

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Year B
19th 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*

GLUTEN FREE HOSTS: 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.

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.



REFRESHMENTS AFTER SUNDAY 9.00am MASS: Please come over to the Parish Hall for refreshments after Mass. come and meet other Parishioners or catch up with friends. Looking forward to seeing you in the Parish Hall.

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES: Are ready for collection. If any of your details have changed: eg: address, phone, email details etc **please** fill out a new Parish Census Form so your records can be updated.

*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.*

Parishioners Birthdays for this week:
20th July: Naomi Cross
24th July: Carmel Bartolo and Tresora Wyer

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*

PARISH CHILDREN'S LITURGY (Kindergarten to Year 6 inclusive): Is on each Sunday at the 9.00am Mass during School Terms. Beginning today for Term 3. We are looking for helper's and Teacher's if you are interested in helping with this Parish Ministry. If you are interested please phone Joanne on 0421 802 132 for more information.

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, 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.

THOMAS MORE PLAYTIME: Tuesdays 9.30am – 11.30am in our Parish Hall during school terms. **Attention: Parents/Guardians and Grandparents,** if you have any children/grandchildren under School age 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 Reader's, 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.

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION: The Information/Enrolment Evening is on Wednesday 29th July at 7.00pm in the Parish Church. *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*.

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 THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC 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 plenty more. A fun day is promised to all. Our **White Elephant** drop off day is: Saturday 25 July between 12 - 3pm. Parishioners are welcome to drop off smaller items or books to the front office any time between now and Fete day. Regarding the White Elephant, we are *unable* to accept: White goods, Stuffed toys, TV's, Videos and 'Junk' that will be unsellable. For more details please contact the Fete Co-Ordinators on: stmrusefete@hotmail.com

ST THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL: Keep up to date with the happenings in our Parish Catholic Primary School. The School Newsletter is available at all the tables at the Entrance of the Church to take home.

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 July-September and you are invited to participate. For further information contact Darren McDowell, Parish Services, cfl@dow.org.au or 4222 2463. **Enrolment in the course is essential and must be completed ASAP.**

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

PARISH RETREAT DAY: On Saturday 1st August there will be a parish retreat day Our Lady Help of Christians Parish, Rosemeadow. The theme of the day is: The Sacrament of Penance. It will commence at 10am (arrive 9.45) and conclude at 3pm. It will include Mass, talks, and Exposition, concluding with Rosary and Benediction. BYO lunch, tea and coffee provided in Meeting Room. All welcome. Place:

2015 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 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.

NEXT INSTITUTION OF ACOLYTES – SATURDAY 29 AUGUST. More details will be available soon.

PARISH ROSARY STATUE: The Parish Rosary Statue is currently in the home of **Rodney and Yvonne Scott.** *The family will be praying the Rosary on Monday evening at 6.00pm.* 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 28th July: 7.30pm St Vincent de Paul Conference Meeting in the Parish Centre, new Members are most welcome
Wednesday 29th July: 7.00pm Parent/Carer Information and Enrolment evening for Confirmation in the Church
Thursday 30th 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 25th July: Bev McKenzie and Bertha Barbari
9.00am Mass: Sunday 26th July: Helen Rawson and Catherine Minogue
Vigil Mass: Saturday 1st August: Maureen Molland and Bertha Barbari
9.00am Mass: Sunday 2nd August: Fay Faamau and Junior Faamau

READERS' FOR NEXT 2 WEEKENDS:
(Could the 2nd Reader please read also the Prayers of Intercession)
Vigil Mass: Saturday 25th July: Louise Phillips and James Munro
9.00am Mass: Sunday 26th July: May Michelutti and Maryse Parisi
Vigil Mass: Saturday 1st August: Andrew James and Pauline Menzies
9.00am Mass: Sunday 2nd August: Barry Daley and Christine Foreman

CHURCH CLEANERS' FOR NEXT 2 WEEKS
Saturday 25th July: Group 3: Brian O'Brien, Christine Foreman, James Munro and Carmel Munro
Saturday 1st August: Group 4: Maureen Molland, Fa'aiu Faamau, Colleen Jablonskis, Rosa and Manuel Herrera

USHERS' FOR NEXT 2 WEEKENDS:
Vigil Mass: Saturday 1st August: Vicky Horne
9.00am Mass: Sunday 2nd August: Help Needed

CHURCH FLOWER ARRANGER'S FOR NEXT 2 WEEKENDS:
Saturday 25th July: Julie Writer
Saturday 1st August: Christine Foreman and Carmel Munro