

BAPTISM PREPARATION: 1st Sunday of the month 2.00pm for more information or registration call the Parish Office or visit our website.
RCIA: For adults interested to join the Catholic Faith. Classes to begin soon. For enquiries, contact Joy Andriaanse on 5991 5669.
RCIC: For older children who have not completed their Sacraments. St Agatha's Providence House, Cranbourne. Enq: Fiona 5998 0947.
YOUTH GROUP: Meets twice a month at St Peter's College. For enquiries please contact Ryan Fynn 0425 654 017, email: zinyouthgrp@gmail.com
 FB: www.facebook.com/groups/zionyouthgrp/
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (R.E.): For children who are in non-catholic schools. Every Wednesday at St Agatha's Parish Hall, Cranbourne, 4.00pm – 5.00pm. Enq: Fiona 5998 0947

Saturday (1/2) 6.00pm: For the People of the Parish
Sunday (2/2) 9.00am: Tom Boschetti (Recently deceased)
Sunday (2/2) 10.45am: Thanksgiving for Katherine Manguilin
Monday (3/2): No Mass
Tuesday (4/2): No Mass
Wednesday (5/2): No Mass
Thursday (6/2) 9.15am: B'day Thanksgiving for Ayden
Friday (7/2) 9.15am: Deceased family & friends of O'Keefe & Kearns
Saturday (8/2) 9.15am: Available (pls see Father or call the parish office)
Pray for the sick: Fr Bernard Buckley, Fr Brian Gleeson, Philippe & Marie Tranquille,
 Walter De Silva, Luicile Noel, Annette Gaiardo, Jim Ryan, Anne Marie Hartung, Sue Dower,
 Sr Kathleen Boschetti
Death anniversary/Remembrance: Fr Michael Patrick Callery & Fr Henry Thomas Bradbee

Fr Denis, Vivian Crasto,
Dezlene Orchard, Fale Salu,
Neil Mendes, Mick Ryan,
Jonathan Rubite, Shiran
Jayamaha, Tom Joseph and
Colleen Johnson.

Fr Denis, Heidi Keel, Sinclair
Thomas, Patrick Ross, Helene
Jayamaha, Peter Gomez.

New Parishioner Registration (to return, drop this form in the Parish Office Box at Church or the Parish Office):

Please complete this card so that we register you as a parishioner and send you a welcome letter

Please circle – Mr/Mrs/Ms/Miss

CHRISTIAN NAME: _____ SURNAME: _____

HOME PHONE: _____ MOBILE: _____ EMAIL: _____

OCCUPATION: _____ RELIGION: _____

Please circle – Mr/Mrs/Ms/Miss

CHRISTIAN NAME: _____ SURNAME: _____

HOME PHONE: _____ MOBILE: _____ EMAIL: _____

OCCUPATION: _____ RELIGION: _____

ADDRESS: _____

Would you like to join the Stewardship Program and support the parish financially? YES / NO

If Yes, please select one from the following: ENVELOPES / CREDIT CARD / DIRECT DEBIT

Weekly / Fortnightly / Monthly / Other (please specify) _____

CHILDREN INFORMATION: (please attach paper for additional children)

FIRST NAME	SURNAME	GENDER	RELIGION	BIRTH DATE	OCCUPATION/SCHOOL NAME

Church: St Peter's College, 55 MacKillop Way, Cnr Heather Grove, Clyde North
Parish Priest: Fr Denis O'Bryan EV
Parish Office: 50 Heather Grove, Cranbourne East (PO Box 6089, Clyde VIC 3978)
Parish Office Hours: Tuesday – Friday 9.00am – 3.00pm
Parish Office Phone: 5998 0947
Email: parish@stthomasap.org.au **Website:** www.stthomasap.org.au  www.facebook.com/stthomasap
Pastoral Associate: Sr Juliana Ogbole **Email:** Clydenorth.Pastoralassociate@cdsale.org.au
Parish Secretaries: Christine Salu **Email:** Clydenorth.Secretary1@cdsale.org.au
 Fiona Goh **Email:** Clydenorth.Secretary2@cdsale.org.au
Parish Safeguarding Officer: Corralee Floyd (Wednesday 9.00am – 3.00pm)
Email: Clydenorth.Safety@cdsale.org.au

Plenary Council 2020
Listen to what the Spirit is saying...

Prayer of Saint Thomas the Apostle

Pray For Us

First Reading

Malachi 3:1-4,

The Lord God says this: Look, I am going to send my messenger to prepare a way before me. And the Lord you are seeking will suddenly enter his Temple; and the angel of the covenant whom you are longing for, yes, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. Who will be able to resist the day of his coming? Who will remain standing when he appears? For he is like the refiner’s fire and the fuller’s alkali. He will take his seat as refiner and purifier; he will purify the sons of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, and then they will make the offering to the Lord as it should be made. The offering of Judah and Jerusalem will then be welcomed by the Lord as in former days, as in the years of old.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

R. Who is the king of glory? It is the Lord.

O gates, lift up your heads; grow higher, ancient doors. Let him enter, the king of glory! **R.**

Who is the king of glory? The Lord, the mighty, the valiant, the Lord, the valiant in war. **R.**

O gates, lift high your heads; grow higher ancient doors. Let him enter, the king of glory! **R.**

Who is he, the king of glory? He, the Lord of armies, he is the king of glory. **R.**

Second Reading

Hebrew 2:14-18

Since all the children share the same blood and flesh, Jesus too shared equally in it, so that by his death he could take away all the power of the devil, who had power over death, and set free all those who had been held in slavery all their lives by the fear of death. For it was not the angels that he took to himself; he took to himself descent from Abraham. It was essential that he should in this way become completely like his brothers so that he could be a compassionate and trustworthy high priest of God’s religion, able to atone for human sins. That is, because he has himself been through temptation he is able to help others who are tempted.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! The light to enlighten the Gentiles and give glory to Israel, your people. **Alleluia!**

Gospel

Luke 2:22-40

When the day came for them to be purified as laid down by the Law of Moses, the parents of Jesus took him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord – observing what stands written in the Law of the Lord: Every first-born male must be consecrated to the Lord – and also to offer in sacrifice, in accordance with what is said in the Law of the Lord, a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons. Now in Jerusalem there was a man named Simeon. He was an upright and devout man; he looked forward to Israel’s comforting and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death until he had set eyes on the Christ of the Lord. Prompted by the Spirit he came to the Temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus to do for him what the Law required, he took him into his arms and blessed God; and he said: ‘Now, Master, you can let your servant go in peace, just as you promised; because my eyes have seen the salvation which you have prepared for all the nations to see, a light to enlighten the pagans and the glory of your people Israel.’ As the child’s father and mother stood there wondering at the things that were being said about him, Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother, ‘You see this child: he is destined for the fall and for the rising of many in Israel, destined to be a sign that is rejected – and a sword will pierce your own soul too – so that the secret thoughts of many may be laid bare.’ There was a prophetess also, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was well on in years. Her days of girlhood over, she had been married for seven years before becoming a widow. She was now eighty-four years old and never left the Temple, serving God night and day with fasting and prayer. She came by just at that moment and began to praise God; and she spoke of the child to all who looked forward to the deliverance of Jerusalem. When they had done everything the Law of the Lord required, they went back to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. Meanwhile the child grew to maturity, and he was filled with wisdom; and God’s favour was with him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Memorial Acclamation

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

NOTICE

Message from our Parish Priest

This week, at the beginning of a new school year, we begin preparing children to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time. The most crucial people involved in the preparation of the children are their parents and their family. They have the primary responsibility to form and gradually increase the spirit of faith in children. The Diocese of Sale has adopted an approach to sacramental preparation that is centred on the family, based in the parish, and supported by the parish primary school and catechists. Our families have such a crucial role in providing the foundation of living the Catholic faith within our parish. Let us pray for and support our parents in this most important role. May God bless you, Fr Denis.
May God bless you all, Fr Denis

PLENARY COUNCIL - LISTENING AND DISCERNMENT PHASE 2019-2020
How is God calling us to be a Christ-centred Church in Australia that is prayerful and Eucharistic?
INVITATION TO ALL PARISHIONERS TO NEXT SESSION OF LISTENING AND DISCERNING
Saturday 8th February 2020 – Theme: “Prayerful and Eucharistic” Place: St Peter’s College – Time: 2 pm to 4.30 pm

This National Theme for Discernment is inspired by the voices of the People of God who shared how deeply they treasured the Eucharist and the sacramental and liturgical life of the Church. There was a call for stronger and more engaging preaching, with an emphasis on the Word of God and connection to daily life, some seeking a uniquely Australian expression of prayer and Eucharistic celebration, drawing from the wisdom and rituals of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and also bringing together the many migrant communities which make up the Church in Australia. There were many divergent expressions of ways in which people and communities encounter God through their experiences of prayer, music and liturgy, and a desire for catechesis, training and formation for those in ministries related to these. We continue to seek the wisdom of the Holy Spirit during this session as we will be called to reflect on Scripture, Church teaching and our contemporary situation, in order to discern the answer to the question. The fruits of what is discerned during this time will help shape the agenda of the first session of Plenary Council in October 2020.

Plenary Council website: <https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/themes/prayerful/>

RCIA – Period of Catechumanate.- The RCIA process starts its weekly sessions from next Tuesday 4th of February. Please pray for **Margaret Grech, Junghee Youm and Dhaneshi Mannapperuma** as they are continuing to reflect in the persona of Jesus Christ in Scripture and in the life and values of our Catholic Church. We thank you for their precious lives and may they always continue to praise and serve Jesus with dedication and love. May their love for Him always remain constant and may they be strong custodians of their faith. We pray this in your Holy name

SACRAMENT OF FIRST RECONCILIATION – A meeting for parents who have children to prepare for the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be held at St Thomas the Apostle School this coming Tuesday, 4th February, at 7.00pm, and again the following Tuesday 11th February at 7.00pm (child not required to attend). If parents fail to attend one of these meetings, then the next opportunity to prepare for this sacrament will be at the beginning of next year.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT after the Saturday 6.00pm Mass.

RAFFLE TICKETS - The Combined Catholic Parishes Raffle tickets are on **SALE NOW!!**There are 3 Suzuki Baleno & Coles/Myer gift cards to be won!! Raffle Drawn 6th Jun 2020. Parish staff members are selling the tickets this weekend after all Masses. Tickets \$2.00 each or \$20 a book. Vic permit 10722/19.

ALTAR SERVERS ROSTER are now availabl. Please pick-up a copy before you leave.

ZION YOUTH IS RETURNING FOR 2020! Come along for a night of games, free food and festivities on Friday 7th Feb 7.30pm to 9.00pm at St Peter’s College Clyde North. Youth in Year 6 and up are welcome. For more information, contact Angelin Tom on 0422 127 624.

menALIVE weekend - coming to our parish on March 14 & 15, 2020. For enquiries please contact Jamie on 0431 622 155.

THE LAMP – ‘In His Image and Likeness’. All youths from Yr 7 to 25 years of age are welcome. Venue: Our Lady Help of Christian, Narre Warren. Date: 22 Feb 2020 Time: 9am – 3pm. Register at: <https://forms.gle/LSkpw4wUtm4MBY8NA> or scan QR code on the flyer.

PIETY STALL – Will operate on 15th & 16th February. For enquiries, please call call Rick & Anita on 0450 782 558.

EAST GIPPSLAND WILDLIFE EMERGENCY FUND - Incredible wildlife carers in East Gippsland have set up a general fundraiser for carers. These funds will be distributed amongst wildlife shelters in East Gippsland on an as needs basis, including Basil Brush Wildlife Shelter & the Raymond Island Koala & Wildlife Shelter Inc. Donate: <https://www.gofundme.com/f/australian-wildlife-emergency-surgery-fund>

2020 STRENGTH IN WEAKNESS CONFERENCE – **Date:** Sat 15th Feb 2020, 9:00am – 6:30pm. Venue: 400 City Road, Southbank (Planetshakers Centre). A day of prayer and renewal for all Christians to come together and be strengthened and encouraged in their faith. Encouraged by Pope Francis’ message that we are all called to be saints, the underlying theme of the conference is to rely solely on God’s grace and strength – especially in times when your faith could be questioned and challenged. Guest speakers will include Archbishop Peter A Comensoli, Archbishop Christopher Prowse, Fr Augustine Vallooran V.C, Lenyce Willason, Fr Ken Barker MGL & Lalith Perera. We invite everyone to this FREE event. for registration & more information visit www.strengthinweakness.com.au or pick-up a flyer today!

GOSPEL OF MATTHEW RETREAT – by Fr Frank Moloney SDB 3 – 6 February. Fr Frank Moloney will lead this retreat on the Gospel of Matthew at the beautiful and peaceful Don Bosco Retreat Centre. Cost - \$430 all inclusive (retreat, meals, accommodation, etc). Further information and registration: Contact - Candy 9752 2432 or e-mail: dbrclysterfield@gmail.com

HOLY MASS OFFERING ENVELOPES – if you are using this envelope to offer a Mass Intention we do ask you to please leave your contact detail so that the parish office can contact you should the date for the Mass you have requested is not available. Thank you.

MESSAGE FROM OUR PARISH SAFEGUARDING OFFICER

CHILD SAFE TRAINING

All volunteers who have not attended a session, please attend the next session as listed. This is a requirement by Bishop Pat that all parish volunteers attend one session. We thank those who have already attended the training held earlier this year.

Location	Day	Date	Time
Cranbourne	Saturday	22/02/2020	10am - 12:30pm