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**Office Hours:** Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 9.00am-1.00pm



*es are committed to the safety and wellbeing of all children and vulneral  
We respect and value their diverse cultures and unique identities.)*

**PARISH TEAM**

**Parish Priest:** Fr. Giang Tran  
**Secretary:** Mrs. Stefanie Lidestri  
**Baptism Coordinator:** Mrs. Claudia Zanatta  
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**CORPUS CHRISTI PRIMARY SCHOOL**

Mrs. Angela Ferro (Tel: 9306 3062)

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**ST THOMAS MORE**

*69 North Street, Hadfield 3046*

**Tues & Thur:** 9.00am (Mass)

**Sat:** 4.30pm (Mass)

**Sun:** 9.00am (Mass)

**Reconciliation (Sat):** 4.00pm-4.20pm

**CORPUS CHRISTI**

*132 Melbourne Ave, Glenroy 3046*

**Wed & Fri:** 9.00am (Mass)

**Sat:** 6.00pm (Mass)

**Sun:** 10.30am (Mass)

**Reconciliation (Sat):** 9.00am-9.20am

**Baptism**

For booking, please contact Claudia on 0414 308 019

**Wedding**

Contact Parish Office

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS**

**Sick:** Foong Chu, Harlem Buchanan, Christopher Buchanan

**Recent deaths:** Michael John Acanto, Vincenza Iacono

**Anniversaries:**

**4.30pm:** Franceso Serruto, Vincenza Siragusa, Emanuel & Andrew Mallia,  
Angelo & Rose Caruana, Tony Sammut, Tommy Azzopardi,  
Joseph & Pauline Salerno

**6.00pm:** Rocco Brigante

**9.00am:** Ivano Ricci

**10.30am:**

Please forward the names to the Parish Office by WEDNESDAY of each week.

*The privacy legislation requires us to have written permission from an authorised family member before any sick person's name can be included in the Parish bulletin.*

**FEAST OF THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD**

Mass will be celebrated on Monday 8, April 2024 at STM

# 2<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER – 7<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2024

## (Divine mercy Sunday)

### FIRST READING

*A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.*

4:32-35

The whole group of believers was united, heart and soul; no one claimed for his own use anything that he had, as everything they owned was held in common.

The apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus with great power, and they were all given great respect.

None of their members was ever in want, as all those who owned land or houses would sell them, and bring the money from them, to present it to the apostles; it was then distributed to any members who might be in need.

*The word of the Lord.*

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*R. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.*

Let the sons of Israel say: 'His love has no end.'

Let the sons of Aaron say: 'His love has no end.'

Let those who fear the Lord say: 'His love has no end.' **R.**

The Lord's right hand has triumphed; his right hand raised me up.

I shall not die, I shall live and recount his deeds.

I was punished, I was punished by the Lord, but not doomed to die. **R.**

The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone,

This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes.

This day was made by the Lord; we rejoice and are glad. **R.**

### SECOND READING

*A reading from the first letter of St John.*

5:1-6

Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ has been begotten by God; and whoever loves the Father that begot him loves the child whom he begets. We can be sure that we love God's children if we love God himself and do what he has commanded us; this is what loving God is - keeping his commandments; and his commandments are not difficult, because anyone who has been begotten by God has already overcome the world; this is the victory over the world - our faith. Who can overcome the world? Only the man who believes that Jesus is the Son of God; Jesus Christ who came by water and blood, not with water only, but with water and blood; with the Spirit as another witness - since the Spirit is the truth.

*The word of the Lord.*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me;  
happy are those who have not seen me, but still believe!

*Alleluia!*

## GOSPEL

*A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.*

20:19-31

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you,' and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.'

'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.'

After saying this he breathed on them and said:

'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.'

Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord,' he answered, 'Unless I see the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you,' he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him:

'You believe because you can see me.

Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.'

There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.

*The Gospel of the Lord.*

### **SACRAMENTS OF FIRST RECONCILIATION & EUCHARIST**

*ONLY for children (Grade 4) of Corpus Christi and St Thomas More parishes  
who are attending government schools*

Please contact Fr Giang to get the Enrolment Form via email [parishoffice3046@gmail.com](mailto:parishoffice3046@gmail.com) and return it by 15 April 2024. The preparation program starts soon.

## LITURGY ROSTER THIS WEEK

St Thomas More			Corpus Christi		
Time	Reader	Ministers	Time	Readers	Ministers
4.30pm	Ben C	Jonah C – Maria L	6.00pm	James H- Albert N	Thomas J – Maree A
9.00am	Janine R	Peter & Mary M	10.30am	Danielle A - Belinda F	Reg S – Maria K

### THANK YOU!

A wonderful response to Project Compassion with our combined Parish total of **\$4,975** and combined Parish total for Holy Lands collection was **\$1,661**. Thank you to everyone for your generosity in helping those most in need.

*Please return Project Compassion donations as soon as possible.*

### CUPPA & CHAT (STM): Is back this Sunday!



It's on again.....our CUPPA & CHAT mornings. Please join us on Sunday 7 April after 9.00am Mass in the St John Paul Room at STM. Cuppa and chat mornings will continue on the first Sunday of every month after the 9.00am Mass at St Thomas More. Great way to catch up with your fellow parishioners.

### REFLECTION

#### *The First Christians*

*Defending the Christians before the Emperor Hadrian, Aristides, a non-Christian, said of them:* “These Christians love one another. They never fail to help widows. They save orphans from those who would hurt them. If a man has something, he gives freely to the man who has nothing. If they see a stranger, Christians take him into their homes and treat him as a brother. And if they hear that one of them is in jail, or persecuted for professing the name of their redeemer, they all give him what he needs. If it is possible, they bail him out, If one of them is poor and there isn't enough food to go around, they fast several days to give him the food he needs. We are dealing with a new kind of person. There is something divine in then.”

### Divine Mercy Sunday

is the first Sunday after Easter. It was given this title by Pope John Paul II, following the canonisation of St Faustina on 30 April 2000. The longest reigning pope in modern history, Pope John Paul II was a long-time enthusiast of the Divine Mercy devotions of St Faustina. He died at the age of 84 at the Vatican on April 2, 2005, the vigil of the Divine Mercy Sunday.

Between 1930 and 1938 Christ appeared to Sister Faustina, a Sister of Mercy in Poland who initiated the Divine Mercy devotion. On Good Friday, 1937, Jesus requested that Blessed Faustina make a special novena before the Feast of Mercy, from Good Friday through the following Saturday. Jesus also asked that a picture be painted according to the vision of Himself as the fountain of mercy. He gave her a chaplet to be recited and said that it was appropriate to pray the chaplet at three o'clock each afternoon (the Hour of Great Mercy).