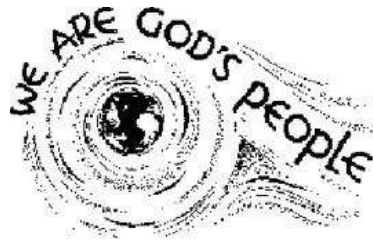


11th Sunday of Ordinary Time
Year C
16th June 2013



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"

CONFIRMATION 2013

(For children who are in Year 6 and above, who have been Baptised and have made the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion).

(Enrolment for Confirmation will require the Presentation of a Baptism Certificate)

Confirmation classes will begin week commencing Sunday 23rd June 2013 (no lessons during the School holidays) then re-commencing Sunday 14th July.

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be Saturday 10th August 2013 at 4.00pm

Please join us in the Parish Hall for refreshments after the 9.00am Mass today



Diary Dates:

- **Tuesday 18th June** Parish Pastoral Council meeting in the Parish Hall at 7.30pm
- **Wednesday 19th June** Parish Finance Council meeting at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre
- **Thursday 20th June** Retiree's Social Group (*over 55 retiree's are most welcome*) gathering after the 9.00am Mass
- **Monday 24th June** Feast of St Thomas More – 9.30am Mass at our Parish Primary School (please see notice for more details)
- **Tuesday 25th June** St Vincent de Paul Society meeting at 7.45pm in the Parish Centre *new members are most welcome*
- **Friday 28th June** at St Thomas More Catholic Primary School NAIDOC celebration at 11.30am

PARISH BIRTHDAYS FOR THIS WEEK:

12th: Roberta Toth
18th: Marcia Rae and Isaih Nakasenh

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Please pray for the many sick in our parish community: 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 DeVille, Jill Lovell, Salesi Kaufusi, Rita Bingham, Sam Sheather, John McCann, Ken Churchill and Giovanna Cancellieri.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED:

Peter Daly (Anniv), Fr Richard Mirovski (OFM Conv) (Anniv), 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, Sioeli 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 DeVille, 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. 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 under your choice of Mass times. How often you read will depend on the number of people on the roster.

Many thanks 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:** Bishop and judge among Catholics honoured by Queen. Women counted beans to pray rosary in secret and Cardinal's statement on Victorian inquiry.

PARISH PIETY STALL: Come and have a look at the many goods for sale at our Piety stall eg: Rosary Beads, cards for all occasions, prayer books etc.

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 3rd 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.

ST VINCENT de PAUL – Upcoming Winter Appeal

Your St Vincent de Paul Society conference is conducting a Winter Appeal in the Parish from Sunday 16 June to 7 July 2013.

This year we are again appealing for **cash and/or food**. There will be envelopes on the seats at Mass on each weekend during the Appeal, if you prefer to make a cash donation. To do this, simply put the completed envelope on the plate at either the 1st or 2nd collection. There will also be envelopes at the back of the church for the remainder of Winter.

We are again collecting food for the Nagle Centre, who provide freshly made meals to the homeless, hungry and lonely people of our area. These meals are supplied every day at lunch time and on Wednesdays for dinner. It is a service that is vital to our community and any donations will be gratefully accepted.

The Centre specifically needs tinned tuna, pasta, tinned fruit, tinned soup, tinned vegetables, tomato sauce, long life milk and cordial. Nappies are also a necessity that would be welcome.

There will be boxes at the back of the church on the Appeal weekends of 16 June to 7 July, where you may place food and nappy donations.

If able, please think of these items when grocery shopping.

We thank you for your ongoing generosity and prayers.

WHATS HAPPENING IN OUR PARISH CATHOLIC PRIMARY:

Monday 24th June: ST THOMAS MORE FEAST DAY MASS- Celebrating 35 years of school history at 9:30am, we will be celebrating our School Patron's Feast Day Mass. This special Mass will recognise those who have helped establish our Parish Catholic Primary School and participated as part of the school community over the past 35 years. **Parishioners, Current and past Parents and friends are invited to celebrate Mass and morning tea with the School staff and children.** Following morning tea there will be a special blessing of the school's Remembrance wall, recognising our Founding families who helped establish the school.

Please take home a copy of their School Newsletter

Date to remember: **Annual School Fete is on Sunday 4th August.** For more details of donations etc please contact the School on 4625 6561.

Thank you to the parishioners who supported our Parish School in the collection of the "WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN" stickers when you shop at Woolworths.

ELECTRICIAN: If there are any Electricians' that are able to carry out ongoing Electrical maintenance for our Parish Church, Hall, Presbytery and Office, could you please contact either Fr Tony Daly, Edmund Pew or the Parish Office on 4628 2967 detailing your availability to assist. Thanking you in anticipation.

PARISH ROSARY STATUE: The Parish Rosary Statue will be in the home of **Glen and Anna** for two weeks, commencing Monday 10th June until Sunday 23rd June. The address is on the Main notice board at the side of the Church. The family will be saying the Rosary on **Mondays at 7.30pm.** **Please collect the statue from the Church on the weekend and return it the following fortnight.**

READERS FOR JUNE :

Vigil Mass: Steve and Nathaniel Robinson
9.00am Mass: Maria Feher and Cody Benes

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

USHER'S for next weekend:

Vigil Mass: Carmel Munro
9am Mass: Cathy Bye

FLOWER'S FOR NEXT WEEK: Francesca

CHURCH CLEANER'S FOR NEXT WEEK: Group 5: Ruse Samoan Divine Mercy

REFRESHMENTS AFTER THE 9.00am MASS:

Today, Sunday 16th June

What are Spiritual Gifts?



Every baptised Christian has special grace-gifts that are meant to be used for the building up of the Church. Examples of these gifts include preaching, teaching, helping, artistry, administration, and skilled craftsmanship to name a few. These gifts are used out of love for one another, and in service to one another.

Spiritual gifts are more than human talents, though the two are connected. Spiritual gifts are given to us so that we can serve others and produce growth in the Church. When we see our talents as gifts for others, we then see them as spiritual gifts. Just as the Holy Spirit gathers and guides the Church as a whole, so also the Holy Spirit works in and through each of us to serve and build up the Body of Christ present in our local Church community.

This is our Church let us work together to build our Parish Community at St Thomas More Catholic Church.

If you would like to know any more information about our Church Ministries please see either Fr Tony or contact the Parish Office on 4628 2967.

