



St Thomas the Apostle Catholic Parish, Clyde Nth


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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - YEAR A - 26th April, 2026

Baptism

Baptism Preparation
1st Sunday of every month.
Sacrament of Baptism
2nd & 4th Sundays.

Reconciliation

Every Friday & Saturday
after morning Mass.

Adoration Chapel

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

Acting Principal: Mr David Hansen

St Thomas the Apostle

Primary School

5 Fiorelli Boulevard,
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www.cranbourneeast.catholic.edu.au
Phone: 5998 9293

Principal: Mrs Kate Dourley

St Josephine Bakhita

Primary School

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

Principal: Mrs Kathryn Pepper

St Carlo Acutis

Primary School (2027)

121-123 Bellavita Ave. Clyde
Principal: Mrs Michelle Bruitzman

SUNDAY REFLECTION

by Dianne Bergant CSA

This is 'Good Shepherd Sunday' and a particular focus taken today is leadership. Which voices do we follow? Why do we follow these voices and not others? Authentic leadership is rooted in authority, and authentic authority is the ability to author or bring life to birth. Genuine authority cherishes, guards and encourages the best in life; it provides rest and refreshment; it guides our steps; it nourishes us; it leads us to God. Peter is an example of authentic authority: he proclaims the truth, even if others find it hard to hear; he denounces error, even when this places him in jeopardy; he calls for a change of heart, even when it makes great demands.

Authentic leadership is patterned after the leadership of Jesus. It is gentle and familiar, like the true shepherd; it has won the confidence of those who follow, as did the true shepherd; it is committed to the enhancement of the lives of others, as was Jesus. Authentic leadership is willing to forgo its own needs and to deny its own interests in favour of the needs and interests of others.

Heavy demands are placed on those who follow authentic leadership. Those who follow the Good Shepherd must follow him in the dark valleys as well as to the refreshing streams. They must be willing to relinquish some of their own plans and self-determination and entrust themselves to his leadership. They must never forget that they are following a shepherd who has paid the ultimate price on their behalf.

HOLY MASS TIMINGS THIS WEEK

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 6pm

Sunday: 9am, 10.45am & 5pm

Weekday Masses

Week of 27th April — 2nd May

Monday - No Mass

Tuesday - Saturday - 9.30am

Praying of the Holy Rosary after morning Mass

OFFERED FOR

Pray for the sick:

Nic Ithier, Francesse Labour, Eduardo Palo, Pigemali Mylyn, Sandra Wills, Remedios Patawaran, Greg Jacobs, Baby Ezekiel Less, Carmen Gatt, George Falzon, Beverley Naik

Death Anniversary/ Remembrance:

Adrian Lawlor, Judilyn Espiritu & deceased clergy of the Diocese of Sale

Sacrament of Confirmation Program 2026 - Enrolment Now Open!

Offered to Grade 6 students and above who have already received the following sacraments: Baptism, First Reconciliation & First Holy Communion Enquires to



Ann: parishofstthomasap@gmail.com Closes: 7th May 2026

ATTENTION !!!!

CURRENT LECTORS AND NEW MEMBERS - This is for all the **Current Lectors and Any New members** who wish to serve or continue in this important Ministry. We call on everyone to attend our workshop planned for next weekend. We have to be informed of new updates on how to continuously improve our service and ensure we all have the same information. We strongly encourage **all Roster Coordinators** to attend.

Date: Sat, May 2nd 2026 CHURCH/FOYER

Time: 11am Registration for a 11:30 am Start

Core Team Initiative

HOURS OF GRACE - JESUS YOUTH INITIATIVE :

On May 1st, everyone is invited for a day long Eucharistic Adoration starting soon after the 9.30am Holy Mass till 8pm in the evening. This is part of our First Friday Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and a Jesus Youth Initiative. Groups from our Parish will be rostered at different hours throughout the day. Any volunteers who would like to add to our Adoration prayers are welcome to contact the Priest with your ideas.



Procession to Crown Our Lady Queen of May -

Our Legion of Mary Praesidium will be having a procession to Crown Our Lady Queen



of May on Saturday 9/5/26 at 10.30am. All parishioners are invited to attend and we invite parents to register their children who would like to carry flowers to place at our ladies Altar (flowers will be provided). To register please contact Mary Schulberg on 0432166850.

INSPIRATIONS FROM OUR NEW CATHOLICS: -

"After my baptism I felt redeemed, cleansed, a complete everlasting love."

Kerry-Lyn Putt

FR. JAMES PRIESTLY ORDINATION - 25TH ANNIVERSARY

The Parish Pastoral Council invites all parishioners to celebrate in this joyful event on the 10th of May beginning with 10.45 am Mass followed by lite luncheon.

As a gift for Fr. James, a third collection will be taken up on the **2nd & 3rd of May** at all Masses.

GROUPS & 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: rci-astthomasap@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 Tuesday (school term) 5.30 - 6.30pm email: friendsofjesussttap@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 Eugene 0404 170 798/ Asilo 0452434681

We are committed to the safety, well being and dignity of all children and adults at risk.

Special Collection This Weekend
25th & 26th April,
Education of Seminarians Bursary fund
GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY

ALPHA IS BACK AT ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PARISH!

If you, or someone you know has been thinking about reconnecting with their faith, or just curious about Christianity/ Catholicism, this is the perfect opportunity to reach out. Alpha is a welcoming space to explore life's big questions, discover the evidence of Christianity, and connect with others.

Alpha commences on Wednesday, 29 April at 7pm, and runs for 09 weeks. We'll kick off with a meal, watch a thought-provoking video, and have meaningful small group discussions.

Register now at www.trybooking.com/DLKOW or via the QR code. For questions, please reach out to the parish on (03) 5998 0947 or parish@stthomasap.org.au.



VERITAS YOUNG ADULTS RESET SUNDAY (18-35) SUNDAY 26TH APRIL | 2-4PM

JOIN US FOR A RELAXED AFTERNOON OF FOOD, CONNECTION, AND CONVERSATION. COME ALONG TO RECONNECT, MEET OTHERS, AND SIMPLY SPEND TIME IN GOOD COMPANY.



PILGRIM STATUE VISITS TO HOMES - The Legion of Mary offers a home visitation with the Statue of Our Lady for parishioners who are grieving, have an ill loved one, or have a special intention. The statue can stay in the home for three days, and family, friends, and neighbours may be invited to pray together. To book a visit, parishioners can contact Mary on 0432 166 850. If the preferred dates are unavailable, an alternative date will be offered.



Congratulations !!!

Mason Elias Marzona Chavez
Xadian Ralph Molina
Leo Alonzo Arquiza Estavillo
Clara Grace Nichols
Matthias Ma'aveave Sialau

Who are our latest additions to our Catholic Community through the Sacrament of Baptism during this weekend

MYSTAGOGIA MASS - Celebrating New Life in Faith Sunday, 17th MAY 2PM ST. JOSEPH'S WARRAGUL. All are invited you to join in supporting those newly initiated into the Catholic Church.

HOLY HOURS FOR VOCATIONS - DIOCESE OF SALE

The Diocese of Sale invites all parishioners to join in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament to ask the Lord for an increase in vocations.

APR 26TH - Our Lady Help of Christians, Narre Warren 4:45 - 5:45 PM

MAY 3RD - St Michael's, Berwick - 4:45 - 5:45 PM

MAY 31ST - St Michael's, Traralgon - 6:00 - 7:00 PM

PRINCIPAL FOR ST. CARLO ACUTIS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL- Mrs Michelle Bruitzman has been appointed as Foundation Principal of St Carlo Acutis Catholic Primary School, Clyde, a new school opening in 2027 as part of the St Thomas the Apostle parish community. Scan the QR Code to register your interest or make an enquiry



ANY HC DRIVERS: LOOKING FOR A JOB

Four Days Work available

Rate/hr \$42 on ABN

CONTACT : 0425 220 052

Mass Intentions

Saturday (25/4) 6.00pm: Repose of the soul of Rudy Motha, Thanksgiving Mass for Neil & Fraulin Mendis & Birthday thanksgiving for Tiana Fernando

Sunday (26/4) 9.00am : Departed members of the Mascara & Caminiti families, Repose of the souls of Swarma Fernando & Harriette Soysa, Danilo & Godofredo Alfonso 'the third'

10.45am :Repose of the souls of Jose Amaya Diaz, Thresiamma George & Thanksgiving for the Woody family

5.00pm :People of the Parish, Repose of the souls of Mariano Macarubbo, Donald & Mavis Menezes

Monday (27/4) :NO MASS

Tuesday (28/4) :Repose of the souls of June & Theo Aldons & Special intention & healing

Wednesday (29/4) :Repose of the Souls of Edilette Nana,an & Primo Bunghanoy Jr

Thursday (30/04) :Repose of the souls of Benito & Lucia Padernos, Benjamin Sr & Benjelyn Padernos

Friday (01/05) :Birthday thanksgiving for Joseph & Maria Krotwaar (80th B'day), Repose of the soul of Louis Murray

Saturday (02/05) :Repose of the souls of Gerrit & Faustina Van Den Akker, Shane & Brenda Rainbird & Martin Fernandez 8th death anniversary

"Be the hands and feet of change - volunteer and make a difference!"

Entrance Antiphon: Cf. Ps 32: 5-6

The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth; by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia.

First Reading: Acts 2:14,36-41

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

On the day of Pentecost Peter stood up with the Eleven and addressed the crowd in a loud voice: 'The whole House of Israel can be certain that God has made this Jesus whom you crucified both Lord and Christ.' Hearing this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the apostles, 'What must we do, brothers?' 'You must repent,' Peter answered 'and every one of you must be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The promise that was made is for you and your children, and for all those who are far away, for all those whom the Lord our God will call to himself.' He spoke to them for a long time using many arguments, and he urged them, 'Save yourselves from this perverse generation.' They were convinced by his arguments, and they accepted what he said and were baptised. That very day about three thousand were added to their number.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 22:1-6

**(R.) The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.**

The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures
where he gives me repose.
Near restful waters he leads me,
to revive my drooping spirit. **(R.)**

He guides me along the right path;
he is true to his name.
If I should walk in the valley of darkness
no evil would I fear.
You are there with your crook and your staff;
with these you give me comfort. **(R.)**

You have prepared a banquet for me
in the sight of my foes.
My head you have anointed with oil;
my cup is overflowing. **(R.)**

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me
all the days of my life.
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell
For ever and ever. **(R.)**

Second Reading: 1 Pet 2:20-25

A reading from the first letter of St Peter

The merit, in the sight of God, is in bearing punishment patiently when you are punished after doing your duty. This, in fact, is what you were called to do, because Christ suffered for you and left an example for you to follow the way he took. He had not done anything wrong, and there had been no perjury in his mouth. He was insulted and did not retaliate with insults; when he was tortured he made no threats but he put his trust in the righteous judge. He

was bearing our faults in his own body on the cross, so that we might die to our faults and live for holiness; through his wounds you have been healed. You had gone astray like sheep but now you have come back to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

Gospel Acclamation: Jn 10:14

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;
I know my sheep, and mine know me.

Alleluia!

Gospel: Jn 10:1-10

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jesus said: 'I tell you most solemnly, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold through the gate, but gets in some other way is a thief and a brigand. The one who enters through the gate is the shepherd of the flock; the gatekeeper lets him in, the sheep hear his voice, one by one he calls his own sheep and leads them out. When he has brought out his flock, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow because they know his voice. They never follow a stranger but run away from him: they do not recognise the voice of strangers.'

Jesus told them this parable but they failed to understand what he meant by telling it to them.

So Jesus spoke to them again:

'I tell you most solemnly,
I am the gate of the sheepfold.
All others who have come
are thieves and brigands;
but the sheep
took no notice of them.

I am the gate.
Anyone who enters through me
will be safe:
he will go freely
in and out
and be sure of
finding pasture.
The thief comes
only to steal and
kill and destroy.

I have come
so that they may have life and have it to the full.'



My Sheep hear my voice... Jn 10:27