# 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (National Aboriginal and TSI Sunday)



**Year B** 1<sup>st</sup> July **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.

"COMHGHAIRDEAS" FR MICHAEL: On your 50th Anniversary of your Ordination to the Priesthood: "God's Blessings on you and thank you for all you do in the service of God".

FR MICHAEL'S 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gift/ Donation Box - many parishioners have indicated that they were unable to attend the Supper for Fr Michael's Anniversary, and were unable to come to the office during the week to contribute to the Donation Box. For this weekend, the box will be at the back of the Church to enable those who wish to contribute towards Fr Michael's trip home to Ireland to celebrate his Anniversary with his fellow Priests to so. Thank you for your generosity".

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES: The new sets of Planned Giving envelopes are available for collection from the Church. If you would like to join our Parish Planned Giving programme, the forms are available on the table at the main entrance to the Church.

CONGRATULATIONS: To the 59 Candidates of our Parish who were Confirmed on the 17th June. Thank you to the Sacramental Team (Admin and Teachers), Powerpoint Creator, Sacristan's, Choir, and their families in preparing the Candidates, for the Sacrament of Confirmation. Thank you also to the Church Cleaners and Groundsmen for making our Church and grounds neat and tidy for us to worship in.

<u>WE WELCOME:</u> Into our Christian Community: *Adriana Beatrice Andrabe* and *Olivia-May Sanchez* who were Baptised last weekend.

**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: <a href="mailto:ruse@dow.org.au">ruse@dow.org.au</a>

PLEASE PRAY FOR: The *many* sick in our Parish Community including: Fr Michael, Fr David Catterall, Elaine Hoffmann, Gulliver (6), Ellen Healy, Patricia McInerney, Helen Rawson, Betty Berthon, 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: John Read (Anniv), Sr Patricia Murphy O.L.N, Leonard Littlewood, Lynette Ellich, Faleniko Tiatele, Fr Tony Daly, Keith Gomes, Balbino Xavier Gomes, Monica Gomes, John Baptist D'Sa, Jim McKenzie, Maurya Hutton, Deborah Rix, Mary Writer, 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.

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.

# **PARISH COLLECTIONS:**

The **FIRST COLLECTION** (taken during the Offertory Procession) is for the Remuneration of the Priests of the Diocese, including the sick, Retired and aged Priests of the Diocese.

The **SECOND COLLECTION** (taken up after Holy Communion) is for the Parish expenses (electricity, repairs and maintenance, wages, insurance etc). This includes Parish Planned Giving Envelopes and all loose money in the Second Collection.

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.

THE SACRAMENT OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: Will be celebrated in our Parish at our Parish Masses on the weekend of 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2018. The Parent/Carer Information and Enrolment Evening is on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> August at 7.00pm in the Parish Church. The Candidate must be a Baptised Catholic, made their Reconciliation and in Year 3 and above.

<u>CATHOLIC WEEKLY:</u> 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* 

ST VINCENT de PAUL WINTER APPEAL: Our Parish St Vincent de Paul Conference wishes to express a very big THANK YOU to everyone who supported the Appeal this year. Envelopes will remain available at the back of the Church for the remainder of Winter and these may be completed and placed in either collection or delivered to the Parish Office. Any further food donations can also be delivered to the Parish Office during office hours. We thank you again, for your continuing generosity and support.

# **THOMAS MORE PARISH CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL:**

Please take home of the School Newsletter and keep up to date with what is happening. They are on the tables at the entrance to the Church. **Save the date:** Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> August: St Thomas More Catholic Primary School Fete from 9.00am-4.00pm. More details to follow.

**JOURNEY MAGAZINE: WINTER 2018:** Edition is now available from all the tables at the entrance to the Church. Journey is a tool for evangelization and renewal. It is a great source for you and for others and gives you an insight into what the Holy Spirit is doing in the lives and works of the people in our Church – across our parishes, schools, welfare agencies and communities.

# **UPCOMING RETREATS at MT CARMEL RETREAT CENTRE:**

247 St Andrews Road, Varroville, Contact: 8795 3400
Email: retreats@carmelite.com www.carmeliteretreats.com.au
Lord, what do you want of me? Presenter: Br Emmanuel
Noel, OCD Cost: \$250 (concessions apply) When: July 6: 6:00
pm – July 8: 1:30 pm Am I being called to the priesthood or the
religious life? Should I remain single, or get married?
Mary, Beauty of Carmel Presenter: Fr Ferdinand de la Cruz,
OCD Cost: \$30.00 When: July 7: 10:00 am – 4:30 pm
(registrations from 900am and please remember to bring your
own lunch). Pick-ups from Minto train station at 930am and
10.00am. As listener to and the bearer of the Word made flesh,
Mary is a model and a teacher

**Seeking a more intimate union with Jesus:** Presenter: Bishop David Walker Cost: \$750.00 (concessions apply) *When:* July 9: 6:00 pm – July 15: 1:30 pm How do I grow in my faith life?

# 2018 SIGNIFICANT MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARIES MASS: If

you are celebrating 25, 40, 50 or 60 years of marriage this year and would like an invitation to the Mass to celebrated by Bishop Brian Mascord at St John Vianney Co-Cathedral, Fairy Meadow on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> August 2018 at 2pm, please contact Helen on 4222 2403 or email <a href="mailto:helen.bennett@dow.org.au">helen.bennett@dow.org.au</a> at the Office of the Bishop *by Friday 13<sup>th</sup> July* and an invitation will be sent to you.

RENEWING PARISH CULTURE: Missionary Disciples, Divine Renovation & Alpha. Thursday 19th July 7.30pm – 9.30pm at Campbelltown Catholic Club. Presenter: Ron Huntley. RSVP: Helen Bennett 4222 2403 or <a href="helen.bennett@dow.org.au">helen.bennett@dow.org.au</a>. This evening is taking up Pope Francis' call to be a more outward looking, missional Church.

#### **MINISTRY TRAINING:**

Communion of the Sick & Homebound: Saturday 28th July 2018 at 10am-2.30pm. The above Ministry Training events are being held at St John's Parish, Campbelltown. For enquires and RSVP (essential) please contact Anthony Rewak 4222 2465 or Anthony.rewak@dow.org.au

Men ALIVE: MACARTHUR REGION WEEKEND: 4-5 August 2018: Parish Hall @ St John the Evangelist Church, Campbelltown. Please see the brochures on the tables at the

entrance to the Church.

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:**

 $2^{nd}$  July: Parish Ladies Group meeting at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre

*3<sup>rd</sup> July: Parish Pastoral Council* meeting *at 7.30pm* in Chelsea House (Parish Hall)

10<sup>th</sup> July: St Vincent de Paul Conference meeting at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre

12th July: 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

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

# • EXTRADORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION FOR THE NEXT 2 WEEKENDS:

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> July: Saturday Vigil Mass: John Green & Bev McKenzie

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> July: Sunday 9.00am Mass: Catherine Minogue & Julie Writer

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> July: Saturday Vigil Mass: Trish Newman & Bertha Berbari

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> July: Sunday 9.00am Mass: Loretta & Lafitaga Tuigamala

# • READERS FOR THE NEXT 2 WEEKENDS:

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> July: Saturday Vigil Mass: Julie McKenzie & Ian Star

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> July: Sunday 9.00am Mass: Samoan Community Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> July: Saturday Vigil Mass: Ian Star & Bev McKenzie

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> July: Sunday 9.00am Mass: Brian & Chris O'Brien

# • USHERS FOR THE NEXT 2 WEEKENDS:

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> July: Saturday Vigil Mass: Maureen Molland Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> July: 9.00am Mass:Gwen & Brian Harris Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> July: Saturday Vigil Mass: HELP NEEDED Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> July: Sunday 9.00am Mass: Christine Foreman

# • <u>CHURCH CLEANERS' FOR NEXT 2 WEEKENDS:</u> Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> July: Group 2: Cathy Bye, Barry Daley, Kathy

Donachie and Eugene Wasko Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> July: Group 3: Christine Foreman, James and

Carmel Munro

• REFRESHMENTS AFTER SUNDAY 9.00am MASS: Sunday 8th July: Group 3: Julie Writer, Maryse Parisi, Catherine Minogue, Yvonne Reddy and Rosalie Vine

We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of vears.

We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of Reconciliation.



