

Groups and Meetings

BAPTISM PREPARATION: 1st Sunday of the month 2.00pm at St Peter’s College. Registration: Parish Office or visit our website.
RCIA: For adults interested to join the Catholic Faith. Classes to begin in July 2018. For enquiries, contact Joy Andriaanse on 5991 5669.
RCIC: For older children who have not completed their Sacraments at St Agatha’s Providence House, Cranbourne. Enq: Fiona 5998 0947.
YOUTH GROUP: Meets twice a month at St Peter’s College. For more enquiries, contact the parish office.
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

Mass Intentions

Saturday (16/2) 6.00pm: Special Intentions of Vimi, Amith & family (Priscilla)
Sunday (17/2) 9.00am: Special Intentions for Jane & Michael Ryan (Priscilla)
Sunday (17/2) 10.45am: People of the Parish
Tuesday (19/2) 9.15am: Available (pls see Fr Denis or contact the parish office)
Wednesday (20/2) 9.15am: Available (pls see Fr Denis or contact the parish office)
Thursday (21/2) 9.15am: Sandra Minjoot Danker (Remb)
Friday (22/2) 9.15am: Special Intentions (Josie Andolfatto)
Saturday (23/2) 9.15am: Available (pls see Fr Denis or contact the parish office)
Pray for the sick: Crispin Masvosva (in Zimbabwe, father of Seminarian Confidence)
Death Anniversary: Bishop Arthur Fox, Fr Emanuel Spiteri, Fr Wladyslaw Lisik

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

Parish Finance Members:
Fr Denis, Heidi Keel, Sinclair Thomas, Patrick Ross, Helene Jayamaha, Peter Gomez, Vincent Willatgamuwa

Rosters	16/2	17/2		23/2	24/2	
	6.00pm	9.00am	10.45am	6.00pm	9.00am	10.45am
Lectors	Jonathan Rubite	Angelin Tom	Dezlene Orchard	Dalreen Thomas	Priscilla Crasto	Rhys Ah Colt
Extraordinary Ministers	Eugene Catindig ,Simida Coutino,, Christine Fernandes,	Jack Van Bakel, Antonia Sopi, Priscilla Crasto	Dino Jaboli, Naomi loane, Fale Salu	Sheryllin Tan, Penelope Smith, Manni Vailmanni	Manju Soni, Mary Garoni, Fred Garoni	Francoise Vinay, Mary Schulberg, Amanda Ah Colt
Welcomers	Rose & Dominic Lobo	Tom and Emil Vellaramkunnel	TBA	Maureen & Philip	Doreen Storti	TBA
Children’s Liturgy		TBA	Christine Salu		Flora Bition	TBA
Morning Tea		Lorraine Fynn			Bill and Julie Sheedy	
Next week’s readings: 1Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23 1Cor 15: 45-49 Luke 6:27-38						

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 support St Thomas the Apostle Parish Financially? Would you join the Stewardship program and contribute weekly, monthly or yearly? YES / NO (please circle your response)


CHILDREN INFORMATION: (please attach paper for additional children)

FIRST NAME	SURNAME	SEX	RELIGION	BIRTH DATE	OCCUPATION/SCHOOL NAME

St Thomas the Apostle

Catholic Parish, Clyde North



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 Phone: 5998 0947
Email: parish@stthomasap.org.au **Website:** www.stthomasap.org.au  www.facebook.com/stthomasap
Parish Secretaries: Christine Salu & Fiona Goh (Tuesday - Friday 9.00am – 3.00pm)
Parish Safety Officer: Corralee Floyd (Wednesday 9.00am – 3.00pm)

“My Lord and My God!”

WELCOME TO OUR MASS

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME– (Year C) 17th February 2019



Masses & Reconciliation Times	
<p>Sunday Mass (Masses celebrated at St. Peter’s College, 55 MacKillop Way, Clyde North)</p> <p>Saturday Vigil Mass: 6.00pm Sunday Mass: 9.00am & 10.45am</p> <p>Weekday Masses Weekday Masses are at Blue Hills Chapel unless stated otherwise.</p> <p>Monday (18/2): No Mass Tuesday (19/2): 9.15am Wednesday (20/2): 9.15am at St Thomas the Apostle Primary School Thursday (21/2): 9.15am Friday (22/2): 9.15am Saturday (23/2): 9.15am followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Rosary and Reconciliation.</p>	<p>Baptism Sunday at 12noon. Baptism Preparation: 1st Sunday of the month. Register at the Parish Office</p> <p>Reconciliation Friday & Saturday: 9.45am after morning Mass at Blue Hills Chapel</p> <p>Saturday: 5.30pm before evening Mass at St Peter’s College</p>

Parish Schools
<p>St Thomas the Apostle Primary School 5 Fiorelli Boulevard Cranbourne East Phone: 5998 9293 Principal: Mr Brendan Marrinon</p> <p>St Peter’s Secondary College (Cranbourne East Campus) 55 MacKillop Way, Clyde North Phone: 5990 7777 Principal: Mr Chris Black</p>

Prayer of Saint Thomas the Apostle

Glorious Saint Thomas, Your love for Jesus and faith in him as Lord and God are an inspiration for all who seek Jesus. You gave up your life 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.

St Thomas the Apostle

Pray For Us

First Reading

Jeremiah 17:5-8

The Lord says this: ‘A curse on the man who puts his trust in man, who relies on things of flesh, whose heart turns from the Lord. He is like dry scrub in the wastelands: if good comes, he has no eyes for it, he settles in the parched places of the wilderness, a salt land, uninhabited.’ ‘A blessing on the man who puts his trust in the Lord, with the Lord for his hope. He is like a tree by the waterside that thrusts its roots to the stream: when the heat comes it feels no alarm, its foliage stays green; it has no worries in a year of drought, and never ceases to bear fruit.’

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

R. Happy the man who has placed his trust in the Lord.

Happy indeed is the man who follows not the counsel of the wicked; nor lingers in the way of sinners nor sits in the company of scorners, but whose delight is the law of the Lord and who ponders his law day and night. ***R.***

He is like a tree that is planted beside the flowing waters, that yields its fruit in due season and whose leaves shall never fade; and all that he does shall prosper. ***R.***

Not so are the wicked, not so! For they like winnowed chaff shall be driven away by the wind. For the Lord guards the way of the just but the way of the wicked leads to doom. ***R.***

Second Reading

Cor 15:12,16-20

If Christ raised from the dead is what has been preached, how can some of you be saying that there is no resurrection of the dead? For if the dead are not raised, Christ has not been raised, and if Christ has not been raised, you are still in your sins. And what is more serious, all who have died in Christ have perished. If our hope in Christ has been for this life only, we are the most unfortunate of all people. But Christ has in fact been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia! Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom to mere children. Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 6:17,20-26

Jesus came down with the Twelve and stopped at a piece of level ground where there was a large gathering of his disciples with a great crowd of people from all parts of Judaea and from Jerusalem and from the coastal region of Tyre and Sidon who had come to hear him and to be cured of their diseases. Then fixing his eyes on his disciples he said: ‘How happy are you who are poor; yours is the kingdom of God. Happy you who are hungry now: you shall be satisfied. Happy you who weep now: you shall laugh. ‘Happy are you when people hate you, drive you out, abuse you, denounce your name as criminal, on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice when that day comes and dance for joy, for then your reward will be great in heaven. This was the way their ancestors treated the prophets. ‘But alas for you who are rich: you are having your consolation now. Alas for you who have your fill now: you shall go hungry. Alas for you who laugh now: you shall mourn and weep. ‘Alas for you when the world speaks well of you! This was the way their ancestors treated the false prophets.’

The Gospel of the Lord.

Memorial Acclamation

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

Message from our Parish Priest

Dear Parishioners,

This weekend we welcome the staff of our parish primary school, St Thomas the Apostle School, to our 9.00am Sunday Mass. The staff is larger than ever, reflecting the fact the school now has an enrolment of just over 600! As we welcome the staff to our Sunday Mass it reminds us of what an important place the school has in the life of our parish, and how active it is in urging students and families to discover and know deeply their Catholic identity and to live that with joy, bearing the fruits of their faith for the whole community in which we live. Like St Thomas, this can only happen when Jesus is at the very centre of our daily life, as “our Lord and our God.” We express our deep gratitude for the dedication of the school staff and we pray God’s blessing for all of them as they seek to assist our children to know Jesus and to follow him as missionary disciples. May God bless you all, Fr Denis

Plenary Council

The Year of Listening towards the Plenary Council 2020 is finishing on March the 6th. Our last Listening & Dialogue Session in our Parish will be on the:

25TH February – Monday @ 7.30 pm at St Peter’s College

WHAT DO YOU THINK GOD IS ASKING OF US IN AUSTRALIA?

As Archbishop Timothy Costelloe SDB, the Plenary Council 2020 president, said last week, it was hard to know how many people would grasp the opportunity to consider “what God is asking of us in Australia at this time”. Through the end of 2018, the answer was “more than 40,000” – people who either shared their own story or took part in a gathering that led to a group submission.

“Please come and take part of the conversation”

Plenary Council website: www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au

Diocesan Assembly and Pilgrimage

Bishop Patrick has announced a Diocesan Assembly to be held on 13-14 September at Marist-Sion College Warragul. During the Plenary Council 2020 Listening and Dialogue process, several common topics have emerged. It has become evident that many of the suggestions which have been made can be initiated and implemented at a local Diocesan level. The Diocesan Assembly, while part of the overall Plenary journey, is of vital importance as it will provide us with the opportunity to together discern and discuss what it is that we can do here and now for our local Church in the Diocese of Sale.

In the months leading up to the Assembly, the Diocesan community is being invited to embark on a period of prayer and preparation with a Diocesan Pilgrimage of the Icon of our Lady of Perpetual Help (the patroness of our Diocese) and the Diocesan Plenary 2020 Candle. Each parish will host the Icon and Candle for one week with the opportunity to receive and bless the Icon at weekend Masses and have it displayed for prayer during the week.

Parish Plenary 2020 Teams

The Diocese has organised Plenary 2020 Days in the Diocese for March 2019. This will be run by Ms Lana Turvey-Collins, the National Plenary 2020 Facilitator. Saturday 16th March 9.30 am – 3.00 pm DAY FOR PARISH & SCHOOL PLENARY 2020 TEAMS at Marian Theatre, Marist-Sion College, Burke St Warragul \$15.00 per person

Parish Notices

URGENTLY looking for Special Eucharistic Minister for the sick in age care homes in our parish every Wednesday. Please ring the parish office on 5998 0947.

Coming Meetings:

Western Region Meeting: Wednesday 20th at 11.00am at OLHC Narre Warren

Parish Finance Council: Thursday 21st at 7.30pm at parish office.

RITE OF ELECTION OF CATECHUMENS AND PRESENTATION OF BAPTISED CANDIDATES will be celebrated by Bishop Patrick O’Regan at **St Mary’s Cathedral Sale at 3.00 pm Sunday 10th march 2019**. Singers are invited to join a Diocesan Choir for the occasion. Rehearsal is at 1.30 in the choir loft followed by the Rite of Election at 3.00 pm. Afternoon tea to follow. Please RSVP to Sophy Morley without delay P 5622 6677 or email smorley@sale.catholic.org.au

CATECHISTS REQUIRED!! As our parish grows so does our need for catechists for primary school aged children. I am inviting parishioners to respond to our need by contacting the parish office.

YEAR 7 2020 APPLICATIONS FOR ST. PETER'S COLLEGE

A reminder to families that 2020 applications are due in at the College by Monday 4th March. Information packs are available from the College Offices or you can download an application form from the College website.

First round offers will be sent out at the end of March. For further enquiries please contact the College Registrar, Wendy Height on 5990 7777.

FUNDRAISING DINNER - The Knights of the Southern Cross will hold a fundraising dinner on March 28th to support the bursary fund for the education of Sale Diocese Seminarians. The dinner will be at the Black Tie Function Centre, 90 Alfred St, Warragul, 6.30 for 7pm start. The two course dinner will cost \$60 and wine, beer and soft drinks will be available at bar prices. The event is open to men and women who want to support this venture. There will be a silent auction as an additional fundraiser. Tickets are available at www.trybooking.com/470438.

COMBINED CATHOLIC PARISHES RAFFLE – Tickets Sold Out!! Thank you for your support. Tickets due back on 7th April 2019. To return: place ticket and money in an envelope (do not remove staples) and put in any of the offering plate. Thank you. (VCGR Permit no. – 10699/18)

MASS OFFERING ENVELOPES are available at both entrances of our worship space. Please write your contact number on the envelope should the date of the Mass you requested for is not available.

PIETY STALL – Holy Beginnings piety stall opens every 2nd weekend of the month. Month of March is on the 9th & 10th. For orders and enquiries, call Rick & Anita on 0450 782 558.

FORMED.org an online platform featuring Catholic videos, audio talks, eBooks and movies from partners like the Augustine Institute, St. Paul Center, Marian Fathers, Lighthouse Catholic Media, Ignatius Press and Word on Fire. St Thomas the Apostle parishioners have free access to this. To get the parish code contact Parish Office: 5998 0947 or email: parish@stthomasap.org.au.

PALMS ENCOUNTER - This Encounter is an intimate, immersive, inter-cultural experience for your parishioners to meet Palms volunteers and the host communities where they are working in Timor Leste. It will provide insights that challenge perceptions and deepen understanding for parishioners, and a unique opportunity for them to experience Holy Week among our neighbours. 7th -19th April 2019. For more enquiries, visit palms.org.au/encounters or call 02 9560 5333.