



# 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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## ST THOMAS MORE PARISH

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### WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday: 9.00am  
Thursday 9.00am

### 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:** Iris Dixon, Margaret Roberts, Carl & Michael Ceddia, Ernestina Tatar

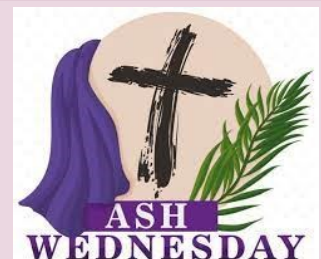
**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Franca Ambroset (Funeral Tues 1 March at 10.30am)  
William Nunn (Funeral Thurs 3 March 10.30am), Katherine Turville, Frank Sammut

**DEATH ANNIVERSARIES:** Tony Camilleri (4 yrs), Michael Anthony Lynam (18 yrs),  
Rosina & Vince Borg, George Borg, Victor Baramau da Costa, Filomena Coletta,  
Violet Kisbee



## ASH WEDNESDAY 2 MARCH MASS

Corpus Christi: 9.00am  
St Thomas More: 6.00pm



*“LENT stimulates us to let the Word of God penetrate our life and in this way to know the fundamental truth; who we are, where we come from, where we must go, what path we must take in life.”* Pope Benedict XVI

## 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time — 27 February 2022

### FIRST READING

*A reading from the book of Ecclesiasticus.*

In a shaken sieve the rubbish is left behind,  
so too the defects of a man appear in his talk.

The kiln tests the work of the potter,  
the test of a man is in his conversation.

The orchard where the tree grows  
is judged on the quality of its fruit,  
similarly a man's words betray what he feels.

Do not praise a man before he has spoken,  
since this is the test of men.

*The word of the Lord.*

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**R.** *Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.*

It is good to give thanks to the Lord  
to make music to your name, O Most High,  
to proclaim your love in the morning  
and your truth in the watches of the night. **R.**

The just will flourish like the palm-tree  
and grow like a Lebanon cedar. **R.**

Planted in the house of the Lord  
they will flourish in the courts of our God,  
still bearing fruit when they are old,  
still full of sap, still green,  
to proclaim that the Lord is just.

In him, my rock, there is no wrong. **R.**

### SECOND READING

*A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians.*

When this perishable nature has put on imperishability, and when this mortal nature has put on immortality, then the words of scripture will come true: Death is swallowed up in victory. Death, where is your victory? Death, where is your sting? Now the sting of death is

sin, and sin gets its power from the Law. So let us thank God for giving us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Never give in then, my dear brothers, never admit defeat; keep on working at the Lord's work always, knowing that, in the Lord, you cannot be labouring in vain. *The word of the Lord.*

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, alleluia!

Shine on the world like bright stars;  
you are offering it the word of life.

Alleluia!

## **GOSPEL**

*A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.*

Jesus told a parable to his disciples, 'Can one blind man guide another? Surely both will fall into a pit? The disciple is not superior to his teacher; the fully trained disciple will always be like his teacher. Why do you observe the splinter in your brother's eye and never notice the plank in your own? How can you say to your brother, "Brother, let me take out the splinter that is in your eye," when you cannot see the plank in your own? Hypocrite! Take the plank out of your own eye first, and then you will see clearly enough to take out the splinter that is in your brother's eye.

'There is no sound tree that produces rotten fruit, nor again a rotten tree that produces sound fruit. For every tree can be told by its own fruit: people do not pick figs from thorns, nor gather grapes from brambles. A good man draws what is good from the store of goodness in his heart; a bad man draws what is bad from the store of badness. For a man's words flow out of what fills his heart.'  
*The Gospel of the Lord.*

**CENTRAL THEME OF TODAY'S READINGS.....**Jesus draws our attention to practical points of Christian living and challenges us to use our words as he used his in his preaching and healing ministry — to heal, to restore, and to bring back life, joy, and hope. Today's readings also instruct us to share our Christian life, love, and spiritual health by our words, and to avoid gossiping about and passing rash, thoughtless, pain-inflicting judgments on others, thus damaging their good reputation and causing them irreparable harm.

## PROJECT COMPASSION SUNDAY

Lent starts this week with Ash Wednesday. Lent is a time for trying to see more clearly as we prepare for Easter. Through prayer, we try to focus on God. Through fasting, we focus on our own emptiness or deeper hungers. Through giving alms, we focus on those who need support to flourish. For fifty years or so, a great way to do this has been through **Caritas Australia's Project Compassion**. This year the theme ***For All Future Generations***, comes from the moment God established an everlasting covenant in the Book of Genesis. Let us honour the divine commitment to every living creature by working with Project Compassion for a more just world. St Paul reminds us today 'to keep on working at the Lord's work.' Perhaps that can be our resolution for Lent.

***Please remember to pick up your Project Compassion boxes and weekly envelope sets available for pick up in the Front and Side Foyers. Please use them throughout Lent to help those in need and return during Holy Week. Thank You.***

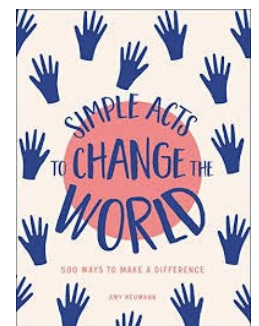


### EVERY FRIDAY DURING LENT

**CORPUS CHRISTI: After morning Mass**  
**ST THOMAS MORE: 7.00 pm**

### CHANGING THE WORLD.....

Most of us will not be well known in our lifetimes—or *ever* for that matter. We will come and go without fanfare or world renown. Our faces will not be familiar to the masses; our names will not be household words. Nevertheless, the things we do and say do have the potential to change the world, make it a better place. A simple gesture of kindness to a friend, a loved one, even a stranger can change the course of a life, rippling down through the generations in ways we could never imagine. We never know when unexpected forgiveness, a gentle word, a thoughtful deed might result in a person changed, a family changed, a city changed, a nation changed. Even a world changed! Thank you, heavenly Father, for giving me the power to change the world with kindness.



*Helen Steiner Rice*



**MARCH ROSTER FOR LECTORS AND MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST** now available for pick up in the Side Foyer.  
Thank you to everyone for your continued service and help.