

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

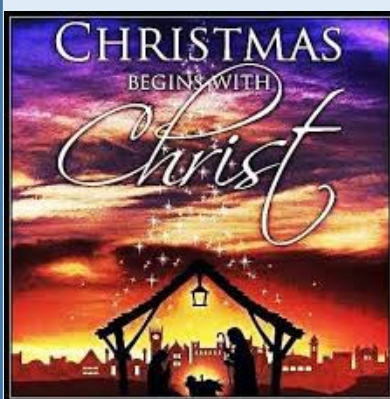
WEDDING, FUNERAL AND MEMORIAL MASS

Contact Parish Office

My dear friends,

At the end of another year I wish to acknowledge all parishioners for your assistance and contributions in so many ways. Special thanks for your generous financial contributions which have sustained the life of the parish. Each of you is a valued member of our parish community.

*Thank you to **all** volunteers, Committee Members, Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Musicians, Counters, Cleaners and Gardeners for your generosity of time and talents for the benefit of all in the Parish.*



Thank you to Viviana our Parish Secretary for her support and dedicated hard work.

Thank you to Claudia for preparing all the baptism sessions.

Lastly thank you all for your prayers, friendship and kind Christmas wishes and gifts! I wish you and your families a joyful Christmas and a blessed New Year.

May the Lord reward you abundantly with his heavenly blessings and Our Lady watch over you always. Fr Giang

4th Sunday of Advent (Yr B) - 24 December 2023

FIRST READING

A reading from the second book of Samuel.

7:1-5.8-12.14.16

Once David had settled into his house and the Lord had given him rest from all the enemies surrounding him, the king said to the prophet Nathan, 'Look, I am living in a house of cedar while the ark of God dwells in a tent.' Nathan said to the king, 'Go and do all that is in your mind, for the Lord is with you.'

But that very night the word of the Lord came to Nathan: 'Go and tell my servant David, "Thus the Lord speaks: Are you the man to build me a house to dwell in? I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep, to be leader of my people Israel; I have been with you on all your expeditions; I have cut off all your enemies before you. I will give you fame as great as the fame of the greatest on earth. I will provide a place for my people Israel; I will plant them there and they shall dwell in that place and never be disturbed again; nor shall the wicked continue to oppress them as they did, in the days when I appointed judges over my people Israel; I will give them rest from all their enemies. The Lord will make you great; the Lord will make you a House. And when your days are ended and you are laid to rest with your ancestors, I will preserve the offspring of your body after you and make his sovereignty secure. I will be a father to him and he a son to me. Your House and your sovereignty will always stand secure before me and your throne be established for ever."'

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. *For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.*

I will sing for ever of your love, O Lord;
through all ages my mouth will proclaim your truth.
Of this I am sure, that your love lasts for ever,
that your truth is firmly established as the heavens. **R.**

I have made a covenant with my chosen one;
I have sworn to David my servant:
I will establish your dynasty for ever
and set up your throne through all ages. **R.**

He will say to me: 'You are my father,
my God, the rock who saves me.'
I will keep my love for him always;
for him my covenant shall endure. **R.**

SECOND READING

A reading from letter of St Paul to the Romans

16:25-27

Glory to him who is able to give you the strength to live according to the Good News I preach, and in which I proclaim Jesus Christ, the revelation of a mystery kept secret for endless ages, but now so clear that it must be broadcast to pagans everywhere to bring them to the obedience of faith. This is only what scripture has predicted, and it is all part of the way the eternal God wants things to be. He alone is wisdom; give glory therefore to him through Jesus Christ for ever and ever. Amen.

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the servant of the Lord:
may his will for me be done.

Alleluia!



GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

1:26.38

The angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man named Joseph, of the House of David; and the virgin's name was Mary. He went in and said to her, 'Rejoice, so highly favoured! The Lord is with you.' She was deeply disturbed by these words and asked herself what this greeting could mean, but the angel said to her, 'Mary, do not be afraid; you have won God's favour. Listen! You are to conceive and bear a son, and you must name him Jesus. He will be great and will be called Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his ancestor David; he will rule over the House of Jacob for ever and his reign will have no end.' Mary said to the angel, 'But how can this come about, since I am a virgin?' 'The Holy Spirit will come upon you' the angel answered 'and the power of the Most High will cover you with its shadow. And so the child will be holy and will be called Son of God. Know this too: your kinswoman Elizabeth has, in her old age, herself conceived a son, and she whom people called barren is now in her sixth month, for nothing is impossible to God.' 'I am the handmaid of the Lord,' said Mary 'let what you have said be done to me.' And the angel left her.

The Gospel of the Lord.

*Joy is the true gift of Christmas, and we can communicate this joy simply:
with a smile, a kind gesture, a little help, forgiveness.*

And the joy we give will certainly come back to us.

Pope Benedict XVI

THIS WEEKEND ROSTER - STM			THIS WEEKEND ROSTER - CORPUS CHRISTI		
Time	Readers	Ministers	Time	Readers	Ministers
4.30pm	Ben C	Maria L- Frances A	6.00pm	Teresa V-Albert N	Diane W-Sheron DeS
9.00am	Julian C	Bill & Margaret W	10.30am	Christine B-Lucy M	Maria K-Hai N

THE ARCHBISHOP'S ADVENT APPEAL FOR UKRAINE...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 cards provided in the foyers.. Thank you for your support and generosity.

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR MASS TIMES at CC & STM

- Sun 24 Dec** Christmas Vigil Mass - STM at 4.30pm
CC - Carols 5.30pm and Mass at 6.00pm
- Mon 25 Dec** Christmas Day Mass - STM at 9.00am & CC at 10.30am
- Sat 30 Dec** The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph -
STM at 4.30pm, CC at 6.00pm
- Sun 31 Dec** STM at 9.00am and 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

PRAYER BEFORE MEALS AT CHRISTMAS



Heavenly Father, love brought Jesus to the earth,
and love brings us to this Christmas table.

We give thanks for the joy of being with our family and friends
and the blessings of sharing this meal together.

May we do so with a joyful heart and a warm smile.

Lord, we ask that you bless us, our food and those we love
who are not with us today.

Lord, console and bless all those who are lonely, hungry and suffering today.
With grateful hearts, we thank you for all the blessings you have given us this year
and we pray for peace in families and nations around the world.

Amen.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Sick: Harlem Buchanan, Lourdes, Nelson & Artur Joaquim, Goretty Soares

Recent deaths: John Sykes, Sinnakuddy Kandasamy (in UK)

Anniversaries:

4.30pm: Michael Montebello, Alfred Sacco

6.00pm: Peter Nguyen, Anna Nguyen, Martin Tran, Peter Nguyen, Ignazio Callegari,
Ugo Callegari, Snoky Te Siong, Hilaria & Jovita Tan, Rose Camilleri

9.00am: Giovanni Didomenicantonio, Umberto Carinci, Romeo Carinci,
Giovanni & Antonio Anania

10.30am: Pasquale & Lil Azzellini