

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: rciastthomasap@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](https://www.instagram.com/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 Eugene 0404 170 798/ Asilo 0452434681

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday (17/1) 6.00pm : Deceased family members of the Johnson family

Sunday (18/1) 9.00am : People of the Parish

10.45am : Repose of the members of Abella & Catalan families

5.00pm : Fernando, Marcos, Palmera, Jacinta Dos Santos & Clotelde Martins

Monday (19/1) : No Mass

Tuesday (20/1) : Thanksgiving for the DeMagry family

Wednesday (21/1) : Repose of the soul of Jerome Schoonberg

Thursday (22/1) : Special Intention

Friday (23/1) : Special Intention

Saturday (24/1) : For the souls in purgatory

Pray for the sick : Fr. Bernie Krotwaar, Derrick Erispe, Anton Davids, Beverley Naik, Marlene Clarke, Fr. Michael Willemse, Fred Garoni, Rosina Logozzo, Remedios Patawaran, Marie Luicile Noel, Corazon Laxamana, Rufia Aiava, Dominica Laboucherie, Mary David, Matthew, Berty Chacko, Greg Jacobs, (names > 2 months in sick list may be removed)

Recently deceased : Louis Noel Murray, Barry John Ellis & Kay Lynette Bouche, Nicholas Fernandez

Death Anniv/Remb : K J Josep7 & deceased clergy of the Diocese of Sale

Parish Council

Members:

Fr. James, Fr Jithin, Dcn Michael, Jonathan Rubite, Sandra Ignace, Dezelene Orchard, Remona Rao, Jacob Kahonde, and Richard Potter

Parish Finance

Members: Fr. James, Fr. Jithin, Charlton Mendes, Declan McDermott, Shereen Anandappa, Ruwan Kumaraperu, Sinclair Thomas,

Next Sunday's readings:

Is 8:23, 9:3

1 Cor 1:10-13, 17

Mt 4:12-23

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)

JUNIOR WORDSEARCH

I will make you a light to the nations

H T G Q X S E D B P N E B X X
K Y S D Z E A W A L I V E W N
N M I T G R L N X C Z J D G M
E E N J O V H S J L U E B B P
K A D O M E G K F Z L C D L A
S E R V A N T W A T E R Z L R
I M K U R C B A P T I S E H E
R B O W R F Z S S O C U Z Y S
P Q T K C H L I S T E N E D P
B V V G G P R A Y E R R H T I
J G M E U I L L M M Q L H B R
N C T G L E A D C Q F W H A I
M T R T L A M B P Q N F T N T
U V T S T R O N G L T B S B Y

Try to find these words:

alive
baptise
Lamb
lead
listened
prayer
servant
serve
sin
Spirit
strong
water

Ps 40:1 & 3ab. 8 & 11 Is 49:3, 5-6
R.v.(8 and 9a)
Jn 1:29-34

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 James Fernandez

Presbytery Phone: 5999 0059 (After office hours emergency)

Priest in Residence: 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

Pastoral Associate: Christine Salu **Email:** christine.salu@stthomasap.org.au

Parish Secretaries: Fiona Goh **Email:** parish@stthomasap.org.au

Manni Carvalho: **Email:** manni.carvalho@stthomasap.org.au

Parish Safeguarding Officer: Ann Rode (Wednesday 9.00am – 3.00pm) **Email:** Clydenorth.Safety@cdsale.org.au

 www.facebook.com/stthomasap



WELCOME TO OUR MASS

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A) – 18th January 2026

Mass & Reconciliation Times

Sunday Masses

Saturday: 6pm

Sunday: 9am, 10.45am & 5.00pm

Weekday Masses

(week of 17th – 24th Jan)

Monday – No Morning Mass

Tuesday - Saturday: 9.30 am

Praying of the Holy Rosary after morning Mass

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

Wed 21/1 – St Agnes, virgin, martyr (M)

Sat 24/1 – St Francis de Sales, bishop, doctor

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

Weddings

To meet with priest 6 months prior to wedding

Parish Schools

St Peter's Secondary College (Clyde North Campus)

55 MacKillop Way, Clyde North
www.stpeters.vic.edu.au

Phone: 5990 7777

Principal: Mr Chris Black

St Thomas the Apostle Primary School

5 Fiorelli Boulevard, Cranbourne East
www.cranbourneeast.catholic.edu.au
Phone: 5998 9293
Principal: Mrs Kate Dourley

St Josephine Bakhita Primary School

40 Wild Goose Way, Clyde North.
www.sjbclydenorth.catholic.edu.au
Phone: 5953 9100
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 grow 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

Is 49:3, 5-6

I will make you the light of the nations so that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 39: 2, 4, 7-10

R. Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.

I waited, I waited for the Lord
and he stooped down to me; he heard my cry.
He put a new song into my mouth,
praise of our God. **R.**

You do not ask for sacrifice and offerings,
but an open ear.
You do not ask for holocaust and victim.
Instead, here am I. **R.**

In the scroll of the book it stands written
that I should do your will.
My God, I delight in your law
in the depth of my heart. **R.**

Your justice I have proclaimed
in the great assembly.
My lips I have not sealed;
you know it, O Lord. **R.**

Second Reading

1 Cor 1:1-3

May God the Father and our Lord Jesus Christ send you grace and peace

The Word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! The Word of God became flesh and dwelt among us. He enabled those who accepted him to become the children of God. **Alleluia!**

Gospel Jn 1:29-34

Seeing Jesus coming towards him, John said, 'Look, there is the lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world. This is the one I spoke of when I said: A man is coming after me who ranks before me because he existed before me. I did not know him myself, and yet it was to reveal him to Israel that I came baptising with water.' John also declared, 'I saw the Spirit coming down on him from heaven like a dove and resting on him. I did not know him myself, but he who sent me to baptise with water had said to me, "The man on whom you see the Spirit come down and rest is the one who is going to baptise with the Holy Spirit." Yes, I have seen and I am the witness that he is the Chosen One of God.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Memorial Acclamation

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

NOTICES

WELCOME TO FR. JAMES –

Dear Fr. James, on behalf of the entire parish, we extend a heartfelt welcome as you begin your new ministry with St. Thomas the Apostle Parish. We look forward to growing in faith with you. You have our prayers and support. This weekend at the Saturday 6pm and Sunday 9am Masses, we will commemorate the 10th Foundation Anniversary of our Parish's first Mass (on 20 January) and welcome the arrival of Fr. James. Parishioners are invited to join us for a cuppa after the Saturday 6.00pm and Sunday 9.00am Masses this weekend.

Next weekend, we will continue to welcome Fr. James into our parish with cuppa after the 10.45am and 5.00pm Masses.

FIRST FRIDAYS ADORATION – Beginning 6th Feb 2026, 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.

VOLUNTEERS URGENTLY NEEDED FOR:

• **Morning Tea** – Volunteers required for morning tea after the 9am mass on Sundays, please contact Priscilla Crasto on 0423584229.

• **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.

• **Visits to Nursing Homes** - 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.

STEWARDSHIP ENVELOPE – Envelope #411 please contact the Parish Office.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS 2025-2026- We continue to hold in prayer the Catechumens and Candidates who are journeying towards this Easter. May God walk with them as they are preparing themselves spiritually to receive Jesus as their Lord and God in the faith of the Catholic Church. **Catechumens:** Alyssa McClure, Khai Ngo, Erik Saxon, John Dutch, Don Lothian, Kerry Lyn Putt, Connor Daniel, Israel Mulipola, Ezekiel Mulipola, Rosa Mulipola.

Candidates: Isaiah Mulipola, Stewart Mate, Nyra Chadwick, Shantal Ng Youne, Naphatali Abela, Carol Pouvi, Newman Pouvi, Miyako Pouvi, Aipopo Pouvi, Andrew Pouvi.

FIRST RECONCILIATION 2026 REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN – Sacrament of Reconciliation enrolment 2026 NOW OPEN. please scan the QR Code to register. Enrolments CLOSE on 11th February 2026.

First Reconciliation Enrolment Form 2026 - St Thomas the Apostle Parish, Clyde North



ST VINNIES FOOD BIN – donate non-perishable food to St Vinnies to help those in the community that are in need. St Vinnies Food bin is in the foyer. Thank you for your generous donation.

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 children 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/>

CAR PARK – 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.

BULLETIN ADVERTISEMENT to be submitted by Wednesday 1:00pm.

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.