

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 email: rciasthomasap@outlook.com
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: friendsofjesusstap@gmail.com
VERITAS YOUNG ADULT GROUP: Ages: 18-35 years. For enquiries, please contact the Parish Office. Instagram stthomasap.yag
VERITAS TEENS – Ages 13- 17 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 | Asilo 0452 434 681.

Mass Intentions

Saturday (06/9) 6.00pm: Repose of the soul of David Willatgamuwa (6th Anniv)
Sunday (07/9) 9.00am : Repose of the souls of Cecilia & John Viegas (Anniv)
 10.45am : People of the parish
 5.00pm : Repose of the soul of K T Joseph (Anniv)
Monday (08/9) : Pray for priestly vocation
Tuesday (09/9) : Repose of the soul of Thresiamma Joseph
Wednesday (10/9) : Repose of the soul of Sheetha Coreya
Thursday (11/9) : Repose of the soul of Paul
Friday (12/9) : Repose of the soul of Joseph P D
Saturday (13/9) : Repose of the soul of Roberto Jamo
Pray for the sick : Fr. Michael Willemsen, Rosina Logozzo, Remedios Patawaran, Marie Luicile Noel, Corazon Laxamana, Rutia Aiava, Dominica Laboucherie, Mary David, Matthew, Berty Chacko, Greg Jacobs (names > 2 months in sick list may be removed)
Recently deceased Death Anniv/Remb : Gillian Apollon, Laura O'Malley, Brendan Duddy, Hilario Batalla Jr, Gilbert Rouge, Peter & Veronica Almeida, Paul Scicluna, Anthony Drago, Xavier Carvalho, Giovanna Vella, Dale Widrose, deceased members of the Widrose Family & deceased clergy of the Diocese of Sale

Parish Council Members:

Fr Denis, Fr Jithin, Dcn Michael, Jonathan Rubite, Sandra Ignace, Dezlene Orchard, Remona Rao, Jacob Kahonde, and Richard Potter

Parish Finance Members:

Fr Denis, Shereen Anandappa, Declan McDermott, Ruwan Kumaraperu, Charlton Mendes, Sinclair Thomas, Peter Gomez, Patrick Ross

Next Sunday's readings: Num 21:4-9 Phil 2:6-11 Jh 3:13-17

New Parishioner Registration

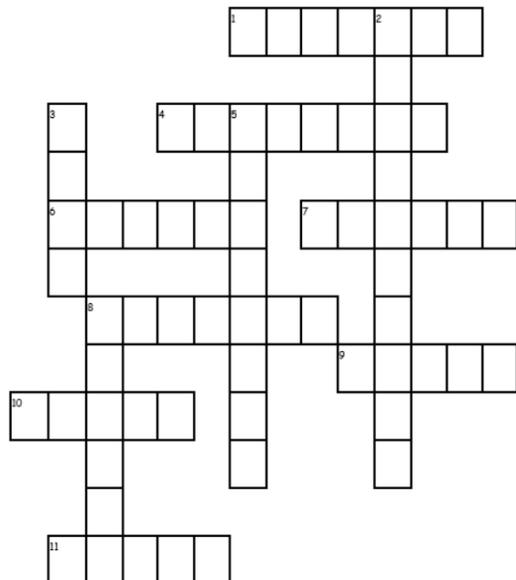
Please register online at <https://stthomasap.org.au/new-parishioner-registration/>

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

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

CROSSWORD

Wisdom teaches us the right path



Across

- 1: a teacher does this
- 4: a follower of Jesus
- 6: a male parent
- 7: being wise
- 8: the early part of the day
- 9: Jesus died on a _____
- 10: "Wisdom makes straight _____ for those who live on earth"
- 11: a large group of people

Down

- 2: the third person of the Trinity (2 words)
- 3: Jesus told his disciples, "You cannot come with me unless you love me more than you love your own _____"
- 5: the opposite of crooked
- 8: a female parent

Wis 9:16c-18
 Ps 90:12-13, 14abc & 17
 Lk 14:25-27



WELCOME TO OUR MASS

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C) – 7th September 2025

Mass & Reconciliation Times

Sunday Masses

Saturday: 6pm
 Sunday: 9am, 10.45am & 5.00pm

Weekday Masses

(week of 8th – 13th September)

Monday - Saturday: 9.30 am

Praying of the Holy Rosary after morning Mass

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

Mon 8/9 – Birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary (F)
 We'll be celebrating this feast day with Mass at 9.30am, recitation of the Holy Rosary and cuppa.

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

For your safety, we recommend that you use the chapel between the hours of 7am and 7.30pm. Please 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.sjbclaydenorth.catholic.edu.au/>
 Principal: Mrs Kathryn Pepper

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

Email: Michael.Manuel@cdsale.org.au

Deacon: Michael Manuel

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



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First Reading

Wis 9:13-18

Who can divine the will of God?

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 89(90):3-6,12-14,17

R. In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

You turn men back to dust
and say: 'Go back, sons of men.'
To your eyes a thousand years
are like yesterday, come and gone,
no more than a watch in the night. **R.**

You sweep men away like a dream,
like the grass which springs up in the morning.
In the morning it springs up and flowers:
by evening it withers and fades. **R.**

Make us know the shortness of our life
that we may gain wisdom of heart.
Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever?
Show pity to your servants. **R.**

In the morning, fill us with your love;
we shall exult and rejoice all our days.
Let the favour of the Lord be upon us:
give success to the work of our hands. **R.**

Second Reading

Phil 9-10,12-17

He is a slave no longer, but a dear brother in the Lord

The Word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Let your face shine on your servant, and teach me your laws. **Alleluia!**

Gospel

Lk 14:25-33

Great crowds accompanied Jesus on his way and he turned and spoke to them. 'If any man comes to me without hating his father, mother, wife, children, brothers, sisters, yes and his own life too, he cannot be my disciple. Anyone who does not carry his cross and come after me cannot be my disciple.

'And indeed, which of you here, intending to build a tower, would not first sit down and work out the cost to see if he had enough to complete it? Otherwise, if he laid the foundation and then found himself unable to finish the work, the onlookers would all start making fun of him and saying, "Here is a man who started to build and was unable to finish." Or again, what king marching to war against another king would not first sit down and consider whether with ten thousand men he could stand up to the other who advanced against him with twenty thousand? If not, then while the other king was still a long way off, he would send envoys to sue for peace. So in the same way, none of you can be my disciple unless he gives up all his possessions.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Memorial Acclamation

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

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

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.

NOTICES

PARISH RENEWAL PROGRAM – Thank you to all who have returned the pledge cards, If you have any more pledge cards please return them to the parish office.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA) 2025-2026. STAGE OF ENQUIRING - KNOWING THE CATHOLIC FAITH. We warmly welcome all the people who have joined the process of RCIA. At the present time, we are holding weekly sessions based in the reading, contemplation and sharing the Word of Jesus, as well as learning about our Catholic faith. May God bless them in this journey of faith. Please keep all these enquirers in prayer as we advance together towards the Rite of Acceptance to be celebrated at the end of October. Thank you for your prayers.



FATHER'S DAY APPEAL FOR THE PRIESTS' WELFARE FOUNDATION OF THE DIOCESE OF SALE: Today the Special Collection is for the Priests' Welfare Foundation and the proceeds will go towards the support of the sick or retired priests and deacons of our Diocese and the overseas priests in time of sickness. Alternative, scan the QR code to donate. All donations of \$2.00 and over are tax deductible and a receipt will be automatically sent if an email address is provided. Donations may also be made through your local Parish.

CONCRETE WORKS AT BASKETBALL COURT – Please do note that the primary school has organised concrete works at the basketball carpark which will take place during the upcoming school holidays. As part of this work, the basketball court carpark will be affected over the weekend of **27–28 September**. Parking availability will be reduced during this time. We recommend arriving early to secure a spot closer to the building. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation as we work to improve our facilities.

VERITAS YOUTH – NEW REGISTRATIONS WELCOME!!! **Veritas Young Adults (ages 18 – 35)** meeting Sunday 14th September for social outing. For further details contact the parish office. **Veritas Teens (ages 13 - 17) next meeting:** Sunday 28th September, 2.30pm – 4.00pm in the church foyer.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED – The church is welcoming parishioners to volunteer in any way they can. There is an urgent need for Altar setup / pack up, welcomers & collectors. 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.

MARY, MOTHER OF HOPE – Mary Mother of Hope Committee and the Our Lady Undoer of Knots Praesidium wish to thank all our parishioners for generously supporting our fund-raising raffle. Winners will be drawn on Saturday 6th September and all winner's names will be published in the bulletin next weekend. **The Legion of Mary warmly invites** all pilgrims of hope from the Diocese of Sale to a special event - *Mary, Mother of Hope*. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Greg Bennet followed by Rosary & Adoration. Get commissioned as "Beacons of Hope" in this jubilee year. Don't miss this beautiful celebration of faith, unity, and hope. **Register**

at <http://tinyurl.com/3hm89uvv> or scan the QR Code. More information can be found on the poster in the foyer.

AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC YOUTH - Our parish is taking a group of young people to the Australian Catholic Youth Festival from 30 Nov – 2 Dec 2025 – a celebration of faith, friendship, and community.

An Information Night will be held on Friday 12th September at 7:00 PM in the church foyer for parents and young adults who are interested in attending the festival and to learn more about the event. Spots are filling in quickly. Please come along to register. please contact Fraulin Mendes on 0425336183 for more information.

RELIGIOUS ITEMS ON SALE – from St Anthony's Catholic Supplies on the 6th / 7th of September to sell religious artefacts: Rosaries, key chains, medals, scapulas, rings, crosses, photo frames, statues of various Saints such as St Joseph, St Anthony, St Rita, Our Lady of Lourdes, Our Lady of Fatima, Rosa Mystica, Our Lady of Grace & more... in various sizes. Payable by cash & eftpos. Part of the proceeds will be donated to the church.

MISSIONARY FAMILIES OF CHRIST (MFC) SINGLES CONFERENCE - Calling all Catholic singles and young adults age 21-40! You are invited to join us for the MFC Australia Singles Conference 2025: **ALWAYS HOPE**. "Rejoice in hope, endure affliction, persevere in prayer. (Romans 12:12)" There will be engaging talks and testimonies, praise and worship, Holy Mass and the Sacrament of Reconciliation, adoration, and of course - fellowship and food! | When: 26-28 September 2025 | Where: Don Bosco Retreat Centre | **Register now at bit.ly/ASC2025Registration** or see poster to scan the QR code.

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. For more information or to register, please scan QR code on poster or visit <https://olhc.org.au/jubilee-of-youth-event/>

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| Sep | 7 th Jubilee of Justice 13 th Jubilee of Consolation 28 th Jubilee of Catechists | St Mary's Church, Bairnsdale St Michael's Church, Berwick St Mary's Church, Maffra |
| Oct | 4 th Jubilee of Marian Spirituality 5 th Jubilee of Migrants 19 th Jubilee of Missions | St Patrick's Church, Pakenham Sacred Heart, Morwell, Lumen Christi, Churchill Immaculate Heart of Mary, Moe-Newborough |
| Nov | 16 th Jubilee of Choirs 29 th Jubilee of Outreach to the Poor | St Michael's Church, Traralgon St Mary's Church, Yarram |
| Dec | 7 th Jubilee of Prisoners 21 st Closing Celebration of the Jubilee Year | St Mary's Cathedral, Sale St Thomas the Apostle, Clyde North |

BULLETIN ADVERTISEMENT DEADLINE – The deadline for submitting advert for the bulletin is Wednesday 1:00 PM.

