

# CORPUS CHRISTI & ST THOMAS MORE



132 Melbourne Ave, Glenroy

*Our Parishes are committed to the safety and wellbeing of all children and vulnerable adults. We respect and value their diverse cultures and unique identities.*



69 North Street, Hadfield

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## WEEKDAY MASSES

Tues: 9.00am St Thomas More  
Wed: 9.00am Corpus Christi  
Thur: 9.00am St Thomas More  
Fri: 9.00am Corpus Christi

## WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday: 4.30pm St Thomas More  
6.00pm Corpus Christi  
Sunday: 9.00am St Thomas More  
10.30am Corpus Christi

## RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 9.00am-9.20am Corpus Christi  
4.00pm-4.20pm St Thomas More

## BAPTISM

Corpus Christi: 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month at 10.00am  
St Thomas More: 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month at 10.00am

**For booking, please contact Claudia on 0414 308 019**

## WEDDING

By appointment

## PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

**Sick:** Margaret Hunter, Elizabeth Turner, Rebecca Bullock, Joe Borg, Noreen Dooley, Lourdes Joaquim, Goretty Soares, Nelson Joaquim

**Recent Deaths:** Anthony Theuma (Funeral at STM on Tues 18 July at 10.15am) Andrew Psaila (in Malta), Princess Felyn Tan (in Philippines)

**Anniversaries:**

**4.30pm:** Jimmy Camilleri

**9.00am:** Thomas Bang Nguyen, Lina Agius, Humberto Joaquim, Antonio Bernardino Joaquim, Maria Goreti Joaquim, Joao Viane Joaquim, Jose Antonio Joaquim

**10.30am:** Giulio & Alessia Cotesta, Angela Vella, Jillian Barker

***"I am praying for them..."*** (John 17:9) ...Prayer is the foundation of our Faith and the foundation of Stewardship. Pray in good times and in bad. Prayer is always the first best option in any situation, not just the last resort. Pray for friends and family and for those that don't treat you very well. Pray to give praise, to thank, and to ask God for help. Pray to see what God wants you to do with the gifts He has given you.

# 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time - 16 July 2023

## FIRST READING

*A reading from the prophet Isaiah*

*55:10-11*

Thus says the Lord: 'As the rain and the snow come down from the heavens and do not return without watering the earth, making it yield and giving growth to provide seed for the sower and bread for the eating, so the word that goes from my mouth does not return to me empty, without carrying out my will and succeeding in what it was sent to do.'

*The word of the Lord.*

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**R:** *The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest.*

You care for the earth, give it water,  
you fill it with riches.

Your river in heaven brims over  
to provide its grain. **R.**

And thus you provide for the earth;  
you drench its furrows,  
you level it, soften it with showers,  
you bless its growth. **R.**

You crown the year with your goodness.  
Abundance flows in your steps,  
in the pastures of the wilderness it flows. **R.**

The hills are girded with joy,  
the meadows covered with flocks,  
the valleys are decked with wheat,  
They shout for joy, yes, they sing. **R.**

## SECOND READING

*A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans*

*8:18-23*

I think that what we suffer in this life can never be compared to the glory, as yet unrevealed, which is waiting for us. The whole

creation is eagerly waiting for God to reveal his sons. It was not for any fault on the part of creation that it was made unable to attain its purpose, it was made so by God; but creation still retains the hope of being freed, like us, from its slavery to decadence, to enjoy the same freedom and glory as the children of God. From the beginning till now the entire creation, as we know, has been groaning in one great act of giving birth; and not only creation, but all of us who possess the first-fruits of the Spirit, we too groan inwardly as we wait for our bodies to be set free.

*The word of the Lord.*

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower;  
all who come to him will live for ever.

*Alleluia!*

## **GOSPEL**

*A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew* *13:1-23*

Jesus left the house and sat by the lakeside, but such crowds gathered round him that he got into a boat and sat there. The people all stood on the beach, and he told them many things in parables.

He said, 'Imagine a sower going out to sow. As he sowed, some seeds fell on the edge of the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Others fell on patches of rock where they found little soil and sprang up straight away, because there was no depth of earth; but as soon as the sun came up they were scorched and, not having any roots, they withered away. Others fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Others fell on rich soil and produced their crop, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Listen, anyone who has ears!'

*The Gospel of the Lord.*

The seed when planted doesn't need help. All it needs, is to be planted in good soil, then you leave it and it does everything. This is because the seed which is the Word of God is incorruptible: Once it finds good soil, it is going to produce a certain transformation. Others will see this fruit and know that this person is truly of God and is from the kingdom of God.

THIS WEEKEND ROSTER - STM			THIS WEEKEND ROSTER - CORPUS CHRISTI		
Time	Readers	Ministers	Time	Readers	Ministers
4.30pm	Ben C	Annette P-Frances A	6.00pm	James H-Marilyn M	Rosemary O-Dung N
9.00am	Margaret W	Julian C-Geraldine F	10.30am	Geeta S-Damian L	Oanh L - Reg S

*Thank you to everyone who donated to this year's Catholic Missions Propagation of the Faith Appeal .....Our combined Parish total was \$ 1,839.55. THANK YOU !!*

**REFLECTION.....** Today's readings are about the transforming power of the word of God when read, preached, and lived. The parable of the sower in today's Gospel challenges us to listen intently to God's Word, to be open to it, and to allow our lives to be shaped by its power. The parable reminds us that man's reception of God's Word is determined by the condition of his heart.

***Jesus also invites his followers to embrace the Faith of the sower: to trust and believe that our simplest acts of kindness and forgiveness, our humblest offers of help to anyone in need, may be the seeds that fall "on good soil" and yield an abundant harvest.***



### FEAST OF OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL—16th July

**Our Lady of Mount Carmel**, or Virgin of Carmel, is the title given to the Blessed Virgin Mary in her role as patroness of the Carmelite Order, particularly within the Catholic Church. The Carmelites consider the Blessed Virgin Mary to be a perfect model of the interior life of prayer and contemplation to which Carmelites aspire, as well as a model of virtue, in the person who was closest in life to Jesus Christ. She is seen as the one who points Christians most surely to Christ.

**The feast** celebrates the devotion that the Blessed Virgin Mary shows toward those who are devoted to her, and who signal that devotion by wearing the Brown Scapular. According to tradition, Mary appeared to Saint Simon Stock, a leader of the Carmelites, and gave him a scapular, telling him to promote devotion to it. The scapular is a modified version of Mary's own garment. It symbolizes her special protection and calls the wearers to consecrate themselves to her in a special way. Those who wear the scapular faithfully and remain devoted to the Blessed Virgin until death will be granted the grace of final perseverance and be delivered from Purgatory early. The scapular reminds us of the gospel call to prayer and penance - a call that Mary models in a splendid way.

*Don't let your fears about the next hundred years  
discourage you from smiling now.  
Instead of counting your troubles, try adding up your blessings.*