12<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Who do you say I am?" - Jesus

19<sup>th</sup> 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.

**REFRESHMENTS AFTER THE SUNDAY 9.00AM MASS** All Parishioners and visitors are invited to share a "cuppa and a chat" after Sunday 9.00am Mass in our Parish Hall.



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

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

CHOIR PRACTICE FOR 30th ANNIVERSARY MASS: will be held this Wednesday 22nd June in the Church from 7-9pm. All singers are encouraged and welcome to join the choir for this special occasion.

## **CATHOLIC MISSION ANNUAL APPEAL:**

Thank you for helping to provide education, as well as emotional and spiritual support, to the most vulnerable children of Cambodia so that they can have the opportunity to break the cycle of poverty and have a future with hope. Please consider partnering with us through a regular monthly gift to continue your support of our vital work. Freecall: 1800 257 296 or catholicmission.org.au/cambodia

Parishioners Birthdays this week: 18<sup>th</sup>: Isaiah Nakasenh 24<sup>th</sup>: Barry Daley 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, Obeid Family, 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: Paula Fanua (R.D.), John Hennessy, Elaine Croft, Alice Harris, Angelina Cameron, Mary Writer, Fr Anthony (Tony) Daly, Betty White, Ladislav Feher, Genie Lynch, Jim McKenzie, Maurya Hutton, Deborah Rix, Josephine and Frank McKay, Bernard Hoffmann and Maria Cabonara. *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;

THANK YOU CARD FOR FR ANDREW: is on the back table of the church, it is hoped that everyone can sign it this weekend. 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 next weekend 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, are very welcome. 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 Juho Ministry.

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

# ST VINCENT DE PAUL - WINTER APPEAL: Due to great

need, the St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal will continue for a few more weeks. 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 for the next few weeks. We thank you for your ongoing generosity and prayers.

PARISH PLANNED GIVING: ENVELOPES ARE READY FOR **<u>COLLECTION</u>** 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 email Neil at <u>safety@sbsafetysystems.com.au</u>

## 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 PRIMARY SCHOOL

Please take home a copy of our Parish Catholic Primary School newsletter and keep up to date with what is happening.

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

**THANKYOU:** I would like to thank all the Parishioners who prayed for me during the healing period of recovery, also who sent cards, flowers, presents and gifts. I would like to also thank the many people who visited me especially Fr Andrew and Annette who came several times bringing Communion and anointed me with the Oil of the Sick. A big thank you to you all. Bertha

## SHARING FAITH: SIMPLE STEPS: Thursday 23 June, 7:30pm-9:30pm, Micah House, Cordeaux St

Campbelltown. How do you share your faith with others? Would you like to grow more confident to share your faith in simple, non-threatening ways? The workshop will be led by our CCD Regional Coordinators Peter Gilmore & Patricia McCarthy. Registration essential to Helen Bennett 4222 2403 or helen.bennett@dow.org.au

### PARISH ROSARY STATUE:

For this Monday (20<sup>th</sup> June), the Parish Rosary Statue will be in the Home of **Hector and Hazel** and will be Prayed on **Monday 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:**

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

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> June: 7.30pm Parish Finance Council meeting in the Parish Centre

Tuesday 28th June: 7.30pm St Vincent de Paul Conference meeting in the Parish Centre (come along to hear about all their good works

Thursday 30th June: 9.30am Retiree's Social Group Gathering in the Parish Hall (Retired over 55's are most welcome)

#### PARISH ROSTERS FOR THE NEXT 2 WEEKS:

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION FOR THE** NEXT 2 WEEKS:

Vigil Mass: Saturday 25th June: Celebrating Priests and Acolvtes

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

Vigil Mass: Saturday 2nd July: Maureen Molland & Bev McKenzie

9.00am Mass: Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> July: Fay and Junior Faamau

**READERS FOR NEXT WEEK:** 

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

#### **CHURCH CLEANERS' FOR NEXT 2 WEEKS:**

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> June: Group 5: Ruse Samoan Divine Mercy Group

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> July: Tongan Youth Group

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Vigil Mass: Saturday 25th June (5.00pm): Parish Pastoral Council

9.00am Mass: Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> June: Barry Daley Vigil Mass: Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> July: Vicky Horne 9.00am Mass: Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> July: Gwen & Brian Harris

