25th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B 20th September 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 the 9.00am Mass today



You are all invited to join Parishioners and Visitor's in the Parish Hall for a 'cuppa' and a chat.

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION was celebrated last weekend. Thank you to all who prepared the 40 Candidates for the Sacrament of Confirmation to complete their initiation into full membership of the Catholic Church.

Thank you also to the many people who prepared the Church: the Sacramental Team, Church Cleaner's, the Confirmation Powerpoint Creator and the Sacristan's. *Thank you all for the gifts of your time and talents.*

<u>WE WELCOME:</u> Into our Christian Community: **Zayden James Addison** and **Monitini Paul Junior Veatup** who were Baptised last weekend.

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: Stevie Dilen, Michael Bye, Bill Eccleston, Maree and Noel Laming, Candice Walker, Chris Noyce, Ethan Craig, Leo Cornwell, Doreen Monckton, Mary Smith, Freda and Wilfred Miranda, Tina Ting, 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.

Leslie & Coral Dawson (Anniv), Joseph Dawson, Suaesi Faamau, Emil Avila, Bishop William Brennan, Peter, Diminico & Loretta Giannetti, Gino & Emilia Dicesare, Kevin Hardinge, Bernard Hoffmann, Marcia Rae, Joan Bauer, Tina Boyd, Lena Pereira, Mary Berbari, Maria Cabonara, Deborah Rix, John Read, Mary Writer, Genie Lynch, Josephine McKay, Frank McKay, Jim McKenzie, and Maurya Hutton. May eternal rest grant to them O Lord and may perpetual lights shine upon them.

<u>Parishioners Birthday for this week:</u>

21st: Brian Harris

23rd: Maureen Hennessy

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

SIGNIFICANT MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARY MASS: Will

be celebrated today (Sunday 20th September at 2.00pm at St John Vianney's Co-Cathdral, Fairy Meadow. We wish to congratulate: *Jeff and Marian Cross* 25 years' marriage on the 28th April and *Stephen and Simone Chomicz* 25 years' marriage on the 15th December.

WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK NUMBERS

(REMINDER): If any Parishioner in their Parish Ministry that involves working with children has not given Fr Tony their WWC number could they do so please ASAP or if you require assistance to apply for a Working With Children Approval under Child Protection Legislation please either see Fr Tony or come into the Parish Office during Office Hours.

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.

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 PARISH CHURCH

FACEBOOK: If you haven't had the chance to look on our Parish Facebook, please do so. You will see pictures of what has been happening in our Parish as well as other information from the Diocese of Wollongong and the Vatican.

ST THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL: Please support the Shoe Box Christmas Gift Donation – notes regarding this are on the tables at the entrance of the Church. Keep up to date with the happenings in our Parish Catholic Primary School (The last for Term 3). The School Newsletter is available at all the tables at the Entrance of the Church to take home.

THE JOURNEY CATHOLIC RADIO PROGRAM – AIRS 20 SEPTEMBER 2015: This week on The Journey Fr Stephen Varney reflects on the Gospel of Mark; Sr Hilda Scott OSB shares a story of how Pope John XXIII revealed God's love to prisoners; Trish McCarthy challenges us to "Feel the Fear" and do it anyway; Fr Dave Callaghan asks us to "Think Again" and the Pirolas give us tips on the key to a successful marriage. Tune into PULSE 94.1 FM on Sun at 11am or go to www.jcr.org.au or www.itunes.jcr.org.au where you can listen anytime and subscribe to weekly shows by email.

<u>NEXT SUNDAY (26th/27th September):</u> Is Social Justice Sunday: The statement and further resources can be downloaded from www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au

UNDERSTANDING & SUPPORTING THE JOURNEY WITH

DEMENTIA: Monday 28 September 9.00am – 3.30pm at Micah

House, 35a Cordeaux St Campbelltown. For more enquiries

contact Carmen Karauda on 4640 8515 or

carmen.karauda@catholiccare.dow.org.au Cost for the

workshop is \$10 and Registration essential 24 September

(Campbelltown) as places are limited to Helen Bennett 4222

2403 or helen.bennett@dow.org.au

Weekend retreat: Becoming Fully Alive – a prayerful journey with St Teresa of Avila. Presenter: Dr Richard Hardy. Where: Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, 247 St Andrews Road, Varroville. When: October 9 – 11.Cost: \$220 (concessions apply). For more information please either: phone: 8795 3400, Email: retreats@carmelite.com or www.carmeliteretreats.com.au

HEART – WOMEN'S CONFERENCE 2015: 16-17 October 2015 Fairfield RSL Sydney. A time to come together as women to be refreshed and renewed in our busy lives. Spoil yourself. Dream again. Feel loved, honoured and cared for. To register and pay online go to: the CtholicGuy.com/Heart Email: heart@thecatholicguy.tv Phone: 1300 734 880. There are brochures available to take on all the tables at the entrance of the Church.

<u>CATHOLICCARE: Term 4 Calendar</u>: Please see notice boards at the entrance of the Church to see what courses are available.

Stewardship "Faith Journey" Prayer

Creator God, at Baptism, we accepted the call to follow Jesus. Be with us as we move along on our faith journey. Send us your Holy Spirit, that we might have wisdom for the journey. Help us to develop and share our gifts as good stewards, that we may use them in love and service in your Kingdom. We ask this through Christ, our Lord,

Amen

<u>PARISH ROSARY STATUE:</u> The Parish Rosary Statue is currently in the home of Hector and Hazel. *The family will be praying the Rosary on Monday 21st & 28th September at 5.00pm.* 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 22nd September: *7.30pm* St Vincent de Paul Conference Meeting in the Parish Centre, new Members are most welcome

Thursday 24th **September:** *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. **Monday 5**th **October:** *7.30pm* Parish Ladies Group meeting

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Tuesday 6th October: 7.00pm Baptism Preparation Class in the Parish Centre

PARISH ROSTERS FOR THE NEXT 2 WEEKS:

EXTRADORDINARY MINISTERS' OF COMMUNION FOR NEXT 2 WEEKENDS:

Vigil Mass: Saturday 26th Sept: Maureen Molland and Winnie Cameron

9.00am Mass: Sunday 27th Sept: Helen Rawson and

Annette Read
Vigil Mass: Saturday3rd Oct: Trish Newman and

Louise Phillips

9.00am Mass: Sunday 4th Oct: Fay and Junior Faamau

READERS' FOR NEXT 2 WEEKENDS:

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

Vigil Mass: Saturday 26th Sept: Gabby Menzies and

James Munro

9.00am Mass: Sunday 27th Sept: Andrew Truong and

Julie Writer

Vigil Mass: Saturday 3rd Oct: Louise Phillips and James Munro

9.00am Mass: Sunday 4th Oct: Maureen Molland and Pesio Aiga

CHURCH CLEANERS' FOR NEXT 2 WEEKS

Saturday 26th Sept: Group 5: Ruse Samoan Divine Mercy Group

Saturday 3rd Oct: Group 6: Tongan Youth Group

USHERS' FOR NEXT 2 WEEKENDS:

Vigil Mass: Saturday 26th Sept: Help needed 9.00am Mass: Sunday 27th Sept: Chris Reddy Vigil Mass: Saturday 3rd Oct: Vicky Horne 9.00am Mass: Sunday 4th Oct: Barry Daley

FLOWER ARRANGER FOR NEXT WEEKEND:

3rd Oct: Melanie Webb and Elaine Hoffmann

WE WISH OUR PARISH SCHOOL CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES a relaxing and enjoyable break/holiday in their readiness for their final School Term for 2015

