

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 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

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Sick: John Michael Lynam, Harlem Buchanan
Recent deaths: Vincent Cremona
Anniversaries:
6.00pm: Toma & Maria Nguyen
9.00am: Concetta Taglieri, Angela Persico, Salvatore Gervasi
10.30am: Chris Slattery
Other intentions: Thanksgiving for S Caliph

Mass for The Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

Monday 1 January 2024 - St Thomas More Church at 9.00am



Today's *Feast of Mary*, is a very appropriate way to begin a new year, reminding us to rely on the powerful intercession of our Heavenly Mother. Let us pray that the Lord Jesus and His Mother Mary may enrich our lives during the New Year with an abundance of Divine blessings.

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph - 31 December 2023

FIRST READING

A reading from the book of Genesis.

15:1-6. 21:1-3

The word of the Lord was spoken to Abram in a vision, 'Have no fear, Abram, I am your shield; your reward will be very great'.

'My Lord,' Abram replied 'what do you intend to give me? I go childless.' Then Abram said, 'See, you have given me no descendants; some man of my household will be my heir'. And then this word of the Lord was spoken to him, 'He shall not be your heir; your heir shall be of your own flesh and blood'. Then taking him outside he said, 'Look up to heaven and count the stars if you can. Such will be your descendants' he told him. Abram put his faith in the Lord, who counted this as making him justified.

The Lord dealt kindly with Sarah as he had said, and did what he had promised her. So Sarah conceived and bore a son to Abraham in his old age, at the time God had promised. Abraham named the son born to him Isaac, the son to whom Sarah had given birth.

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

R. *The Lord remembers his covenant for ever.*

Give thanks to the Lord, tell his name,
make known his deeds among the peoples.
O sing to him, sing his praise;
tell all his wonderful works! **R.**

Be proud of his holy name,
let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice.
Consider the Lord and his strength;
constantly seek his face. **R.**

Remember the wonders he has done,
his miracles, the judgements he spoke.
O children of Abraham, his servant,
O sons of the Jacob he chose. **R.**

He remembers his covenant for ever,
his promise for a thousand generations,
the covenant he made with Abraham,
the oath he swore to Isaac. **R.**

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

11:8. 11-12. 17-19

It was by faith that Abraham obeyed the call to set out for a country that was the inheritance given to him and his descendants, and that he set out without knowing where he was going.

It was equally by faith that Sarah, in spite of being past the age, was made able to conceive, because she believed that he who had made the promise would be faithful to it. Because of this, there came from one man, and one who was already as good as dead himself, more descendants than could be counted, as many as the stars of heaven or the grains of sand on the seashore.

It was by faith that Abraham, when put to the test, offered up Isaac. He offered to sacrifice his only son even though the promises had been made to him and he had been told: It is through Isaac that your name will be carried on. He was confident that God had the power even to raise the dead; and so, figuratively speaking, he was given back Isaac from the dead.

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

In the past God spoke to our fathers through the prophets;
now he speaks to us through his Son.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

2:22. 39.40

When the day came for them to be purified as laid down by the Law of Moses, the parents of Jesus took him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord.

When they had done everything the Law of the Lord required, they went back to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. Meanwhile the child grew to maturity, and he was filled with wisdom; and God's favour was with him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

On the last Sunday of the calendar year, we celebrate the **Feast of the Holy Family**. On this feast day we are offering our own families and all their members on the altar to ask God's blessing on them and to obtain for them the guidance of the Holy Family. We need to learn lessons from the Holy Family: The Church encourages us to look to the Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph for inspiration, example and encouragement. They were a model family in which both parents worked hard, helped each other, understood and accepted each other, and took good care of their Child so that He might grow up not only in human knowledge but also as a Child of God.

THIS WEEKEND ROSTER - STM			THIS WEEKEND ROSTER - CORPUS CHRISTI		
Time	Readers	Ministers	Time	Readers	Ministers
4.30pm	Ben C	Annette P-Mick L	6.00pm	Marilyn M-Noel W	Dung N-Diane W
9.00am	Lia Sauzier	Mary & Peter M	10.30am	Oanh L-Belinda F	Carmela R-Marise N

As you welcome in 2024.....

TREASURE the smiles, good times and memories

LEAVE BEHIND the disappointments, hard times and enemies,

HOLD ONTO faith, hope and beliefs, and may your New Year be filled with **LOVE, JOY & PEACE**



JANUARY 2024

NORMAL WEEKEND & WEEKDAY MASSES CONTINUE THROUGHOUT JANUARY

Catholic Devotion for January: Month of the Most Holy Name of Jesus.

We start the year by remembering the "...name that is above every name" (*Philippians 2:9*). How holy is His name! How glorious! How powerful! How comforting!

Pope Francis Prayer Intention for January: For The Gift Of Diversity In The Church

Let us pray that the Holy Spirit helps us recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian community, and to discover the richness of different ritual traditions in the heart of the Catholic Church.

PRAYER FOR THE NEW YEAR

Dear Lord, as we look back over this past year, we thank You for Your goodness to us and for all the blessings you have bestowed on us.

We each have our hopes and expectations for the year that is ahead of us — but You alone know what it holds for us, and only You can give us the strength and the wisdom we will need to meet its challenges.

So help us to humbly put our hands into Your hand, and to trust You and to see Your will for our lives during this coming year.

Give us the courage to do what is needed and the wisdom to choose what is right and most fair.

Give us the strength to face the challenges that lie in front of us.

Give us the vision to see what is possible.

Give us the heart to bring joy to each day.

Give us the faith that will help pave the way for a present that's hopeful, a future that's peaceful.

And so, our Father, we thank You for the promise and hope of this new year, and we look forward to it with expectancy and faith.

Amen.

To make a difference in someone's life, you don't have to be brilliant, rich, beautiful or perfect. You just have to care.

Mandy Hale