

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Year B
11th October 2015

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

"St Thomas More Parish, Ruse, is a Christ-centred Catholic Community that is committed to living Gospel Values, united by faith as we bring God's Kingdom to life. Our Mission is to welcome all, and respect and support each other in our spiritual journey. We encourage the gifts of people in building our community"

*"Our Parish is wheelchair friendly. We have ramps going into the Church and into the Parish Hall. Please let your family and friends know.
"Anyone who welcomes you, welcome me and anyone who welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me".
Matthew 10:40"*

GLUTEN FREE HOSTS: If you require *Gluten Free Hosts* for Holy Communion please see Fr Tony *before* Mass and they will be available for you at Holy Communion.

DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO CANNOT COME TO MASS?: Members of our Parish Community visit parishioners and bring Communion every week to those who are ill or elderly so are unable to come to Mass. Sometimes, it may be that someone who could benefit from a lift. Please encourage them to contact our parish Office (46282967) either to arrange communion to be brought to them or to organize transport to Mass.

TODAY IS INTERNATIONAL DAY OF THE GIRL CHILD:

The United Nations' International Day of the Girl child promotes girls' human rights, highlights gender inequalities that remain between girls and boys and addresses the various forms of discrimination and abuse suffered by girls around the world. For more information/resources please visit:
<http://www.un.org/en/events/girlchild/>

*Good Luck
in
your exams*

Please keep in your prayers the HSC students of our Parish (and their families) who will be sitting their HSC exams in the coming weeks.

"LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOUR AS YOURSELF" Next weekend our parish will be holding the annual Catholic Mission World Mission Appeal. This year we are invited to reach out and support the practical and spiritual work of the Catholic Church and selfless missionaries right here in Australia-to reach out to our neighbours- our Australia brothers and sisters. Please come prepared next weekend. Freecall: 1800 257 296 or catholicmission.org.au/Australia

CATHOLIC WEEKLY: Many interesting articles to read, great value for only \$2.00. Please purchase your copy from the back table at the main entrance of the Church.

REFRESHMENTS AFTER THE 9.00AM MASS

TODAY: You are invited to come over to the Parish Hall after the 9.00am Mass and join Parishioners and visitors for a cuppa and a chat. Look forward to seeing you there.

WE WELCOME: Into our Christian Community: *Matthias Emil Avila* who was Baptised last weekend.

PLEASE PRAY FOR: The *many* sick in our Parish Community including: Bernie Smith, Stevie Dilen, Michael Bye, Bill Eccleston, Maree and Noel Laming, Candice Walker, Chris Noyce, Ethan Craig, Leo Cornwell, Doreen Monckton, Mary Smith, Freda and Wilfred Miranda, Tina Ting, Beryl Purcell, Carmel Welsh, Ellen Healy, John Donnelly, Ken Churchill, Natalie Dwyer, Tomas Laming and Mary Fredericks.

PLEASE PRAY FOR: The recently deceased and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time. Gus and Sarah Rath (R.D.), Elizabeth Usaia, Imelda Zamprogno, Leslie & Coral Dawson, Joseph Dawson, Suaesi Faamau, Emil Avila, Kevin Hardinge, Bernard Hoffmann, Marcia Rae, Joan Bauer, Maria Cabonara, Deborah Rix, John Read, Mary Writer, Genie Lynch, Josephine McKay, Frank McKay, Jim McKenzie, and Maurya Hutton. *May eternal rest grant to them O Lord and may perpetual lights shine upon them.*

Parishioner Birthday for this week:

11th: *Catherine Minogue and Marion Cross*
12th: *Wilfred Miranda*, 14th: *Ronald Fredericks*
15th: *Therese Berbari*

If any Parishioner/s would like to have their Birthdays and or Wedding Anniversaries included in the bulletin, please either inform Fr Tony or contact the Parish Office on 4628 2967 or ruse@dow.org.au

PARISH CHILDREN'S LITURGY (Kindergarten to Year 6 inclusive): At the Sunday at the 9.00am Mass during School Terms.

WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK NUMBERS

(REMINDER): If any Parishioner in their Parish Ministry that involves working with children has not given Fr Tony their WWC number could they do so please ASAP or if you require assistance to apply for a Working With Children Approval under Child Protection Legislation please either see Fr Tony or come into the Parish Office during Office Hours.

THOMAS MORE PLAYTIME: Tuesdays 9.30am – 11.30am in our Parish Hall during school terms. *Attention: Parents/Guardians and Grandparents*, if you have any children/grandchildren under School age and bubs, come for a chat and cuppa while the kids enjoy playtime activities including Bible Story time, songs, craft, outside/inside play and pray time. Gold coin donation. If interested please phone: **Catherine for more information: 46271842**

2016 COLUMBAN ART CALENDAR: Is available at the Piety Stall, \$9.00 per copy. An explanation of the artwork and a written resource is available at no cost at www.columban.org.au/2016artguide

ST THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC PARISH CHURCH

FACEBOOK: If you haven't had the chance to look on our Parish Facebook, please do so. You will see pictures of what has been happening in our Parish as well as other information from the Diocese of Wollongong and the Vatican.

ST THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL: Please support the Shoe Box Christmas Gift Donation – notes regarding this are on the tables at the entrance of the Church. Please take home a School Newsletter and keep up to date with what is happening in our Parish Catholic Primary School (please note there are some incorrect Friday Mass times)

MATER DEI COUNTRY FAIR: Parishioners are invited to Mater Dei's Country Fair today Sunday 11 Oct – 9am – 3pm. Funds raised is for specialised education for 147 students in the Primary and Secondary School and the 4 Group homes as well as programs offered in Early Intervention to 180 babies and pre-schoolers with special needs. Come along and make a difference to their lives.

FATIMA DAY: The Fatima and Sacred Heart Family Home Visitation will hold its annual Fatima Day Celebration today Sunday 11th October at 3.00pm at Our Lady of Mt Carmel Parish, Varroville .

FRENCH MASS: Is to be held today (Sunday) 6:00pm at St John the Evangelist. Campbelltown.

FAITH & JUSTICE: I WAS A STRANGER & YOU WELCOMED ME: Tuesday October 13, 7:30-9:30pm at St John the Evangelist Parish Hall, Campbelltown. How to respond to the global tide of refugees is one of those things that the Church has reflected upon using Scripture and Tradition to help discern how nations and individuals should respond. Facilitated by Rev. Dr Anthony Gooley. The cost for the evenings is \$10. Enquiries to Darren McDowell 4222 2463 or cfl@dow.org.au Registration Essential to: Helen Bennett 4222 2403 or helen.bennett@dow.org.au

HEART – WOMEN'S CONFERENCE 2015: 16-17 October 2015 Fairfield RSL Sydney. A time to come together as women to be refreshed and renewed in our busy lives. Spoil yourself. Feel loved, honoured and cared for. To register and pay online go to: theCatholicGuy.com/Heart Email: heart@thecatholicguy.tv Phone: 1300 734 880. There are brochures available to take on all the tables at the entrance of the Church.

"The Interior Castle" St Teresa of Avila | 10am Mass Sunday 18 October 2015 | Our Lady of Mt Carmel Parish Varroville .All are invited to join us at Our Lady of Mt Carmel Parish, 193 St Andrews Rd, Varroville for the closing celebrations for the fifth centenary of St Teresa of Avila. 10am Mass will be followed by refreshments, a presentation from the Avila pilgrims, BBQ lunch and the dramatisation of St Teresa's famous book "The Interior Castle", presented by members of the Varroville Parish community. For catering purposes please call 9603 7373 to register your attendance.

PARISH ROSARY STATUE: The Parish Rosary Statue is in the home of *Bev. The family will be praying the Rosary on Monday 12th October at 5.00pm.* The address is on the main noticeboard of the Church. *If you would like to join this prayerful Ministry please phone Bev on: 4625 0659*

EMBRACING FAMILY: PARISH, SCHOOL & BEYOND – FAMILY MINISTRY CONFERENCE: Friday 30 October – Saturday 31 October at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Retreat Centre Varroville. Come along and experience a day or two of speakers and workshops exploring how we can better support families. More information and registrations at: www.familyconference.dow.org.au or phone Darren McDowell on 4222 2463 or email cfl@dow.org.au

PARISH DIARY DATES:

Tuesday 13th October: 7.30pm St Vincent de Paul Society meeting in the Parish Centre, you are welcome to come along and see the good works that St Vincent de Paul carry out
Tuesday 20th October: 7.30pm Parish Pastoral Council meeting in the Parish Hall
Thursday 22nd October: after the 9.00am Mass Retiree's Social Group Gathering (for over 55's) in the Parish Hall come along for a laugh, chat and a cuppa,

PARISH ROSTERS FOR THE NEXT 2 WEEKS:

EXTRADORDINARY MINISTERS' OF COMMUNION FOR NEXT 2 WEEKENDS:

Vigil Mass: Saturday 17th Oct: *Winnie Cameron and Bev McKenzie*
9.00am Mass: Sunday 18th Oct: *Fay and Junior Faamau*
Vigil Mass: Saturday 24th Oct: *Maureen Molland and Trish Newman*
9.00am Mass: Sunday 25th Oct: *Catherine Minogue and Annette Read*

READERS' FOR NEXT 2 WEEKENDS:
(Could the 2nd Reader please read also the Prayers of Intercession)

Vigil Mass: Saturday 17th Oct: *Bill George and Bev McKenzie*
9.00am Mass: Sunday 18th Oct: *Brian O'Brien and Marion Cross*
Vigil Mass: Saturday 24th Oct: *Bev and Julie McKenzie*
9.00am Mass: Sunday 25th Oct: *Marion and Jackie Cross*

CHURCH CLEANERS' FOR NEXT 2 WEEKS

Saturday 17th Oct: *Group 1 Syro-Malabar Indian Community*
Saturday 24th Oct: *Group 3: Brian O'Brien, Christine Foreman, James and Carmel Munro*

USHERS' FOR NEXT 2 WEEKENDS:

Vigil Mass: Saturday 17th Oct: *Carmel Munro*
9.00am Mass: Sunday 18th Oct: *Helen Rawson and Chris Reddy*
Vigil Mass: Saturday 24th Oct: *HELP REQUIRED*
9.00am Mass: Sunday 25th Oct: *Brian and Gwen Harris*

FLOWER ARRANGER FOR NEXT WEEKEND:

17th Oct: *Julie Writer*
24th Oct: *Christine Foreman and Carmel Munro*

REFRESHMENTS AFTER THE 9.00AM MASS: Sunday 25th October: COULD PARISHIONERS PLEASE BRING A PLATE (of food) TO SHARE PLEASE

