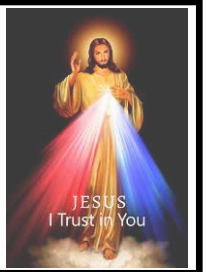




ST THOMAS MORE PARISH, HADFIELD

69 North Street, Hadfield 3046

*St Thomas More Parish is committed to the safety,
wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults.
Our Child Safe Standards policies & information can be viewed on our website*



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WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday: 9.00am (Rosary at 8.40am)
Thursday 9.00am (Rosary at 8.40am)

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday: 4.30pm
Sunday: 9.00am

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4.00pm - 4.20pm

CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH

132 Melbourne Ave, Glenroy

WEEKDAY MASSES

Wednesday: 9.00am
Friday: 9.00am

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday: 6.00pm
Sunday: 10.30am

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 9.00am - 9.20am

BAPTISMS

1st Saturday of the month at 10am at Corpus Christi
2nd Saturday of the month at 10am at STM
For bookings contact Claudia on 0414 308 019

WEDDINGS

Contact Parish Office at least six months in advance.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS...

FOR THE SICK: Lucy Caruana, Carl & Michael Ceddia

RECENTLY DECEASED: Giuseppe Fedele (Funeral Tues 26 April at 12noon)

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES: Salvatore di Mauro (1 month), Adele Prosperi-Porta (1 year), Sebastiano Garga (50 yrs)

Congratulations to a special couple..

Italo & Mafalda Malavisi

on their **65th Wedding Anniversary** this week.

A wonderful example of enduring love and commitment.

May the Lord bless you both abundantly
and grace you with many more happy years together !



2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday) — 24 April 2022

FIRST READING

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

5:12-16

The faithful all used to meet by common consent in the Portico of Solomon. No one else ever dared to join them, but the people were loud in their praise and the numbers of men and women who came to believe in the Lord increased steadily. So many signs and wonders were worked among the people at the hands of the apostles that the sick were even taken out into the streets and laid on beds and sleeping-mats in the hope that at least the shadow of Peter might fall across some of them as he went past. People even came crowding in from the towns round about Jerusalem, bringing with them their sick and those tormented by unclean spirits, and all of them were cured.

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 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.**

O Lord, grant us salvation; O Lord, grant success.

Blessed in the name of the Lord is he who comes.

We bless you from the house of the Lord; the Lord God is our light. **R.**

SECOND READING

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse

1:19-13,17-19

My name is John, and through our union in Jesus I am your brother and share your sufferings, your kingdom, and all you endure. I was on the island of Patmos for having preached God's word and witnessed for Jesus; it was the Lord's day and the Spirit possessed me, and I heard a voice behind me, shouting like a trumpet, 'Write down all that you see in a book.' I turned round to see who had spoken to me, and when I turned I saw seven golden lamp-stands and, surrounded by them, a figure like a Son of man, dressed in a long robe tied at the waist with a golden girdle.

When I saw him, I fell in a dead faint at his feet, but he touched me with his right hand and said, 'Do not be afraid; it is I, the First and the Last; I am the Living One. I was dead and now I am to live for ever and ever, and I hold the keys of death and of the underworld. Now write down all that you see of present happenings and things that are still to come.' *The word of the Lord.*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me;
happy 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 that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into 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.

The readings for this Sunday show us God's mercy, the necessity for trusting Faith and our need for God's forgiveness of our sins. God revealed His mercy first and foremost by sending His only-begotten Son to become our Saviour and Lord by his suffering, death, and Resurrection. Divine Mercy is given to us also in each celebration of the Sacraments

IMPORTANT NOTICES

Thank you very much to everyone who donated towards the Caritas Ukraine Emergency Relief Appeal. Our Parish raised \$ **1,142.55** and this amount has been forwarded to Caritas. Please continue to pray for peace and for the people of Ukraine.

Our Parish raised \$ **506.95** for the Good Friday Holy Lands Collection. **Thank You!**

Purse found in Church after the Easter Vigil Mass. If anyone lost a purse, please contact Viviana in the Parish Office on 9357 1422.

MASS OF THANKSGIVING FOR HEALTH AND AGED-CARE WORKERS. As we emerge from COVID, and as we reflect as a community on the experiences of the past two years, Archbishop Peter A Comensoli will celebrate a special Mass at **St Patricks Cathedral at 11am on Sunday 1 May** to recognise and remember all those who serve our community in the health and aged care systems. Employees in these sectors are invited to attend this Mass, with hospitality to follow.

We will be marking this event in our own parish during Masses on the weekend of 30 April and 1 May by focusing prayerfully on the contributions and the needs of aged and health care workers.

God of love and liberty, we bring our thanks this day for the peace and security we enjoy, which was won for us through the courage and devotion of those who gave their lives in time of war. We pray that their labour and sacrifice may not be in vain, but that their spirit may live on in us and in generations to come. That the liberty, truth and justice which they sought to preserve may be seen and known in all the nations upon earth. This we pray in the name of the one who gave his life for the sake of the world, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



***They shall not grow old, as we that are left grow old.
Age shall not weary, nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun
and in the morning, we shall remember them. Lest We Forget***



The world was in the midst of the Great Depression in 1931 and the memories of World War I were still very much alive in the minds of Europeans when in Poland a sister of the Congregation of Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy, Faustina Kowalska (1905-1938), is said to have been personally visited by Jesus.

According to her diary, which was listed on the Index of Forbidden Books for more than 20 years, an image was revealed to her of the risen Lord, from whose heart shone two rays, one red (representing blood) and the other “pale” (symbolizing water), with the words “Jesus, I trust in you” at the bottom. Faustina wrote in her diary that Jesus told her, “I promise that the soul that will venerate this image will not perish.”

In the Jubilee Year 2000, Pope John Paul II proclaimed that from that year forward the Second Sunday of Easter would be celebrated as Divine Mercy Sunday. This was proclaimed at the Canonization Mass of St. Faustina who worked throughout her life to make all aware of the merciful love of God.