



**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.**

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED and the ANNIVERSARIES THAT OCCUR AT THIS TIME:**

Travis Southby (R.D.), Robyn Albury (R.D.), Erlinda Santos (R.D.), Cynthia Carmona (R.D.), Tom Oxley, Len Donoghue, Geoffery Manche, Petel Neeves, Cohan Boyd, Marguerite (Marg) Davis, David Peters, Mary Byrne, Mary Writer, Carmel O’Hara, Fr Tony Daly, Gail Wylie, Maree Laming, Keith Gomes, Balbino Gomes, Kim Rimkus, Kyle Miller, Beryl Ford, Jim McKenzie, Maurya Hutton, Deborah Rix, John Read, Alice Harris, Ladislav Feher, Bobby Cameron, Bernard Hoffmann and Maria Cabonara.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:** The **many** sick in our Parish Community including: Luke Van Der Buret, Briega Glover, Clare McManus, Steve Foreman, Jasper Alison (baby), Fr John Whitty, Roge Beshoy(baby), Elaine Hoffmann, Ellen Healy, Patricia McInerney, Helen Rawson, Betty Berthon, Brenda Baker, Moria Harris, Jessica Cartwright, Betty Byrne, Rosa Santos, Aimiti Seufatu, John Hill, Rita Jowsey, Freda and Wilfred Miranda, Beryl Purcell, Jeannie and George Nicholson and Mary Fredericks.

**IF ANY PARISHIONER/S:** 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](mailto:ruse@dow.org.au)  
**Parishioner’s Birthday this coming week:**  
 9<sup>th</sup>: Phil Chesney

**Parishioner’s Wedding Anniversaries this coming week:**  
 9<sup>th</sup>: Phil and Ron Chesney (50 years)

**St Vincent de Paul – Winter Appeal 2019:**

Your St Vincent de Paul Conference is conducting a Winter Appeal in the Parish up until the weekend 22/23 June 2019. Again, our main focus is food for the Nagle Centre. The Nagle Centre have specifically requested; Tinned tuna, salmon & meat. Tinned spaghetti, baked beans, soups & meals. Tinned vegetables & fruit. Pasta & pasta sauce, rice, noodles & noodle cups, cups-of-soup, pasta sauce, gravy mixes, stock powders, tomato paste, minced garlic & ginger. Salt & pepper, sauces (tomato etc.), cooking oils (bottled, tinned or spray cans). Coffee (no tea bags please), milk powder or long-life milk, hot chocolate, Milo, cordial, long life juice, sugar. Custard powder, instant puddings, flour (plain/self-raising & corn), maple syrup, pancake & cake mixes, vegemite, jam, honey, cracker snack packs. Nappies/pull ups (not newborn please), men’s & women’s razors, travel shave cream (small), roll on or cream deodorant gloves, beanies & scarves.

There are baskets at the back of the church each week during the Appeal, where you may place donations. **All foods must be non-perishable, in date and undamaged please.** For Parishioners who find cash donations more convenient, there will be envelopes at the back of the Church for the remainder of the Appeal. Simply complete and place the envelope in either the 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> collection.

**Your support is vital so please think of the above items when next out shopping.**

**WE WELCOME:** Into our Christian Community:

*Helen Donna O’Neill and Nathaniel Jacob Bankowski* who were Baptised last weekend.

**THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION:** will be celebrated in our Parish on **Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2019 at 2.30pm.**

**Please keep the 52 Candidates, their families and teachers in your prayers.**

**CHILDREN’S LITURGY 2019:** is held during the Sunday 9.00am Mass during School Terms. For children from Kindergarten to Year 6 (inclusive). For more details and/or if you would like to join this Parish Ministry please contact Joanne on 042 180 2132

**ST THOMAS MORE PARISH PLAYTIME 2019:** is held in Chelsea House (Parish Hall) on Tuesdays during School Terms 9.30am – 11.30am. Mums/Dads/Carers/Grandparents come along with your pre-school child/children. A gold coin donation.

**PARISH GROUNDS WORKING BEE: SATURDAY 15<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2019 from 8.30am – 11.00am (Morning Tea provided):** Jobs on the list are: sanding, painting, gardening, watering systems, mulching, planting shrubs and mowing. Could you please bring: blowers, whipper snippers, rakes, mowers, paint brushes, spades, shovels and sanders. **Many hands make light work. The gift of your time is greatly appreciated, especially if you can only spare a short time.**  
*Thanking you all in anticipation.*

**SAVE THE DATE: PARISH LADIES GROUP HIGH TEA: Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July.** To be held in Chelsea House 12noon to 2.30pm. A fun afternoon is promised to all ladies over 18. \$15.00 per head to be paid on the day. **RSVP: Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June** either on the clipboard on the table at the Entrance to the Church, or the Parish Office either by phone 4628 2967 or email: [ruse@dow.org.au](mailto:ruse@dow.org.au). Please take home an invitation

**PARISH PLANNED GIVING:** Planned Giving is essential to the running costs of the Parish. Did you know that you can contribute in several ways: Weekly Envelopes, Direct Debit from your Bank Account/Credit Card, Direct Credit by electronically transferring funds (EFT) from your Bank Account direct to the St Thomas More Church Account and cheques/cash. If you would like to join our Parish Planned Giving program, please contact the Parish Office on 4628 2967 or email: [ruse@dow.org.au](mailto:ruse@dow.org.au). There are also forms on the tables at the entrance to the Church. **The Planned Giving Envelopes for 2018/2019 financial year are ready for collection.**

**PARISH BULLETIN ADVERTISING:** If you would like to advertise your Business on the back cover of our Parish Bulletin, either single or double business card size please either speak with Barry Daley or contact the Parish Office for more information.

**CATHOLIC WEEKLY:** Filled with many articles etc. **A bargain at \$2.00 each, please put monies in the red letterbox on the table.**

**PARISH PIETY STALL:** Come and peruse our Parish Piety Stall, there are many new items for sale eg: Rosary Beads, Religious Cards, books etc. Gift ideas for Baptisms, First Holy Communion and Confirmation.

**ST THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL:**

**SAVE THE DATE: SCHOOL FETE: Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> August 2019.**

More details to follow.

**To keep up to date with our Parish School, please take home a copy of their School Newsletter.**

**MT CARMEL RETREAT CENTRE MAY RETREATS:**

247 St Andrews Road, Varroville, Ph: 8795 3400  
[retreats@carmelite.com.au](mailto:retreats@carmelite.com.au), [www.carmeliteretreats.com.au](http://www.carmeliteretreats.com.au)

**The Light of Hope and Peace: When: June 14: – June 16**

Presenter: John Charadia and artist tutors

Cost: \$300 (concessions apply)

“Flesh and spirit, concealment and revelation, time and eternity, divine glory and vulnerability: these contradictions are all wrapped in the holy gift of Christmas.” Verna Holyhead

**Spiritual Pot Pourri: When: 5-7 July:**

Presenter: Bishop Peter Ingham, Cost: \$300 (concessions apply) Contact: Mrs Carla Walker 02 8795 3400

A Pot Pourri is a mixture of flowers, herbs and spices in a sachet or bowl to provide a gentle natural scent. Here it will be an unusual/interesting mixture of things of the Spirit so that we create a good impression after us.

**MACARTHUR YOUTH GROUP:** Join us for a gathering of teenagers and young adults every Friday Night of the term! Live Local is a place for like-minded young people from 12-18 to grow in faith, community and fun. Live Local runs from 7pm – 9pm at St John’s Hall, Campbelltown and is put on by passionate young adults from the local area and leaders from the Diocese of Wollongong. Looking forward to seeing you.

**CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION: Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> June at 2.30pm**

**at:** Our Lady Help of Christians Parish, Rosemeadow. Their Annual Procession in honour of the Blessed Sacrament with include Scripture Readings, Rosary, Procession and Benediction. All are welcome

**2019 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 Brian Mascord at St John Vianney co-Cathedral, Fairy Meadow on Sunday, 4 August 2019 at 2pm, please contact Helen Bennett 4222 2403 or email [helen.bennett@dow.org.au](mailto:helen.bennett@dow.org.au) at the Office of the Bishop by Friday 13 July and an invitation will be sent to you.

**DIARY DATES TO NOTE:**

**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> June: 7.30pm** St Vincent de Paul Conference Meeting in Chelsea House

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June** Retiree’s Social Group Gathering after the 9.30am morning Mass in Chelsea House (Parish Hall)

**Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June: 8.30am-11.00am** Parish Grounds working bee – SEE MAIN NOTICES

**Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June: 2.30pm** Confirmation

**ROSTERS FOR THE NEXT 2 WEEKS:**

• **USHERS**

**Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June: Vigil Mass: Vicki Horne**

**Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> June: 9.00am Mass: Christine Foreman**

**Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June: Vigil Mass: Chantal Berbari**

**Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> June: 9.00am Mass: Chris Reddy**

• **READERS:**

**Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June: Vigil Mass: Carmel Munro and Marisel King**

**Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> June: 9.00am Mass: Alison Hourigan and Elisapeta Minisale**

**Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June: Vigil Mass: Carmel Munro and Marisel King**

**Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> June: 9.00am Mass: Chris and Brian O’Brien**

• **EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION**

**Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June: Vigil Mass: Trish Newman**

**Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> June: 9.00am Mass: Faye Faamau and Julie Writer**

**Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June: Vigil Mass: Bertha Berbari and John Greene**

**Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> June: 9.00am Mass: Mavon Vaughan and Annette Read**

• **POWERPOINT OPERATOR’S:**

**Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June: Vigil Mass: Chantal Berbari**

**Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> June: 9.00am Mass: Gwen Harris**

**Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June: Vigil Mass: Joshua Star**

**Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> June: 9.00am Mass: Gwen Harris**

• **CHURCH CLEANERS:**

**Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June: Group 1: Syro-Malabar Indian Community**

**Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June: Group 5: Samoan Divine Mercy**

• **REFRESHMENTS AFTER SUNDAY 9.00AM MASS: Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> June: Group 3: Tongan Community**



Prayer

*Holy Spirit continue to invite us into your life of grace and extraordinary love. Amen*