



SEASONS

Newsletter of the Catholic Parish of St. Thomas More, Mount Eliza

Fifth Sunday of Easter — Year C

15th May 2022

PCC=Parish Community Centre U=Undercroft
C=Church MPR=School Multipurpose Room

Monday 16th May

St Vincent de Paul Meeting
10.00am, Undercroft



Wednesday 18th May

Funeral for Denis and Shirley
Cleary 1.30pm, Church

Thursday 19th May

Biggest Morning Tea / STM Social
Club 2pm— details inside

Dear Friends,

On Saturday the 14th of May we will have celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation with around 40 children at St Thomas More Parish. This includes five candidates being prepared at the Parish who have been prepared by our Catechist and attending Mass following each Tuesday night session. Bishop Anthony Ireland visited the school last week and discussed with them the importance of this Sacrament in their lives as Christians, what it means to be a Catholic, and how the gifts of the Holy Spirit transform into fruits in our lives.



The children were very excited to receive this Sacrament and were reminded that at this point in their life, they are now able to stand up and respond with their own voice to affirm all that we believe in the creed. Confirmation, like Baptism, Marriage and Holy Orders is Sacrament which is given once, but which can continue to bear fruit and give life every day that we are open to God's grace and goodness.

As we discussed with the confirmation candidates, this doesn't happen by itself. The more we use the gifts of the Spirit: wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety and fear of the Lord, the more we can fear the good fruit of the spirit: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness and self control.

We pray that our Candidates will be blessed by their confirmation day, and will use the gifts of the Holy Spirit to transform their lives through God's spirit. As we approach the feast of Pentecost, we are all encouraged to turn again to the Holy Spirit who was given to us in Baptism and Confirmation, so that we would bear good fruit through God's spirit given to us.

As Pope Francis said "Jesus does not work by magic, with special effects, with flashing lights and fireworks. Jesus keeps knocking on our door in the faces of our brothers and sisters, in the faces of our neighbors, in the faces of those at our side".-Fr Patrick

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Pastoral Leadership Team

Fr Patrick Bradford (Parish Administrator)
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Church Services:

Next Week

Tuesday*	Adoration	6.30 pm
(visiting Priest*)	Mass	7.00 pm
Wednesday		10.00 am
Thursday		10.00 am
Friday	Exposition	9.00 am
	Mass	10.00 am

Sunday Mass

Saturday Vigil	5.00 pm
Sunday	8.00 am
Sunday	10.00 am

Reconciliation

Tuesday*	6:30 - 7:00 pm
Saturday	4:30 - 5:00 pm



St Thomas More acknowledges the Traditional Land owners, the Bunurong people on which we live, work and worship. We pay our respects to the Elders, past, present and emerging.

We pray for..

Those who have passed away recently...

Those whose anniversaries fall at this time.. Thomas H. Smith, Marcus Redfern, Margaret Pingiaro, Catherine Eggins, Chloe Hyland, James Willstead

The sick... Tony Fiume, Carmel Kost, Caroline Herbert, Rodney Abbatangelo, April Morrissey, Kerrie Milne, John Spirason, Thomas Parrish, Bev Johnstone, Kate Matheson,

John Xavier Clifton, Dennis Mirabella, Michael Leonard, Liz Spurdle, John Spurdle, Evonne Paddison, Maree Bracken, Bill Luscombe, Brigitte Rohner, Eileen O'Beirne, Ava Macias, Michael MacKenzie, Luke Carroll, Betty Corke, Maria Kelly, Elizabeth Ware, Althea Greeff, Michael Blick, Maureen Anstey, Adrian Gobel, and all of the sick at the George Vowell Centre and the parishioners of St Thomas More Parish, Tequinomata, East Timor, St Therese Parish, Bathurst Island and Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Parish, Alice Springs.



STM Social Club

Contact : **Carolyn Gascoigne 0448 871 970**

New members are most welcome! Membership fee is \$30 If anyone has any questions about Membership fees— please contact Treasurer Julian Collins on 0473 474 559.

The Welfare Officer is Margaret Gallagher

Baptism Enquiries:

Please send an email to the Parish Office.
Next Baptism Preparation Meeting:
Thursday 5th May in Church at 7.30pm



Reconciliation & First Eucharist Enquiries:

Program will start in June. Please register your interest now—contact the Parish Sacramental Co-ordinator Faye Sayah on email: fayesayah@gmail.com



Parish office—

Vicki will be on leave for two weeks.

Please return your Project Compassion / Caritas boxes and envelopes.

The next meeting of the St Vincent de Paul Society will be held on Monday the 16th May in the Undercroft at 10am.

Thank you Marilyn Moloney



Biggest Morning Tea

Bring an item to be auctioned and a plate to share afternoon tea. All funds raised go to the Cancer Council, but the fun we have is all ours! It will be a great day, backed by the County Womens Association.

60 Nuns Road, Mornington

19th May, 2pm

Entry: \$2 at the door

Enquiries: Barbara 5975 2818

Denis and Shirley Cleary Funeral

The Funeral Mass for Denis and Shirley will be held at St Thomas More Church on Wednesday, 18th May at 1.30pm. All are welcome.

Penitential Act:

I confess to almighty God
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done and
in what I have failed to do,

And, striking their breast, they say: through
my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God. Amen

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest and on earth
peace to people of good will.
we praise you, we bless you,
we adore you, we glorify you,
We give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty
Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

First Reading Acts 14:21-27

‘They gave an account to the Church of all
the God had done with them’

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 144(145):8-13a

I will praise your name forever, my king and my God

The Lord is kind and full of compassion,
slow to anger, abounding in love.
How good is the Lord to all,
compassionate to all his creatures.

*I will praise your name for ever, my king and my
God.*

All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord,
and your friends shall repeat their blessing.
They shall speak of the glory of your reign
and declare your might, O God,
to make known to men your mighty deeds
and the glorious splendour of your reign.

*I will praise your name for ever, my king and my
God.*

Yours is an everlasting kingdom;
your rule lasts from age to age.

Second reading Apocalypse 21:1-5

A vision of the heavenly Jerusalem, the bride
of the lamb

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

I give you a new commandment: love one an-
other as I have loved you. Alleluia!

Gospel John 13:31-33,34-35

In the Son of Man, God has been glorified

Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under
Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was
buried; he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand
of God the Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge
the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting. Amen.

