and Meetings**

BAPTISM PREPARATION: 1st Sunday of the month 2.00pm. For more information or registration ring the Parish Office or visit our website. MARRIAGES: At least 6 months' notice. Enquire at 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. Instagram stthomasap.yag

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 | Asilo 0452 434 681.

#### **Mass Intentions**

Saturday (31/5) 6.00pm: Thanksgiving Mass from Natasha & Navin Alwis **Sunday** (1/6) 9.00am : Deceased members of the Busuttil & Camilleri families

10.45am : Thanksgiving Mass for the Tanner Lofong family

5.00pm : People of the parish

**Monday** (2/6) : No Mass

Tuesday (3/6) : Mass for the Holy Souls in purgatory

: Repose of the soul of Mina Van't Westeinde (remb) Wednesday (4/6) Thursday (5/6) : Repose of the souls of Ma-An Go & Antonio Chan, Snr.

Friday (6/6) : Mass for the Holy Souls in purgatory Saturday (7/6) : Repose of the souls of Hector & Marie Burby

Pray for the sick : Santos Melendez, Remedios Patawaran, Corazon Laxamana, Rutia Aiava, Dominica Laboucherie, Mary David, Matthew (names > 2 months in sick list may be removed)

Recently deceased : Arokia & Natasha Santiago, Benjamin Mumba, Joseph Fernando, Margaret Gulrajani

Death Anniv/Remb : Angel Tilan, Mandy De Kauwe, Noe Corro, Deceased clergy of the Diocese of Sale

#### Parish Council Members:

Fr Denis, Fr Jithin, 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

Jn 14:15-16, 23-26 Next Sunday's readings: Acts 2:1-11 Rom:8:8-17

# **New Parishioner Registration**

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

OR pick up a form in the foyer OR call the Parish Office

#### **SUNDAY ACTIVITY** (do not draw/write on the seat)

SENIOR WORDSEARCH

Ascension, Year C [N06EAASC 2004 WS3.rtf]

# Clap your hands and shout to God

Acts 1:8-11 Eph 1:17-21 Lk 24:50-53

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# Try to find these words:

Bethany cloud disciples discover happy Jerusalem Jesus power right white wonderful worshipped

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# St Thomas the Apostle

# Catholic Parish, Clyde North



"My Lord and My God!"

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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 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

# The Ascension of the Lord (Year C) – 1st June 2025

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

# **Mass & Reconciliation Times**

### **Sunday Masses** Saturday: 6pm

Sunday: 9am, 10.45am & 5.00pm

Weekday Masses (week of 2<sup>nd</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> May)

Monday: No Mass

Tuesday – Saturday: 9.30am

Praying of the Holy Rosary after morning Mass

24hrs except 1 hr before every Mass. Obtain access code

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

Tue 3/6 – Charles Lwanga & companions, martyrs (M)

Thur 5/6 – St Boniface, bishop, martyrs

#### 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**

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

Acts 1:1-11

#### Jesus was lifted up while they looked on

The Word of the Lord

# Responsorial Psalm

Ps 46(47):2-3,6-9

**R.** God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.

All peoples, clap your hands, cry to God with shouts of joy! For the Lord, the Most High, we must fear, great king over all the earth. **R.**  God is king of all the earth, sing praise with all your skill. God is king over the nations; God reigns on his holy throne. **R.** 

God goes up with shouts of joy; the Lord goes up with trumpet blast. Sing praise for God, sing praise, sing praise to our king, sing praise. **R.** 

**Second Reading** 

Eph 1:17-23

God made him sit at his right hand in heaven

The Word of the Lord

# **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia! Go and teach all people my gospel. I am with you always, until the end of the world. Alleluia!

Gospel Lk 24:46-53

Jesus said to his disciples:

'You see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this.

'And now I am sending down to you what the Father has promised. Stay in the city then, until you are clothed with the power from on high.'

Then he took them out as far as the outskirts of Bethany, and lifting up his hands he blessed them. Now as he blessed them, he withdrew from them and was carried up to heaven. They worshipped him and then went back to Jerusalem full of joy; and they were continually in the Temple praising God.

The Gospel of the Lord.

#### **Memorial Acclamation**

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

#### **NOTICES**

#### NEW, RELOCATING or LEAVING THE PARISH?

 $New\ Parishioners-please\ register\ @\ https://stthomasap.org.au/new-parishioner-registration/$ 

Relocating or Leaving Parishioners – please inform 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/

**CARPARK** – do note that the **entrance to the church carpark is the entrance farther from the church at Gate 2**. Gate 1 is for exit only. **Please observe ALL carpark signage and arrows especially the Keep Clear area for emergency vehicles.** 

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

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION PARENT & CHILD WORKSHOP - Tuesday 3rd June OR Thursday 5th June 6:45 - 8:30pm St Thomas the Apostle Church foyer, 5 Fiorelli Blvd, Cranbourne East. ONE parent/guardian and their child(ren) to attend the allocated Workshop date.

**FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION** – Join us on the first Friday of each month for a sacred evening of worship, prayer, and reflection at our church. In June, this will take place on the 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM. It is a blessed opportunity to spend time with our Lord through Eucharistic adoration, uplifting music, and peaceful contemplation. All are warmly welcome to partake in this spiritual experience. **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** – The church is welcoming parishioners to volunteer in any way they can. There is an urgent need for

Lectors, Ministers of the Holy Eucharist, and church cleaners. Volunteers must have a Working with Children Check card. Those interested can find the registration form in the foyer or contact the parish office via email.

**POSITION VACANT** – Assistant Parish Secretary - Part Time

A position has become available at the St Agatha's Parish Office in Cranbourne. The primary purpose of this role is to provide secretarial and administrative support to the Parish Secretary. This is a permanent part-time position, working three days per week, from 8:30am to 4:00pm. Occasional work outside regular office hours may be required on a voluntary basis.

Please address your application to the Parish Priest and email it to parishoffice@stagathas.org.au by Thursday, 5th June 2025. Applications should include a cover letter and a current resume.

For a copy of the full position description, please contact the parish office via email or call (03) 5996 1985.

**INTRODUCTION TO CHRISTIAN MEDITATION:** Meditation is an ancient form of prayer which aims is to bring the distracted mind to silence and stillness, and rest in the presence of God. Groups will be held at the St Michael's, Berwick Parish Support Centre from 7.30pm to 8.30pm. All welcome to try this form of prayer, free admission. To book: secretary@stmichaelsparish.org .au or call the Parish Support Centre on 9707 1355.

Tuesday 03 June The Roots of our Tradition | Tuesday 10 June The Wheel of Prayer | Tuesday 17 June Leaving Self Behind Tuesday 24 June The Fruits of Meditation

#### SPECIAL COLLECTIONS



#### TRINITY FAMILIES APPEAL – 2025 Jubilee Year

Trinity Families has been a beacon of hope in our region, providing over \$2 million in funding to charities that support families facing hardship. Programs funded include bushfire relief, family counselling, suicide prevention, emergency accommodation, and parenting support.

Bishop Greg urges everyone to support this Jubilee year's Trinity Families Appeal, emphasizing that this is our own charitable trust—locally based and dedicated to addressing the unique needs of families in Greater Gippsland. As Pilgrims of Hope, we are called to give generously so that families in need can access vital welfare services. Donation envelopes are available in the church for those requiring receipts for taxation purposes. Let us help spread hope in our community. This special collection will be taken up at all Masses this weekend. Please give generously.

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# PILGRIMS OF HOPE

Events taking place for the next 3 months in the Diocese of Sale parishes. Please refer to poster on the notice board for whole year events.

#### Jubilee of Lay Ministers and Leaders – Sunday 15th Jun at St John's Trafalgar

St John's Trafalgar extends their invitation to all Lay Ministers & Leaders of St Thomas the Apostle parish to their Jubilee Mass at 2pm followed by afternoon tea. This includes EMs, Lectors, Baptism & Sacrament Teams, Pastoral Workers.

25th Jubilee of Workers
31st Jubilee of Families and Grandparents
St Agatha's, Cowes
St Agatha's, Crani
15th Jubilee of Lay Ministers, and Leaders
St John's, Trafalg

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St Agatha's, Cranbourne
St John's, Trafalgar
St Laurence O'Toole's, Leongatha

22nd Jubilee of Clergy

19th Jubilee of Youth

Our Lady Help of Christians, Narre Warren

**PENTECOST CULTURAL SHOWCASE** - St Thomas the Apostle Primary School is inviting parishioners to join their Pentecost celebration on Tuesday, 10th June. The school marks the occasion with a multicultural dress day, and this year, a parade will showcase the diversity of over forty cultural backgrounds within the community. Parishioners can attend the event from 9:05am to 9:20am, highlighting the school's Catholic identity through its vibrant and inclusive community.

**AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC YOUTH COLLEGE (ACYC)** – in Melbourne. Date: 30<sup>th</sup> Nov – 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec 2025. For more information, visit ACYF.org.au or scan QR code on poster.

CATHOLIC THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE Invites you to our Engaging Your Faith online presentations From \$25 per session. For more information and to register: ctc edu au/engaging-your-faith/

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CARPARK NOTICE – The parish received complaints about illegal parking in and around the church & school. Please observe ALL

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