

Groups and Meetings

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 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
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

Mass Intentions

Saturday (7/3) 6.00pm: People of the Parish
Sunday (8/3) 9.00am: Marie-Antoinette Ternel (4th Death Anniversay)
Sunday (8/3) 10.45am: Escolastica Parlanti (Recently Deceased)
Monday (9/3): No Mass
Tuesday (10/3) 9.15am: Available (pls see Fr Denis or call the parish office)
Wednesday (11/3) 9.15am: Deceased friends & relatives of O’Keefe & Kearns
Thursday (12/3) 9.15am: Deceased friends & relatives of Anoop Mathew
Friday (13/3) 9.15am: Marion Dias (B’d day Blessing)
Saturday (14/3) 9.15am: Available (pls see Fr Denis or call the parish office)
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, Michael Garoni
Recently Deceased: Mary Ejale (in Nigeria, cousin of Fr Edwin Ogbuka)
Death anniversary/Remembrance: Ethel, Bernard & Robert Andolfatto,Fr James O’Kean

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.

Rosters	7/3	8/3		14/3	15/3	
	6.00pm	9.00am	10.45am	6.00pm	9.00am	10.45am
Lectors	Sherrylin Tan	Ian Sangalang	Raquel Catindig	Jonathan Rubite	Agi Alwin	Andrew Schulberg
Extraordinary Ministers	Theresa Nerviol, Jan Ridout, Orestes Jr Quito	Maureen Morris, Maria Sopi, Antonia Sopi	Dino Jaboli, Amanda Ah Colt, Emma Gomez	Dalreen Thomas,Francoise Vinay,Natashya Gozmao	Marilyn Smith, Michael Ryan, Brunhelda Samuel	Dino Jaboli, Antonia Sopi, Maria Sopi
Welcomers	Christine Fernandes	Sonia Ruiz	TBA	Ashlee Vidot	Doreen Storti	TBA
Children’s Liturgy		Flora Bitoin and Molly Gerdiman	TBA		TBA	Christine Salu
Morning Tea		Vivian and Priscilla Crasto			Jose and Flora Bitoin	
Next week’s readings: Exodus 17:3-7 Romans 5:1-2. 5-8 John 4:5-42						

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

St Thomas the Apostle

Catholic Parish, Clyde North



“My Lord and My God!”

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

WELCOME TO OUR MASS

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT (Year A) – 8th March 2020



Masses & Reconciliation Times

Sunday Mass

(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

Weekday Masses are at Blue Hills Chapel unless stated otherwise.

Monday (9/3): No Mass
Tuesday (10/3) : 9.15am
Wednesday(11/3): 9.15am @ St Thomas the Apostle Primary School
Thursday (12/3): 9.15am @ St Peter’s College Clyde North
Friday (13/3) : 9.15am followed by Reconciliation
Saturday (14/3): 9.15am followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, praying the Rosary & Reconciliation

Baptism

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

Reconciliation

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

Parish Schools

St Thomas the Apostle Primary School
5 Fiorelli Boulevard, Cranbourne East
Phone: 5998 9293
Principal: Mr Brendan Marrinon

St Peter’s Secondary College (Clyde North Campus)
55 MacKillop Way, Clyde North
Phone: 5990 7777
Principal: Mr Chris Black

STATIONS OF THE CROSS:

Starting 28th Feb and every Friday in Lent 7.30pm @ St Peter’s College Clyde North

Prayer of Saint Thomas the Apostle

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. St Thomas the Apostle Pray For Us

First Reading

Gen 12:1-4

The Lord said to Abram, 'Leave your country, your family and your father's house, for the land I will show you. I will make you a great nation; I will bless you and make your name so famous that it will be used as a blessing. 'I will bless those who bless you: I will curse those who slight you. All the tribes of the earth shall bless themselves by you.' So Abram went as the Lord told him.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

R. May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you.

The word of the Lord is faithful and all his works to be trusted. The Lord loves justice and right and fills the earth with his love. R.

The Lord looks on those who revere him, on those who hope in his love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine. R.

Our soul is waiting for the Lord. The Lord is our help and our shield. May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you. R.

Second Reading

2 Tim 1:8-10

With me, bear the hardships for the sake of the Good News, relying on the power of God who has saved us and called us to be holy - not because of anything we ourselves have done but for his own purpose and by his own grace. This grace had already been granted to us, in Christ Jesus, before the beginning of time, but it has only been revealed by the Appearing of our saviour Christ Jesus. He abolished death, and he has proclaimed life and immortality through the Good News.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Glory and praise to you, O Christ! From the bright cloud the Father’s voice was heard: ‘This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him.’ Glory and praise to you, O Christ!

Gospel

Matt 17:1-9

Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain where they could be alone. There in their presence he was transfigured; his face shone like the sun and his clothes became as white as the light. Suddenly Moses and Elijah appeared to them; they were talking with him. Then Peter spoke to Jesus. 'Lord,' he said 'it is wonderful for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' He was still speaking when suddenly a bright cloud covered them with shadow, and from the cloud there came a voice which said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; he enjoys my favour. Listen to him'. When they heard this, the disciples fell on their faces, overcome with fear. But Jesus came up and touched them. 'Stand up,' he said 'do not be afraid.' And when they raised their eyes they saw no one but only Jesus. As they came down from the mountain Jesus gave them this order. 'Tell no one about the vision until the Son of Man has risen from the dead.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Memorial Acclamation

Save us Saviour of the world, for by your cross and resurrection you have set us free.

NOTICE

Message from our Parish Priest

Dear Parishioners,

During this past week Bishop O'Regan has written to all the parishes in the Sale Diocese regarding the Coronavirus Covid 19 and recommending some temporary measures to help people to be safe from this virus whilst attending Mass and other liturgies. In our parish we will be immediately applying these recommendations which have been made in collaboration with Catholic Health Australia and the National Office for Liturgy. They include: removing Holy Water from entrance to our worship spaces; at the Sign of Peace individuals should refrain from shaking hands; until further notice parishes should suspend distributing Holy Communion from the Chalice; the coronavirus is easily spread through saliva, so until further notice Holy Communion should be received on the hand and not on the tongue. Bishop O'Regan also wishes to assure all Catholics that should they contract the Covid-19 Coronavirus and become seriously ill, priests will continue to ensure they receive the sacraments and other appropriate pastoral care. Let us continue to pray for those who suffering because of this virus, for the doctors and nurses who care for them, and for those working to overcome this virus. 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>

**** INVITATION TO NEXT SESSION OF LISTENING & DISCERNMENT ****

HOW IS GOD CALLING US TO BE CHRIST-CENTRED that is...

A Joyfull, hope-filled and servant community? – Session on 21st March 2020

National recommendations made for the Theme “Humble, healing and merciful”

- Active, unified lobbying by Australian Bishops for reconciliation with Indigenous people.
- Develop a standardised faith education package for all Australian parents that complements school programs but makes the family the centre. Develop complementary school faith programs that actively integrate parents including supporting their education needs.
- Provide Australian based or focused resources on church rulings and laws regarding: divorce, contraception, etc.
- Promote and accredit good Catholic professionals in areas of health care, counselling, law, etc
- Unified approach by Australian Bishops, via position papers to all faithful and in media for:
 - Active involvement in key issues, e.g environment, indigenous, diversity.
 - Active campaigning against secular initiatives: sex education, assisted dying, gender ideology, etc
- Make Healing (spiritual & physical) Masses to be formal part of all Parish calendars (monthly) Australia-wide

SCHOOL OF DISCIPLESHIP - Our parish of St. Thomas the Apostle will be hosting the School of Discipleship program. It is founded and directed by Aneel Aranha who started a Catholic lay apostolate called The Holy Spirit Interactive. It is recognised as an association of Faith and Outreach by Bishop Paul Hinder, Apostolic Vicar of Southern Arabia. Aneel was led to a powerful encounter with Jesus after being an atheist for 25 years. This school is dedicated to strengthening the Faith and spreading the Word of God around the world. It is based on the Gospel of Matthew 28:18-20 which commands us "to make disciples of all nations." Our parishioners who participated in this program will speak how the school has impacted their lives at Masses on the 28th/29th March. We have an introductory session on the 4th April - Saturday at 4.30 pm at the Blue Hills Chapel, where our weekday Masses are held. Please join us. Parishioners and youth are requested to take a flyer and enrol, it will be a life changing experience for each one. For more information please contact Emma on 0418 918 787

WE WELCOME AS A CHILD OF GOD – Zariah Besterwitch, child of Gavin & Chrisanne.

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

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT – after Saturday Vigil Mass. Adoration is held every 1st Saturday of the month for 30mins.

menALIVE weekend - on March 14 & 15 at St Peter’s College Clyde North. Enquiries: stthomasmengroup@gmail.com.

RCIA - We thank Jesus for the richness of blessings that He has showered upon Margaret Grech, Junghee Youm and Dhaneshi Mannapperum at their Rite of Election. We ask God to stay with them as they fulfil his wish during the Lenten season.

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE – We INVITE ALL YOUTHS to use your gifts and talents and take part in the Good Friday services. Please put your name down on the clipboards and we will contact you shortly.

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.

COVID-19 – Bishop Patrick O’Regan has advised that ‘the faithful who are too unwell to attend Sunday Mass - whether due to coronavirus or some other condition – or are at particular risk of contracting the COVID-19 virus, can honour their Sunday obligation by participating in a time of prayer within the home, reading the Scriptures or watching Mass on television or online (<http://bit.ly/MassOnDemand>).

BUNNINGS SAUSAGE SIZZLES – students at ST Peter’s College are holding two Bunnings Sausage Sizzles over the next 2 weekends. Cranbourne Campus staff & students will be at Cranbourne Bunnings on Saturday 14th March. Clyde North Campus staff & students will be at Clyde North Bunnings on Saturday 21st March. Please show your support.

PROJECT COMPASSION boxes are due back on Holy Thursday.

CATHOLIC MISSION APPEAL thanks the parishioners of St Thomas the Apostle for their generous contribution of \$1217.35. Your contribution will be used to help children living with disability in Ghana look forward with hope as new educational and vocational opportunities open up to them.

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.

REDEMPTORIST LENTEN MISSION – Come One, Come All! 24 – 27 March at St Michael’s Berwick 7.30pm – 8.30pm each day. For more info please contact St Michael’s Parish Office or see flyer.

ABUSE AND FAITH – Has your faith been affected by the revelations of historical sexual abuse within the church? If so, you may wish to attend an open conversation on Thursday 26th March 7.30pm at The Marian Room, St Joseph’s Church, Warragul. For more info, contact Joan or Fr Peter at the Parish Office on 5623 1642 or email: warragul@cdsale.org.au.

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

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 th March	7pm – 9:30pm
St Michael’s, Berwick (Parish Support Centre)	Saturday, 14 th March	2pm – 4:30pm
St Patrick’s, Pakenham (Parish Hall)	Saturday, 21 st 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 before 16/2/2020 so that these can be taken into account.