

PENTECOST SUNDAY

Year B



20th May 2018

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.

IF YOU KNOW OF ANYONE IN OUR PARISH: Who is ill/or unable to come to Mass and would like to have Holy Communion please inform either Fr Michael or phone the Parish Office on 4628 2967. We currently have 2 Acolytes who take Communion to the ill/elderly and/or housebound.

FLU SEASON HEALTH ALERT: A reminder to Acolytes and Extraordinary Ministers of Communion that flu season has arrived, and it is important to cover your mouth when you cough or sneeze and it is essential to wash hands before distributing Communion.

Thank you

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION: Will be celebrated in the Parish by Bishop Brian Mascord on Sunday 17th June 2018. Please keep the Candidates, their families and teachers in your prayers.



REFRESHMENTS IN CHELSEA HOUSE (Parish Hall)

We would like to invite all Parishioners and visitors to our Parish this Sunday morning for refreshments in Chelsea House. Come for a cuppa and a chat. We look forward to seeing you all there.

PLEASE PRAY FOR: The **many** sick in our Parish Community including: Fr Michael, Fr David Catterall, Elaine Hoffmann, Ellen Healy, Patricia McInerney, Helen Rawson, Betty Berthon, Faleniko Tiatele, Maureen Wyer, Brenda Baker, Moria Harris, Jessica Cartwright, Betty Byrne, Rosa Santos, Natalie Dwyer, Aimiti Seufatu, Robert Berthaly, John Hill, Maree and Noel Laming, Rita Jowsey, Freda and Wilfred Miranda, Beryl Purcell, Jeannie and George Nicholson and Mary Fredericks.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED: Paddy Normoyle, Joan Normoyle, Christine Hudson, John Trimble, Fay Bourke, Keith Gomes, Balbino Xavier Gomes, Monica Gomes, John Baptist D'Sa, Fr Tony Daly, Jim McKenzie, Maurya Hutton, Deborah Rix, Mary Writer, John Read, Alice Harris, Ladislav Feher, Bobby Cameron, Bernard Hoffmann and Maria Cabonara. **May eternal rest grant to them O Lord and may perpetual Light shine upon them.**

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

Parishioner's Birthday for this Week:

20th: Jerry Jones

23rd: May Michelutti

Parishioner's Wedding Anniversary this week:

22nd: Eugene and Pauline Menzies (25 years)

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.

SATURDAY, 16TH JUNE: Bishop Brian will concelebrate the Vigil Mass on the occasion of Fr Michaels 50th Anniversary of Ordination. Following Mass, all parishioners are invited to share a supper in Chelsea House. Each family is asked to bring a plate to share - microwave and oven are available to warm up food. To assist with catering, please indicate on clipboard at back table numbers from each family that will be coming, and whether you are able to bring sweet or savoury food items. Tea, coffee, cordial and a Celebration Cake will be supplied. Any enquiries may be directed to Mike Young - Chairman of the Parish Pastoral Council on: 0414 999 606

PARISH SACRISTAN'S NEEDED TO HELP WITH THE

CURRENT SACRISTAN'S: The Sacristan Team assist in the Sacristy in the preparation for Mass and other celebrations. The Sacristan Team is responsible to ensure all linen, brass, vessels and candles are in excellent condition and to reset the Altar after Mass and for any special liturgies. If you would like to join this Parish Ministry or would like more information, please contact Christine on: 0404 3277 892

CHILDREN'S LITURGY 2018: Is held at the beginning of the Sunday 9.00am Mass (during School Terms). This is for School aged children from Kindergarten up to and including Year 6. If would like more information or would like to join this Parish Ministry, please contact Joanne on 0421 802 132.

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

CATHOLIC WEEKLY: Great value for \$2.00 each. It contains many interesting articles for your perusal. **Please put monies into the red letterbox on top of the Catholic Weeklies**

THE RETIREES SOCIAL GROUP: Would like to invite retired parishioners (over 55) to join our group in Chelsea House (Parish Hall) after Thursday's (31st May) 9.30am Mass. We meet twice a month. Please come and join us for a cuppa and a chat, share many laughs and form new friendships. We hope you will join us. **From your fellow Retired Parishioners**

PARISH PLANNED GIVING: Planned Giving is essential to the running costs of the Parish. If you would like to join the Planned Giving Program please contact the Parish Office on 4628 2967 or e-mail: ruse@dow.org.au **Thank you.**

ST VINCENT DE PAUL - WINTER APPEAL: Will commence from this weekend 19th/20th May. Your St Vincent de Paul Conference is conducting a Winter Appeal in the Parish until 16th/17th June.

The Conference is not in urgent need of cash this year but for Parishioners who find cash donations more convenient, there will be envelopes at the back of the Church for the remainder of the Appeal. Simply complete and place the envelope in either the 1st or 2nd collection. Any cash received will be put towards buying food or resources for the Nagle Centre. This year our main focus is food for the Nagle Centre, where homeless, hungry and lonely people of our area go to receive filling meals. It is a service that is vital to our community and your support is needed.

Nagle have specifically requested; Tinned tuna, tinned spaghetti, baked beans, soup, tinned fruit as well as milk powder, long life full cream milk, custard powder, hot chocolate, tea, coffee, cordial, pasta sauce, tomato paste, 2-minute noodles. Non-food items needed are nappies, wet wipes for babies, beanies, scarves and gloves.

Please note that this year Nagle do not require blankets, socks, flour, rice or pasta as we they have a good supply of all of those items and storage is an issue.

There are baskets at the back of the church for each weekend of the Appeal, where you may place non-cash donations. Please think of the above items when next out shopping remembering the words of Sr Rosalie Rendu; "Be kind and love, for love is your first gift to the poor"

THOMAS MORE PARISH CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL: is currently enrolling children for Kindergarten 2019. The school offers Catholic education for boys and girls from Kindergarten to Year 6. **Please collect an enrolment application form from the School Office (phone: 4625 6561). Applications close during the month of June.**

FRIDAY, FAITH & SUPPER - "Where will the Church be in 2050?" Guest Speaker: Fr Ken Café ofm 7.00pm Friday 25 May at Our Lady of Mt Carmel Parish, St Andrews Rd, Varroville. "We are believers who are attempting to establish a forum for conversation within the Catholic Church in Australia. Our aim is to prompt open exchanges among the community of believers, mindful of the diversity of expression of faith in contemporary Australia." **Catalyst for Renewal Mission Statement.**

PILGRIMAGE WALK FOR LIFE: Friday 25 May to Saturday 26 May 2018: A walk to raise PRAYERS for Australia. You are warmly welcome either day or both days. **Friday:** 9.30am Mass at Kiama Catholic Church, walk to Gerringong Catholic Church for BENEDECTION at 3pm. Shuttlebus back to Kiama Church or sleep overnight. **Saturday:** 8.00am Mass Gerringong Catholic Church, walk to Shoalhaven Heads for lunch at 1pm, Shuttlebus back to Gerringong or walk to Culburra Church for 6pm Mass.

BYO lunch and water. For more information please phone: Sue 0435 336 195 or Gabriella (02) 4261 2500

CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION will be hosted by Rosemeadow Parish, 80 Demetrius Road, Rosemeadow, for the Macarthur Region on **Sunday 3rd June at 2.30pm**. It will consist of Exposition, Procession, Reading, Sermon and the Rosary, concluding with Benediction. **All welcome to come along and witness to Our Lord's Real Presence among us in the Blessed Sacrament.**

PARISH ROSARY STATUE: The Parish has a Parish Rosary Statue that Parishioners are able to home in their homes and prayer the Rosary as a family. If you would like to join this prayerful Ministry and have the Parish Rosary Statue in your home during 2018, please phone Bev on: 4625 0659

Diary Dates:

22nd May: St Vincent de Paul Conference meeting at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre

31st May: Retiree's Social Group Gathering after the 9.30am Mass in Chelsea House (Parish Hall) (all Retiree's over 55 are most welcome), come for a chat, laugh and a cuppa

4th June: Parish Ladies Group meeting at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre

5th June: Parish Pastoral Council meeting at 7.30pm in Chelsea House (Parish Hall)

PARISH ROSTERS FOR THE NEXT 2 WEEKS:

- **EXTRADORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION FOR THE NEXT 2 WEEKENDS:**

Saturday 26th May: Saturday Vigil Mass: Winnie Cameron & Bev McKenzie

Sunday 27th May: Sunday 9.00am Mass: Julie Writer & Mavon Vaughan

Saturday 2nd June: Saturday Vigil Mass: Julie McKenzie & Maureen Molland

Sunday 3rd June: Sunday 9.00am Mass: Catherine Minogue & Mavon Vaughan

- **READERS FOR THE NEXT 2 WEEKENDS:**

Saturday 26th May: Saturday Vigil Mass: Pauline Menzies & John Greene

Sunday 27th May: Sunday 9.00am Mass: Julie & Feyise Writer

Saturday 2nd June: Saturday Vigil Mass: David Minogue & Pauline Menzies

Sunday 3rd June: Sunday 9.00am Mass: Christine Foreman & Bill George

- **USHERS FOR THE NEXT 2 WEEKENDS:**

Saturday 26th May: Saturday Vigil Mass: Vicki Horne

Sunday 27th May: Sunday 9.00am Mass: Chris Reddy

Saturday 2nd June: Saturday Vigil Mass: Help required

Sunday 3rd June: Sunday 9.00am Mass: Barry Daley

- **CHURCH CLEANERS' FOR NEXT 2 WEEKENDS:**

Saturday 26th May: Group 2: Cathy Bye, Barry Daley, Eugene Wasko and Kathy Donachie

Saturday 2nd June: Group 3: Christine Foreman, James and Carmel Munro

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.' Acts Chap. 2 (NIV)