#### 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**

**Corpus Christi:** 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month at 10.00am **St Thomas More:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month at 10.00am

For booking, please contact Claudia on 0414 308 019 WEDDING

By appointment

### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Sick: Brian Cook, Margaret Hunter, Mary Short

Recent Deaths: Margaret de Bono, Maria Nguyen, Abi Juliana, Rocco Brigante

**Anniversaries:** 

4.30pm: Ivano Ricci, John Vandenberg, Jack Vandenberg

6.00pm: John Vassallo, Ahdon Silva

Anthony Sammut, Giuseppe Fedele, Vincenzina Scarpino, 9.00am:

Pasquale & Camillo Scarpino, Concetta & Vincenzo Valentino,

Joaquim Quaresma, Fernanda Neves, Joseph Keil, Domingas Seixas

10.30am: Ilda, John & Armando Cachia

Happy are those who do not see, yet believe..... Having been an eye-witness to the crucifixion, Thomas was not prepared to believe that Jesus could really be alive unless he became an eye-witness to this as well. From the early Church down to our own time, many believe without seeing the physical presence, but knowing the reality of Christ's presence spiritually. It makes for great joy and enthusiasm, fervour and commitment, inspiring us to live more caring and less selfish lives.

Believe in God as you believe the sun has risen, not because you see it, but because of it you see everything.

# 2nd Sunday of Easter - Divine Mercy Sunday - 16 April 2023

## FIRST READING

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

2:42-47

The whole community remained faithful to the teaching of the apostles, to the brotherhood, to the breaking of bread and to the prayers. The many miracles and signs worked through the apostles made a deep impression on everyone.

The faithful all lived together and owned everything in common; they sold their goods and possessions and shared out the proceeds among themselves according to what each one needed.

They went as a body to the Temple every day but met in their houses for the breaking of bread; they shared their food gladly and generously; they praised God and were looked up to by everyone. Day by day the Lord added to their community those destined to be saved.

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.

I was thrust, thrust down and falling

but the Lord was my helper.

The Lord is my strength and my song; he was my saviour.

There are shouts of joy and victory in the tents of the just. 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 Peter.

1:3-9

Blessed be God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who in his great mercy has given us a new birth as his sons, by raising Jesus Christ from the dead, so that we have a sure hope and the promise of an inheritance that can never be spoilt or soiled and never fade away, because it is being kept for you in the heavens. Through your faith, God's power will guard you until the salvation which had been prepared is revealed at the end of time.

This is a cause of great joy for you, even though you may for a short time have to bear being plagued by all sorts of trials; so that, when Jesus Christ is revealed, your faith will have been tested and proved like gold - only it is more precious than gold, which is corruptible even though it bears testing by fire - and then you will have praise and glory and honour. You did not see him, yet you love him; and still without seeing him, you are already filled with a joy so glorious that it cannot be described, because you believe; and you are sure of the end to which your faith looks forward, that is, the salvation of your souls.

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 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.

THIS WEEKEND ROSTER - STM			THIS WEEKEND ROSTER - CORPUS CHRISTI		
Time	Readers	Ministers	Time	Readers	Ministers
7.00pm	Maria L	Jonah C-Mick L	6.00pm	James H-Marilyn M	Dung N-Rosemary O
9.00am	Julian C	Ralph & Claudia Z	10.30am	Oanh L-Christine B	Hai N-Maria K

# IMPORTANT - PLEASE TAKE NOTE.....

**PROJECT COMPASSION**—Please return donations as soon as possible thank you.

**THANK YOU** to Thu & Lan who did the beautiful floral arrangements for our Churches and also those who donated money for flowers this Easter.

GOOD FRIDAY HOLY LANDS Collection raised \$ 680.70. Thank you!

A WARM WELCOME and THANK YOU to FR TONY FEENEY for celebrating the weekday and weekend Masses for our Parishes while Fr Giang is on retreat.



Divine Mercy Sunday is celebrated on the 2nd Sunday of Easter. It is based on the private revelations of St. Faustina Kowalska, which recommended a particular devotion to the Divine Mercy. It focuses on the gift of mercy and love given through Christ's death, burial, and resurrection. As Pope John Paul II stated, "Divine Mercy reaches human beings through the heart of Christ crucified." St. Faustina was born in 1905. Through her and her diary, Jesus communicates to the world the message of His

Mercy. Not only have we been blessed with the Divine Mercy Chaplet and Divine Mercy Novena, but St Faustina's diary provides inspiring quotes and reflections/meditations to help, guide and comfort us in our everyday life.

"When I see that the burden is beyond my strength, I do not consider or analyse it or probe into it, but I run like a child to the Heart of Jesus and say only one word to Him: "You can do all things." And then I keep silent, because I know that Jesus Himself will intervene in the matter, and as for me, instead of tormenting myself, I use that time to love Him." (1033, page 392)

# **REFLECTION 57: A FIRE WITHIN YOUR SOUL**

When people see you, what do they sense? Certainly our perceptions of people can be wrong at times, but when God is alive in an abundant way, those who have eyes to see will see. Those who are hungry for God will perceive His presence in your life and be fed by Him through you. Reflect upon how radiant your interior life is. And reflect upon whether or not that burning flame within is shining forth for others to see. And if it is not burning brightly and intensely, today is a good day to kindle that fire within.

Lord, I invite You to come live in my soul. I invite You to fan into flame the spark of faith that I have. May Your love and Mercy become a blazing fire in me so that I may be consumed by You and so that others may sense Your love through me. Jesus, I trust in You. (See Diary #172).