15th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B 12th July 2015

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

<u>GLUTEN FREE HOSTS:</u> If you require *Gluten Free Hosts* for Holy Communion please see Fr Tony *before* Mass and they will be available for you at Holy Communion.



The Parishioners and Visitors of our Parish, would like to welcome Fr John who will be celebrating all Parish Masses this weekend whilst Fr Tony is away.

WE WELCOME BACK our Parish School children who will be commencing Term 3 for 2015 this coming week. We wish them well in their continued studies and all they will learn.

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, it may be that someone who could benefit from a lift. Please encourage them to contact our parish Office (46282967) either to arrange communion to be brought to them or to organize transport to Mass.

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be on Friday 11th September 2015. Candidates have to be in Year 6 and above and have to have made their Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. The Information/Enrolment Evening is on Wednesday 29th July at 7.00pm in the Parish Church.

<u>Parishioners Birthdays for this week:</u> 12th July: Annabelle Francis 15th July: Miquel Martin and Lillie Nolan

THIS WEEKS CATHOLIC WEEKLY: Many interesting articles to read, great value for only \$2.00. Please purchase your copy from the back table at the main entrance of the Church.

ST VINCENT de PAUL WINTER APPEAL:

Anyone still wishing to donate food etc. can deliver goods to the Parish Office during business hours. *We thank you again, for your ongoing generosity and prayers.*

PLEASE PRAY FOR: The many sick in our Parish Community including: Bill Eccleston,
Maree and Noel Laming, Brian Harris, Adde Liban,
Candice Walker, Chris Noyce, Ethan Craig,
Leo Cornwell, Doreen Monckton, Mary Smith,
Freda and Wilfred Miranda, Tina Ting, Tony Nolan,
Beryl Purcell, Carmel Welsh, Ellen Healy,
John Donnelly, Ken Churchill, Marie Moore,
Natalie Dwyer, Tomas Laming and
Mary Fredericks.

PLEASE PRAY FOR: The recently deceased and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Deborah Rix, Dulcie Munro, John Read, Mary Writer, Michael Burns, Josephine McKay, Andy Grima, Kellan Byrnes, Stuart Eldridge, Genie Lynch, Frank McKay, Peter Hampton, Colin Foley, Jim McKenzie, Maurya Hutton, and Maria Cabonara.

May eternal rest grant to them O Lord and may perpetual lights shine upon them.

APOLOGY FOR THE LATE ARRIVAL OF PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES FOR 2015/16 FINANCIAL

YEAR: This is a result of our previous printing supplier closing down. As an interim measure, there are blank envelopes at all the entrances to the Church. Please write your last year's (2014/15) Planned Giving Number or your name on the envelope and place in the collection baskets as per usual.

If you would like to become part of the Parish Planned Giving Program either by Direct Debit or Envelopes there are forms available on all the Tables at the Entrance of the Church.

By contributing through the Planned Giving Program you are helping with the running costs/ongoing maintenance of our Parish.

Thanking you in anticipation.

THOMAS MORE PLAYTIME: 9.30 – 11.30am
Tuesdays in our Parish Hall during school terms
(returning this Tuesday). Attention
Parents/Guardians and Grandparents, everyone
welcome. If you have children including under School
age children and bubs, come for a chat and cuppa
while the kids enjoy playtime activities including Bible
Story time, songs, craft, outside/inside play and pray
time. Gold coin donation. If interested please phone:
Catherine for more information: 46271842

PARISH MINISTRY ROSTERS: Are available for collection at the main table at the Entrance to the Church. For Extraordinary Ministers of Communion, Parish Counter's, Refreshments after Mass (Amended dates for Groups 1 & 3) and Parish Cleaner's Rosters. Thank you to the many Parishioners who are members of these Parish Ministries and other Ministries of our Parish Church, the gift of your time and talents are greatly appreciated and thank you for your continuing support.

If you would like to join any of the many Parish Ministries please do not hesitate to Contact the Parish Office on 4628 2967 or email: ruse@dow.org.au.

Many hands make light work.

ST THOMAS MORE PRIMARY SCHOOL FETE: Please come and support our Parish Primary School Fete, to be held on Sunday 2nd August, from 9.00am to 4.00pm on the School Grounds. There will be plenty of food stalls, raffles, rides plus much much more. A fun day is promised to all. For more details please contact the Fete Co-Ordinators on: stmrusefete@hotmail.com

SERVING GOD'S PEOPLE - Skilling you for Being Involved Course Sessions: Option 1: Wednesdays 22 July - 16 Sept, 7:30-9:30pm and Option 2: Wednesdays 22 July - 16 Sept, 10am-12:30pm.All Sessions run in our Parish Hall. Currently involved in your parish community? Would you like to develop further practical skills for enhancing your involvement? Are you new to ministry and want to learn more? Interested in developing skills for working with others in ministry? Serving God's People provides an overview of Christian ministry, equipping those involved or seeking to be involved in ministry with essential skills and knowledge for actively contributing to the life of the parish or Diocese. The Eastern Macarthur group of parishes will be running this course during third term (July-September) and you are invited to participate. Come along to the information session to find out more on how to become part of this exciting opportunity. For further information contact Annette Read - 0404 112 335 or Darren McDowell, Parish Services, cfl@dow.org.au or 4222 2463. Enrolment in the course is essential and must be completed by Friday 17 July.

LAUNCH - WORLD YOUTH DAY KRAKOW POLAND 2016: OFFICIAL DIOCESAN LAUNCH & INFO NIGHT: Friday 31st July at 6.30pm: Xavier Centre, 38 Harbour St, Wollongong. Please see the posters for more information or email: youth@dow.org.au or 4222 2460

MINISTRY FORMATION COURSE – INTRODUCTION TO LITURGICAL MINISTRY: To be held in our Parish Hall on Saturday 1st August 10am-1.00pm. This is an introduction for all who participate in the Church's liturgy. For more information contact Paul Mason litygy@dow.org.au or 4222 2462 Cost: \$10. To enrol/register contact Helen Bennett helen.bennett@dow.org.au

RECORDING OF SACRED MUSIC: MASH Choirs NSW: The value of quality sacred music cannot be underestimated. And when sacred music is truly appropriate, accomplished and well prepared, people at Mass of all ages invariably have a positive and moving experience of the Church's liturgy. So to foster further development, would you like to be part of a recording of sacred music on Sunday 2nd August at Mater Dei Camden for uploading to You Tube? At least 30 choristers have already expressed strong interest. Please see Fr Tony for more details. And for those with a curious mind, MASH is derived from Macarthur And Southern Highlands.

2015 SIGNIFICANT MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARIES MASS: If you are celebrating 25,40,50or 60 years of marriage this year and would like an invitation to the Mass to be celebrated by Bishop Peter Ingham on Sunday 20 September 2015 at 2.00pm, please contact Helen Bennett 4222 2403/email helen.bennett@dow.org.au by Monday 3rd August and an invitation will be sent to you.

CAMPBELLTOWN CATHOLIC CLUB ANNUAL COMMUNION MASS & LUNCH: Sunday 9th August. Mass at 10.00am at Mary Immaculate Church, Eagle Vale followed by Lunch at the Cube-Campbelltown Catholic Club. Tickets are \$15.00 per head. Please contact the Catholic Club for tickets.

PARISH ROSARY STATUE: The Parish Rosary Statue is currently in the home of Carmel and James. The family will be praying the Rosary on Monday evening at 7.30pm. The address is on the main noticeboard of the Church.

If you would like to join this prayerful Ministry please phone Bev on: 4625 0659

PARISH DIARY DATES:

Tuesday 14th July: 7.30pm St Vincent de Paul Conference Meeting in the Parish Centre, new Members are most welcome

Thursday 16th July: *9.30am* Retiree's Social Group gathering in the Parish Hall (Retiree's over 55 are most welcome) come along for a cuppa, chat and a laugh.

PARISH ROSTERS FOR THE NEXT 2 WEEKS:

EXTRADORDINARY MINISTERS' OF COMMUNION FOR NEXT 2 WEEKENDS:

Vigil Mass: Saturday 18th July: Trish Newman and James Munro

9.00am Mass: Sunday 19th July: Fay Faamau and Junior Faamau

Vigil Mass: Saturday 25th July: Bev McKenzie and Bertha Berbari

9.00am Mass: Sunday 26th July: Helen Rawson and Catherine Minogue

READERS' FOR NEXT 2 WEEKENDS:

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

Vigil Mass: Saturday 18th July: Louise Phillips and James Munro

9.00am Mass: Sunday 19th July: May Michelutti and Maryse Parisi

Vigil Mass: Saturday 25th July: Louise Phillips and James Munro

9.00am Mass: Sunday 26th July: May Michelutti and Maryse Parisi

CHURCH CLEANERS' FOR NEXT 2 WEEKS

Saturday 18th July: Syro-Malabar Indian Community Saturday 25th July: Group 3: Brian O'Brien, Christine Foreman, James Munro and Carmel Munro

USHERS' FOR NEXT 2 WEEKENDS:

Vigil Mass: Saturday 18th July: Maureen Molland 9.00am Mass: Sunday 19th July: Gwen and Brian Harris Vigil Mass: Saturday 25th July: Help Needed 9.00am Mass: Sunday 26th July: Brian and Gwen Harris

CHURCH FLOWER ARRANGER'S FOR NEXT 2 WEEKENDS: Saturday 18th July: Samoan Divine Mercy Group Saturday 25th July: Julie Writer

REFRESHMENTS AFTER 9.00am Morning Mass (19th July): Julie Writer, Maryse Parisi, Catherine Minogue, Yvonne Reddy and Hedy Toth

HOW GREAT IS THE HOPE TO WHICH WE ARE CALLED

Have you ever stopped to ask why can't things be different? God has called you to make a difference, to a witness for hope in our world. Not sure where to start? Contact Fr Richard Healey, Vocations Director, on 0401 621 591 or priesthood@dow.org.au.