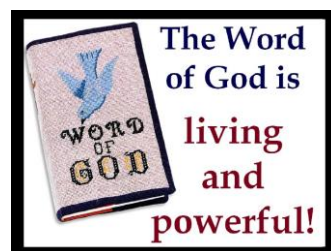


27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Year B
4th October 2015



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.

PLEASE PRAY FOR: The *many* sick in our Parish Community including: Bernie Smith, Stevie Dilen, Michael Bye, Bill Eccleston, Maree and Noel Laming, 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 PRAY FOR: The recently deceased and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time. Elizabeth Usaia (R.D.), Imelda Zamprogno (R.D.), Leslie & Coral Dawson, Joseph Dawson, Suaesi Faamau, Emil Avila, Bishop William Brennan, Peter, Diminico & Loretta Giannetti, Gino & Emilia Dicesare, Kevin Hardinge, Bernard Hoffmann, Marcia Rae, Joan Bauer, Tina Boyd, Lena Pereira, Mary Berbari, Maria Cabonara, Deborah Rix, John Read, Mary Writer, Genie Lynch, Josephine McKay, Frank McKay, Jim McKenzie, and Maurya Hutton. *May eternal rest grant to them O Lord and may perpetual lights shine upon them.*

WE WELCOME: Into our Christian Community: *Grace Ellen and Mason David Wagstaff* who were Baptised last weekend.

We also welcome into our Christian Community: *Michael Ross Brislane* who was Received into the Catholic Church and also made the Sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation last Saturday.

Parishioner Birthday for this week:

4th: *John Berbari*

Wedding Anniversary for this week:

9th: *Maureen and Bill Molland (39 years)*

If any Parishioner/s would like to have their Birthdays and or Wedding Anniversaries included in the bulletin, please either inform Fr Tony or contact the Parish Office on 4628 2967 or ruse@dow.org.au

WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK NUMBERS

(REMINDER): If any Parishioner in their Parish Ministry that involves working with children has not given Fr Tony their WWC number could they do so please ASAP or if you require assistance to apply for a Working With Children Approval under Child Protection Legislation please either see Fr Tony or come into the Parish Office during Office Hours.

WE WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL: For Term 4 all our School children and Teacher's from their holiday break and wish them well for the last School Term for 2015.

We also wish all the students who are studying for the HSC the very best.

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

PARISH CHILDREN'S LITURGY (Kindergarten to Year 6 inclusive will return next Sunday (11th October): At the Sunday at the 9.00am Mass during School Terms.

THOMAS MORE PLAYTIME (will return this Tuesday (6th October): Tuesdays 9.30am - 11.30am in our Parish Hall during school terms. **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**

ST THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC PARISH CHURCH FACEBOOK:

If you haven't had the chance to look on our Parish Facebook, please do so. You will see pictures of what has been happening in our Parish as well as other information from the Diocese of Wollongong and the Vatican.

ST THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL:

Please support the Shoe Box Christmas Gift Donation – notes regarding this are on the tables at the entrance of the Church.

2016 COLUMBAN ART CALENDAR: Is available at the Piety Stall, \$9.00 per copy. An explanation of the artwork and a written resource is available at no cost at www.columban.org.au/2016artguide.

POSITION VACANT PASTORAL SUPPORT WORKER, SCHOOL CHAPLAINCY: *Based in various schools within the Diocese of Wollongong (Temporary part-time (minimum 10 hpw) commencing Term 1 2016.* For more information including application pack call Peter Burgoyne on 4254 9354. go to Careers page at www.catholiccare.dow.org.au or

THE JOURNEY CATHOLIC RADIO PROGRAM – AIRS

(Sunday) 4 October 2015: This week on *The Journey* Sr Hilda Scott OSB challenges us on the importance of going to Church on Sunday and Dr Byron Pirola speaks about his many marriages to the same person. Tune into PULSE 94.1 FM on Sun at 11am or go to www.jcr.org.au or www.itunes.jcr.org.au where you can listen anytime and subscribe to weekly shows by email.

BLESSING OF ANIMALS at St Michael's Parish, Thirroul: 9:30am this, **Monday 5 October.** The annual **Blessing of Animals** will take place at 9:30am, **Monday, 5 October.** All animals are welcome, however, the larger camels must be restrained on tight leashes. **St Francis of Assisi**, whose feast day is on **Sunday, 4 October** is the patron of animals, ecology, Italy, San Francisco and the care of the environment – to name a few.

MATER DEI COUNTRY FAIR: Parishioners are invited to Mater Dei's Country Fair next Sunday 11 Oct – 9am – 3pm. Funds raised is for specialised education for 147 students in the Primary and Secondary School and the 4 Group homes as well as programs offered in Early Intervention to 180 babies and pre-schoolers with special needs. Come along and make a difference to their lives.

WEEKEND RETREAT: Becoming Fully Alive – a prayerful journey with St Teresa of Avila. Presenter: Dr Richard Hardy. Where: Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, 247 St Andrews Road, Varroville. When: October 9 – 11. Cost: \$220 (concessions apply). For more information please either: phone: 8795 3400, Email: retreats@carmelite.com or www.carmeliteretreats.com.au

FATIMA DAY: The Fatima and Sacred Heart Family Home Visitation will hold its annual Fatima Day Celebration next Sunday 11th October at 3.00pm at Our Lady of Mt Carmel Parish, Varroville. Celebrate the month of the Rosary with Mass, Rosary, Procession, Floral Offering, Entertainment and Community Supper. Bring your Jesus and/or Mary Statue for Blessing and Procession. For further enquiries please phone Ariel on 0402 740 518 or Sis Ines Comiling CM 0468 462 814

FAITH & JUSTICE: I WAS A STRANGER & YOU WELCOMED ME:

Tuesday October 13, 7:30-9:30pm at St John the Evangelist Parish Hall, Campbelltown. How to respond to the global tide of refugees is one of those things that the Church has reflected upon using Scripture and Tradition to help discern how nations and individuals should respond. Facilitated by Rev. Dr Anthony Gooley. The cost for the evenings is \$10. Enquiries to Darren McDowell 4222 2463 or cfl@dow.org.au Registration Essential to: Helen Bennett 4222 2403 or helen.bennett@dow.org.au

HEART – WOMEN'S CONFERENCE 2015: 16-17 October 2015 Fairfield RSL Sydney. A time to come together as women to be refreshed and renewed in our busy lives. Spoil yourself. Feel loved, honoured and cared for. To register and pay online go to: theCatholicGuy.com/Heart

Email: heart@thecatholicguy.tv Phone: 1300 734 880. There are brochures available to take on all the tables at the entrance of the Church.

PARISH ROSARY STATUE: The Parish Rosary Statue is in the home of *Bev. The family will be praying the Rosary on Monday 5th & 12th October at 5.00pm.* The address is on the main noticeboard of the Church.

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

PARISH DIARY DATES:

Monday 5th October: 7.30pm Parish Ladies Group meeting in the Parish Centre

Tuesday 6th October: 7.00pm Baptism Preparation Class in the Parish Centre

Thursday 8th October: after the 9.00am Mass Retiree's Social Group Gathering (for over 55's) in the Parish Hall come along for a laugh, chat and a cuppa,

Tuesday 13th October: 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 10th Oct: *James Munro and Bev McKenzie*

9.00am Mass: Sunday 11th Oct: *Catherine Minogue and Julie Writer*

Vigil Mass: Saturday 17th Oct: *James Munro and Bev McKenzie*

9.00am Mass: Sunday 18th Oct: *Catherine Minogue and Julie Writer*

READERS' FOR NEXT 2 WEEKENDS:

(Could the 2nd Reader please read also the Prayers of Intercession)

Vigil Mass: Saturday 10th Oct: *Louise Phillips and Bill George*

9.00am Mass: Sunday 11th Oct: *Pesio Aiga and Chris O'Brien*

Vigil Mass: Saturday 17th Oct: *Bill George and Bev McKenzie*

9.00am Mass: Sunday 18th Oct: *Brian O'Brien and Marion Cross*

CHURCH CLEANERS' FOR NEXT 2 WEEKS

Saturday 10th Oct: Group 2: *Cathy Bye, Kathy Donachie, Eugene Wasko and Barry Daley*

Saturday 17th Oct: Group 1 *Syro-Malabar Indian Community*

USHERS' FOR NEXT 2 WEEKENDS:

Vigil Mass: Saturday 10th Oct: *Maureen Molland*

9.00am Mass: Sunday 11th Oct: *Christine Foreman*

Vigil Mass: Saturday 17th Oct: *Carmel Munro*

9.00am Mass: Sunday 18th Oct: *Helen Rawson and Chris Reddy*

FLOWER ARRANGER FOR NEXT WEEKEND:

10th Oct: *Ruse Samoan Divine Mercy Group*

17th Oct: *Julie Writer*

REFRESHMENTS AFTER THE 9.00AM MASS: Sunday 11th

October: *Carmel Munro, Christine Foreman, Rita Jowsey, Helen Rawson and Annette Read*

