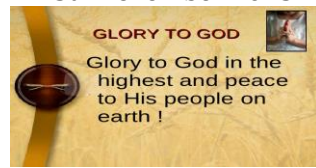


33<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
Year B

15th November 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.

**NOVEMBER:** Is a special time to pray for the dead. A plenary indulgence may be gained for the dead, once only, by visiting a church on 2 November and praying the Lord's Prayer and the Creed. 3 conditions are required for gaining the indulgence: sacramental confession, eucharistic communion, and prayer for the pope's intentions (*Norm 15,7*)  
**FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER:** *All the Masses will be offered for the deceased relatives and friends of all our Parishioners. We will record all the names that have been given in the Parish Book of Remembrance, set up in the sacred space. Please notify either Fr Tony or the Parish Office should you wish to include deceased relative and/or friends in the Book of Remembrance.*

**ALL PARISHIONERS AND VISITORS:** To our Parish this weekend are invited to the Parish Hall after the 9.00am Mass to share in refreshments.



**WE WELCOME:** Into our Christian Community *Owen Timothy Logue* who was Baptised last weekend.

**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL:** A total of 5 nominations have been received. The Nominees are: Kim Sami, Annette Read, Michael Young, Valerie Francois and Andrew James.

As these Parishioners being the only nominations received, there is no need to conduct an Election on the weekend of 21<sup>st</sup>/22<sup>nd</sup> November 2015. These 5 Candidates may consider that they have been declared representatives to the Parish Pastoral Council unopposed.

They will take up their representation of Parishioners on the Parish Pastoral Council in early 2016.

The final makeup of the Parish Pastoral Council including appointments of representatives of the various Communities and Parish Roles are: Parish Finance Council, St Vincent de Paul Conference, Parish Stewardship, Parish Catechist Co-Ordinator, Readers and Liturgy Co-Ordinator's, Sacristan's, Acolyte's/Altar Server's, Principal, St Thomas More Catholic Primary School, P & F Representative from St Thomas More Catholic Primary School, Tongan Community, Samoan Community and Syro-Malabar Indian Community.

Further names regarding the above appointments to the Parish Pastoral Council are to be advised.

**God Bless and thank you for your prayerful support in renewing our Parish Pastoral Council**  
*Fr Tony*

**ST VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY ASSIST A STUDENT SCHEME APPEAL:** Your St Vincent de Paul Conference would like to thank the Parish for supporting the recent Assist a Student Appeal. It is still possible to contribute and brochures can be found at the back of the Church. It is important to note that donations are now "tax deductible."

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:** The *many* sick in our Parish Community including: Maree and Noel Laming, Betty White, Rita Jowsey, Bernie Smith, Stevie Dilen, Bill Eccleston, 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 continue to keep in your prayers those currently sitting any Exams from our Parish (and their families).**

**Parishioner Birthday for this week:**

14<sup>th</sup>: *Maeghan Robinson*

16<sup>th</sup>: *Cherbeau Webb*

17<sup>th</sup>: *Trish Newman & Natalie Vossen*

**Belated Wedding Anniversary for last week:**

12<sup>th</sup>: *Kristine and Bill George ( 38 years)*

*If any Parishioner/s would like to have their Birthdays and or Wedding Anniversaries included in the bulletin, please contact the Parish Office on 4628 2967 or [ruse@dow.org.au](mailto:ruse@dow.org.au)*

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

**ST THOMAS MORE PLAYTIME:** Tuesdays 9.30am – 11.30am in our Parish Hall during school terms. (The last Playtime for 2015 will be on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> December). **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**

**PARISH LADIES GROUP CHRISTMAS RAFFLE:** Will be on sale in a couple of weeks. We have 4 terrific prizes, tickets will be \$1.00 each. **Please support this Parish Fundraiser.**

**ST VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY: Christmas Jesse Tree** is in the Parish Office Foyer. If you wish to take tags, please come to the Parish Office during Office hours. The Jesse Tree will be in the Church from the 1<sup>st</sup> week of Advent.

**CHRISTMAS PARISH WORKING BEE:** To ready our Church for Christmas, there will be a working bee held on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> December 8.30am (after the 8.00am Mass) until approx. 12.30pm. Morning tea and BBQ lunch will be provided. A list of jobs to be done will be available next weekend. **Many hands make light work. Please keep this morning free.**

**CLAIM THE DATE: Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> December: (3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent (Rose Sunday).** We will be celebrating also our Parish Family Mass followed by morning tea in the Parish Hall. More details to follow.

**ST THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL:** Please take home a School Newsletter and keep up to date with what is happening in our Parish Catholic Primary School.

**WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND: 20-22 November** Mount Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville, Let your love blossom this spring with a weekend. Give the greatest gift, that of your time alone - invest in your most precious asset - your Marriage! Contact Ardell & Bill Sharpe 02 4283 3435 or [wsharpe@bigpond.net.au](mailto:wsharpe@bigpond.net.au)

**AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC YOUTH FESTIVAL 3-5 December 2015:** The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference is hosting the **Australian Catholic Youth Festival** in Adelaide. This is for those from Year 9 through to 25 years of age, and is an excellent opportunity for young people to deepen their relationship with Jesus, be empowered to be disciples in the world today and encounter and celebrate the vitality of the Church in Australia. Contact Seth Harsh at the Youth Office on 02 4222 2460 or email: [seth.harsh@dow.org.au](mailto:seth.harsh@dow.org.au)

**PARISH ROSARY STATUE:**

The purpose of the Ministry is to increase prayer within our Parish. Parishioners involved in this Ministry are prepared to open their home for fellow parishioners to join them in saying the Rosary.

*If you would like to join this prayerful Ministry please phone Bev on: 4625 0659*

**BELOVED" ADVENT PROGRAM AND "CRY OUT" CD**  
**Put your name down on the sign-up sheet at the back of church** for the Diocese's new beautiful 72 page pocket-size book, BELOVED, filled with *daily reflections* for the Advent and Christmas period (29 Nov to 10 Jan). Reading these short reflections is a great way to begin your day with the Lord. It is also a perfect gift idea or substitute for Christmas cards (there is a page included to write your gift message). The book is accompanied by CRY OUT, a nine track CD containing the Sunday psalms for Advent and Lent beautifully put to music in a contemporary style. Go to [www.advent.dow.org.au](http://www.advent.dow.org.au) to download a sample of the book and music but make sure you order using the sign-up sheet at church (not online) in order to get our special discounted price of only \$2 for the book and \$8 for the CD.

**PARISH DIARY DATES:**

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> November: 7.30pm** Parish Pastoral Council meeting in the Parish Hall  
**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> November: 9.30am** (after the 9.00am morning Mass) Retiree's Social Group gathering (Retiree's over 55 are most welcome)  
**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> November: 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

**PARISH ROSTERS FOR THE NEXT 2 WEEKS:**

**EXTRADORDINARY MINISTERS' OF COMMUNION FOR NEXT 2 WEEKENDS:**  
**Vigil Mass: Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> Nov: Maureen Molland and Louise Phillips**  
**9.00am Mass: Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov: Julie Writer and Annette Read**  
**Vigil Mass: Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> Nov: Winnie Cameron and James Munro**  
**9.00am Mass: Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> Nov: Catherine Minogue and Helen Rawson**

**READERS' FOR NEXT 2 WEEKENDS:**  
**(Could the 2<sup>nd</sup> Reader please read also the Prayers of Intercession)**  
**Vigil Mass: Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> Nov: Andrew James and Pauline Menzies**  
**9.00am Mass: Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov: Angela Truong and Christine Foreman**  
**Vigil Mass: Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> Nov: Pauline and Gabbie Menzies**  
**9.00am Mass: Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> Nov: Andrew Truong and Maria Feher**

**CHURCH CLEANERS' FOR NEXT 2 WEEKS**  
**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> Nov: Syro-Malabar Indian Community**  
**Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> Nov: Group 2: Cathy Bye, Kathy Donachie, Eugene Wasko and Barry Daley**

**USHERS' FOR NEXT 2 WEEKENDS:**  
**Vigil Mass: Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> Nov: Carmel Munro**  
**9.00am Mass: Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov: Brian & Gwen Harris**  
**Vigil Mass: Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> Nov: HELP NEEDED**  
**9.00am Mass: Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> Nov: Barry Daley**

**FLOWER ARRANGER'S FOR NEXT 2 WEEKENDS:**  
**22<sup>nd</sup> Nov: Ruse Samoan Divine Mercy Group**  
**29<sup>th</sup> Nov: Julie Writer**

