

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C
(Diocese of Wollongong: Patronal Feast of the
Immaculate Heart of Mary)



30th June 2019

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, welcomes 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.

PARENTS/GUARDIANS: Can you please supervise your children in the Church courtyard and Chelsea House (Parish Hall). They are **not** permitted to climb the brick walls, the hand rails both leading into the Church **and** Chelsea House (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.**

2019 CATHOLIC MISSION APPEAL: GHANA

This year's Catholic Mission Church Appeal highlights the life-saving work supported by Catholic Mission in Ghana, through programs designed to rescue babies and children who are vulnerable and foster their personal development for a brighter future. Freecall: 1800 257 296
catholicmission.org.au/Ghana

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION: Congratulations to the 52 Candidates who were Confirmed last weekend. "May the gifts of the Holy spirit, which they received, assist them to be active members of the Church, and always help them to live their lives as Catholic Christians, and to bear fruitful witness to Jesus throughout their lives".

Thank you to the Sacramental Team (Admin and Teacher's) Powerpoint Creator, Sacristan, Choir, and their families in preparing the Candidates, for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Thank you also to the Church Cleaners and Groundsmen for making our Church and grounds neat and tidy for us to worship in.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: Parent/Carer Information and Enrolment Evening is on **Monday 12th August at 7.00pm** in the Parish Church. Your child must be in Year 3 and above, to be Baptised Catholic and to have made their Reconciliation.

WE WELCOME INTO OUR CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY:

Aoife Jane Volker who was Baptised last weekend.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED *and the ANNIVERSARIES THAT OCCUR AT THIS TIME:*

John Read (Anniv), Dulcie Munro (Anniv), Alberto Michelutti (10th Anniv), Theresa Pierce, John & Constance Thomas, John Mir, Therese Mir, Theresa Malervery, William (Bill) Ford, Travis Southby, Robyn Albury, Erlinda Santos, Cynthia Carmona, Tom Oxley, Len Donoghue, Geoffery Manche, Petel Neeves, Cohan Boyd, Marguerite (Marg) Davis, David Peters, Mary Byrne, Mary Writer, Carmel O'Hara, Fr Tony Daly, Gail Wylie, Maree Laming, Keith Gomes, Balbino Gomes, Kim Rimkus, Kyle Miller, Beryl Ford, Jim McKenzie, Maurya Hutton, Deborah Rix, John Read, Alice Harris, Ladislav Feher, Bobby Cameron, Bernard Hoffmann and Maria Cabonara.

PLEASE PRAY FOR: The *many* sick in our Parish Community including: Luke Van Der Burg, Briege Glover, Clare McManus, Steve Foreman, Jasper Alison (baby), Fr John Whitty, Roge Beshoy(baby), Elaine Hoffmann, Ellen Healy, Patricia McInerney, Helen Rawson, Betty Berthon, Brenda Baker, Moria Harris, Jessica Cartwright, Betty Byrne, Rosa Santos, Aimiti Seufatu, John Hill, Rita Jowsey, Freda and Wilfred Miranda, Beryl Purcell, Jeannie and George Nicholson and Mary Fredericks.

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

St Vincent de Paul – Winter Appeal 2019:

Our Winter Appeal has concluded and your St Vincent de Paul conference wishes to thank everyone who contributed to the Appeal this year. We would especially like to thank Fr Michael for his encouragement and support. Envelopes will remain available at the back of the Church and these may be completed at any time and placed in either collection or delivered to the Parish Office.

*Any further food donations can also be delivered to the Parish Office during business hours.
Again, thank you to the St Thomas More Parish community, for your wonderful generosity and support.*

SAVE THE DATE: PARISH LADIES GROUP HIGH TEA: Next Sunday 7th July. In Chelsea House 12noon to 2.30pm. A fun afternoon is promised to all ladies over 18. \$15.00 per head to be paid on the day. **RSVP: Monday 1st July (for catering purposes) either on the clipboard on the table at the Entrance to the Church, or the Parish Office either by phone 4628 2967 or email: ruse@dow.org.au. Please take home an invitation**

THE NAGLE CENTRE: Urgently require volunteers to assist in the kitchen with dinners on a Tuesday evening. Hours are from 4pm until 7.30/8.00pm. If you are able to assist or would like to find out more, please call Leonie on 46282928.

CATHOLIC WEEKLY: Filled with many articles etc. A bargain at \$2.00 each, **please put monies in the red letterbox on the table.**

CHILDREN'S LITURGY 2019: is held during the Sunday 9.00am Mass during School Terms. For children from Kindergarten to Year 6 (inclusive). For more details and/or if you would like to join this Parish Ministry please contact Joanne on 042 180 2132.

ST THOMAS MORE PARISH PLAYTIME 2019: is held in Chelsea House (Parish Hall) on Tuesdays during School Terms 9.30am – 11.30am. Mums/Dads/Carers/Grandparents come along with your pre-school child/children. A gold coin donation.

PARISH PLANNED GIVING: 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/Credit Card, Direct Credit by electronically transferring funds (EFT) from your Bank Account direct to the St Thomas More Church Account and cheques/cash. If you would like to join our Parish Planned Giving program, please contact the Parish Office on 4628 2967 or email: ruse@dow.org.au. There are also forms on the tables at the entrance to the Church. **The Planned Giving Envelopes for 2018/2019 financial year are ready for collection.**

PARISH PIETY STALL: Come and peruse our Parish Piety Stall, there are many new items for sale eg: Rosary Beads, Religious Cards, books etc. Gift ideas for Baptisms, First Holy Communion and Confirmation.

Campbelltown Catholic Club's Annual Communion Mass & Luncheon: Sunday 28 July 2019: 10.30am Mass in our Parish Church and will be concelebrated by Bishop Brian Mascord DD and Fr Michael Healy PP. Followed by lunch at THE CUBE, Campbelltown Catholic Club at 12.30pm.

ST THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL: SAVE THE DATE: SCHOOL FETE: Sunday 4th August 2019. More details to follow. **To keep up to date with our Parish School, please take home a copy of their School Newsletter.**

MT CARMEL RETREAT CENTRE MAY RETREATS:

247 St Andrews Road, Varroville, Ph: 8795 3400
retreats@carmelite.com.au, www.carmeliteretreats.com.au
Spiritual Pot Pourri: When: 5-7 July: Presenter: Bishop Peter Ingham, Cost: \$300 (concessions apply) Contact: Mrs Carla Walker 02 8795 3400. A Pot Pourri is a mixture of flowers, herbs and spices in a sachet or bowl to provide a gentle natural scent. Here it will be an unusual/interesting mixture of things of the Spirit so that we create a good impression after us.

2019 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 Brian Mascord at St John Vianney co-Cathedral, Fairy Meadow on Sunday, 4 August 2019 at 2pm, please contact Helen Bennett 4222 2403 or email helen.bennett@dow.org.au at the Office of the Bishop by Friday 13 July and an invitation will be sent to you.

DIARY DATES TO NOTE:

Monday 1st July: 6.30pm Baptism Preparation Class in the Parish Centre
Monday 1st July: 7.30pm Parish Ladies Group Meeting in the Parish Centre
Sunday 7th July: 12noon – 2.30pm Parish Ladies Group High in Chelsea House
Tuesday 9th July: 7.30pm St Vincent de Paul Conference Meeting in the Parish Centre
Thursday 11th July: Retiree's Social Group Gathering after the 9.30am morning Mass in Chelsea House (Parish Hall)

ROSTERS FOR THE NEXT 2 WEEKS:

- **USHERS**
Saturday 6th July: Vigil Mass: Carmel Munro
Sunday 7th July: 9.00am Mass: Gwen and Brian Harris
Saturday 13th July: Vigil Mass: Vicki Horne
Sunday 14th July: 9.00am Mass: Christine Foreman
- **READERS:**
Saturday 6th July: Vigil Mass: Raquel Villareal and Julie McKenzie
Sunday 7th July: 9.00am Mass: Maryse Parisi and David Minogue
Saturday 13th July: Vigil Mass: May Michelutti and Stephanie Roux
Sunday 14th July: 9.00am Mass: Samoan Community
- **EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION**
Saturday 6th July: Vigil Mass: John Greene and Bev McKenzie
Sunday 7th July: 9.00am Mass: Catherine Minogue and Julie Writer
Saturday 13th July: Vigil Mass: Trish Newman and Bertha Berbari
Sunday 14th July: 9.00am Mass: Loretta & Lafitaga Tuigamala
- **POWERPOINT OPERATOR'S:**
Saturday 6th July: Vigil Mass: Joshua Star
Sunday 7th July: 9.00am Mass: Gwen Harris
Saturday 13th July: Vigil Mass: Chantal Berbari
Sunday 14th July: 9.00am Mass: Gwen Harris
- **CHURCH CLEANERS:**
Saturday 6th July: Group 2: Cathy Bye, Kathy Donachie, Eugene Wasko and Barry Daley
Saturday 13th July: Group 3: Christine Foreman, Christine Charlton, James and Carmel Munro
- **REFRESHMENTS AFTER SUNDAY 9.00AM MASS:**
14th July: Group 4: Julie Writer, Maryse Parisi, Catherine Minogue, Yvonne Reddy, Rosalie Vine and Hang Bin.

The Immaculate Heart of Mary.

May we continue to contemplate the Virgin Mary, who pondered in her heart the mystery of Christ. We know that Mary is present as a mother to us so shares in the many complicated problems which today beset the lives of individuals, families, parishes, schools and communities.

We know that May has a heart for the Christian people in our constant struggle between good and evil, to ensure that we do not fall, or, if we have fallen, that we rise again.

The Blessed Virgin Mary is an image of the Church which, nourished by hope, acknowledges the saving and merciful action of God, in whose light our diocese reads our own journey and all of history. Mary helps us to interpret all that happens to us in the light of Jesus her Son. As a new creation moulded by the Holy Spirit, Mary causes the virtue of hope to grow within us.

To the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Mother of hope and of consolation, we confidently lift up our prayer: to Mary we entrust the future of the Diocese of Wollongong.