

# 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

1<sup>st</sup> 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:** Margaret Hunter, Susan Cassar (in Malta)

Bernadette Perera (Funeral at CC on Tues 29/8 at 11.00am)

Sebastiano Rizzo (Funeral at CC on Wed 30/8 at 11.00am)

### Anniversaries:

**4.30pm:** Janina Maj, Nicola Fusca Tommy Azzopardi, Maria Pina Camilleri, Lucenz Scicluna, Angelo Caruana, Lilian Cosgriff, Tony Coletta

**6.00pm:** Rosanna Pataki, Elena & Cesario Tan, Vicente Tan, Ugo Callegari, Lilian Cosgriff

**9.00am:** Fausta Giuliano

**10.30am:** Betty Sherwell, Ronnie Fisher

### 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.

# 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time - 27 August 2023

## FIRST READING

*A reading from the prophet Isaiah*

22:19-23

Thus says the Lord of hosts to Shebna, the master of the palace:

I dismiss you from your office,  
I remove you from your post,  
and the same day I call on my servant  
Eliakim son of Hilkiah.

I invest him with your robe,  
gird him with your sash,  
entrust him with your authority;  
and he shall be a father  
to the inhabitants of Jerusalem  
and to the House of Judah.

I place the key of the House of David  
on his shoulder;  
should he open, no one shall close,  
should he close, no one shall open.

I drive him like a peg  
into a firm place;  
he will become a throne of glory  
for his father's house.

*The word of the Lord.*

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Response: *Lord, your love is eternal;  
do not forsake the work of your hands.*

I thank you, Lord, with all my heart,  
you have heard the words of my mouth.  
Before the angels I will bless you,  
I will adore before your holy temple. **R.**

I thank you for your faithfulness and love  
which excel all we ever knew of you.

On the day I called, you answered;  
you increased the strength of my soul. **R.**

The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly  
and the haughty he knows from afar.

Your love, O Lord, is eternal,  
discard not the work of your hands. **R.**

## **SECOND READING:**

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

*11:33-36*

How rich are the depths of God - how deep his wisdom and knowledge - and how impossible to penetrate his motives or understand his methods! Who could ever know the mind of the Lord? Who could ever be his counsellor? Who could ever give him anything or lend him anything? All that exists comes from him; all is by him and for him. To him be glory for ever! Amen.

*The word of the Lord.*

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

You are Peter, the rock on which I will build my Church;  
the gates of hell will not hold out against it. *Alleluia!*

## **GOSPEL**

*A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew*

*16:13-20*

When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say he is John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he said, 'who do you say I am?' Then Simon Peter spoke up, 'You are the Christ,' he said, 'the Son of the living God.' Jesus replied, 'Simon son of Jonah, you are a happy man! Because it was not flesh and blood that revealed this to you but my Father in heaven. So I now say to you: You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church. And the gates of the underworld can never hold out against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.' Then he gave the disciples strict orders not to tell anyone that he was the Christ. *The Gospel of the Lord.*

In today's Gospel we have the famous story of the keys. Peter has discovered the key to understanding who Jesus is: "*You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God*", and Jesus responds by giving him the keys to the kingdom of heaven. Whatever he binds or looses on earth will be bound or loosed in heaven. These two are keys represented on the Vatican flag: the silver key represents worldly power, being the pope's authority on earth as the successor of Peter and the gold key represents spiritual power, being his authority in heaven. The flag is yellow and white, which reminds us that we are to be the light of the world—the yellow part—and the salt of the earth—the white part. *(Excerpts from Bishop Anthony Taylor's homily Aug 2017)*

THIS WEEKEND ROSTER - STM			THIS WEEKEND ROSTER - CORPUS CHRISTI		
Time	Readers	Ministers	Time	Readers	Ministers
4.30pm	Maria L	Frances A-Carolyn W	6.00pm	Teresa N-Yenuli De S	Sherine P-Sheron De S
9.00am	Geraldine F	Ralph & Claudia Z	10.30am	Christine B-Oanh L	Hien P-Carmela R

**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.



PLEASE JOIN US NEXT **SUNDAY 3 SEPTEMBER** FOR A  
**SPECIAL FATHER'S DAY CUPPA & CHAT** AFTER 9.00AM MASS  
 IN THE ST JOHN PAUL ROOM. **ALL WELCOME ESPECIALLY THE DADS!!**

### FATHER'S DAY APPEAL FOR RETIRED PRIESTS

**Father's Day (next Sunday 3 September) is the traditional day for the annual collection for the Priest's Retirement Foundation.** There are 95 Melbourne Priests who are currently retired. 10 retired priests are aged in their 90's; 48 in their 80's; and 27 between 75-80. Most have served 50 years in parish ministry before retiring (at age 75). This appeal is one of four main income streams to support our retired priests.

**A Third Collection will be held at all Masses next weekend.** Donation envelopes are also available for pick up this weekend (if you would like a receipt).

*"It has been a wonderful custom in the Archdiocese of Melbourne to allow the faithful of the Archdiocese to show something of their own appreciation through an annual Fathers' Day Appeal. The appeal goes to the care of retired and sick priests by providing suitable accommodation, medical assistance and a comfortable standard of living for them.... I am deeply thankful for the ways in which you are the face of Christ for our priests, and the support that you give to them. May I commend the Appeal to you. Please pray for your priests, as they pray for you."* (Archbishop Peter A Comensoli)

**"But how did the other ear get burned?":** On Sunday morning, a man showed up at Church with both his ears terribly blistered, so his priest asked, "WHAT happened to YOU?" "I was lying on the couch watching a ball game on TV while my wife was ironing nearby. I was totally engrossed in the game when she went out, leaving the iron near the phone. The phone rang, and keeping my eyes on the TV, I grabbed the hot iron and put it to my ear."

"How dreadful," gasped the priest. "But how did the other ear get burned?" "Well, you see, I'd no sooner hung up and the guy called back!" — He just didn't get it. Lots of people never get it, never understand how life really works, even at the simplest levels. That's why Jesus is pressing his followers — and us — so insistently in today's Gospel: "Do you understand Who I AM," he asks, "and what My being here means for you?" (Msgr. Dennis Clarke)