## CORPUS CHRISTI & ST THOMAS MORE



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	RECONCILIATION			
Tues: 9.00am St Thomas More	Saturday: 9.00am-9.20am Corpus Christi			
Wed: 9.00am Corpus Christi	4.00pm-4.20pm St Thomas More			
Thur: 9.00am St Thomas More	BAPTISM			
Fri: 9.00am Corpus Christi	Corpus Christi: 1 <sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month at 10.00am			
WEEKEND MASSES	<b>St Thomas More:</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month at 10.00am			
Saturday: 4.30pm St Thomas More	For booking, please contact Claudia on 0414 308 019			
6.00pm Corpus Christi	<b>WEDDING</b> By appointment			
Sunday: 9.00am St Thomas More				
10.30am Corpus Christi	by appointment			

#### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Sick: Margaret de Bono, Foong Chu, Lidia & Joaquim Quaresma, Goretty Soares, Lourdes Joaquim, Humberto Seixas and all the sick and housebound in our Parishes

#### ST THOMAS MORE

- Recent Deaths: Jim McCabe, Anna Hryniszak (Funeral Tues 6 Dec at 10.30am)
- Anniversaries: Vince & David Cassar, Leon Quinn, Jim Crowhurst, Pierina Colella, Pasquale Intingaro, Emanuel & Andrew Mallia, Teresa Paladino, Cauchi & Doublet Families, Sam& Angelina Farrugia, Tommy Azzopardi, Olimpia Carrese, Maria de Jesus Seixas, Jose Barbosa, Humberto & Antonio Bernadino, Joao Vianney & Maria Goretti Joaquim

#### **CORPUS CHRISTI**

- Recent Deaths: Stipo Lucic (Funeral Wed 7 Dec at 10.00am)
  Lawrence "Lorry" Farrugia (Funeral Fri 9 Dec at 10.00am)
- Anniversaries: Graham Paxman, Thomas & Anna Bang, Antoni & Janina Bialowiecki

If anyone wishes to include the names of the sick and/or deceased in the bulletin, kindly forward the request to the Parish Office by Wednesday of each week. Thank you.

### 2nd Sunday of Advent-4 December 2022

#### FIRST READING

A reading from the prophet Isaiah A shoot springs from the stock of Jesse, a scion thrusts from his roots: on him the spirit of the Lord rests, a spirit of wisdom and insight, a spirit of counsel and power, a spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord. (The fear of the Lord is his breath.) He does not judge by appearances, he gives no verdict on hearsay, but judges the wretched with integrity, and with equity gives a verdict for the poor of the land. His word is a rod that strikes the ruthless; his sentences bring death to the wicked. Integrity is the loincloth round his waist, faithfulness the belt about his hips. The wolf lives with the lamb, the panther lies down with the kid, calf and lion cub feed together with a little boy to lead them. The cow and the bear make friends, their young lie down together. The lion eats straw like the ox. The infant plays over the cobra's hole; into the viper's lair the young child puts his hand. They do no hurt, no harm, on all my holy mountain, for the country is filled with the knowledge of the Lord as the waters swell the sea. That day, the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples. It will be sought out by the nations and its home will be glorious.

The word of the Lord.

#### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

**R**. Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace for ever.

O God, give your judgement to the king,

to a king's son your justice, that he may judge your people

in justice and your poor in right judgement. R.

In his days justice shall flourish and peace till the moon fails:

He shall rule from sea to sea.

from the Great River to earth's bounds. R.

For he shall save the poor when they cry and the needy who are helpless. He will have pity on the weak

and save the lives of the poor. R.

May his name be blessed for ever and endure like the sun.

Every tribe shall be blessed in him,

all nations bless his name. **R.** 

11:1-10

#### **SECOND READING**

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

Everything that was written long ago in the scriptures was meant to teach us something about hope from the examples scripture gives of how people who did not give up were helped by God. And may he who helps us when we refuse to give up, help you all to be tolerant with each other, following the example of Christ Jesus, so that united in mind and voice you may give glory to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

It can only be to God's glory, then, for you to treat each other in the same friendly way as Christ treated you. The reason Christ became the servant of circumcised Jews was not only so that God could faithfully carry out the promises made to the patriarchs, it was also to get the pagans to give glory to God for his mercy, as scripture says in one place: For this I shall praise you among the pagans and sing your name.

The word of the Lord.

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, alleluia

Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths: all people shall see the salvation of God. *Alleluia* 

#### GOSPEL

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In due course John the Baptist appeared; he preached in the wilderness of Judaea and this was his message: 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.' This was the man the prophet spoke of when he said:

A voice cries in the wilderness: Prepare a way for the Lord, make his paths straight.

This man John wore a garment made of camel-hair with a leather belt round his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then Jerusalem and all Judaea and the whole Jordan district made their way to him, and as they were baptised by him in the river Jordan they confessed their sins. But when he saw a number of Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism he said to them, 'Brood of vipers, who warned you to fly from the retribution that is coming? But if you are repentant, produce the appropriate fruit, and do not presume to tell yourselves, "We have Abraham for our father," because, I tell you, God can raise children for Abraham from these stones. Even now the axe is laid to the roots of the trees, so that any tree which fails to produce good fruit will be cut down and thrown on the fire. I baptise you in water for repentance, but the one who follows me is more powerful than I am, and I am not fit to carry his sandals; he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing-fan is in his hand; he will clear his threshing-floor and gather his wheat into the barn; but the chaff he will burn in a fire that will never go out.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

THIS WEEKEND ROSTER - ST THOMAS MORE			THIS WEEKEND ROSTER - CORPUS CHRISTI		
Time	Readers	Ministers	Time	Readers	Ministers
4.30pm	Ben C	Jonah C - Frances A	6.00pm	Noel W - Min K	Noel & Sheron D
9.00am	Janine R	Magalotti P & M	10.30am	Danielle A - Jessie N	Maria K – Reg S

#### **DECEMBER DIARY**

#### Sun 4 Dec Cuppa & Chat after morning Mass at STM this Sunday

Thurs 8 Dec The Immaculate Conception of the BVM. Mass at STM at 9.00am

Sun 11 Dec Melbourne Overseas Mission – 3<sup>rd</sup> collection at next weekend Masses

Melbourne Overseas Missions (MOM) is a humanitarian organisation founded in 1968 by Cardinal James Knox to provide assistance to developing countries as an outreach of the Catholic Church community in the Archdiocese of Melbourne. MOM programs are based on a Christian motivation of commitment to the poor with strong objectives to encourage self-help and self-reliance, respect human rights and enhance gender equality.

# Wed 14 DecThanksgiving Mass (6.00pm) followed by Christmas Supper<br/>at STM. RSVP to <a href="https://hadfield@cam.org.au">hadfield@cam.org.au</a> OR on the lists<br/>provided in the Church foyers by Friday 9 Dec. ALL WELCOME



#### St. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY CHRISTMAS APPEAL :

The Glenroy & Hadfield volunteers have helped more than 100 local families or individuals so far this year.

Parishioners wanting to donate to the Appeal can do so in one of three ways :

- Phone Donations call the donation Hotline 13 18 12 or 9895 5959 {Quote " Glenroy Conference"}
- Online donations visit vinnies.org.au and click on the "donate" button { Quote "Glenroy Conference" }
- **3.** Envelopes (postage paid) : an alternative way of making a cash, cheque, or credit card donation . Envelopes are available in the Church foyers.

Please do NOT donate food or gift items. Only donations of money as above.

Thank you for your continued support to the Vinnies.



## OUR LADY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION – MASS at STM THURSDAY 8 DECEMBER at 9.00am.

This solemnity celebrates the immaculate conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary in the womb of her mother, Saint Anne, free from original sin by virtue of the foreseen merits of her son Jesus Christ. The Catholic Church teaches that Mary was conceived by normal biological means, but God acted upon her soul (keeping her "immaculate") at the time of

conception. It is exactly nine months before the feast of the Nativity of Mary which is celebrated on 8th September. It is one of the most important Marian feasts in the liturgical calendar and celebrated worldwide.

> "The first to apologise is the bravest. The first to forgive is the strongest. The first to forget is the happiest."