

**BAPTISM PREPARATION:** 1<sup>st</sup> 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 Adriaanse 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: [zionyouthgrp@gmail.com](mailto:zionyouthgrp@gmail.com)  
 FB: [www.facebook.com/groups/zionyouthgrp/](https://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 (29/2) 6.00pm:** People of the Parish  
**Sunday (1/3) 9.00am:** Patricia Virginia Alles, Marie & Carmalita Candappa & Sanjaya Dahanayake (Remb)  
**Sunday (1/3) 10.45am:** Arlene Perera, Patirck Collom, Maisie De Silva (Remb)  
**Monday (2/3):** No Mass  
**Tuesday (3/3) 9.15am:** Deceased relatives & friends of the O’Keefe & Kearns families  
**Wednesday (4/3) 9.15am:** Available (pls see Fr Denis or call the parish office)  
**Thursday (5/3) 9.15am:** Available (pls see Fr Denis or call the parish office)  
**Friday (6/3) 9.15am:** Available (pls see Fr Denis or call the parish office)  
**Saturday (7/3) 9.15am:** Available (pls see Fr Denis or call the parish office)  
**Recently deceased:** Ronald Mafara  
**Pray for the sick:** Fr Bernard Buckley, Fr Brian Gleeson, Walter De Silva, Luicile Noel, Annette Gaiardo, Jim Ryan, Anne Marie Hartung, Sue Dower, Sr Kathleen Boschetti  
**Death anniversary/Remembrance:** Fr John Phelan & Fr Peter Dawson

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.

Rosters	29/2	1/3		7/3	8/3	
	6.00pm	9.00am	10.45am	6.00pm	9.00am	10.45am
Lectors	Gerard Fernandes	Ryan Fynn	Christine Salu	Sherrylin Tan	Ian Sangalang	Raquel Catindig
Extraordinary Ministers	Jonathan Rubite, Jan Ridout, Shey Rubite	Asanthi Chadrasekera, Mary Garoni, Fred Garoni	Fale Salu, Naomi Ioane, Raquel Catindig	Theresa Nerviol, Jan Ridout, Orestes Jr Quito	Maureen Morris, Maria Sopi, Antonia Sopi	Dino Jaboli, Amanda Ah Colt, Emma Gomez
Welcomers	Carmen Camilleri	Colleen and Olivia Johnson	TBA	Christine Fernandes	Sonia Ruiz	TBA
Children's Liturgy		TBA	TAB		Flora Bitoin and Molly Gerdiman	TBA
Morning Tea		Luicile Noel and Cynthia Acanthe			Vivian and Priscilla Crasto	
Next week's readings:                      Gen 12:1-4                      2 Tim 1:8-10                      Matt 17:1-9						

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](mailto:parish@stthomasap.org.au) **Website:** [www.stthomasap.org.au](http://www.stthomasap.org.au)  [www.facebook.com/stthomasap](https://www.facebook.com/stthomasap)

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**Email:** [Clydenorth.Safety@cdsale.org.au](mailto:Clydenorth.Safety@cdsale.org.au)

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT (Year A) – 1<sup>st</sup> March 2020



(Masses celebrated at St. Peter's College,  
55 MacKillop Way, Clyde North. Entrance  
via Heather Grove)

**Saturday Mass: 6.00pm**

**Sunday Mass: 9.00am & 10.45am**

**Weekday Masses are at Blue Hills Chapel unless stated otherwise.**

Monday (2/3): No Mass

Tuesday (3/3) : 9.15am

Wednesday(4/3): 9.15am @ St Thomas

the Apostle Primary School

Thursday (5/3): 9.15am

Friday (6/3) : 9.15am followed by

## Reconciliation

Saturday (7/3): 9.15am followed by

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament,

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praying the Rosary & Reconciliation

Sunday at 12noon.  
Baptism Preparation:  
1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the  
month. Register at the  
Parish Office

After Friday &  
Saturday morning  
Mass &  
Saturday: 5.30pm  
before evening Mass at  
St Peter's College

5 Fiorelli Boulevard, Cranbourne East

Phone: 5998 9293

Principal: Mr Brendan Marrinon

55 MacKillop Way, Clyde North

Phone: 5990 7777

Principal: Mr Chris Black

**Starting 28<sup>th</sup> Feb and every Friday in Lent 7.30pm @ St Peter's College Clyde North**

*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 build 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.*

## First Reading

Genesis 2:7-9, 3:1-7

The Lord God fashioned man of dust from the soil. Then he breathed into his nostrils a breath of life, and thus man became a living being. The Lord God planted a garden in Eden which is in the east, and there he put the man he had fashioned. The Lord God caused to spring up from the soil every kind of tree, enticing to look at and good to eat, with the tree of life and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil in the middle of the garden. The serpent was the most subtle of all the wild beasts that the Lord God had made. It asked the woman, 'Did God really say you were not to eat from any of the trees in the garden?' The woman answered the serpent, 'We may eat the fruit of the trees in the garden. But, of the fruit of the tree in the middle of the garden God said, "You must not eat it, nor touch it, under pain of death".' Then the serpent said to the woman, 'No! You will not die! God knows in fact that on the day you eat it your eyes will be opened and you will be like gods, knowing good and evil.' The woman saw that the tree was good to eat and pleasing to the eye, and that it was desirable for the knowledge that it could give. So she took some of its fruit and ate it. She gave some also to her husband who was with her, and he ate it. Then the eyes of both of them were opened and they realised that they were naked. So they sewed fig-leaves together to make themselves loin-cloths.

The word of the Lord.

## Responsorial Psalm

*R. Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we have sinned.*

Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness. In your compassion blot out my offence. O wash me more and more from my guilt and cleanse me from my sin. **R.**

My offences truly I know them; my sin is always before me. Against you, you alone, have I sinned; what is evil in your sight I have done. **R.**

A pure heart create for me, O God, put a steadfast spirit within me. Do not cast me away from your presence, nor deprive me of your holy spirit. **R.**

Give me again the joy of your help; with a spirit of fervour sustain me. O Lord, open my lips and my mouth shall declare your praise. **R.**

## Second Reading

Romans 5:12. 17-19

Sin entered the world through one man, and through sin death, and thus death has spread through the whole human race because everyone has sinned. If it is certain that death reigned over everyone as the consequence of one man's fall, it is even more certain that one man, Jesus Christ, will cause everyone to reign in life who receives the free gift that he does not deserve, of being made righteous. Again, as one man's fall brought condemnation on everyone, so the good act of one man brings everyone life and makes them justified. As by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by one man's obedience many will be made righteous.

The word of the Lord.

## Gospel Acclamation

**Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!** *Man does not live on bread alone but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.*

## Gospel

Matt 6: 24-34

Then Jesus was led by the Spirit out into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted for forty days and forty nights, after which he was very hungry, and the tempter came and said to him. 'If you are the Son of God, tell these stones to turn into loaves.' But he replied, 'Scripture says: Man does not live on bread alone but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.' The devil then took him to the holy city and made him stand on the parapet of the Temple. 'If you are the Son of God' he said 'throw yourself down; for scripture says: He will put you in his angels' charge, and they will support you on their hands in case you hurt your foot against a stone.' Jesus said to him, 'Scripture also says: You must not put the Lord your God to the test.' Next, taking him to a very high mountain, the devil showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor. 'I will give you all these' he said, 'if you fall at my feet and worship me.' Then Jesus replied, 'Be off, Satan! For scripture says: You must worship the Lord your God, and serve him alone.' Then the devil left him, and the angels appeared and looked after him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

## Memorial Acclamation

When we eat this bread & drink this wine, we proclaim your death, O Lord, until you come again.

## NOTICE

### Message from our Parish Priest

#### Dear Parishioners,

This Sunday the three catechumens from our parish, Margaret Grech, Dhaneshi Mannapperuma & Junghee Youm will gather at St Mary's Cathedral, Sale, for the Rite of Election. They will be joined by catechumens and baptised candidates from across the Sale Diocese. This always occurs on the First Sunday of Lent and as they begin a particular preparation to participate in the Sacraments of Initiation at the Easter Vigil. We join them in prayerful preparation to renew our own Christian life as we will renew the promises of our Baptism at the Easter Vigil and on Easter Sunday. We are urged to deeper prayer including using the Lenten booklets, and to participate in weekday Masses, Stations of the Cross and our Lenten Retreat Day; renewed charity including Project Compassion and fasting. We pray for a renewed awareness of our sinfulness, a true sorrow for our sin and a deep desire to turn away from sin. We prepare ourselves to be forgiven and healed through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. May *God bless you in this season of Lent. Fr Denis.*

### PLENARY COUNCIL 2020 - LISTENING AND DISCERNMENT PHASE

[Plenary Council website](https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au): <https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au>

#### HOW IS GOD CALLING US TO BE CHRIST-CENTRED THAT IS: “HUMBLE, HEALING AND MERCIFUL”?

We thank every parishioner who attended the Listening and Discerning session to reflect on the theme “Humble, healing and merciful”. The recommendations raised at this meeting will be submitted to the Plenary Council team and they will be published in our next bulletin.

**Please take note of the following last sessions to be held on 21<sup>st</sup> March & 18<sup>th</sup> April**

\*\*\*\*\* INVITATION TO ALL PARISHIONERS\_ ALL ARE WELCOME! \*\*\*\*\*

### RCIA Parish Celebration Of Rite of Sending for Election - 1st March 2020

Catechumens: Margaret Grech, Junghee Youm, Dhaneshi Mannapperuma

**Rite of Sending, 9 am Mass, St Thomas the Apostle Parish.-** *The Rite of Sending offers the parish community an opportunity to acknowledge the spiritual progress the catechumens have made, express approval of their election or recognition, and send them forth to our bishop. To send a catechumen to the bishop means that a parish has discerned that the person is ready to enter the Catholic Church and assurance them with our care and support.*

**Rite of Election, 3 pm – St Mary's Cathedral, Sale.-** *The Rite of Election signifies that the catechumens have been called and claim by Christ. The community with godparents, representing the parish, will testify the participant's readiness. It is appropriate for the bishop to recognize them because he is the sign of unity of the church and it is the parish community's responsibility to bring them into the fullness of the life of the church. The participation of the Catechumens in the rite of election also means that they have reached their final decision to enter the catholic Church. From this point forward, they will be called the Elect and their final preparation during Lent will lead to their sacramental initiation at Ester Vigil.*

### LENT RETREAT DAY: All are invited!!

On Sat 7<sup>th</sup> March all parishioners are invited to participate in a Lenten Retreat Day led by Fr Dr Elio Capra SDB. This is a new initiative for our parish and a wonderful opportunity to reflect on our own lives and to gather for a day of prayer. Please come. Venue: St Peter's College Clyde North 10.00am to 4.30pm Cost: \$10/adult (under 18 free). Register at the Parish Office or call Joy 0408005477.

**WE WELCOME AS CHILD OF GOD –** Mila Carlie Badon, child of Rojan & Nathlia and Rafael Antenucci, child of Michael & Alana.

**LENTEN REFLECTION BOOKLET on sale for only \$7.**

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS** every Friday in Lent at 7.30pm St Peter's Clyde North.

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT –** Next Saturday after Vigil Mass.

**SACRAMENT OF FIRST RECONCILIATION Parent Child Workshop –** on 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> March 7.00pm at St Thomas the Apostle Primary School.

Please come on the day which you have choosen. Child is required at this workshop.

**menALIVE weekend** - on March 14 & 15 at St Peter's College Clyde North. Please pick up a flyer for information and registration. Enquiries:

stthomasmengroup@gmail.com.

**PROJECT COMPASSION** this year asks us to consider how, as global neighbours, we can “go further together”. Be generous for we share the same genesis – our common humanity obliges us to share in what we can. Please take a Project Compassion box home with you today and contribute generously.

**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL:** During the coming months the membership of the Parish Pastoral Council will be renewed. The present members are the foundation members of our Pastoral Council, whose role began as members of the Pastoral Leadership Group when we were still a part of St Agatha's Parish. Many new families have come to our parish over the past four years and we are particularly inviting members of those families to consider nominating for the Pastoral Council. There will be further information in coming weeks.

**GOD START:** God Start is a ministry in our parish that maintains contact with families and their children after their Baptism, especially on the occasion of their birthdays. If your child is aged 1-4 years and was Baptised in a parish other than St Thomas the Apostle, we invite you to register at the parish office to be able to participate in God Start.

**RAFFLE TICKETS –**Thank you for your support. All tickets have been sold! Please return all sold ticket butts by 3rd May leave money and tickets in an envelope and put in our collection plate. DO NOT REMOVE STAPLES from book.

**PIETY STALL –** operates every 2nd weekend of the month. Month of March: 7<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup>. For enquiries, call Rick & Anita on 0450 782 558.

### MESSAGE FROM OUR PARISH SAFEGUARDING OFFICER

#### CatholicCare Child Safeguarding Workshops

Bishop Patrick O'Regan has engaged the services of CatholicCare to continue a series of training sessions across the Diocese on “Building a Child Safe Environment”. It is expected that all parishioners with WWCC, volunteering or intending to volunteer, will attend one of the 2.5 hr sessions, unless they have already done so in 2019. If you would like to register for any of the following dates, **please complete the sheet on the clipboards at the back of the church or email the Parish Office.**

Location	Date	Time
Our Lady Help of Christians, Narre Warren (Parish Centre)	Thursday, 12 <sup>th</sup> March	7pm – 9:30pm
St Michael's, Berwick (Parish Support Centre)	Saturday, 14 <sup>th</sup> March	2pm – 4:30pm
St Patrick's, Pakenham (Parish Hall)	Saturday, 21 <sup>st</sup> March	10am – 12:30pm

**Interested in Volunteering?** Anyone over 18 years who wishes to volunteer please contact Corralee at the Parish Office on Wednesdays. **Current Volunteers** any changes to your current ministries please email [clydenorth.safety@cdsale.org.au](mailto:clydenorth.safety@cdsale.org.au) before 16/2/2020 so that these can be taken into account.