

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, FUNERAL AND MEMORIAL MASS

Contact Parish Office

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

- Sick:** Teresa Madeira, Lola Branco, Lourdes Joaquim, Nelson Joaquim, Goretty Soares, Joe Borg
- Recent Deaths:** Francis Xavier Benjamin (Funeral at CC on Thurs 21 Sept at 10am)
 Nilita Araujo-Boavida
- Anniversaries:**
- 4.30pm:** Bruno Garisto, Caterina Garisto, Rocco Destito, John & Vince Clemente, Rocco Anile, Serafina Crea, Wally Chamberlain, Elwin McMahon, Maryanne Furnari
- 6.00pm:** Robert Cosgriff, Peter Tong Nguyen, Maria Hoi Le, Isave Vu Nguyen, Laurence Loc Nguyen, Nicholas Thien Nguyen
- 9.00am:** Gradita Gargano, Nicola Gargano, Antonio Freitas Soares, Rosalia Soares, Joseph Keil, Chica Oliveira, Claudina Sousa, Domingas Seixas
- 10.30am:** Sofija Hubka, John Vu Van Canh, Matta Vu Thi Phuong, Kusuma Silva, Pietro & Giuseppe Vescio, Maria Durante, Gino & Antonella Vescio, Giovanni & Francesca Iannazzo, Toma & Maria Nguyen, Sabatino & Beatrice Caruso

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time - 17 September 2023

FIRST READING

A reading from the book of Ecclesiasticus

27:30-28:7

Resentment and anger, these are foul things,
and both are found with the sinner.

He who exacts vengeance will experience the vengeance of the Lord,
who keeps strict account of sin.

Forgive your neighbour the hurt he does you,
and when you pray, your sins will be forgiven.

If a man nurses anger against another,
can he then demand compassion from the Lord?

Showing no pity for a man like himself, can he then plead for his own sins?

Mere creature of flesh, he cherishes resentment;
who will forgive him his sins?

Remember the last things, and stop hating,
remember dissolution and death, and live by the commandments.

Remember the commandments, and do not bear your neighbour ill-will;
remember the covenant of the Most High, and overlook the offence.

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. *The Lord is kind and merciful; slow to anger and rich in compassion.*

My soul, give thanks to the Lord,
all my being, bless his holy name.

My soul, give thanks to the Lord
and never forget all his blessings. **R.**

It is he who forgives all your guilt,
who heals every one of your ills,
who redeems your life from the grave,
who crowns you with love and compassion. **R.**

His wrath will come to an end;
he will not be angry for ever.
He does not treat us according to our sins
nor repay us according to our faults. **R.**

For as the heavens are high above the earth
so strong is his love for those who fear him.
As far as the east is from the west
so far does he remove our sins. **R.**

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

14:7-9

The life and death of each of us has its influence on others; if we live, we live for the Lord; and if we die, we die for the Lord, so that alive or dead we belong to the Lord. This explains why Christ both died and came to life, it was so that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living.

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

I give you a new commandment:

love one another as I have loved you.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

18:21-35

Peter went up to Jesus and said, ‘Lord, how often must I forgive my brother if he wrongs me? As often as seven times?’ Jesus answered, ‘Not seven, I tell you, but seventy-seven times.

‘And so the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who decided to settle his accounts with his servants. When the reckoning began, they brought him a man who owed ten thousand talents; but he had no means of paying, so his master gave orders that he should be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, to meet the debt. At this, the servant threw himself down at his master’s feet. “Give me time,” he said, “and I will pay the whole sum.” And the servant’s master felt so sorry for him that he let him go and cancelled the debt. Now as this servant went out, he happened to meet a fellow servant who owed him one hundred denarii; and he seized him by the throat and began to throttle him. “Pay what you owe me,” he said. His fellow servant fell at his feet and implored him, saying, “Give me time and I will pay you.” But the other would not agree; on the contrary, he had him thrown into prison till he should pay the debt. His fellow servants were deeply distressed when they saw what had happened, and they went to their master and reported the whole affair to him. Then the master sent for him. “You wicked servant,” he said, “I cancelled all that debt of yours when you appealed to me. Were you not bound, then, to have pity on your fellow servant just as I had pity on you?” And in his anger the master handed him over to the torturers till he should pay all his debt. And that is how my heavenly Father will deal with you unless you each forgive your brother from your heart.’ *The Gospel of the Lord.*

The readings this Sunday concern forgiving those who wound us and being reconciled with them. All three readings today remind us of the path to forgiveness, mercy, and reconciliation and challenge us to walk this. It is no good expecting God to be merciful and forgive us unless we are willing to behave in a similar way to those around us.

THIS WEEKEND ROSTER - STM			THIS WEEKEND ROSTER - CORPUS CHRISTI		
Time	Readers	Ministers	Time	Readers	Ministers
4.30pm	Maria L	Carolyn W-Neala B	6.00pm	Min K-Noel W	Dung N-Diane W
9.00am	Cathy S	Bill & Margaret W	10.30am	Danielle A-Oanh L	Carmela R-Hien P

SEPTEMBER DIARY

- **School children will be on Term 3 break** from Fri 15 Sept returning on Mon 2 Oct. We wish the children, their families and all the staff a restful and enjoyable term break with hopefully lots of sunshine and warm weather!
- **St Matthew Apostle & Evangelist** Feast day Thurs 21 Sept. Mass at STM at 9am
- **St Pio of Pietralcina (Padre Pio)** Memorial 23 Sept. Despite his extraordinary life, Padre Pio was **known for his humility**. He often lost himself in prayer and encouraged others to spend more time in prayer also. He felt that this deep connection to our Lord and the Blessed Mother helped him understand and follow God's will, even when it was difficult. His famous motto was **“Pray, hope, and don't worry. Worry is useless. God is merciful and will hear your prayer.”**



Congratulations to *Brian & Dorothea Cullen* on the special occasion of their 60th Wedding Anniversary. May God bestow His goodness and blessings on you both, send His love to fill your hearts and His faith to light your way. May God keep you safely in His care and grant you many more happy years together. Fr Giang and parishioners

Words of wisdom from Pope Francis.....

“It is not possible to live without forgiveness, or at least you cannot live well, especially in the family. Every day we wrong each other. We must take account of these errors that we make due to our fragility and our selfishness.

However, what is required of us is to heal the wounds we make straight away, to immediately weave again the threads we have broken. If we wait too long, it all becomes more difficult.

And there is a simple secret for healing wounds and undoing accusations: ***never let the day finish without apologising.*** If we learn to say we are sorry immediately and to offer mutual forgiveness, the wounds are healed, the marriage is strengthened, and the family becomes an increasingly solid home, that resists the shocks of our evils, great and small.” (Wednesday general audience, Nov 4, 2015)



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