

8th June 2014
Pentecost Sunday



Pentecost Sunday is the last day of Easter Time. The Easter candle is now given a place of honour in the baptistery.

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

St Vincent de Paul – Winter Appeal

The St Vincent de Paul Society is running the usual Winter Appeal up until 29 June 2014, seeking donations of cash and/or food.

There are 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.

Importantly, we are again collecting food and personal items for the Nagle Centre, who provide warm meals to the homeless, hungry and lonely people of our area. **The Centre specifically needs: Tinned tuna, Tinned spaghetti, Tinned baked beans, Tinned fruit, Milk powder, Custard powder, Hot chocolate, Plain flour, Self raising flour, Beef stock cubes and any herbs & spices.** Nappies are also a necessity and would be welcome as would be new blankets and socks.

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

There will be boxes at the back of the church at each Mass until 29 June 2104.

We thank you for your ongoing generosity and prayers.

SICK LIST: Please pray for the **many** sick in our Parish Community including: Ann Webster, Beryl Purcell, Carmel Welsh, Ellen Healy, John Donnelly, Ken Churchill, Maree Laming, Marie Moore, Margo Haines, Melanie Blessing, Michael Trimboli, Natalie Dwyer, Tina Boyd, Tomas Laming and Vera Rose .

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED: Please pray for the recently deceased and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time. Sharon Murray (R.D.), Arthur Howe (R.D.), Jennifer Grey (U.K.) (R. D.), Marcel Farrash (R.D.), Delma Hooton (Anniv), Alice Harris (Anniv), Jack O'Sullivan, Hubertina (Tina) Van Der Burg, Mary Writer, Sitani (Stan) Nasio, Michael Seufatu, Ladislav Feher, Philip Mills, Josephine McKay, Charles Dows, Stuart Eldridge, Frank McKay, Genie Lynch, and Maria Cabonara. **May eternal rest grant to them O Lord and May perpetual light shine upon them.**

PARISH BIRTHDAYS for this week:

9th: *Phil Chesney*

10th: *David Wright*

GLUTEN FREE HOSTS: If you require these for Holy Communion please see Fr Tony before Mass and they will be available for you at Holy Communion.

PREPARATION FOR THE SACRAMENT OF

CONFIRMATION: Commences this week, please keep in your Prayers the Candidates, their families and teachers.

ATTENTION READERS': *Thank you to all those people who have added their names to the roster. Just remember, if you are a current reader it is still essential that you put your name on the clipboard so that I know that you wish to continue.*

If the 9am Mass is your regular Mass but you wouldn't mind coming occasionally to the 6pm Mass, please consider adding a tick to the Vigil column. I would really like to be able to give Vigil readers a longer break.

If you are committing for the first time or you think you need a refresher, there will be a workshop in the Church where you will have the opportunity to learn, to practise, to read then to see and hear yourself at the Lectern.

The clipboard will be out for a couple more weeks so if you have ever considered becoming a reader, please add your name to the list and I look forward to seeing you.

Julie ☺

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, or it may be that someone who could benefit from a lift. Please encourage them to phone our parish office on 628 2967 either to arrange Communion to be brought to them or to organize transport to Mass.

CHILDRENS' LITURGY: Is for school aged children in kindergarten to and including Year 6 (at the 9.00am Mass) during School Terms.

PARISH PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES FOR 2014-2015

The Planned Giving Envelopes for next financial year are now available at the entrance of the Church . We would like more Parishioners 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.

By being in our Parish Planned Giving we are able to plan for our Parish future, especially the ever increasing running costs.

THIS WEEKS CATHOLIC WEEKLY: Great value for only \$2.00. Please purchase your copy from the back table at the main entrance to the Church.

ST THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL:

Please take a copy home and keep up to date with what is happening in our Parish Primary School. They are on the tables at the entrance of the Church.

A CALL OF ASSISTANCE: Our Parish is in urgent need of Volunteers for the following:

Church Cleaners', Flower Arrangers', Families to host the Parish Rosary Statue, Readers', Altar Servers', Children's Liturgy, Scripture Teachers', Scripture Helpers'. If any Parishioners have some spare time even half an hour, there are many things that need mending/repairing. As our numbers have decreased and our Parish Church is aging we really need the support of our Parishioners.

FRENCHMASS: To be celebrated next Sunday 8 June, 6.00pm at St John the Evangelist, Catholic Church, Campbelltown (Cordeaux St).

GROWING LAY PASTORAL MINISTRY WORKSHOP:

Saturday 14th June 9.30am – 2.00pm at St John the Evangelist Parish Hall, Campbelltown. Parishioners are invited to attend this workshop. To register: Darren McDowell on 4222 2463 or cfl@dow.org.au. The workshop will help 'break-open' this emerging area of ministry life within our Diocese and answer the question what is lay pastoral ministry and how can it help my community?

SPIRIT ALIVE YOUTH FESTIVAL: 14th June at Holy Spirit College, Bellambi from 5.00pm to 9.00pm. Ages: Year 9 to 35 years old. The evening will include a Youth Mass, music led by youth musicians and singers, dinner (at a small cost), as well as time to connect with other young people from across our Diocese.

Brochures are available on the tables at the entrance of the Church with permission notes (for the youth wishing to attend under the age of 18). A great night to be enjoyed by all.

CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION: Our Lady Help of Christians Parish, Rosemeadow will be holding their Annual Procession in honour of the Blessed Sacrament on Feast of Corpus Christi, 22nd June at 2.30pm. Included will be Scripture Readings, Rosary, Procession and Benediction. Bishop Peter Ingham will preside and preach. Please join in this witness to our Eucharistic Lord among us.

DATES OF PARISH SACRAMENTS FOR 2014:

Wednesday 6th August: 7.30pm in the Parish Church: Parents/Carers Information night for **First Holy Communion** (for Catholic Baptised Children in Years 3 and above who have made the Sacrament of Reconciliation) .
The Sacrament of First Holy Communion will be: Celebrated on the weekend of 13th /14th September

STEWARDSHIP CORNER – PENTECOST SUNDAY

In the second reading today, St. Paul reminds the Corinthians, "There are different gifts, but the same Spirit; there are different ministries, but the same Lord." How am I using my gifts for the common good?

Parish Diary Dates:

- **Tuesday 10th June:** St Vincent de Paul Conference meeting at **7.30pm** in the Parish Centre (new members are most welcome)
- **Tuesday 17th June:** Parish Pastoral Council meeting at **7.30pm** in the Parish Hall
- **Thursday 19th June:** Retiree's Social group gathering **after the 9.00am Mass**, all Retiree's over 55 are encouraged to come along (come along for a cuppa, laugh, chat and companionship) in the Parish Hall
- **Friday 20th June:** St Thomas More Feast Day Mass at **11.30am** at St Thomas More Catholic Primary School (Parishioners are most welcome)

PARISH ROSARY STATUE: The Rosary Statue will be in the home of **Mary** for 2 weeks commencing **Monday 9th June to Sunday 22nd June**. Mary will be praying the Rosary on the **Monday's at 2.30 pm**. The address is on the main notice board at the side of the Church. **Please collect the statue from the Church on the weekend and return it the following fortnight.**

Have you considered celebrating praying the Rosary at home and inviting other parishioners to share this special time with you? Those interested in having the Rosary Statue (and/or would like more details) can contact the parish office on 4628 2967 to arrange a suitable time you and your family would like to have our Parish Rosary Statue in your home.

EXTRADORDINARY MINISTERS' OF COMMUNION FOR NEXT WEEKEND:

Vigil Mass: 14th June: *Bertha Barbari*
9.00am Mass: 15th June: *Freda Miranda and Helen Rawson*

Vigil Mass: 21st June: *Bev McKenzie*
9.00am Mass: 22nd June: *Fay Faamau and Junior Faamau*

READERS' FOR NEXT WEEK:

Vigil Mass: 14th June: *Phil and Pam Kenyon*
9.00am Mass: 15th June: *David Minogue and Maryse Parisi*

Vigil Mass: 21st/28th June: *Julie Writer and Bill George*
9.00am Mass: 22nd/29th: *Agnes Serfatu and Noel Laming*

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

CHURCH CLEANERS' FOR NEXT WEEK:
Syro-Malabar Indian Community

FLOWER ARRANGERS' FOR NEXT WEEK:
Julie

USHERS' FOR NEXT WEEK:

Vigil Mass: *Maureen Molland*
9.00am Mass: *Karenne Harvey*

REFRESHMENTS AFTER THE 9.00am MASS:
Sunday 15th June: *St Thomas More Catholic Primary School Year 3 Parents/Carer's and The Tongan Community*

