

**14th Sunday of Ordinary Time**  
**Year C**  
**7<sup>th</sup> July 2013**

**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"*



**"As you walk in the glory of God's garden of life, may you celebrate another year of the riches He has given you."**

The Parishioners and friends of St Thomas More Catholic Parish would like to wish Fr Tony a very happy Happy Birthday for this Thursday (11<sup>th</sup> July).

**CONFIRMATION 2013**

Confirmation classes have begun, there are no lessons during the School holidays.

**They will re-commence next Sunday (14th July).**

**The Sacrament of Confirmation will be Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> August 2013 at 4.00pm**

**Please keep the Candidates and their families in your prayers.**

**Diary Dates:**

- **Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July** St Vincent de Paul Society meeting at 7.45pm in the Parish Centre **new members are most welcome**
- **Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July** Parish Pastoral Council meeting at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall
- **Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July** Parish Finance Council meeting at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre
- **Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July** Retiree's Social Group gathering in the Parish Hall after the 9.00am Mass (Retiree's over 55 are more than welcome to come along, for a cuppa, chat and lots of laughs)

**WE WELCOME:** Into our Christian Community: **Kylie Lane, Christian Taieri Alae Patten, Bryce Craig Shaw, Adam Shaw and Trent Shaw** who were all Baptised last weekend.

**PARISH BIRTHDAYS FOR THIS WEEK:**

**8<sup>th</sup>:** David Minogue  
**11<sup>th</sup>:** Fr Tony  
**12<sup>th</sup>:** Annabelle Francois

**IF YOU KNOW OF ANYONE IN OUR PARISH: Who is ill, and would like to have Holy Communion please let Fr Tony or the Parish Office know on 4628 2967. Or if you would like a visit from Fr Tony please notify Fr Tony or the Parish Office .**

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:**

Please pray for the many sick in our parish community: Barry Daley, Melanie Blessing, Mary Nelson, Yvonne Reddy, Diko Liban, Candice Walker, Ellen Healy, Tina Boyd, Colum Brennan, Len Donoghue, Kelly Berthaly, Mary Fredericks, Jean Nicholson, Mary Pace, Ken Smith, Zanaba Liban, Lorraine Evans, Sitani Nasio, Kevin Hardinge, Gino Stephen, Iris Stephen, Beryl Purcell, Gloria Eggert, Barbara DeVillie, Jill Lovell, Salesi Kaufusi, Rita Bingham, Sam Sheather, John McCann, Ken Churchill and Giovanna Cancellieri.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED:**

Reg Absolem (R.D.), Kay Berton, Joseph Daly, Maclovia Herrera, Agustin Gonzalez, Peter Daly, Fr Richard Mirouski (OFM Conv), Delma Hooton, Wilfred (Bill) Ford, Alice Harris, Mary Writer, Joseph Rodrigues, Limita Rodrigues, Nypha Vaz, Carlos Carvalho, Cecil Moylan, Emily Wauchop, Michael Seufatu, Caroline D'Mello, Ladislav Feher, Stephen Vaz, Sioli Salas, Robin Platt, Maurya Hutton, Jim McKenzie, Ronald Dawson, Anthony Jabbour, Dominic Pereira, Peter Pereira, Bernard Hoffman, Deborah Rix, Pat Purcell, Genie Lynch, Frank McKay, Frank Keevers, Laurie Keevers, John DeVillie, Keith Gomes and Maria Cabonara and for anyone else who's Anniversary occurs at this time.

**PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES:**

The Planned Giving Envelopes for next financial year are available at the entrance of the church. If you wish to join our Parish Planned Giving program, forms are available on the table near the envelopes. You can either drop the completed forms in the collection baskets or into the Parish Office. **We have two options you can either Direct Debit (once a month) or have the Planned Giving Envelopes. For more enquiries please contact the Parish Office during Office hours on 4628 2967**

**READERS:** The current readers' roster will expire at the end of July and if you have been a reader, please continue. **This also includes "old readers"**. If you have ever considered joining this Ministry now is the time to do so. New readers on our last roster, including several young people, **have done a great job**. Remember, we are never alone at the lectern – **the Holy Spirit is with us always**.

The new roster will be followed by a readers' workshop and anyone who has not done one is invited to participate. There is a clipboard at the back of the Church. Please put your name and contact details (even the "old Readers" under your choice of Mass times. How often you read will depend on the number of people on the roster.

*Thanking you all*

*Julie*

**THIS WEEKS CATHOLIC WEEKLY:** Great value for only \$2.00 please don't forget to **buy** your copy, they are available on the table near the main entrance of the Church. **Some articles of interest are:** Ministry to sick, aged and dying is a privilege, says jubilarian priest etc

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL – WINTER APPEAL:**

This is the final weekend of the 2013 Winter Appeal and we are hoping for a big finish. There are envelopes on the seats at Mass and you can still make a cash or credit card donation. To do this, simply put the completed envelope on the plate at either the 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> collection. Envelopes will continue to be available at the back of the Church for the remainder of Winter.

**Once again the Parish has been very generous in donating food for the Nagle Centre who continue to need; tinned tuna, pasta, tinned fruit, tinned soup, tinned vegetables, tomato sauce, long life milk, cordial and nappies are also needed**

**If you miss this week's collection, these items can be delivered to the Parish office during office hours. We thank you for what has once again, been a very generous response by the Parish, to this important appeal**

**DIVINE MERCY:** Every Sunday the Samoan Divine Mercy prayer group begins at 1.00pm in our Parish Church. All parishioners are most welcome. For more information please phone Maria on 9603 5106 or 0404929498.

The Divine Mercy group also visit the Reiby Detention Centre in Airds on the 4th Saturday of the month. If you would like to donate chips and/or poppers that the group can take to the Detention Centre to share with the boys, it would be greatly appreciated. **The Divine Mercy Group would like to give a huge thanks to the Parishioners who have given/and continue to give donations for the Reiby Detention Centre.**

**ANNOUNCING DIOCESAN CHOIR FORMATION:** The Diocese is forming a Diocesan Choir to support major Diocesan liturgies and has appointed Robyn O'Dea as its inaugural Choir Conductor. The Choir's first event is the Anniversaries Mass on 8 September at St John Vianney Co-Cathedral, Fairy Meadow. We are now seeking choristers from around the Diocese to be a part of the inaugural event. Please contact Paul Mason 4222 2462 or Helen Bennett on 4222 2403, or provide details at <http://tin>

**'JOURNEY INTO CHRIST' - WORKSHOPS ON SUPPORTING MINISTRIES OF INITIATION:**

**Thursday 11 July 2013, 2:30pm – 5:00pm "Ministries of Initiation in a Regional Context" 7:30pm – 9:30pm "Catechesis: Practicalities & Resources" both of these will be held in our Parish Hall.** How do we support those who are becoming Catholic? This will be the central theme of these two workshops presented by nationally renowned speaker and educator Fr Elio Capra. These two workshops will explore the various ministries involved in supporting the journey of initiation and the practicalities and resources available for catechesis and instruction of those who join our Catholic faith. You are invited to attend either one or both workshops. For further information and to **book your place contact Darren McDowell, 4222 2463 or [darren.mcdowell@dow.org.au](mailto:darren.mcdowell@dow.org.au)**

**MACARTHUR SOCIAL JUSTICE NETWORK:** Will be holding their next meeting in our Parish Hall next Saturday (13<sup>th</sup> July) from 2.30pm – 4.30pm. They will be discussing "The Bishops' Vote for the Common Good election statement". All parishioners are invited to come along and have their say.

**A WORKSHOP FOR EVERYONE INVOLVED IN FAITH FORMATION:**

Especially those in Parish Pastoral Councils, Sacramental Preparation, Catechists etc. Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> July 9.30am – 2.30pm at Xavier Centre Conference Rooms 38 Harbour St Wollongong. RSVP Darren McDowell 4222 2463 or [Darren.mcdowell@dow.org.au](mailto:Darren.mcdowell@dow.org.au). Gold Coin donation.

**OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL FEAST DAY 14 JULY AT 10AM:** Please come and share the feast day celebration for our Patron Saint on Sunday 14 July 10am Mass to be followed by a procession carrying Our Lady's Statue. International lunch, concert and children's activities in the afternoon. Entry is free, please bring a picnic to share. Venue: 193 St Andrews Road, Varroville. Please RSVP via parish office on 9603 7373.

**FRENCH MASS:** Will be celebrated on next Sunday (14<sup>th</sup> July) at 6.30pm at St John's Catholic Church, Campbelltown.

**CAMPBELLTOWN CATHOLIC CLUB COMMUNION LUNCHEON:**

Will be held on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> August 2013. Mass will be celebrated at Mt Carmel Catholic Church, Varroville at 11.30am followed by the Communion Luncheon at the Catholic Club at 1.00pm. Tickets are \$15.00 per head. If you would like to be on the Parish Table please put your name and details down on the clipboard at the entrance of the Church. We need to know numbers ASAP as there are no reserved tables.

**EXPLORE THE SCRIPTURES: AN INTRODUCTION TO THE BIBLE: 2<sup>nd</sup> August: To be held in our Parish Hall from 1-3pm;**

What questions do you have about the Bible? Would you like to know more about the Scriptures, their contents and themes? These workshops will provide an introduction to the Bible and begin to explore your questions about these texts. Also on display will be further resources and opportunities to develop your interest in this area of faith formation. For further information and to register contact Darren McDowell, 4222 2463 or [cfl@dow.org.au](mailto:cfl@dow.org.au)

**MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARIES MASS 2013:**

If you are celebrating **25, 40, 50 or 60 years** of marriage this year and wish the Mass to be celebrated by Bishop Peter Ingham at **St John Vianney Co-Cathedral, Fairy Meadow** on **Sunday, 8 September 2013 at 2.00pm**, please contact **Helen Bennett** [helen.bennett@dow.org.au](mailto:helen.bennett@dow.org.au). at the Office of the Bishop by Friday 26 July. Tickets will be sent to you.

**PARISH ROSARY STATUE:** The Parish Rosary Statue will be in the home of **Mary Pospesel** for two weeks, commencing **Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July to Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> July..** The address is on the Main notice board at the side of the Church. The Rosary will be on **Mondays at 3.00pm.** **Please collect the statue from the Church on the weekend and return it the following fortnight.**

**READERS FOR JULY:**

**Vigil Mass:** Bev McKenzie and Louise Phillips  
**9.00am Mass:** 7<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup>: Barry Daley & Bill Fabry  
21<sup>st</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>: Sinisiti Filitoga and Noel Laming

(Could the 2<sup>nd</sup> Reader please also read the Prayers of the Faithful)

**USHER'S for next weekend:**

**Vigil Mass:** Vicky Horne  
**9am Mass:** Christine Foreman

**FLOWER'S FOR NEXT WEEK:** Samoan Divine Mercy Group

**CHURCH CLEANER'S FOR NEXT WEEK:** Group 2: Cathy Bye, Barry Daley, Eugene Wasko, Kathy Donachie and Arthur Michelutti

