CORPUS CHRISTI & ST THOMAS MORE



132 Melbourne Ave, Glenrov

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

Recent deaths: Alberto Rosati

Lucy Mallia & Andrew Mallia (in Malta)

Paolo Mazzarella (Funeral at CC on Fri 24 Nov at 11.30am)

If you wish to offer mass for your loved ones during November please use the November Mass for Holy Souls envelope available in the foyers. Masses will be offered by priests for your intentions but names will not be read out or placed in the bulletin.

POSITION VACANT

An opportunity for a part time position for Parish Secretary is available at St Thomas More, Hadfield. For further information please visit the Melbourne Catholic website https://melbournecatholic.org/job-vacancies or contact the Parish Office.

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time - 19 November 2023

FIRST READING

A reading from the book of Proverbs

31:10-13.19-20.30-31

A perfect wife - who can find her? She is far beyond the price of pearls. Her husband's heart has confidence in her, from her he will derive no little profit. Advantage and not hurt she brings him all the days of her life. She is always busy with wool and with flax, she does her work with eager hands. She sets her hands to the distaff, her fingers grasp the spindle. She holds out her hand to the poor, she opens her arms to the needy. Charm is deceitful, and beauty empty; the woman who is wise is the one to praise. Give her a share in what her hands have worked for, and let her works tell her praises at the city gates. The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R: Happy are those who fear the Lord.

O blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways!
By the labour of your hands you shall eat.
You will be happy and prosper. **R.**

Your wife like a fruitful vine in the heart of your house; your children like shoots of the olive, around your table. **R.**

Indeed thus shall be blessed the man who fears the Lord. May the Lord bless you from Zion in a happy Jerusalem all the days of your life. **R.**

SECOND READING

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians 5:1-6

You will not be expecting us to write anything to you, brothers, about 'times and seasons,' since you know very well that the Day of the Lord is going to come like a thief in the night. It is when people are saying, 'How quiet and peaceful it is,' that the worst suddenly happens, as suddenly as labour pains come on a pregnant woman; and there will be no way for anybody to evade it. But it is not as if you live in the dark, my brothers, for that Day to overtake you like a thief. No, you are all sons of light and sons of the day: we do not belong to the night or to darkness, so we should not go on sleeping, as everyone else does, but stay wide awake and sober. The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Live in me and let me live in you, says the Lord; my branches bear much fruit.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew 25:14-30

Jesus spoke this parable to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a man on his way abroad who summoned his servants and entrusted his property to them. To one he gave five talents, to another two, to a third one; each in proportion to his ability. Then he set out. Now a long time after, the master of those servants came back and went through his accounts with them. The man who had received the five talents came forward bringing five more. "Sir," he said, "you entrusted me with five talents; here are five more that I have made." His master said to him, "Well done, good and faithful servant; you have shown you can be faithful in small things, I will trust you with greater; come and join in your master's happiness."

The Gospel of the Lord.

This week's readings basically continue the overall theme from those of last week: productive use of the time before the coming of the Lord.

Jesus explains many things through stories that we call parables because they teach us something important about how to be good and to do good. Today's Parable of the Talents, asks us if we are using our talents and gifts primarily to serve God and doing everything we can to carry out God's will.

This parable challenges us to do something positive, constructive and life-affirming with our talents here and now so that at the hour of our death Our Lord will say: "Well done, my good and faithful servant!... Come and share the joy of your master" (Matthew 25: 21).

THIS WEEKEND ROSTER - STM			THIS WEEKEND ROSTER - CORPUS CHRISTI		
Time	Readers	Ministers	Time	Readers	Ministers
4.30pm	Maria L	Annette P-Carolyn W	6.00pm	Min K-Marilyn M	Rosemary O-Thomas J
9.00am	Paul S	Ralph & Claudia Z	10.30am	Geeta S-Lucy M	Carmela R-Hien P

CATHOLIC DEAF COLLECTION - Thank you to everyone who donated to this appeal. Our combined parish total was \$ 1,357.20.

NOVEMBER DIARY

The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Mass at STM 9am This Memorial celebrates Mary's presentation in the Temple by her parents Anna and Joachim. The feast is associated with an event recounted not in the New Testament but in the apocryphal Infancy Narrative of James. According to that text, Joachim and Anne, who had been childless, received a heavenly message that they would have a child. In thanksgiving for the gift of their daughter, they brought her, when she was 3 years old, to the Temple in Jerusalem to consecrate her to God. Tradition held that she was to remain there to be educated in preparation for her role as Mother of God. Though it cannot be proven historically, Mary's presentation has an important theological purpose. It continues the impact of the feasts of the Immaculate Conception and of the birth of Mary. It emphasizes that the holiness conferred on Mary from the beginning of her life on earth continued through her early childhood and beyond.

Wed 22 Nov The Night of the Witnesses at St Patrick's Cathedral at 7.00pm presided by Archbishop Peter Comensoli. An evening of testimony, prayer, song, adoration and reflection to honour the witness of modern-day Christian martyrs. For more info visit www.aidtochurch.org/notw or call 1800 101 201

Sun 26 Nov Solemnity of Our Lord, Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

This is the last Sunday of the Liturgical Year A. On the following Sunday, First Sunday of Advent, we will commence the Liturgical Year B.

KINDLY NOTE OUR INFORMATION TABLE IN THE CHURCH FOYER WITH INTERESTING PAMPHLETS, INFORMATION AND LITERATURE FOR ALL TO TAKE IF INTERESTED.

PRIESTLY ORDINATION

Reverend Deacons Tom Christie, Ngoc Nguyen and Tien Tran will be ordained to the Priesthood on **Saturday 25 November at 10.00am at St Patrick's Cathedral**, East Melb. You are most welcome to attend. Please keep them in our prayers.

Fr Giang will attend this ordination, so there is no confession at Glenroy next Saturday 25 November at 9am.