

# 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.*



69 North Street, Hadfield

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

**Recent Deaths:** Fr Joseph Hynan, Italia DÁmico (**Funeral at CC on 22 Dec at 11am**)

### Anniversaries:

**4.30pm:** Vince & John Clemente, Helen Kelly, Lucia Burgio, Joseph, Lucy & Bernice Mifsud, Angelo, Rose & Sam Caruana, Emilio, Teresa, & Mario Borgueno

**9.00am:** Giovanni Didomenicantonio, Franco & Maria Pisano, Domenico Alfonsi, Alfred & Josephine Friggieri, Charles & Frances Scicluna

**6.00pm:** Jean Hanlon, Maria Hoi Le, Peter Tong Nguyen, Isave Vu Nguyen, Laurence Loc Nguyen

**10.30am:** Rose Camilleri

*May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*

**Please remember to forward names of the sick and/or deceased to the Parish Office by Wednesday of each week and advise us of the Mass time you wish your loved one's name mentioned**

# 4th Sunday of Advent-18 December 2022

## FIRST READING

*A reading from the prophet Isaiah*

*7:10-14*

The Lord spoke to Ahaz and said, ‘Ask the Lord your God for a sign for yourself coming either from the depths of Sheol or from the heights above.’ ‘No,’ Ahaz answered ‘I will not put the Lord to the test.’

Then Isaiah said:

‘Listen now, House of David:

are you not satisfied with trying the patience of men without trying the patience of my God, too?

The Lord himself, therefore, will give you a sign.

It is this: the maiden is with child and will soon give birth to a son whom she will call Emmanuel,

a name which means “God-is-with-us”. *The word of the Lord.*

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**R.** *Let the Lord enter; he is king of glory.*

The Lord’s is the earth and its fullness,  
the world and all its peoples.

It is he who set it on the seas;

on the waters he made it firm. **R.**

Who shall climb the mountain of the Lord?

Who shall stand in his holy place?

The man with clean hands and pure heart,  
who desires not worthless things. **R.**

He shall receive blessings from the Lord  
and reward from the God who saves him.

Such are the men who seek him,  
seek the face of the God of Jacob. **R.**

## SECOND READING

*A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans*

*1:1-7*

From Paul, a servant of Christ Jesus who has been called to be an apostle, and specially chosen to preach the Good News that God promised long ago through his prophets in the scriptures.

This news is about the Son of God, who, according to the human nature he took, was a descendant of David: it is about Jesus Christ our Lord who, in the order of the spirit, the spirit of holiness that was in him, was proclaimed Son of God in all his power through his resurrection from the dead. Through him we received grace and our apostolic mission to preach the obedience of faith to all pagan nations in honour of his name. You are one of these nations, and by his call belong to Jesus Christ. To you all, then, who are God's beloved in Rome, called to be saints, may God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ send grace and peace. *The word of the Lord.*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Alleluia, alleluia*

A virgin will give birth to a son;  
his name will be Emmanuel: God is with us. *Alleluia*

## GOSPEL

*A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew* *1:18-24*

This is how Jesus Christ came to be born. His mother Mary was betrothed to Joseph; but before they came to live together she was found to be with child through the Holy Spirit. Her husband Joseph, being a man of honour and wanting to spare her publicity, decided to divorce her informally. He had made up his mind to do this when the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, and said 'Joseph son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because she has conceived what is in her by the Holy Spirit. She will give birth to a son and you must name him Jesus, because he is the one who is to save his people from their sins.' Now all this took place to fulfil the words spoken by the Lord through the prophet:

The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son  
and they will call him Emmanuel,

a name which means 'God-is-with-us'. When Joseph woke up he did what the angel of the Lord had told him to do: he took his wife to his home.

*The Gospel of the Lord.*

### **"JOSEPH, OUR MODEL OF PROMPT OBEDIENCE AS WE AWAIT THE COMING OF CHRIST"**

On this 4th Sunday of Advent, the anticipation is building for the fast approaching celebration of Christmas. Today's Gospel invites us to reflect on Joseph, the husband of Mary, who played such an important role in God's plan of salvation. Joseph does as the angel of the Lord directs. He takes Mary to be his wife and accepts the child in her womb as his own. Joseph and Mary are both cooperative with God's plan. They are both models for us of what it means to be faithful servants of God.

THIS WEEKEND ROSTER - ST THOMAS MORE			THIS WEEKEND ROSTER - CORPUS CHRISTI		
Time	Readers	Ministers	Time	Readers	Ministers
4.30pm	Carolyn W	Annette P & Jonah C	6.00pm	Marilyn M & James H	Diana C & Diane W
9.00am	Cathy S	Bill & Margaret W	10.30am	Geeta S & Damian L	Pauline O & Hien P



## CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

### CHRISTMAS EVE - SAT 24 DEC

St Thomas More 4.30pm (Mass)  
Corpus Christi 5.30pm (Carols)  
6.00pm (Mass)

### CHRISTMAS DAY - SUN 25 DEC

St Thomas More 9.00am (Mass)  
Corpus Christi 10.30am (Mass)



*Welcome  
the  
New Year  
with God*

### THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS , MARY & JOSEPH - FRI 30 DEC

Corpus Christi Mass 9.00am

### VIGIL MASS - SAT 31 DEC

St Thomas More 4.30pm  
Corpus Christi 6.00pm

### MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD- SUN JAN 1, 2023

St Thomas More 9.00am  
Corpus Christi 10.30am



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.

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

*Be the living expression of God's kindness; kindness in your face, kindness in your eyes, kindness in your smile. Mother Teresa*

**THANK YOU** to everyone who donated to the Melbourne Overseas Missions Appeal. Our Parishes raised the total sum of \$ **1,588.95**. Monies will be sent to MOM for the poor and needy overseas.



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