11th Sunday in Ordinary Time



12th June 2016 Year C THE YEAR OF MERCY

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 (ALTAR BREAD): If you require **Gluten Free Hosts** for Holy Communion please see the Acolytes before Mass and they will be available for you at Holy Communion.



The Parishioners and Visitors of St Thomas More Parish would like to welcome Fr John Roberts *ofm* who will be Celebrating our Parish Masses this weekend and also to Brother Gary Hill who is our guest speaker for our Annual Catholic Mission Church Appeal this weekend.



Reach out. Give life.

CATHOLIC MISSION ANNUAL APPEAL

This weekend there will be an extra collection for the Catholic Mission Appeal. By supporting this Appeal this weekend or by partnering with us through your monthly gift, you are helping missionaries, provide education to these precious children so they can have the opportunity to break the cycle of poverty and have a future with hope. Freecall: 1800 257 296 or catholicmission.org.au/cambodia

CATHOLIC WEEKLY: Great value for \$2.00, filled with many interesting articles for your perusal.

FATHER TONY'S PONTIFICAL FUNERAL MEMORIAL CARD: We have Fr Tony's Memorial Cards available for you to take home. They are available on all the tables at the entrance of the Church.

ST THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC PARISH CHURCH 30TH ANNIVERSARY NEWS! The parish is celebrating the 30th anniversary of the Church's opening at a special Mass on Saturday 25th June at 5.00pm (this is in place of the Vigil Mass), followed by Supper in the Parish Hall. Celebrant is Bishop Peter Ingham DD. <u>Please spread the invitation to Parishioners (both current and past).</u>

Please indicate on the sheet at the entrance to the Church table how many of your family will be attending for catering purposes.

PARISH GROUNDS GENERAL WORKING BEE: Next Saturday 18th June 8.30am - 10.00am (followed by morning tea) to prepare the Church Grounds for the 30th Anniversary Mass of the opening of the Church. Work includes tidying up the Church grounds so we need people to bring hand mowers, brooms, blowers, shovels, rakes, wheelbarrows, whipper snippers and window cleaning gear. Mowing, leaf removal, transfer wood mulch and general tidying up. Many hands make light work. The gift of your time and talents will be greatly appreciated.

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR: The *many* sick in our Parish Community *including:* John Hill, Aubrey Elizabeth (premmie baby), Liban (Wako) Family, Maree and Noel Laming, Rita Jowsey, Brian Harris, Jeannie and George Nicholson, Freda and Wilfred Miranda, Beryl Purcell, Ellen Healy, John Donnelly, Ken Churchill, Natalie Dwyer, and Mary Fredericks.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED: Please pray for the recently deceased and those whose anniversaries occur at this time: John Hennessy, Elaine Croft, Alice Harris, Maria Cabonara, Angelina Cameron, Mary Writer, Fr Anthony (Tony) Daly, Betty White, Ladislav Feher, Genie Lynch, Jim McKenzie, Maurya Hutton, Deborah Rix, Josephine and Frank McKay and Bernard Hoffmann. May eternal rest grant to them O Lord and may perpetual light shine upon them.

SACRAMENTAL TEAM VOLUNTEERS: The

Sacrament of Confirmation will be conferred by Bishop Peter on 3rd September here at Ruse. Volunteers are sought to teach one lesson a week over a four week period, plus an information session (1 hour) for the parents and a practice session the week before Confirmation. Support and training is available to help with these lessons. If you are able to assist, please leave your name and phone number with the Parish Office and you will be contacted by a member of the Sacramental Team;

CHOIR PRACTICE FOR 30th ANNIVERSARY MASS:

will be held on Wednesday 22nd June in the Church from 7-9pm. All singers are encouraged and welcome to join the choir for this special occasion;

THANK YOU CARD FOR FR ANDREW: is on the back table of the church, it is hoped that everyone can sign it either this weekend or next. The Parish Pastoral Council will present it with a small gift, to show the Parish's appreciation to Fr Andrew for his ministry to us, at a special farewell morning tea on Sunday 26th June following the 9am Mass, the last day he is with us in the Parish.

MESSAGE FOR READERS: The Readers' Roster ends on the 26th June and as there will be a new co-ordinator, we are hoping to have some new readers to make the task a little easier.

Young people, who are good readers and are in Year 5 or over, <u>are very welcome</u>. Those of you who have been readers in the past, we hope you will continue. There is a clipboard on the table at the entrance of the Church for the next few weeks for your name, phone numbers, email address and preferred Mass time. I thank all old readers for their loyalty and welcome new ones into this rewarding Ministry.

Julio

ST VINCENT DE PAUL – WINTER APPEAL: The St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal is continuing.

There are envelopes at the back of the Church for anyone wishing to make a cash donation.

Most importantly we need food and personal items for the Nagle Centre, who provide warm meals to the homeless, needy and lonely people of our area. The Centre's **urgent** needs include: Tinned tuna/ meat/spaghetti/ baked beans/soup/ meals, Tinned fruit, Milk powder/ condensed milk, Long life full cream milk, Custard powder, Hot chocolate/ Milo, Tea/ coffee/ cordial, Plain and self-raising flour, Pasta sauce, Tomato paste, Beef stock cubes, Any herbs & spices, Nappies would be welcome as would new blankets, beanies, scarves, gloves and socks. If able, please think of these items when grocery shopping. There will be baskets at the back of the church at each Mass at least until 19 June 2016.

We thank you for your ongoing generosity and prayers.

PARISH PLANNED GIVING: ENVELOPES ARE READY FOR COLLECTION in the box at the entrance of the Church.

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, Direct Credit by electronically transferring funds **(EFT)** from your Bank Account direct to the St Thomas More Church Account.

Irregular contributions. (The Direct Credit facility is new and means that you control when you contribute but you need to join the Planned Giving Program to ensure that your contribution is recognized in our Finance System.) If you would like to join the Planned Giving Program please contact the Parish Office on 46282867 or e-mail: ruse@dow.org.au. Thank you.

Fr Tony's family are holding a service for Fr Tony Daly on Saturday 9 July 2016 in Broken Hill NSW. The service will be at the Sacred Heart Cathedral corner of Lane & Sulphide Streets at 10am. After the Service, there will be a brief service for Fr Tony's Ashes to be placed with his brother Peter Daly at the Broken Hill Cemetery at 72 Rakow St.

Following the services there people are most welcome to attend the Barrier Social Democratic Club (Demo Club) at 281 Argent St.If you have any questions please contact Jim Daly 080 881783, Josie Hardinge 03 6244 2752 or Neil Johnston 0438 709 351 or you can email Neil at safety@sbsafetysystems.com.au

ST THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL: Please take home a copy of our Parish Catholic Primary School newsletter and keep up to date with what is happening.

<u>ST THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL:</u> Save the date: Sunday 7th August: School Fete. More details to follow.

<u>LIVING THE GOSPEL WITH JOY - EXPLORING POPE</u> <u>FRANCIS' IOY OF THE GOSPEL:</u> Tuesday 14 June 7:30-

9:30pm at Our Lady of Mt Carmel Parish Meeting Room St Andrews Rd Varroville. Registration essential to Darren McDowell on 4222 2463or darren.mcdowell@dow.org.au

PARISH ROSARY STATUE:

For the next two Mondays (13th & 20th June), the Parish Rosary Statue will be in the Home of **Hector and Hazel** and will be said on **Mondays at 5.00pm**. Their address is on the main noticeboard.

If you would like to have the Parish Rosary Statue in your home, please phone Bev on: 4625 0659

Saying the Rosary, the family Rosary every day brings peace in the family. "The family that prays together, stays together".

DIARY DATES TO REMEMBER:

Tuesday 14th **June: 7.30pm** St Vincent de Paul Conference meeting in the Parish Centre (come along to hear about all their good works

Tuesday 14th June: 7.30pm Parish Pastoral Council meeting in the Parish Hall

Thursday 16th June: *9.30am* Retiree's Social Group Gathering in the Parish Hall (Retired over 55's are most welcome)

Wednesday 22nd **June: 7.00pm – 9.00pm** Parish choir practice (please see bulletin notices for details)

Wednesday 22nd June: *7.30pm* Parish Finance Council meeting in the Parish Centre

PARISH ROSTERS FOR THE NEXT 2 WEEKS:

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION FOR THE NEXT 2 WEEKS:

Vigil Mass: 18th June: Bev McKenzie

9.00am Mass: Sunday 19th June: Karenne Harvey & Annette Read

Vigil Mass: 25^{th} June (5.00pm): Winnie Cameron & Maureen Molland

9.00am Mass: Sunday 26th June: Catherine Minogue & Julie Writer

READERS FOR NEXT 2 WEEKS:

Vigil Mass: 18th June: Pauline Menzies & Bill George 9.00am Mass: Sunday 19th June: Barry Daley & Maureen Molland

Vigil Mass 25th June (5.00pm): Julie Writer & Maryse Parisi 9.00am Mass: Sunday 26th June: Jim & Tess Writer

CHURCH CLEANERS' FOR NEXT 2 WEEKS:

Saturday 18th June: Syro-Malabar Indian Community Saturday 25th June: Group 5: Ruse Samoan Divine Mercy Group

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Vigil Mass: Saturday 18th June: Carmel Munro 9.00am Mass: Sunday 19th June: Helen Rawson & Chris Reddy Vigil Mass: Saturday 25th June (5.00pm): HELP NEEDED 9.00am Mass: Sunday 26th June: Barry Daley

REFRESHMENTS AFTER NEXT SUNDAY 9.00AM MASS:

Next Sunday 19th June: Group 2: Carmel Munro, Christine Foreman, Helen Rawson, Annette Read, Rita Jowsey and Kim Sami