

**PENTECOST SUNDAY**



**4th June 2017**

**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, welcome 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.

**PARISH COLLECTIONS:**

The **FIRST COLLECTION** (taken up at the Offertory of the Mass) is for the Remuneration of the Priests of the Diocese, including the sick, Retired and aged Priests of the Diocese.

The **SECOND COLLECTION** (taken up after Holy Communion) is for the Parish expenses (electricity, repairs and maintenance, wages, insurance etc). This includes Parish Planned Giving Envelopes and all loose money in the Second Collection.

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL – WINTER APPEAL:**

Your St Vincent de Paul Conference is running the usual Winter Appeal up until 25 June 2017, principally seeking donations of food. There are envelopes at the rear of the Church for those who find cash donations more convenient. Simply put the completed envelope in either the 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> collection.

As a priority, we are again collecting food and personal items for the Nagle Centre. Needs include tinned tuna, tinned spaghetti, baked beans, tinned soup, tinned fruit, milk powder, long life full cream milk, custard powder, hot chocolate, tea, coffee, cordial, flour, pasta sauce, tomato paste, rice and pasta. Nappies are also an expensive necessity and would be welcome as would new blankets, beanies, scarves, gloves and socks.

If able, please think of these items when grocery shopping. There will be baskets at the back of the church at each Mass until 25 June 2017.

**We thank you for your ongoing generosity and prayers.**

**WOOL AVAILABLE:** If you are able to knit some beanies or scarves for the Vinnies Winter Appeal, there is a bag of wool in the Parish Centre that you are welcome to use. Please call in to the office during working hours.

**Parishioner’s Birthdays for this coming week:**

5<sup>th</sup>: **Bill George**

9<sup>th</sup>: **Phil Chesney & Eugene Menzies**

**Parishioner’s Wedding Anniversaries for this coming week:**

4<sup>th</sup>: **Maryanne & Ronald Fredericks (48 years)**

9<sup>th</sup>: **Phil & Ron Chesney (48 years)**

*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*

**WE WELCOME:** Into our Christian Community **Archie James Smith** and **Caleb Artair McManus** who were Baptised last weekend.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED:**

Ken Flemming, Ellen Clifton, Keith Gomes, Ladislav Feher, Fr Tony Daly, Jim McKenzie, Maura Hutton, Deborah Rix, Mary Writer, John Read, Josephine and Frank McKay, Genie Lynch, Alice Harris and Maria Cabonara. **Eternal rest grant to them O Lord and may perpetual light shine upon them.**

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:** The *many* sick in our Parish Community including: Moria Harris, Jessica Cartwright, Betty Byrne, Frank Byron, Chris Reddy, Rosa Santos, Pio Byron, Elaine Hoffmann, Natalie Dwyer, Aimiti Seufatu, Robert Berthaly, John Hill, Maree and Noel Laming, Rita Jowsey, Freda and Wilfred Miranda, Beryl Purcell, Ellen Healy, Jeannie and George Nicholson and Mary Fredericks.

**PARENTS/GUARDIANS:** Can you please supervise your children in the Church courtyard and Parish Hall. They are not permitted to climb the brick walls, the hand rails both leading into the Church **and** the 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.

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION:** The current roster is about to finish. If you would like to join this Parish Ministry please see Fr Michael or phone Bev on: 4625 0659. There is a clipboard on the table at the entrance of the Church to put your details down, this is also for current members. **Thank you very much for the Parishioners who are current members of this Parish Ministry.**

**REFRESHMENTS AFTER SUNDAY 9.00 am MASS ROSTER:** This current roster is about to finish. If you would like to join this Parish Ministry please put your name down on the clipboard on the main table at the entrance to the Church. All you need is time, the ability to make a cup of tea/coffee and to be able to welcome Parishioners. For more information please phone Cathy on: 4625 5449

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:** will be celebrated in the Parish early in September. We are seeking volunteers to teach classes, one per week over a four week period. If you are interested, or would like further information, please contact **Michael Young on 0414999606 or Annette Read on 0404112335. Thank you in anticipation.**

**ST THOMAS MORE PARISH PLAYTIME:** Is held on Tuesdays (during School Terms) from 9.30am - 11.30am in our Parish Hall. **Gold coin donation.** Parents/Guardians/Grandparents, if you have children including School aged and bubs, come for a chat and cuppa while the children enjoy playtime activities. If you have any enquiries please contact Catherine on 4627 1842.

**THE RETIREES SOCIAL GROUP:** Would like to invite senior parishioners (over 55) to join our group in the hall after 9.30am Mass (Thursday’s). We meet twice a month, with the next meeting on Thursday 15th June, then a fortnight later on 29th June. Please come and join us for a cuppa and a chat, share many laughs and form new friendships. We hope you will join us. Hope to see you there. **From your fellow Retired Parishioners.**

**PARISH MAINTENANCE:** A reminder regarding the Parish Maintenance book on the main table at the entrance of the Church. You can either write in the book or phone/email the Parish Office, if you are aware or notice anything that is in need of repair.

**PARISH PLANNED GIVING:** If you would like to join the Parish Planned Giving Program please contact the Parish Office on 4628 2967 or email: [ruse@dow.org.au](mailto:ruse@dow.org.au)

**FEAST OF ST THOMAS MORE: FRIDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> JUNE:** There is a Mass time change to 9.45am (this is a once off). All Parishioners and visitors are invited to join with our Catholic Primary School, St Thomas More, Staff and Students in celebrating the Feast Day of St Thomas More. You are also invited after the Mass to go to the School at 11.30am for morning tea.

**ST THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL:** Save the dates: **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June - P & F Trivia Night** and **Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> August - School Fete.** **Trivia Night:** Commencing at 7.00pm in the School Hall \$10.00 per head, 10 people per table. All proceeds for the night will be generously donated for repairs/maintenance for our Parish Hall. BYO and there will be food platters for sale. Everyone is most welcome, please come and support our Parish Catholic Primary School. **St Thomas More School Shopping bus trip: Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> October** leaving the Church grounds at 7.00am. More details to come. **Please take home a copy of the School Newsletter and keep up to date with what is happening in our Parish Catholic Primary School.**

**CATHOLIC MISSION CHURCH APPEAL:** Freecall: 1800 257 296 [catholicmission.org.au/uganda](http://catholicmission.org.au/uganda)

**FRENCH MASS:** Is celebrated at St John’s Parish, Campbelltown, every second Sunday of the month. The next one will be on Sunday 11th June, at 6:00pm. The celebrant is Fr Jan Chrzczonowicz (mob. 0412 786 245).

**CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION:** Our Lady Help of Christians Parish, Rosemeadow will be holding their Annual Procession in honour of the Blessed Sacrament on Feast of Corpus Christi, 18<sup>th</sup> June at 2.30pm. It will include Scripture Readings, Rosary, Procession and Benediction. This is for all Parishes in the Macarthur Region. Bishop Peter Ingham will preside and preach. Please join in this witness to our Eucharistic Lord among us.

**menALIVE WEEKEND FOR MEN is SOON:** Is on 24/25 June in Oran Parish. If you are a man over 18, consider this and you will be inspired and encouraged to renew your faith and rediscover God’s purpose for your life. For more information/enquiries phone Ian Boorman 042 700 6021 or Oran Park Parish Office on 4628 2226 or email [oranparkmen@dow.org.au](mailto:oranparkmen@dow.org.au). There is still time to register

**PARISH ROSARY STATUE**

If you would like to have the Parish Rosary Statue in your home, **please phone Bev on: 4625 0659.**

*“When you prayer the Rosary, you have our Lady’s hand in your hand. When you pray the Holy rosary, you have the power of God in your hand”.*

**PARISH DIARY DATES:**

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June: 7.30pm Parish Ladies Group** meeting in Parish Centre  
**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June: 7.30pm Parish Pastoral Council** meeting in the Parish Hall  
**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June: 7.00pm** Baptism Preparation Class in the Parish Centre  
**Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> June: 7.30pm St Vincent de Paul Conference** meeting in the Parish Centre  
**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> June: Retiree’s Social Group** gathering is after the 9.30am Mass. **(Any Retirees over the age of 55 are warmly welcome to join this group).** Gathering is held in the Parish Hall. (see notice)

**PARISH ROSTERS FOR THE NEXT 2 WEEKS:**

**EXTRADORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION FOR NEXT 2 WEEKENDS:**

**10<sup>th</sup> June: Saturday Vigil Mass: Trish Newman & James Munro**  
**11<sup>th</sup> June: Sunday 9.00am Mass: Catherine Minogue & Helen Rawson**  
**17<sup>th</sup> June: Saturday Vigil Mass: Bertha Berbari & Bev McKenzie**  
**18<sup>th</sup> June: Sunday 9.00am Mass: Fay & Junior Faamau**

**READERS FOR THE NEXT 2 WEEKENDS:**

**10<sup>th</sup> June: Saturday Vigil Mass: Marisel King & May Michelutti**  
**11<sup>th</sup> June: Sunday 9.00am Mass: Andrew Truong & Julie Writer**  
**17<sup>th</sup> June: Saturday Vigil Mass: May Michelutti & James Munro**  
**18<sup>th</sup> June: Sunday 9.00am Mass: Alison Hourigan & Christine Foreman**

**USHERS FOR THE NEXT 2 WEEKENDS:**

**10<sup>th</sup> June: Saturday Vigil Mass: Vicky Horne**  
**11<sup>th</sup> June: Sunday 9.00am Mass: Chris Reddy & Helen Rawson**  
**17<sup>th</sup> June: Saturday Vigil Mass: Carmel Munro**  
**18<sup>th</sup> June: Sunday 9.00am Mass: Christine Foreman & Helen Rawson**

**CHURCH CLEANERS’ FOR NEXT 2 WEEKS:**

**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> June: Group 5: Ruse Samoan Divine Mercy**  
**Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> June: Syro-Malabar Indian Community**

**REFRESHMEMENTS AFTER SUNDAY 9.00am MASS:**  
**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June: Group 4: Julie Writer, Maryse Parisi, Catherine Minogue & Yvonne Reddy**

