

St Thomas More and Corpus Christi Parishes



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 Office Hours: Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 9.00am-1.00pm



*(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.)*

PARISH TEAM

Parish Priest: Fr. Giang Tran
 Secretary: Mrs. Stefanie Lidestri
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ST THOMAS MORE

69 North Street, Hadfield 3046

Tues & Thur: 9.00am (Mass)
 Sat: 4.30pm (Mass)
 Sun: 9.00am (Mass)
 Reconciliation (Sat): 4.00pm-4.20pm

CORPUS CHRISTI

132 Melbourne Ave, Glenroy 3046

Wed & Fri: 9.00am (Mass)
 Sat: 6.00pm (Mass)
 Sun: 10.30am (Mass)
 Reconciliation (Sat): 9.00am-9.20am

Baptism

For booking, please contact Claudia on 0414 308 019

*Any child aged 5 years and over, living outside the parish, will not be accepted for baptism.
 Parents are asked to contact their own local parish to organise their child's baptism.*

Wedding

Contact Parish Office

MASS INTENTIONS

Sick: Goretty Soares, Maria De Lourdes Joaquim, Nelson Joaquim

Recent deaths: John Caruana

Anniversaries

4.30pm: Lucio De Luca, Maria Camilleri

6.00pm: Joseph Phao, Anna Pham, Joseph Nguyen, Catarina & Joseph Tran,
 Teresa Ly, Augustine Tran, Giuse Phi, Thomas Nguyen,
 Carmel Frank & John Vassallo, Rosina Sortino

9.00am: Angelo Patame, Jimmy Azzopardi, Maria Pileggi,
 Andrei Roszezenko, Alfon's & Janina Emilianowicz

10.30am: Kathleen Slattery, Brian Smith

Please forward the names to the Parish Office by **WEDNESDAY** of each week.
The privacy legislation requires us to have written permission from an 1uthorized family member before any sick person's name can be included in the Parish bulletin.

5th SUNDAY OF EASTER – 28th APRIL 2024

First Reading

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

9:26-31

When Saul got to Jerusalem he tried to join the disciples, but they were all afraid of him: they could not believe he was really a disciple. Barnabas, however, took charge of him, introduced him to the apostles, and explained how the Lord had appeared to Saul and spoken to him on his journey, and how he had preached boldly at Damascus in the name of Jesus. Saul now started to go round with them in Jerusalem, preaching fearlessly in the name of the Lord. But after he had spoken to the Hellenists, and argued with them, they became determined to kill him. When the brothers knew, they took him to Caesarea, and sent him off from there to Tarsus.

The churches throughout Judaea, Galilee and Samaria were now left in peace, building themselves up, living in the fear of the Lord, and filled with the consolation of the Holy Spirit.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

R: *I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people.*

My vows I will pay before those who fear him.

The poor shall eat and shall have their fill.

They shall praise the Lord, those who seek him.

May their hearts live for ever and ever! **R.**

All the earth shall remember and return to the Lord,
all families of the nations worship before him.

They shall worship him, all the mighty of the earth;
before him shall bow all who go down to the dust. **R.**

And my soul shall live for him, my children serve him.

They shall tell of the Lord to generations yet to come,
declare his faithfulness to peoples yet unborn:

‘These things the Lord has done.’ **R.**

SECOND READING

A reading from the first letter of St John.

3:18-24

My children, our love is not to be just words or mere talk, but something real and active; only by this can we be certain that we are the children of the truth and be able to quieten our conscience in his presence, whatever

accusations it may raise against us, because God is greater than our conscience and he knows everything.

My dear people, if we cannot be condemned by our own conscience, we need not be afraid in God's presence, and whatever we ask him, we shall receive, because we keep his commandments and live the kind of life that he wants. His commandments are these: that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and that we love one another as he told us to. Whoever keeps his commandments lives in God and God lives in him. We know that he lives in us by the Spirit that he has given us.

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 John.

15:1-8

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. Every branch in me that bears no fruit he cuts away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes to make it bear even more. You are pruned already, by means of the word that I have spoken to you. Make your home in me, as I make mine in you. As a branch cannot bear fruit all by itself, but must remain part of the vine, neither can you unless you remain in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me, with me in him, bears fruit in plenty; for cut off from me you can do nothing. Anyone who does not remain in me is like a branch that has been thrown away- he withers; these branches are collected and thrown on the fire, and they are burnt. If you remain in me and my words remain in you, you may ask what you will and you shall get it. It is to the glory of my Father that you should bear much fruit, and then you will be my disciples.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Today's Scripture selections emphasize the need for Christians to abide in Christ. The branches of a vine will bear fruit only if they are attached to the vine. It is from the vine that they draw the life-giving nourishment they need. Likewise, we must remain attached to Jesus if we are to receive the life of God and produce 'the fruits of the Spirit in our world: love, joy, peace, patience and kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control' (Gal 5:22)

LITURGY ROSTER THIS WEEK

St Thomas More			Corpus Christi		
Time	Reader	Ministers	Time	Readers	Ministers
4.30pm	Maria L	Carolyn W - Viviana C	6.00pm	Teresa V - Yenuli De S	Diane W – Sheron De S
9.00am	Julian C	Geraldine - Lia S	10.30am	Belinda F - Lucy M	Carmela R – Hien P

CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal

Next weekend is the CatholicCare Victoria Sunday. As the Catholic Church's mission in action, CatholicCare Victoria delivers programs and services to support families, children, young people and individuals to help everyone reach their full potential. The services include counselling and mental health services, specialized support for children and teens, refugee and asylum seeker help, pastoral care, support for separating families, social housing and homelessness support. Donations from our parish community help CatholicCare Victoria support the most vulnerable individuals and families in our community and empower everyone to live life to the full.

We will have third collection at all Masses next weekend. You can donate using the envelopes available (if you require a receipt) or online at www.catholiccarevic.org.au or call 9287 5513.

All gifts of \$2 and above are tax deductible

REFLECTION

The vine and the branches

Lord, you said:

"I am the vine, you are the branches.

*Separated from me you can do nothing,
but united with me you will bear much fruit."*

Thank you, Lord, for the bond you formed with us.

And thank you for the bond that exists among us
because of our union with you.

Thanks to this bond we have invisible riches to share with one another.

Grant that we may never be separated from you,

so that we may produce in the world the fruits of faith, hope and love.

Cuppa & Chat - Will be on Sunday 5th of May after 9.00am Mass in the St John Paul Room at STM. Cuppa and chat mornings will continue on the first Sunday of every month after the 9.00am Mass at St Thomas More. Great way to catch up with your fellow parishioners.