

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

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

Sick: Lourdes, Nelson & Artur Joaquim, Goretty Soares
Recent deaths: Gerry Mendes, Oscar Braz, Connie Brown (Funeral Tues 19 Dec at 10.30am)
Anniversaries:
4.30pm: Lucia Burgio, Leon Quinn, Jim Crowhurst, Vince & John Clemente
6.00pm: Maria Le, Peter Nguyen, Isave Nguyen, Laurence Nguyen, Fr Peter Nguyen
9.00am: Franco & Maria Pisano, Domenico Alfonsi, Lucia Ibrido, Antonio Freitas & Rosalia Soares, Humberto, Antoninho & Aristotelis Joaquim
10.30am: Frank, Jan & Philip Pawlus, Graham Paxman, John & Walter Bonnici



We wish all our dedicated school staff, the children and their families very happy, safe and restful holidays. May the Lord bless you all, keep you in His care and grace you with happy and memorable times this Christmas surrounded by your family and friends. We especially bid a fond farewell to our

Grade 6 children leaving our schools and also Mr Stephen Lucardie, Principal of CC.

May the peace and joy of Christmas be with you all. Fr Giang

3rd Sunday of Advent (Yr B) - 17 December 2023

FIRST READING

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

61:1-2.10-11

The spirit of the Lord has been given to me, for the Lord has anointed me. He has sent me to bring good news to the poor, to bind up hearts that are broken; to proclaim liberty to captives, freedom to those in prison; to proclaim a year of favour from the Lord. 'I exult for joy in the Lord, my soul rejoices in my God, for he has clothed me in the garments of salvation, he has wrapped me in the cloak of integrity, like a bridegroom wearing his wreath, like a bride adorned in her jewels. 'For as the earth makes fresh things grow, as a garden makes seeds spring up, so will the Lord make both integrity and praise spring up in the sight of the nations.'

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. *My soul rejoices in my God.*

My soul glorifies the Lord,
my spirit rejoices in God, my Saviour.
He looks on his servant in her nothingness;
henceforth all ages will call me blessed. **R.**

The Almighty works marvels for me.
Holy his name!
His mercy is from age to age,
on those who fear him. **R.**

He fills the starving with good things,
sends the rich away empty.
He protects Israel, his servant,
remembering his mercy. **R.**

SECOND READING

A reading from first letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians

5:16-24



Be happy at all times; pray constantly; and for all things give thanks to God, because this is what God expects you to do in Christ Jesus. Never try to suppress the Spirit or treat the gift of prophecy with contempt; think before you do anything - hold on to what is good and avoid every form of evil. May the God of peace make you perfect and holy; and may you all be kept safe and blameless, spirit, soul and body, for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. God has called you and he will not fail you.

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me;
he sent me to bring Good News to
the poor.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

1:6-8.19-28

A man came, sent by God. His name was John. He came as a witness, as a witness to speak for the light, so that everyone might believe through him. He was not the light, only a witness to speak for the light. This is how John appeared as a witness. When the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, 'Who are you?' he not only declared, but he declared quite openly, 'I am not the Christ.' 'Well then,' they asked 'are you Elijah?' 'I am not' he said. 'Are you the Prophet?' He answered, 'No.' So they said to him, 'Who are you? We must take back an answer to those who sent us. What have you to say about yourself?' So John said, 'I am, as Isaiah prophesied: a voice that cries in the wilderness: Make a straight way for the Lord.' Now these men had been sent by the Pharisees, and they put this further question to him, 'Why are you baptising if you are not the Christ, and not Elijah, and not the prophet?' John replied, 'I baptise with water; but there stands among you unknown to you the one who is coming after me; and I am not fit to undo his sandal-strap.' This happened at Bethany, on the far side of the Jordan, where John was baptising.

The Gospel of the Lord.

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	Marilyn M-Yenuli De S	Diana C-Noel De S
9.00am	Geraldine F	Ralph & Claudia Z	10.30am	Geeta S-Damien L	Carmela R-Hien P

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR MASS TIMES at CC & STM



- Sat 23 Dec** 4th Sunday of Advent - STM at 4.30pm & CC at 6.00pm
Sun 24 Dec 4th Sunday of Advent - STM at 9.00am & CC at 10.30am
Sun 24 Dec Christmas Vigil Mass - STM at 4.30pm
 CC - Carols at 5.30pm and Mass at 6.00pm
Mon 25 Dec Christmas Day Mass - STM at 9.00am & CC at 10.30am
Mon 1 Jan 2024 - Mary, The Holy Mother of God - Mass at STM at 9.00am

Reconciliation Sat 9.00am-9.20am at CC and 4.00pm-4.20pm at STM

Normal weekend & weekday masses continue throughout December & January

THE ARCHBISHOP'S ADVENT APPEAL FOR UKRAINE.... There are special Christmas cards from the Archbishop in the Church Foyers. Please take one. The Archbishop invites parishioners to continue to offer their prayers for the people in this troubled land and also to offer whatever support they can to the Advent Appeal for Ukraine. All details in the card. Donations are intended to provide assistance and relief to those most in need in Ukraine. Thank you for your support and generosity.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL : Anyone wanting to donate to the Society's **Christmas Appeal** can do so by calling 98955959 or give online at vinnies.org.au.

There are also some envelopes in the Church foyer for credit card donations. Thank you.

A Prayer for Joy in Life

Lord as we enter the Christmas season we want to take time to thank You for sending Your Son to be born as a baby and to become our Saviour so that He can bring hope, peace and joy into the hearts of us all.

Thank You for the joy of family and friends and the simple things in life that we so often take for granted. Keep us all with our hearts focused on You. Grant us a joyful disposition so that we may bring comfort and cheer to those around us who are facing troubles and difficulties.

Dear Lord, we lift up those who are troubled and are hurting,

We entrust them into Your loving care.

We pray that You will sustain them.

Give them strength and peace, and pour into their hearts the joy that only You can give.

Come Lord Jesus...

