

**The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ
(Corpus Christi)**



18th June 2017

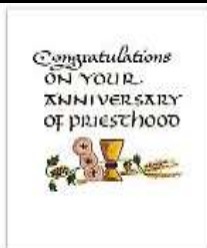
PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

"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.

*"Anymore who welcomes you, welcome me and anyone who welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me."
Matthew 10:40*

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



BELATED

CONGRATULATIONS:

To Father Michael on his 49th Anniversary to the Priesthood last Friday the 16th June

May God continually watch over you and keep you safe in the palms of his hands

PARISH COLLECTIONS:

The **FIRST COLLECTION** (taken up at the Offertory of the Mass) is for the Remuneration of the Priests of the Diocese, including the sick, Retired and aged Priests of the Diocese.

The **SECOND COLLECTION** (taken up after Holy Communion) is for the Parish expenses (electricity, repairs and maintenance, wages, insurance etc). This includes Parish Planned Giving Envelopes and all loose money in the Second Collection.

PARISH PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES: Are ready for collection. If your envelopes are not there, can you please put your name down on the clipboard in the middle of the boxes and they will be ready for you next weekend.

Planned Giving is essential to the running costs of the Parish. You are able to contribute in several ways: Weekly Envelopes, Direct Debit from your Bank Account/Credit Card, Direct Credit by electronically transferring funds (EFT) from your Bank Account direct to the St Thomas More Church Account. There are forms available to fill out on the tables of the Planned Giving Envelopes. The completed forms can be returned via: the Parish Collections, handed to Fr Michael, left at the Parish Office or in the locked letter box outside in Acacia Ave. For enquiries please contact the Parish Office on 4628 2967 or via email: ruse@dow.org.au

ST VINCENT DE PAUL – WINTER APPEAL:

Your St Vincent de Paul Conference is running the usual Winter Appeal up until 25 June 2017, principally seeking donations of food. There are envelopes at the rear of the Church for those who find cash donations more convenient. Simply put the completed envelope in either the 1st or 2nd collection.

As a priority, we are again collecting food and personal items for the Nagle Centre. Needs include tinned tuna, tinned spaghetti, baked beans, tinned soup, tinned fruit, milk powder, long life full cream milk, custard powder, hot chocolate, tea, coffee, cordial, flour, pasta sauce, tomato paste, rice and pasta. Nappies are also an expensive necessity and would be welcome as would new blankets, beanies, scarves, gloves and socks.

If able, please think of these items when grocery shopping. There will be baskets at the back of the church at each Mass until 25 June 2017.

We thank you for your ongoing generosity and prayers.

Parishioner's Birthdays for this coming week:

18th: **Isaiah Nakasenh**

If any Parishioner/s would like to have their Birthdays and or Wedding Anniversaries included in the Parish Bulletin, please contact the Parish Office: 4628 2967 or email: ruse@dow.org.au

WE WELCOME: Into our Christian Community

Willow May Hayes, Ruby Ellen Best and Asher Hamilton Antao who were Baptised last weekend.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED:

Vic Langfield (R.D. 02/06/17), (husband of Olive), Nenita Orrejas Patillano Piamonte (Anniv), Peter Thompson (Anniv), Fr Tony Daly, Keith Gomes, Ladislav Feher, Jim McKenzie, Maurya Hutton, Deborah Rix, Mary Writer, John Read, Josephine and Frank McKay, Genie Lynch, Alice Harris and Maria Cabonara. **Eternal rest grant to them O Lord and may perpetual light shine upon them.**

PLEASE PRAY FOR: The **many** sick in our Parish Community including: Moria Harris, Jessica Cartwright, Betty Byrne, Frank Byron, Chris Reddy, Rosa Santos, Pio Byron, Elaine Hoffmann, Natalie Dwyer, Aimiti Seufatu, Robert Berthaly, John Hill, Maree and Noel Laming, Rita Jowsey, Freda and Wilfred Miranda, Beryl Purcell, Ellen Healy, Jeannie and George Nicholson and Mary Fredericks.

BELATED CONGRATULATIONS: To Jeff Cross who was Instituted in the Ministry of Acolyte on Saturday 27th May by Bishop Peter Ingham.

CONFIRMATION: *Please continue to keep the 51 Candidates, their families and teachers in your prayers. The Sacrament of Confirmation will be on Saturday 1st July at 2.30pm*

PARENTS/GUARDIANS: Can you please supervise your children in the Church courtyard and Parish Hall. They are not permitted to climb the brick walls, the hand rails both leading into the Church **and** the Parish Hall, the surrounding trees and the garden in the courtyard. Supervision is your responsibility. We cannot accept liability for a child hurting themselves if they engage in these activities.

PARISH GROUNDS WORKING BEE: Next Saturday 24th June from 8.30am to prepare our Parish Grounds for the Sacrament of Confirmation (Saturday 1st July). Morning tea will be provided. The gifts of your time and talents are greatly appreciated.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION: The current roster is about to finish. If you have completed the training and would like to join this Parish Ministry please see Fr Michael or phone Bev on: 4625 0659. There is a clipboard on the table at the entrance of the Church to put your details down. **Thank you very much for the Parishioners who are current members of this Parish Ministry.**

REFRESHMENTS AFTER SUNDAY 9.00 am MASS ROSTER: This current roster is about to finish. If you would like to join this Parish Ministry please put your name down on the clipboard on the main table at the entrance to the Church. All you need is time, the ability to make a cup of tea/coffee and to be able to welcome Parishioners. For more information please phone Cathy on: 4625 5449

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: will be celebrated in the Parish early in September. We are seeking volunteers to teach classes, one per week over a four week period. If you are interested, or would like further information, please contact **Michael Young on 0414999606 or Annette Read on 0404112335. Thank you in anticipation.**

ST THOMAS MORE PARISH PLAYTIME: Is held on Tuesdays (during School Terms) from 9.30am - 11.30am in our Parish Hall. **Gold coin donation.** Parents/Guardians/Grandparents, if you have children including School aged and bubs, come for a chat and cuppa while the children enjoy playtime activities. If you have any enquiries please contact Catherine on 4627 1842.

THE RETIREES SOCIAL GROUP: Would like to invite senior parishioners (over 55) to join our group in the hall after 9.30am Mass (Thursday's). We meet twice a month, with the next meeting on Thursday 29th June, then a fortnight later on 13th July. Please come and join us for a cuppa and a chat, share many laughs and form new friendships. We hope you will join us. Hope to see you there. **From your fellow Retired Parishioners.**

PARISH MAINTENANCE: A reminder regarding the Parish Maintenance book on the main table at the entrance of the Church. You can either write in the book or phone/email the Parish Office, if you are aware or notice anything that is in need of repair.

FEAST OF ST THOMAS MORE: FRIDAY 23rd JUNE: There is a Mass time change to 9.45am (this is a once off). All Parishioners and visitors are invited to join with our Catholic Primary School, St Thomas More, Staff and Students in celebrating the Feast Day of St Thomas More. You are also invited after the Mass to go to the School at 11.30am for morning tea.

ST THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL: Save the dates: **Sunday 6th August - School Fete.** **St Thomas More School Shopping bus trip: Saturday 7th October** leaving the Church grounds at 7.00am. More details to come. **Please take home a copy of the School Newsletter and keep up to date with what is happening in our Parish Catholic Primary School.**

CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION: You are invited (today) 18th June at 2.30pm to Our Lady Help of Christians Parish, Rosemeadow will be holding their Annual Procession in honour of the Blessed Sacrament on Feast of Corpus Christi. It will include Scripture Readings, Rosary, Procession and Benediction. Bishop Peter Ingham will preside and preach. Please join in this witness to our Eucharistic Lord among us.

menALIVE WEEKEND FOR MEN: Is next weekend 24/25 June in Oran Parish. For more information/enquiries phone Ian Boorman 042 700 6021 or Oran Park Parish Office on 4628 2226 or email oranparkmen@dow.org.au.

2017 SIGNIFICANT MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARIES MASS If you are celebrating **25, 40, 50 or 60 years** of marriage this year and would like an invitation to the Mass to be celebrated by Bishop Peter Ingham at St John Vianney Co-Cathedral, Fairy Meadow on **Sunday, 13 August 2017** at 2.00pm, contact Helen Bennett 4222 2403 or email helen.bennett@dow.org.au at the Office of the Bishop by Monday 10 July and an invitation will be sent to you.

PARISH ROSARY STATUE

If you would like to have the Parish Rosary Statue in your home, **please phone Bev on: 4625 0659.** **"When you prayer the Rosary, you have our Lady's hand in your hand. When you pray the Holy rosary, you have the power of God in your hand".**

PARISH DIARY DATES:

Thursday 15th June: Retiree's Social Group gathering is after the 9.30am Mass. **(Any Retirees over the age of 55 are warmly welcome to join this group).** Gathering is held in the Parish Hall. (see notice)
Saturday 24th June: From 8.30am Parish Grounds clean up for Confirmation (Saturday 1st July)
Tuesday 27th June: 7.30pm St Vincent de Paul Conference meeting in the Parish Centre

PARISH ROSTERS FOR THE NEXT 2 WEEKS:

EXTRADORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION FOR NEXT WEEKEND:
24th June: Saturday Vigil Mass: Winnie Cameron & Maureen Molland
25th June: Sunday 9.00am Mass: Annette Read & Julie Writer

READERS FOR THE NEXT 2 WEEKENDS:
24th June: Saturday Vigil Mass: James & Carmel Munro
25th June: Sunday 9.00am Mass: Christine Foreman & Alison Hourigan
1st July: Saturday Vigil Mass: Kerry Hennessy & Julie McKenzie
2nd July: Sunday 9.00am Mass: Chelsea Gaut & Marian Cross

USHERS FOR THE NEXT 2 WEEKENDS:
24th June: Saturday Vigil Mass: Maureen Molland
25th June: Sunday 9.00am Mass: Gwen & Brian Harris
1st July: Saturday Vigil Mass: Vicky Horne
2nd July: Sunday 9.00am Mass: Barry Daley

CHURCH CLEANERS' FOR NEXT 2 WEEKS:
Saturday 24th June: Group 6: Tongan Youth Group
Saturday 1st July: Group 2: Cathy Bye, Barry Daley, Eugene Wasko and Kathy Donachie

