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15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A - 12TH July, 2026

Baptism

Baptism Preparation
1st Sunday of every month.
Sacrament of Baptism
on Sundays.

Reconciliation

Every Friday & Saturday
after morning Mass.

Wedding

To meet with priest
6 months prior to wedding

Adoration Chapel

Please obtain access code
from the Parish Office

PARISH SCHOOLS

St Peter's Secondary College
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55 MacKillop Way, Clyde North
www.stpeters.vic.edu.au
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40 Wild Goose Way, Clyde North.
www.sjbclaydenorth.catholic.edu.au
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Principal: Mrs Kathryn Pepper

St Carlo Acutis
Primary School (2027)
121-123 Bellavita Ave. Clyde
Principal: Mrs Michelle Bruitzman

SUNDAY REFLECTION



The readings for this Sunday call us to self-examination. The gospel describes various levels of receptivity, the willingness to allow ourselves to receive from another, to be influenced by another, perhaps even to be transformed. The more independent we are, the less likely we will be open to others and, consequently, less receptive to their ideas. By definition disciples

are receptive to the one they follow. To be a disciple of Jesus requires receptivity, so it is important that we scrutinise ourselves to discover the extent to which we are open. To what should we be receptive? To the words of Scripture, the words of the liturgy, the words of the sacraments, the living tradition of the community. God's word is sown in many forms and under many guises. It makes little difference who sows the seed. How will we receive it?

Besides the word of God, the readings speak of the world of God. The people of biblical times were aware of the revelation of God in and through the natural world. Isaiah teaches about the effectiveness of the word of God through the metaphor of rain. The psalmist uses the natural world to describe God's work of salvation. Paul claims that eschatological fulfilment will include all of creation. Finally, Jesus' parables are rooted in stories about nature. We cannot af-

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this weekend

WINTER APPEAL

Donate generously

HOLY MASS TIMINGS THIS WEEK

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 6pm

Sunday: 9am, 10.45am & 5pm

Weekday Masses : Week of 13th - 18th July

Tuesday to Friday- **NO MASS** Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion—9.30am

Friday & Saturday - 9.30 am

Praying of the Holy Rosary after morning Mass

PRAYERS FOR

For the sick:

Margaret Chatelier, Marie Cavalot, Edgar Tellis, Molly & Russell Xavier, Maria Nivea Vincent, Bill Sheedy, Mark Aiava, Nic Ithier, Francesse Labour, Eduardo Palo, Greg Jacobs

Recently Deceased: Hilda Fernando, Vitoloi Faalili

A MASSIVE



We extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone who helped make our Parish 10th Anniversary feast day such a wonderful success. To all our parishioners, volunteers, and everyone who worked quietly behind the scenes, thank you for your generous gift of time, talent, and service.

We are deeply grateful to all who planned, prepared, decorated, coordinated, welcomed guests, cooked, served, cleaned up, and supported the celebration in so many ways. Your dedication, generosity, and willingness to serve made this milestone celebration possible and reflected the true spirit of our parish community.

As we give thanks for the many blessings of the past ten years, we look forward with hope and faith to the future. May the example of St. Thomas continue to inspire us to grow as missionary disciples, united in Christ and committed to serving one another with love. May God bless you all abundantly.

Little Friends of Jesus - Term 3 Begins!

Little Friends of Jesus begins on Tuesday, 21st July and will run every Tuesday throughout Term 3, from 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm in the Church Foyer.

We warmly invite all children from Prep to Grade 6 to join us for a fun and faith-filled journey of learning about Jesus. Through engaging Bible stories, prayer, activities, games, discussions, and crafts, children will grow in their faith, build friendships, and discover how to live out God's love in their everyday lives.

If your child would like to be part of Little Friends of Jesus, simply come along on Tuesday, 21 July. Registration can be completed on the day.

All children are most welcome—we look forward to seeing you there!

P.S: There will be no session on Tuesday 14th July

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL WINTER APPEAL 2026



11th & 12th JULY
SUPPORT THOSE IN NEED

As the cold winter months take hold, many individuals and families in our community are struggling to stay warm, feed their families, and keep a roof over their heads. The St Vincent de Paul Society continues its vital mission of providing practical support and compassionate care to those most in need. We invite you to prayerfully consider contributing to the Winter Appeal.

We are called to care for one another—especially the poor and vulnerable. As Jesus reminds us: “For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was cold and you gave me clothing” (Matthew 25:35–36).

You can donate via the parish collection. Donation envelopes which will be available in the church or you can scan the QR code (on the posters) for online payments, for those requiring receipts for taxation purposes.

Thank you for your kindness and generosity.

A special collection will be taken at all masses this weekend – 11th & 12th July.

SOCIETY OF ST PIUS X: In recent days, we have learned about the consecration of four bishops in the Society of St Pius X (the Society) that occurred without a mandate from the Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV and against his earnest

entreaty for the Society to retrace their steps. As a result, the Dicastery for the Doctrine of Faith has exercised its authority and declared this to be a schismatic act. It means that the bishops who performed the consecrations and the four priests who were consecrated have been excommunicated. It also has implications for the members of the Society of St Pius X. Catholics are encouraged to remain in full communion with Pope Leo XIV and the wider Catholic Church. For some members of the community this means refraining from participating in Society of St Pius X

ceremonies. Those who are affected by this situation or seeking guidance are encouraged to speak with their local parish priest.

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 Parish Office or email: rciastthomasap@outlook.com

SACRAMENT FOR SCHOOL AGED CHILDREN (1st Reconciliation, 1st Holy Communion & Confirmation):

Visit our website— 'Sacraments for children' 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](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

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



Can't Make It to Cent Night? You Can Still Be Part of the Fun!

We are offering three exclusive raffle prizes especially for parishioners who are unable to attend the Cent Night celebration. Tickets will be available for purchase after Masses, and you can choose to enter the draw for one, two, or all three prizes by placing your raffle tickets into the corresponding prize box. The exclusive prizes are:

A Robot Vacuum Cleaner/ A Coffee Maker / An Air Fryer

The raffle will be drawn on Cent Night, and winners will be contacted after the event. Don't miss this opportunity to support our parish fundraiser and be in the running to win one of these fantastic prizes even if you can't be there on the night!



Congratulations !!!

**Evan Russell Jayaneththi
Leon Raphael Kondaveeti**

Who are our latest additions to our Catholic Community through the Sacrament of Baptism during this weekend. Let us pray for them and their families.



Congratulations !!!

**Tom Hammond &
Jade Joyce**

as you become one in the Sacrament of Marriage, may Christ be at the centre of your home, guiding and strengthening you throughout your married life.

11th July, St Thomas the Apostle

**WORLD DAY FOR
GRANDPARENTS
& THE ELDERLY**

Pope Leo XIV
has chosen the theme



"I will never forget you."
(ISAIAH 49:15)



Parish Celebration

You are warmly invited!

FRIDAY 31 JULY, 11 am

St Thomas the Apostle, Clyde Nth

- Holy Mass with
- Anointing of the Sick
- Followed by a light luncheon

REGISTER VIA



FIND MORE INFO ON THE FLYER



RSVP BY

17TH JULY



OR CALL

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**SACRAMENT OF FIRST HOLY
COMMUNION
ENROLMENTS 2026**

First Holy Communion Enrolment
2026 - St Thomas the Apostle
Parish



13th & 20th September

Offered to Grade 4 children up
to 14 years of age

Prerequisite: Baptism, First
Reconciliation

Rite Christian Initiation

Adults 2026/27

INFORMATION SESSION

TUESDAY 21ST JULY

7-8 PM

**in the Church Foyer For more
info check the Flyer**

Anyone interested in joining or learning more about becoming a Catholic is warmly encouraged to attend. Please share this information with family members, friends, or anyone who may be interested.



Mass Intentions

Saturday (11/07) 6.00pm: Repose of the souls of Ivy Savannah, Clifford Nelson & Francis Gonsalves

Sunday (12/07) 9.00am: Repose of the souls of Maria Vita Pereira & Cecilia Gladys Low, Thanksgiving and healing for Nerlie Mendoza

10.45am: Repose of the soul of Theresa James/ souls of James family/ Floryse Maingard & Thanksgiving for the Dias & Clarke families

5.00pm: Repose of the souls of Alejon Asido, Vicenete Lillo & Holy Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday (14/07) : Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion

Wednesday (15/07) : Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion

Thursday (16/07) : Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion

Friday (17/07) : Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion

Saturday (18/07) : Thanksgiving for Marion Dias

Repose of the soul of Gladys Schulberg & Maria Berciano

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

Entrance Antiphon: Ps 16:15

As for me, in justice I shall behold your face;
I shall be filled with the vision of your glory.

First Reading: Is 55:10 - 11

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

Thus says the Lord: 'As the rain and the snow come down from the heavens and do not return without watering the earth, making it yield and giving growth to provide seed for the sower and bread for the eating, so the word that goes from my mouth does not return to me empty, without carrying out my will and succeeding in what it was sent to do.'

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 64:10-14

(R.) The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest .

You care for the earth, give it water,
you fill it with riches.
Your river in heaven brims over
to provide its grain. **(R.)**

And thus you provide for the earth;
you drench its furrows;
you level it, soften it with showers;
you bless its growth. **(R.)**

You crown the year with your goodness.
Abundance flows in your steps,
in the pastures of the wilderness it flows. **(R.)**

The hills are girded with joy,
the meadows covered with flocks,
the valleys are decked with wheat.
They shout for joy, yes, they sing. **(R.)**

Second Reading: Rom 8:18-23

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

I think that what we suffer in this life can never be compared to the glory, as yet unrevealed, which is waiting for us. The whole creation is eagerly waiting for God to reveal his sons. It was not for any fault on the part of creation that it was made unable to attain its purpose, it was made so by God; but creation still retains the hope of being freed, like us, from its slavery to decadence, to enjoy the same freedom and glory as the children of God. From the beginning till now the entire creation, as we know, has been groaning in one great act of giving birth; and not only creation, but all of us who possess the first-fruits of the Spirit, we too groan inwardly as we wait for our bodies to be set free.

Gospel Acclamation: Mt 11:25

Alleluia, alleluia!

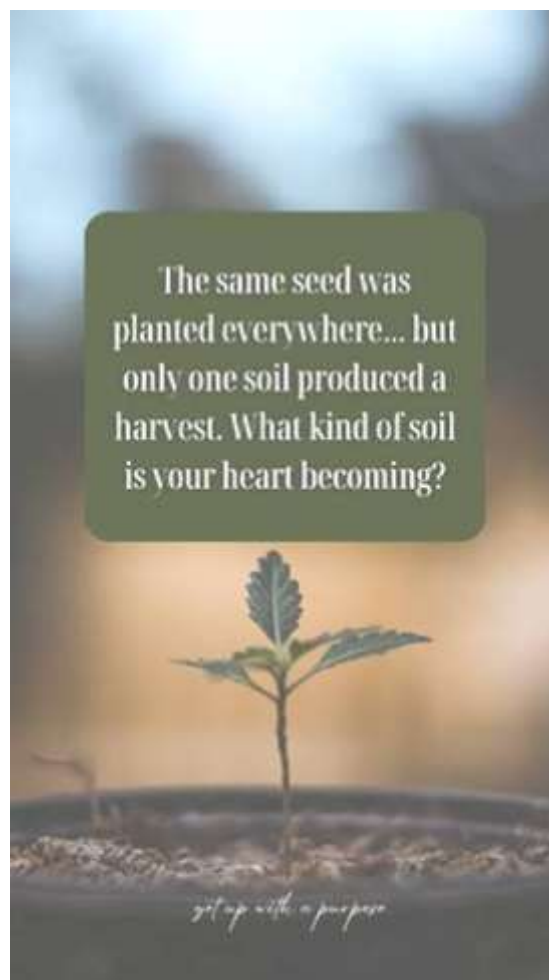
The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower;
all who come to him will live for ever. **Alleluia!**

Gospel: Mt 13:1- 9

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus left the house and sat by the lakeside, but such large crowds gathered round him that he got into a boat and sat there. The people all stood on the beach, and he told them many things in parables.

He said, 'Imagine a sower going out to sow. As he sowed, some seeds fell on the edge of the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Others fell on patches of rock where they found little soil and sprang up straight away, because there was no depth of earth; but as soon as the sun came up they were scorched and, not having any roots, they withered away. Others fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Others fell on rich soil and produced their crop, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Listen, anyone who has ears!'



The same seed was
planted everywhere... but
only one soil produced a
harvest. What kind of soil
is your heart becoming?

get up with a purpose

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

Wis 12: 13,16-19

Rom 8:26-27

Mt 13:24-43

“ The Seed that fell on rich soil”