

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time



26th June 2016

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THE YEAR OF MERCY

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 (ALTAR BREAD): If you require *Gluten Free Hosts* for Holy Communion please see the Acolytes before Mass and they will be available for you at Holy Communion.



The Parishioners of St Thomas More Parish Ruse, would like to welcome Most Reverend Peter Ingham DD, Reverend Dean Michael Healy (Dean of the Hume Deanery), Fr Patrick Vaughan (past Parish Priest), Fr Ron Peters, Fr Carl Shaffer ofm, Fr Terry Herbert and Fr Sijio Edakkudiyil who are celebrating our Anniversary Mass with us. Apologies and best wishes have been forwarded by past Parish Priests: Fr John Ho and Fr Mark O'Keefe who are unable to be with us tonight.

We also welcome, current and past Parishioners and visitors who are joining in the celebration of our 30th Anniversary of the Parish Church Opening. Please join us in the Parish Hall after Mass for Super. Also for a farewell morning Tea for Fr Andrew ofm after the Sunday 9.00am morning Mass.



A HUGE THANK YOU to FATHER ANDREW ofm: For his Pastoral care to our Parish since his arrival on Palm Sunday (19th March). We prayer for God's blessings on his next Priestly journey. THANK YOU FR ANDREW GOD BLESS

WE WELCOME INTO OUR CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY: *Ayva Jane Mathews, Luke Nelson and Eden Esteban Machuca* who were Baptised last weekend. Congratulations to *Ayva Jane Mathews* who also received for the first time The Body and Blood Christ (First Holy Communion).

PLEASE PRAY FOR: The *many* sick in our Parish Community **including:** Ken Dewick, John Hill, Aubrey Elizabeth (premmie baby), Liban (Wako) Family, Maree and Noel Laming, Rita Jowsey, Jeannie and George Nicholson, Freda and Wilfred Miranda, Beryl Purcell, Ellen Healy, Obeid Family, John Donnelly, Ken Churchill, Natalie Dwyer and Mary Fredericks.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED: Please pray for the recently deceased and those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Paula Fanua, John Hennessy, Elaine Croft, Alice Harris, Angelina Cameron, Mary Writer, Fr Anthony (Tony) Daly, Betty White, Ladislav Feher, Genie Lynch, Jim McKenzie, Maurya Hutton, Deborah Rix, Josephine and Frank McKay, Bernard Hoffmann and Maria Cabonara. **May eternal rest grant to them O Lord and may perpetual light shine upon them.**

Parishioners Birthdays this week:
25th: *Gil Rae* 26th: *Gabbie Menzies*
30th: *Kelvin (Jim) Eggert & Pauline Menzies*
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

SACRAMENTAL TEAM VOLUNTEERS: Volunteers are sought to teach one lesson each week over a four week period, plus an information session (1 hour) for the parents and a practice session the week before Confirmation. Support and training is available to help with these lessons. If you are able to assist, please leave your name and phone number with the Parish Office and you will be contacted by a member of the Sacramental Team;

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION (Saturday 3rd September at 3.00pm): The Information/Enrolment evening is on Wednesday 27th July at 7.00pm. The Candidates have to be in Year 6 and above and have to have made their Reconciliation and First Holy Communion.

PARISH PLANNED GIVING: ENVELOPES ARE READY FOR COLLECTION in the box at the entrance of the Church. Planned Giving is essential to the running costs of the Parish. Did you know that you can contribute in several ways: Weekly Envelopes, Direct Debit from your Bank Account, Direct Credit by electronically transferring funds (EFT) from your Bank Account direct to the St Thomas More Church Account. Irregular contributions. (The Direct Credit facility is new and means that you control when you contribute but you need to join the Planned Giving Program to ensure that your contribution is recognized in our Finance System.) **If you would like to join the Planned Giving Program please contact the Parish Office on 46282867 or e-mail: ruse@dow.org.au. Thank you.**

ST VINCENT DE PAUL – WINTER APPEAL: Due to great need, the St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal will continue for a few more weeks. There are envelopes at the back of the Church for anyone wishing to make a cash donation. Most importantly we need food and personal items for the Nagle Centre, who provide warm meals to the homeless, needy and lonely people of our area. The Centre's **urgent** needs include: Tinned tuna/ meat/spaghetti/ baked beans/soup/ meals, Tinned fruit, Milk powder/ condensed milk, Long life full cream milk, Custard powder, Hot chocolate/ Milo, Tea/ coffee/ cordial, Plain and self-raising flour, Pasta sauce, Tomato paste, Beef stock cubes, Any herbs & spices. Nappies 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 for the next few weeks. **We thank you for your ongoing generosity and prayers.**

Fr Tony's family are holding a service for Fr Tony Daly on Saturday 9 July 2016 in Broken Hill NSW. The service will be at the Sacred Heart Cathedral corner of Lane & Sulphide Streets at 10am. After the Service, there will be a brief service for Fr Tony's Ashes to be placed with his brother Peter Daly at the Broken Hill Cemetery at 72 Rakow St. Following the services there people are most welcome to attend the Barrier Social Democratic Club (Demo Club) at 281 Argent St. If you have any questions please contact Jim Daly 080 881783, Josie Hardinge 03 6244 2752 or Neil Johnston 0438 709 351 or email Neil at safety@sbsafety.com.au

FATHER TONY'S PONTIFICAL FUNERAL MEMORIAL CARD: We have Fr Tony's Memorial Cards available for you to take home. They are available on all the tables at the entrance of the Church.

ST THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL
Please take home a copy of our Parish Catholic Primary School newsletter and keep up to date with what is happening.

ST THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL: Save the date: Sunday 7th August: School Fete. More details to follow.

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

MT CARMEL RETREAT CENTRE:
Day retreat: Modern living and the challenge of faith Jul 2 @ 10.20am - 4.00pm, Cost: \$25.00
Presenter: Stephen Miller. The retreat will use Arthur Boyd's series of paintings of a great Babylonian king's demise to help us reflect on the complexity of belief today.
Bookings: Phone: 02 8795 3400 Email: retreats@carmelite.com www.carmeliteretreats.com.au

ENCOUNTERING JESUS IN THE SACRAMENTS OF MERCY Tuesday 12 July, 7:30-9:30pm, St Thomas More Parish Hall. Paul Mason presents an exploration of the sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation, Eucharist, and the Anointing of the Sick in the context of God's enduring mercy and the life, death and resurrection of Jesus. **Registration essential to Helen Bennett 4222 2403 or helen.bennett@dow.org.au**

CATHOLIC MISSION ANNUAL APPEAL: Please consider partnering with us through a regular monthly gift to continue your support of our vital work. **Freecall: 1800 257 296 or catholicmission.org.au/cambodia**

VOLUNTEERS FOR EXCITING NEW YOUTH MINISTRY INITIATIVES – APPLY NOW! If you're aged 18-35 and interested in music, sound, lighting, events, teaching, preaching, dance, drama, leadership or just want to lend a hand, call Seth Harsh on 4222 2460 or email seth.harsh@dow.org.au.

PARISH ROSARY STATUE:
For the next 2 Monday's 27th June and 4th July. The Parish Rosary Statue will be in the Home of Beverley and will be Prayed on Monday's at 5.00pm. The address is on the main noticeboard. If you would like to have the Parish Rosary Statue in your home, please phone Bev on: 4625 0659
Saying the Rosary, the family Rosary every day brings peace in the family. "The family that prays together, stays together".

DIARY DATES TO REMEMBER:
Tuesday 28th June: 7.30pm St Vincent de Paul Conference meeting in the Parish Centre (come along to hear about all their good works)
Thursday 30th June: 9.30am Retiree's Social Group Gathering in the Parish Hall (Retired over 55's are most welcome)
Monday 4th July: 7.30pm Parish Ladies group meeting in the Parish Centre
Tuesday 5th July: 7.00pm Baptism Preparation Class in the Parish Centre

PARISH ROSTERS FOR THE NEXT 2 WEEKS:

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION FOR THE NEXT 2 WEEKS:
Vigil Mass: Saturday 2nd July: Maureen Molland & Bev McKenzie
9.00am Mass: Sunday 3rd July: Fay and Junior Faamau
Vigil Mass: Saturday 9th July: Winnie Cameron & James Munro
9.00am Mass: 10th July: Helen Rawson & Julie Writer

CHURCH CLEANERS' FOR NEXT 2 WEEKS:
Saturday 2nd July: Tongan Youth Group
Saturday 9th July: Group 2: Cathy Bye, Barry Daley, Kathy Donachie and Eugene Wasko

USHERS' FOR NEXT 2 WEEKENDS:
Vigil Mass: Saturday 2nd July: Vicky Horne
9.00am Mass: Sunday 3rd July: Gwen & Brian Harris
Vigil Mass: Saturday 9th July: Carmel Munro
9.00am Mass: Sunday 10th July: Barry Daley

Refreshments after Sunday 9.00am Mass: Sunday 17th July: Tongan Community

Thank you everyone for joining in the Celebration of the Parish's 30th Anniversary of the Opening of St Thomas More Catholic Church, Ruse.



