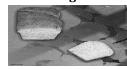
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PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

"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.

INVITATION FOR REFRESHMENTS AFTER THE 9.00am SUNDAY MASS:



We welcome all who are visiting our Parish this weekend and are attending the 9.00am Mass, you are invited to come over to the Parish Hall, to share a cuppa etc and meet some of our Parishioners and/or catch up with Parish friends.

Looking forward to seeing you all in the Parish Hall.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION: Preparation lessons have begun. Please keep the 40 Candidates, their families and the teacher's in your prayers.

THE 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.

PLEASE PRAY FOR: The many sick in our Parish Community including: Bill Eccleston,
Maree and Noel Laming, Brian Harris,
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, Natalie Dwyer,
Tomas Laming and Mary Fredericks.

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

Mary Smith, Jeff Miezio, Ern Munro, Tina Boyd,
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.

Parishioners Birthdays for this week:

8th: David Mahanay 9th: Jacqueline Cross 13th: James Munro

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

WE WELCOME INTO OUR CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY: Aubrey Harper Gee who was Baptised last weekend.

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES: There are still a few not collected. 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.

PARISH MINISTRY ROSTERS: There are still many rosters that have not been collected, please take home your copy (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 of your Parish.

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.

PARISH CHILDREN'S LITURGY (Kindergarten to

Year 6 inclusive): Is each Sunday at the 9.00am Mass during School Terms. We are looking for helper's and Teacher's if you are interested in helping with this Parish Ministry, please phone Joanne on 0421 802 132 for more information.

ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY & CELEBRATION OF INDIA'S INDEPENDENCE DAY: This

Friday 14^{th} August at $6.30 \, \text{pm}$ at St John the Evangelist, Campbelltown. See notice board for more details

READERS WORKSHOP: Will be held in the Church on Saturday 22nd August from 10am – 12noon. Please let me know on 4628 2967 or the Office number: 4628 2967 if you are able to come. If you haven't already done one I look forward to seeing you there.

Thank you **Julie**

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

ST THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL: Thank you to the many Parishioners and their families who supported our Parish Catholic Primary School at the Fete last Sunday.

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.

EXTENDED RSVP DATE 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

20 September 2015 at 2.00pm, please contact Helen Bennett 4222 2403/email helen.bennett@dow.org.au by Monday 10 Aug and an invitation will be sent to you.

SCIENCE & RELIGION: PARTNERS IN KNOWING GOD, THE UNIVERSE & LIFE: Wednesday 12 August 7:30-9:30pm at St John the Evangelist Parish Hall Campbelltown.

Rev. Dr. Anthony Gooley is back, this time presenting on *Science & Religion*. In popular imagination and media science and religion (Christianity) are often pitted against each other as opposing forces. When we look at the relationship between them, especially Christian theology, we are surprised to learn just how close they are to one another and yet each has its own limits and proper way of doing things. We will look, at the origins and development of the universe. **Registration is essential to Helen 4222 2403 or elen.bennett@dow.org.au** Cost is \$10. Enquiries to **Darren McDowell, 4222 2463 or cfl@dow.org.au**

MINISTRY FORMATION COURSE - BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT (FUNERAL PREPARATION) - SATURDAY 22

AUGUST: This course provides general formation for those who help in preparation of funerals including Pastors, Pastoral Associates, Lay Pastoral Ministers, Sacristans, Musicians and Bereavement Support Team Members. The course comprises 2 sessions covering topics: (a) The experience of death in the context of the paschal mystery; (b) pastoral care for the bereaved in the context of the ministry of Jesus; (c) The ministry of the whole Church in the event of death; (d) Overview of the various rites contained in the Order of Christian Funerals; (e) pastoral issues around the experience of death; (f) celebration of the various funeral rites in varying circumstances; (g) practical and pastoral skills required for this ministry.

The course is at the Xavier Conference Centre, 38 Harbour Street, Wollongong, on Sat 22 August, 10:00am – 1:00pm. A Resource Kit and Morning Tea are provided. For further information visit contact Paul Mason on liturgy@dow.org.au or 4222 2462 or visit www.liturgy.dow.org.au, for enrolment registration contact Helen Bennett helen.bennett@dow.org.au or 4222 2403

DIOCESAN ASSEMBLY 5 SEPTEMBER - MERCY AND

HEALING: Our next diocesan assembly will be at Mt Carmel Catholic College, Varroville on Saturday 5 September, 9.30am registration for 10am start. It is a very practical assembly giving you an opportunity to partake in workshops with a focus on the upcoming Year of Mercy and our focus on Healing for 2016. Please reserve a spot in your calendar. More details available soon.

<u>PARISH ROSARY STATUE:</u> The Parish Rosary Statue is currently in the home of **Freda and Wilfred Miranda**. *The family will be praying the Rosary on Monday (10th and 17th August) morning at 11.00am*. 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 11th August: 7.30pm St Vincent de Paul Conference Meeting in the Parish Centre, new Members are most welcome

Thursday 13th **August:** *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 15th August: Trish Newman and Bev McKenzie

9.00am Mass: Sunday 16th August: Fay Faamau and Iunior Faamau

Vigil Mass: Saturday 22nd August: Louise Phillips and James Munro

9.00am Mass: Sunday 23rd August: Helen Rawson and Annette Read

READERS' FOR NEXT 2 WEEKENDS:

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

Vigil Mass: Saturday 15th August: Julie and Bev McKenzie 9.00am Mass: Sunday 16th August: Maria Samaha and Maria Feher

Vigil Mass: Saturday 22nd August: Bev McKenzie and Iulie Writer

9.00am Mass: Sunday 23rd Augustt: Maria Feher and Barry Daley

CHURCH CLEANERS' FOR NEXT 2 WEEKS

Saturday 15th August: Group 1: Syro-Malabar Indian Community

Saturday 22nd August: Group 6: Tongan Youth Group

USHERS' FOR NEXT 2 WEEKENDS:

Vigil Mass: Saturday 15th August: Maureen`Molland 9.00am Mass: Sunday 16th August: Christine Foreman Vigil Mass: Saturday 22nd August: Help needed 9.00am Mass: Sunday 23rd August: Gwen and Brian Harris

CHURCH FLOWER ARRANGER'S FOR:

Saturday 22nd August: Melanie Webb and Elaine Hoffmann

