



# ST THOMAS MORE PARISH, HADFIELD

69 North Street, Hadfield 3046

*St Thomas More Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults. Our Child Safe Standards policies & information can be viewed on our website*



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### WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday: 9.00am (Rosary at 8.40am)  
Thursday 9.00am (Rosary at 8.40am)

### WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday: 4.30pm  
Sunday: 9.00am

### RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4.00pm - 4.20pm

## CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH

132 Melbourne Ave, Glenroy

### WEEKDAY MASSES

Wednesday: 9.00am  
Friday: 9.00am

### WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday: 6.00pm  
Sunday: 10.30am

### RECONCILIATION

Saturday 9.00am - 9.20am

## PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS...

**FOR THE SICK:** Lucy Caruana, Carl & Michael Ceddia

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Joe Ascik (**Remembrance Mass at STM Friday 13 May at 6pm**)

**DEATH ANNIVERSARIES:** Lucio de Luca, Crocifissa de Luca, Paul Micallef (2 yrs), Roberto Sardo (6 yrs), Salvatore Terranova (7 yrs)



Today we thank our mothers and all mother figures in our life. We honour them, give them our love and express our gratitude for them in the form of fervent prayers offered for them before God. We also pray and remember all mothers who have gone for their eternal reward.

Let us also acknowledge the truth that we have two mothers: our earthly mother and our Heavenly Mother, the Mother of Jesus. The Catholic Church proclaims the great nobility of the Mother of Jesus, Mary most holy, and presents her as the supreme model for all mothers. Let us show our love and appreciation for both of our mothers and let us ask our Heavenly Mother to take care of our earthly mothers, keep them safe, and to sustain and comfort them.

## 4th Sunday of Easter — 8 May 2022

### FIRST READING

*A reading from the Acts of the Apostles*

13:14.43-52

Paul and Barnabas carried on from Perga till they reached Antioch in Pisidia. Here they went to the synagogue on the sabbath and took their seats.

When the meeting broke up, many Jews and devout converts joined Paul and Barnabas, and in their talks with them Paul and Barnabas urged them to remain faithful to the grace God has given them.

The next sabbath almost the whole town assembled to hear the word of God. When they saw the crowds, the Jews, prompted by jealousy, used blasphemies and contradicted everything Paul said. Then Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly. 'We had to proclaim the word of God to you first, but since you have rejected it, since you do not think yourselves worthy of eternal life, we must turn to the pagans. For this is what the Lord commanded us to do when he said:

I have made you a light for the nations,  
so that my salvation may reach the ends of the earth.'

It made the pagans very happy to hear this and they thanked the Lord for his message; all who were destined for eternal life became believers. Thus the word of the Lord spread through the whole countryside.

But the Jews worked upon some of the devout women of the upper classes and the leading men of the city and persuaded them to turn against Paul and Barnabas and expel them from their territory. So they shook the dust from their feet in defiance and went off to Iconium; but the disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit.

*The word of the Lord.*

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**R.** *We are his people, the sheep of his flock.*

Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.

Serve the Lord with gladness.

Come before him, singing for joy. **R.**

Know that he, the Lord, is God.

He made us, we belong to him,

we are his people, the sheep of his flock. **R.**

Indeed, how good is the Lord,  
eternal his merciful love.

He is faithful from age to age. **R.**

## SECOND READING

*A reading from the book of the Apocalypse*

7:9.14-17

I, John, saw a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language; they were standing in front of the throne and in front of the Lamb, dressed in white robes and holding palms in their hands. One of the elders said to me, ‘These are the people who have been through the great persecution, and because they have washed their robes white again in the blood of the Lamb, they now stand in front of God’s throne and serve him day and night in his sanctuary; and the One who sits on the throne will spread his tent over them. They will never hunger or thirst again; neither the sun nor scorching wind will ever plague them, because the Lamb who is at the throne will be their shepherd and will lead them to springs of living water; and God will wipe away all tears from their eyes.’ *The word of the Lord.*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;

I know my sheep, and mine know me. *Alleluia!*

## GOSPEL

*A reading from the holy Gospel according to John*

10:27-30

Jesus said:

“The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice;

I know them and they follow me.

I give them eternal life;

they will never be lost

and no one will ever steal them from me.

The Father who gave them to me is greater than anyone,

and no one can steal from the Father.

The Father and I are one.” *The Gospel of the Lord.*

The 4th Sunday of Easter, known as **Good Shepherd Sunday**, is also the **“World Day of Prayer for Vocations.”** Each year on this Sunday, we reflect on the image of Jesus as the Good Shepherd who devotedly and kindly takes care of his flock. Everyone who is entrusted with the care of others is a shepherd. Hence pastors, parents, teachers, doctors, nurses, government officials, etc. are all shepherds. We become good shepherds by loving those entrusted to us, praying for them, spending our time and talents for their welfare, and guarding them from physical and spiritual dangers. On this World Day of Prayer for Vocations, let us pray for vocations to priestly and religious life so that we may have more good shepherds to lead, feed, and protect the Catholic community.

## SACRAMENTS FOR CHILDREN 2022

If any children are NOT attending Catholic Primary School and would like to receive one of these Sacraments, please contact parish office to get a form and return it with completed information by **27 May 2022**.

*These Sacraments will be celebrated at Corpus Christi Church, Glenroy.*

**First Reconciliation for Grade 4:** Wednesday 24 August at 2.15pm

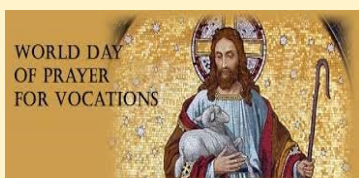
**First Holy Communion for Grade 4:** Sunday 28 August at 2.00pm

**Confirmation for Grade 5 & 6:** Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> November at 2.00pm

**PLEASE NOTE:** If parents do not live within the Parish, we ask that you make contact with your own local Catholic Parish Church and have these Sacraments celebrated locally for your children.

### MASS TO COMMEMORATE THOSE WHO HAVE DIED DURING THE COVID PANDEMIC

**Sunday 22 May, 11am · St Patrick's Cathedral Melbourne.** In recognition of the significant impact of COVID in our families and communities, Archbishop Comensoli will celebrate a memorial Mass for all those who have died during the COVID pandemic and could not be mourned properly due to pandemic restrictions. You are invited to submit the name(s) of those who would like remembered during the Mass by visiting the Holy Souls Chapel (inside the Cathedral) during May or online <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/GZKP7QF>. You may also submit the names of those you wish remembered to the Parish Office over the next two weeks. Masses on that weekend will also be offered in our Church for those who have died during the Covid pandemic and the names will be placed in a basket at the base of the altar, to be prayed for during all Masses over the weekend of 21–22 May.



Today is the **World Day of Prayer for Vocations**. Pope Francis tells us: There can be no greater joy than to risk one's life for the Lord! I would like to say this especially to you, the young. Do not be deaf to the Lord's call. If he calls you to follow this path, do not pull your oars into the boat, but trust him. Let us pray for the young people in our community, and in our families and circle of friends. May our prayers help them to be open to the Lord's call to consecrated life or priesthood.

*Happy 60th Wedding Anniversary*



Congratulations to *John and Maria Luff* who recently celebrated this wonderful milestone in their life together. May the Lord bless them abundantly with good health, peace and many more wonderful and happy years together.