30th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Year B 28th October 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, welcomes 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.

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.

PLENARY COUNCIL 2020 - LISTEN TO WHAT THE SPIRIT IS

SAYING. This is an opportunity for us to assist Pope Francis, Bishop Brian and ourselves to examine and evaluate where we are and where we want to be in the future.

We need your input so we can advise Bishop Brian and Pope Francis what we think and what we want to know!

"What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?" Bishop Brian wrote in his letter to all parishioners "....it is an opportunity for us to listen deeply to our own hearts and the hearts of others in expressing what we love about who we are as the Church, as well as identifying and naming our shortcomings and disappointments, and expressing in concrete ways our hopes for the future." Listen to what the Holy Spirit is saying to guide us in our endeavours together.

YOU ARE INVITED TO OUR PARISH MEETING THIS
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 31ST AT 7.30PM IN CHELSEA HOUSE
(PARISH HALL), TO FIND OUT MORE AND TO PARTICIPATE
IN THE PROCESS OF HAVING YOUR SAY.
Supper will be served!

THANKYOU: To the Parishioner who gave of his time and talents to mow the Church lawns during the week. You are

WE WELCOME INTO OUR PARISH COMMUNITY:

greatly appreciated.

Jordan Alison Alex, Harley Wolf Sherwin, Angus Myles
Pender and Amelia Grace Bramman who were Baptised last
weekend.

PLEASE PRAY FOR: The *many* sick in our Parish Community including: Maree Laming, Maureen Hennessy, Jessica & Ella Channon, Maria Byron, Elaine Hoffmann, Gulliver, Ellen Healy, Patricia McInerney, Helen Rawson, Betty Berthon, Maureen Wyer, Brenda Baker, Moria Harris, Jessica Cartwright, Betty Byrne, Rosa Santos, Aimiti Seufatu, Robert Berthaly, John Hill, Noel Laming, Rita Jowsey, Freda and Wilfred Miranda, Beryl Purcell, Jeannie and George Nicholson and Mary

Fredericks.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED: Kevin Gomes, Thomas Burke, Bobbie Cameron, Julia Healy, Jay Jablonskis, Natalie Dwyer, Bernard Hoffmann, Lena Pereira, Fr Tony Daly, John Read, Keith Gomes, John Baptist D'Sa, Jim McKenzie, Maurya Hutton, Deborah Rix, Mary Writer, Alice Harris, Ladislav Feher, Bobby Cameron and Maria Cabonara. May eternal rest grant to them O Lord and may perpetual Light shine upon them.

<u>IF ANY PARISHIONER/S:</u> would like to have their Birthdays and/or Wedding Anniversaries included in the Parish Bulletin, please contact the Parish Office: 4628 2967 or email: ruse@dow.org.au

CHILDREN'S LITURGY 2018: Is held at the beginning of the Sunday 9.00am Mass (during School Terms).

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.

MESSAGE FOR READERS: The current Readers' Roster will end in December and the 2019 Roster will be released by mid-December this year. We would like to invite more new Readers to join us this New year.

We are looking for individuals, couples or families who have passion in reading and would love to share their God-given talents in reading. We highly encourage young people, who are in Year 5 and above and are good Readers' to join us. Those of you who have been Readers' in the past, we hope you will continue. There is a sign-up clipboard on the table at the Church entrance for the next few weeks for your name, phone numbers, email addresses and preferred Mass time.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter.

should you have any questions regarding this matter, please feel free to contact me 041 3077 824. Thank you to the "old" Readers for their loyalty and welcome "new" Readers' into this rewarding Ministry. May

<u>PARISH COLLECTIONS IN THE CHURCH:</u> We depend on your generosity to make ends meet for the support of our Parish. <u>The First Collection:</u> (at the Offertory) for our Parish Priest and the running of the Presbytery

<u>The Second Collection:</u> (after Communion) for Parish costs, insurance, bills (phone, gas, electricity, water etc) office operations etc.

If you are not part of our Parish Planned Giving Program, then please consider joining. If you are new to our Parish, please consider joining.

You can join by the envelope system or Direct Debit. There are forms on the table at the main entrance of the Church. For more information, please either contact the Parish Office or see Fr Michael

To know, love and serve Jesus by sharing our gifts through our Baptismal Mission

2018 CATHOLIC MISSION WORLD MISSION APPEAL: Thank you to the many Parishioners and Visitor's to our Parish last weekend for supporting this Appeal. There are still envelopes available on the tables at the entrance to the Church if you wish to donate. For more details contact: **Freecall:1800 257 296 or catholicmission.org.au/youaremission**

NOVEMBER: is a special time to pray for the dead. A plenary indulgence may be gained for the dead, once only, by visiting a Church on 3rd/4th November and praying the Lord's Prayer and the Creed. Three conditions are required for gaining the indulgence: sacramental confession, eucharistic communion, and prayer for the pope's intentions (Norms 15,7)

FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER: All Masses will be offered for the deceased relatives and friends of all our Parishioners. We will record all the names that have been given in the Parish Book of Remembrance, set up in the Sacred Space. Please notify either Fr Michael or the Parish Office should you wish to include deceased relatives and/or friends in the Book of Remembrance.

ST THOMAS MORE PARISH CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL: SAVE THE DATES:

<u>Friday 2nd November:</u> St Thomas More P & F Trivia Night being held in the Campbelltown Catholic Club 7.00pm in the Lachlan Macquarie Room – please read School Newsletter for more details

<u>Saturday: 10th November:</u> St Thomas More Catholic Primary School Shopping Bus Trip. Please take a flyer on the tables to the entrance to the Church.

Sunday 25th November: 40th Anniversary Picnic: Past, present and future students, parents, staff and parishioners are all invited to come along and celebrate 40 years of St Thomas More Catholic Primary School, Ruse. Where: School grounds, Time: 11.00am-3.00pm BYO food and drink

Please take home a copy of our Parish Catholic Primary School Newsletter.

SOCIAL JUSTICE STATEMENT: *UNDERSTAND THE BIGGER* **PICTURE BEHIND THE HOUSING CRISIS:** How can we improve understanding of the wider economic circumstances that drive people into homelessness? What has to change in our cities and

people into homelessness? What has to change in our cities and communities so that everyone can have a place to call home? These are just a few questions.

www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au/publications/socialjustice-statements. CatholicCare:catholiccare.dow.org.au, St Vincent de Paul Society: dow.sh/SvDPWoll, Homelessness NSW: homelessnessnsw.org.au

ALL SOULS DAY/REMEMBERANCE MASS FRIDAY 2nd

NOVEMBER: Will be celebrated at Forest Lawn Memorial Park, Camden Valley Way – North Chapel at 6.30pm, Rosary and Crypt Blessing at 7.15pm Mausoleum.

GROWING GOOD MEN - DIOCESAN FATHER AND SON

<u>CAMP:</u> Friday 2 – Sunday 4 November 2018 (Cataract Scout Park, Appin). Spots are limited to just 15 fathers with their son aged between 12-16 years. Register online menalive.dow.rg.au or phone Jude Hennessy on 4222 2407 or judee.hennessy@dow.org.au

PILGRIMAGE to Benedictine Abbey, Jamberoo: Monday 5th November: For further information and/or to reserve your place please contact Victoria Amato v.vamato@yahoo.com.au or 4454 1460

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER 16-18 NOVEMBER at Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville: Take the time to step back from everyday distractions and rediscover your relationship! Book online at www.wwme.org.au Or phone: Adrian and Janet Sullivan on 0490 774 419 or Adrian.janet1@bigpond.com

PARISH ROSARY STATUE: The Parish has a Parish Rosary Statue that Parishioners are able to have 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:

Wednesday 31st **October: Parish Plenary Meeting at 7.30pm** in Chelsea House (Parish Hall) followed by supper (please read main notices for more details)

Monday 5th November: Baptism Preparation Class at **6.30pm** in the Parish Centre

Monday 5th November: Parish Ladies Group meeting at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre

Tuesday 6th **November: Parish Pastoral Council Meeting at 7.30pm** in Chelsea House (Parish Hall)

Tuesday 13th November: St Vincent de Paul Conference meeting at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre

Thursday 15th November: 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 3rd November: Saturday Vigil Mass: Julie McKenzie & John Greene

Sunday 4th November: Sunday 9.00am Mass: Annette Read & Mavon Vaughan

Saturday 10th November: Saturday Vigil Mass: Winnie Cameron & James Munro

Sunday 11th November: Sunday 9.00am Mass: Loretta & Laftiaga Tuigamala

• READERS FOR THE NEXT 2 WEEKENDS:

Saturday 3rd November: Saturday Vigil Mass: Kerry Hennessy & Raquel Villareal

Sunday 4th November: Sunday 9.00am Mass: Christine Foreman & Chris O'Brien

Saturday 10th November: Saturday Vigil Mass: Raquel Villareal & John Greens

Sunday 11th November: Sunday 9.00am Mass: Samoan Community

• USHERS FOR THE NEXT 2 WEEKENDS:

Saturday 3rd November: Saturday Vigil Mass: Maureen Molland

Sunday 4th November: Sunday 9.00am Mass: Christine Foreman

Saturday 10th November: Saturday Vigil Mass: Vicki Horne Sunday 11th November: Sunday 9.00am Mass: Chris Reddy

• <u>CHURCH CLEANERS' FOR NEXT 2 WEEKENDS:</u>

Saturday 3rd October: Group 5 Samoan Divine Mercy Group Saturday 10th October: Group 6 Tongan Community