

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.



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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

1st Saturday of the month at 10.00am
 (Any child under 5 years of age and living outside the Parish will require a letter of permission from their local Parish Priest. Any child over 5 years living outside the Parish will not be accepted for baptism).

For booking, please contact Claudia on 0414 308 019

WEDDING By appointment

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Sick: Joe Borg
Recent Deaths: Aileen Gnaden (Funeral at CC on Tues 22 August at 10.00am)
 Umberto Bragaglia (Funeral at STM on Wed 23 August at 11am)
 Maria Ferraro (Funeral at STM on Thurs 24 August at 11.00am)
 Carmine Paladino (Funeral at CC on Friday 25 August at 10.15am)
Anniversaries:
4.30pm: Maureen Digby, Mary Attard, Danielle Speranza, Frank Sammut
6.00pm: Toma & Maria Nguyen
9.00am: Umberto Plutino, Vincenzo Molini
10.30am: Romilda Di Pietro, Mary Daniele

BAPTISMS for CHILDREN WHO LIVE OUTSIDE THE PARISH ...Parents are **strongly encouraged** to have their children baptised in their local parish. However any child under 5 years of age and **living outside the parish** will require a **Letter of Permission to Baptise Outside the Parish** from their local Parish Priest. Any child aged 5 years and over, living outside the parish, will not be accepted for baptism and parents are asked to contact their local parish to organise their child's baptism.

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time - 20 August 2023

FIRST READING

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

56: 1.6-7

Thus says the Lord: Have a care for justice, act with integrity, for soon my salvation will come and my integrity be manifest.

Foreigners who have attached themselves to the Lord to serve him and to love his name and be his servants - all who observe the sabbath, not profaning it, and cling to my covenant - these I will bring to my holy mountain. I will make them joyful in my house of prayer. Their holocausts and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar, for my house will be called a house of prayer for all the peoples.

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

R. *O God, let all the nations praise you!*

O God, be gracious and bless us
and let your face shed its light upon us.
So will your ways be known upon earth
and all nations learn your saving help. **R.**

Let the nations be glad and exult
for you rule the world with justice.
With fairness you rule the peoples,
you guide the nations on earth. **R.**

Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.
May God still give us his blessing
till the ends of the earth revere him. **R.**

SECOND READING:

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

11:13-15.29-32

Let me tell you pagans this: I have been sent to the pagans as their

apostle, and I am proud of being sent, but the purpose of it is to make my own people envious of you, and in this way save some of them. Since their rejection meant the reconciliation of the world, do you know what their admission will mean? Nothing less than a resurrection from the dead! God never takes back his gifts or revokes his choice.

Just as you changed from being disobedient to God, and now enjoy mercy because of their disobedience, so those who are disobedient now - and only because of the mercy shown to you - will also enjoy mercy eventually. God has imprisoned all men in their own disobedience only to show mercy to all mankind.

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom
and healed all who were sick.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew *15:21-28*

Jesus left Gennesaret and withdrew to the region of Tyre and Sidon. Then out came a Canaanite woman from that district and started shouting, 'Sir, Son of David, take pity on me. My daughter is tormented by a devil.' But he answered her not a word. And his disciples went and pleaded with him. 'Give her what she wants,' they said 'because she is shouting after us.' He said in reply, 'I was sent only to the lost sheep of the House of Israel.' But the woman had come up and was kneeling at his feet. 'Lord,' she said 'help me.' He replied, 'It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the house-dogs.' She retorted, 'Ah yes, sir; but even house-dogs can eat the scraps that fall from their master's table.' Then Jesus answered her, 'Woman, you have great faith. Let your wish be granted.' And from that moment her daughter was well again.

The Gospel of the Lord.

In the Gospel story today, Jesus demonstrates that salvation was meant for the Gentiles as well as for the Jews by healing the daughter of a Gentile woman as a reward for her strong Faith.

Thus, Jesus shows that God's mercy and love are available to all who call out To Him in Faith.

THIS WEEKEND ROSTER - STM			THIS WEEKEND ROSTER - CORPUS CHRISTI		
Time	Readers	Ministers	Time	Readers	Ministers
4.30pm	Ben C	Neala B-Maria L	6.00pm	Min K-Marilyn M	Dung N-Diane W
9.00am	Julian C	Bill & Margaret W	10.30am	Geeta S-Oanh L	Marise N-Reg S

THANK YOU FOR CATHOLIC CARE....Catholic Care Victoria are deeply grateful for the support of our parish during last week's appeal. Our parish total was \$ **2,050.15**.

Assist A Student : The St. Vincent de Paul Society run an educational support program in Asia & the Pacific. Selected students are allocated \$100 to buy books, uniforms, etc. Pamphlets with information/donation details are available in the Church foyer if you are interested in "Assisting a Student". Thank you.

The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary 22 August

August contains two special days to honour the Blessed Mother, the Assumption and the Queenship of Mary. At the end of Mary's earthly life, she was assumed into heaven and upon entering she became Queen of Heaven.

On 11th October 1954, Pope Pius XII established the Feast of the Queenship of Mary to be celebrated throughout the world, and commanded that on that day each year, the world should renew its consecration to her. In the future the Feast came to be celebrated on 22nd of August.

"The purpose of the Feast is that all may recognize more clearly and venerate more devoutly the merciful and motherly sovereignty of her who bore God in her womb" (*Ven. Pius XII, Ad. Coeli Reginam*).

Pius XII added that "nothing is excluded from her dominion." As Mediatrix of all graces, who shared in earning all graces, she is, as Benedict XV said, "Suppliant omnipotence": she, united with her Son, can obtain by her intercession anything that the all-powerful God can do by His own inherent power.



Faith in Theory and Action.....A man who was walking close to a steep cliff lost his footing and plunged over the side. As he was falling, he grabbed the branch of a tree that was sticking out about half-way down the cliff. He managed to hang onto a weak limb with both hands. He looked up and he saw that the cliff was almost perfectly straight and that he was a long way from the top. He looked down and it was a long, long way down to the rocky bottom.

At this point the man decided that it was time to pray. He didn't pray a long, wordy prayer. He simply yelled out, "God, if you're there, help me!" About that time, he heard a deep voice coming from high up above that said, "I'm here My son, have no fear." The man was a little startled at first by God's voice, but he pleaded, "Can You help me? Can You help me?" God replied, "Yes, I can My son, but you have to have Faith. Do you trust Me?" The man answered, "Yes Lord, I trust You." God said, "Do you really trust Me?" The man, straining to hold on replied, "Yes Lord, I really trust You."

Then God said, "This is what I want you to do: let go of the limb, trust Me, and everything will be all right." The man looked down at the rocks below, then he looked up at the steep cliff above him and yelled, "*Is there anybody else up there who can help me?*"