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30th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A - 25th October, 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
(Clyde North Campus)

55 MacKillop Way, Clyde North
www.stpeters.vic.edu.au
Phone: 5990 7777
Principal: Mr David Hansen

St Thomas the Apostle
Primary School

5 Fiorelli Boulevard,
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www.cranbournecatholic.edu.au
Phone: 5998 9293
Acting Principal: Ms Peta Overbury

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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

REFLECTION

Shine a Light: Loving our neighbour

When Jesus is asked which commandment is the greatest, His answer is beautifully simple: to love God with all our heart, soul, and mind, and to love our neighbour as ourselves. At times, faith can seem complicated, but Jesus brings us back to what matters most: love. After all, God is love, and every act of genuine love reflects His presence in our lives.

As we journey through this Franciscan Year, these words invite us to pause and reflect on how love is lived out in our everyday lives. Love is present in the patience we show a family member, the forgiveness we offer when we have been hurt, the encouragement we give to someone who is struggling, or the time we take to truly listen. These moments may seem small, but they often have the greatest impact, bringing comfort, hope, and healing to others.

The readings remind us that God has a special concern for those who are vulnerable, isolated, or in need. They challenge us to look beyond ourselves and see others through eyes of compassion. In a world that can sometimes feel hurried and divided, we are called to make others feel seen, valued, and cared for.

St Francis understood this deeply. He recognised the dignity of every person and responded with humility, kindness, and joy. His example reminds us that love is not simply a feeling but a choice we make each day through our words and actions. May we take time this week to reflect on the ways we show love to those around us. Through even the smallest acts of kindness, we can make God's love visible in our homes, parish, and the wider community. When we choose love, we bring the Gospel to life, for God is Love.

Petra Mazai

HOLY MASS TIMINGS THIS WEEK

WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday: 6pm / Sunday: 9am, 10.45am & 5pm

WEEKDAY MASSES: 27-31st OCTOBER

Tuesday - Saturday 9.30am

NO MASS on Thursday 29th

Liturgy of Word with Holy Communion service

HOLY ROSARY AFTER MORNING MASSES

PRAYERS FOR

For the sick:

Swee Yong, Andrew Mackay, Navaraj Victoria, Mario Gaudio, Celeste, Collette, Rebecca & Sidney Gomez, Margaret Chatelier, Marie Cavalot, Edgar Tellis, Russell Xavier, Maria Nivea Vincent, Bill Sheedy, Mark Aiava, Nic Ithier,

Recently deceased: Onolind Demonte

Entrance Antiphon: Cf.Ps 104:3-4

Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice;
turn to the Lord and his strength;
constantly seek his face.

First Reading: Ex: 22:20-26

The Lord said to Moses, 'Tell the sons of Israel this:

“You must not molest the stranger or oppress him, for you lived as strangers in the land of Egypt. You must not be harsh with the widow, or with the orphan; if you are harsh with them, they will surely cry out to me, and be sure I shall hear their cry; my anger will flare and I shall kill you with the sword, your own wives will be widows, your own children orphans.

“If you lend money to any of my people, to any poor man among you, you must not play the usurer with him: you must not demand interest from him.

“If you take another's cloak as a pledge, you must give it back to him before sunset. It is all the covering he has; it is the cloak he wraps his body in; what else would he sleep in? If he cries to me, I will listen, for I am full of pity.”

Responsorial Psalm: Ps: 17(18)

R: I love you, Lord, my strength.

I love you, Lord, my strength,
my rock, my fortress, my saviour.
My God is the rock where I take refuge;
my shield, my mighty help, my stronghold.
The Lord is worthy of all praise,
when I call I am saved from my foes. (R)

Long life to the Lord, my rock!
Praised be the God who saves me,
He has given great victories to his king
and shown his love for his anointed. (R)

Second Reading: : 1 Thess 1:5-10

You observed the sort of life we lived when we were with you, which was for your instruction, and you were led to become imitators of us, and of the Lord; and it was with the joy of the Holy Spirit that you took to the gospel, in spite of the great opposition all round you. This has made you the great example to all believers in Macedonia and Achaia since it was from you that the word of the Lord started to spread – and not only throughout Macedonia and Achaia, for the news of your faith in God has spread everywhere. We do not need to tell other people about it: other people tell us how we started the work among you, how you broke with idolatry when you were converted to God and became servants of the real, living God; and how you are now waiting for Jesus, his Son, whom he raised from the dead, to come from heaven to save us from the retribution which is coming.

Gospel Acclamation : John 14:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words,
and my Father will love them and we will
come to them.
Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 22:34-40

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees they got together and, to disconcert him, one of them put a question, 'Master, which is the greatest commandment of the Law?' Jesus said, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second resembles it: You must love your neighbour as yourself. On these two commandments hang the whole Law, and the Prophets also.'

Year 12 's Prayer

Lord, I know you are with me and love me.

Give me peace of mind as

I prepare for this time of study.

Help me to focus on my books and notes.

Keep me from all distractions so that I will make
the best use of this time that is available to me.

Give me insight that I might understand
what I am studying,

and help me to remember it when the time comes.

Above all, I thank you for the ability
to be able to study and for the many gifts
and talents you have given me.

Help me always to use them in such a way
that they honour you and do justice to myself.

Amen

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS Soleminity of All Saints

Rev 7:2-4, 9-14

1 John 3:1-3

Mt 5:1-12



**INDIAN FOOD FESTIVAL
AFTER SATURDAY 6PM
MASS ON 14TH NOV**

REFER THE
FLYER FOR
PRE-ORDERING

**SAUSAGE SIZZLE
AFTER SUNDAY 9 & 10.45AM
MASSES ON 15TH NOV**

**FILIPINO FOOD FESTIVAL
AFTER SUNDAY 5PM
MASSE ON 15TH NOV**

REFER THE
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MORE DETAILS

**Thanks to all our organisers
who have come forward to make this a great
event for the Parish.**

**Please contact the organisers
to give them a hand to the respective
communities, if you can
spare your time and talent.**

Stay after Mass & have fun



***ENROLMENTS FOR ST. CARLO
ACUTIS CATHOLIC PRIMARY
SCHOOL-** Scan the QR Code to register
your interest or make an enquiry
Mrs Michelle Bruitzman (Principal)



Nica Daniella Andres

Congratulations !!

who is our latest addition to our Catholic
Community through the Sacrament of
Baptism during this weekend. Let us pray
for the child and the family.

Veritas Teens Sausage Sizzle and Bake Sale!!

Veritas Teens invites you to our sausage sizzles and bake sales after each of the weekend masses on the 28/29th of November! It'll be a fantastic weekend with plenty of treats and snags to go around. Enjoy a tasty treat knowing all proceeds go towards supporting Veritas Teens and their mission in supporting our parish's youth. Good food for a good cause - it can't get better than that!

Veritas Teens also encourages our teens to help out with the fundraiser however they can; whether it be through donating baked goods or helping out with sales after mass. If you're interested, please let the team know via the Veritas Teens Parent's Chat on WhatsApp. All help will be greatly appreciated!

New Principal for St Thomas the Apostle Primary School.

* From Term 1, 2027 Diocese of Sale Catholic Education Ltd has made the announcement of the appointment of Mrs Nicole Black as the Principal of St Thomas the Apostle Catholic Primary school. We wish her every success as she commences this important leadership role. Our sincere thanks to Miss Peta Overbury for her dedicated leadership and service to the school in the role of Acting Principal since July till the end of the year. Our prayers for the whole School community as they make this transition.

ST THOMAS THE APOSTLE PARISH

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MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

- 24/10 - 6pm - Repose of the souls of Marie DeMagry & Glenn Santineer & Thanksgiving for the Dias & Clarke families
- 25/10 - 9am - Repose of the souls of Freny Crasto & Leticia Tata Creus Arandunque
- 10.45am - Repose of the souls of Elizabeth D'Cruz, Raymond Thompson, Rodita Resgonio & Hilario Batalla & Birthday blessing for Ann Thompson
- 5pm - Repose of the soul of Mary D'graca
- 27/10 - B'day thanksgiving for Ashton Clarke, Repose of the soul of Constancio Nunez Jr. & Personal intentions of Jerrick Jomon
- 28/10 - Repose of the soul of Robert Morando & Healing & deliverance for Mathew
- 29/10 - NO MASS (LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH HOLY COMMUNION)
- 30/10 - Repose of the souls of Zareena Coutinho, Santos Alcayra & Patrick O'Bryan
- 31/10 - Repose of the soul of Lucy Mathews & Birthday thanksgiving for Senara Yahampath

End the silence; Stop the Violence - Domestic Violence awareness month



Thank you for your generous support of the Church in Malawi and the communities it serves. Because of your kindness, children like Yamikani* will have greater access to education, nourishment, and the opportunity to build a hopeful future. And if you chose to become a Mission Partner with a monthly gift - thank you so much for your ongoing commitment. To learn more about the work of Catholic Mission in Malawi and around the world, please visit catholicmission.org.au/our-work. Thank you again for your compassion, and please keep this impactful work in your prayers.

SHINE A LIGHT: LOVING OUR NEIGHBOUR



As we reach the final week of our October journey with the Shine a Light initiative, our focus turns to the very heart of Christian living: fostering safety, kindness, and deep respect in every relationship. You can learn more at:

www.cdsale.org.au

This week's theme, "Love Your Neighbour," comes from the heart of the Gospel, where Jesus teaches that love of God and love of neighbour are inseparable. Loving our Neighbour as ourselves begins in the warmth of our own homes and parish community. When we choose patience, listen with empathy, and uphold the dignity of those around us, we put love into real practice and create spaces where everyone feels secure, valued, and cherished.

Children, get dressed as your favourite Saint and join in the procession before any Mass on 31st Oct/1st Nov



All Saints day Masses

Sat: 6pm; Sun: 9am, 10.45am & 5pm



All Souls day Masses

9.30 am, 5.30 pm & 7pm

The souls of the just are in the hand of God... Wis 3:1

Please add the names of the deceased from your families in this current year in the clipboards provided and they will be specially remembered in our Masses

A NEW LITURGY TEAM IN THE MAKING AT OUR PARISH:

A team of 5 members came together to organize All souls day and other upcoming feasts in our parish to make our celebrations prayerful and spirit-filled. Thank you for responding to this very special ministry in our Parish. If you think you can contribute to creatively celebrating our feasts and worship, please don't hesitate to contact the Priests.

Rachel's Vineyard – A Journey Towards Healing

Are you or someone you know carrying the pain of a past abortion? Catholic Care Victoria offers confidential, compassionate weekend retreats for women and men seeking healing, peace and reconciliation in the hope and mercy of God's love.

You don't have to carry this pain alone. Healing is possible. Financial assistance is available for those experiencing hardship.

Contact: Kim (03) 8402 6334 or Eileen 0482 162 057

Email: eppping@catholiccarevic.org.au

GROUPS AND MEETINGS

BAPTISM PREPARATION: 1st Saturday of the month 11.30am. Contact Parish Office for Registration

MARRIAGES: At least 6 months' notice.

RCIA ENQUIRY: 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.