



ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE NEWSLETTER

MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

3RD JUNE, 2018

YEAR B

MASS/LITURGY CALENDAR

MONDAY 4th JUNE

9.10am Mass

**7.00pm Sacrament of
Reconciliation**

*NB: Rosary will resume in
September.*

TUESDAY 5th JUNE

10.00am Mass

**7.00pm Sacrament of
Reconciliation**

WEDNESDAY 6th JUNE

9.10am Mass

**(incl. Classes 5/6CH &
5/6NM)**

10.30am Mass at
St. Thomas' Retirement
Village

THURSDAY 7th JUNE

No service

FRIDAY 8th JUNE

**FEAST OF THE SACRED
HEART**

10.00am Mass

(incl. Whole School)

7.00pm Mass

SATURDAY 9th JUNE

10.00am First Rite of
Reconciliation

6.00pm Vigil Mass

SUNDAY 10th JUNE

8.30am Mass

10.30am Mass

5.00pm Mass



Dear Parishioners,

WE WELCOME OUR 2018 MEMBERS OF THE GUILD OF ST. STEPHEN



Last Friday, we celebrated the admission of 2 Altar Servers from our parish into the Guild of St Stephen. This celebration took place at St Patrick's Cathedral.

These 2 members have been altar serving for our parish since they were in primary school. In total, they have both served for longer than 3 years. We are so proud of their dedication and continued commitment to Altar Serving for our parish.

The Guild of St Stephen is an International Organisation of Altar Servers and its purpose is to encourage the highest standards of serving during the liturgy and by doing so, contributing to a more fruitful worship of God. It allows the union of all servers from different parishes and dioceses so they can lean on each other for mutual support and encouragement.

Congratulations to Isabella Spillane and Joseph Negro

*St. Thomas the Apostle Parish strives to create an environment
where all children are safe, respected and cared for.*



A Vocation View:

Through the ministry of our ordained priests, we receive Holy Communion. Through the Body and Blood of Christ, we are made one body: to become Christ-like....purified....ready to serve. Pray for Vocations.

Please remember the following in your prayers...

Sick: Charlie Santilli, Helen Opie, Margaret Robinson, Roland Schuster, Jessie Pen-netta, Pat Berti, Sr. Maureen Philp RSJ, Jo Hocking, Claire Letham, Claire Tierney, Liz Murphy, Tamara Bobrovich, Marie Walker, Charles Fain, Jon Parkinson, Maree Fox, Frank Nolan, Antonio So Jr., Ashley Woods, Wendy Lum-by, Robert Fox, Malgosia Dziuk, Daisy Xu, Geoff Beams, Rosa Maria Santos, Patricia Duffy, Mietta Ulaan, Elaine O’Hea, Frank O’Hea, Chris Leach, Dao Le, Patricia Car-ey, Denise Wraight, Peter Babulo, Moira Healy, Tony Hill, Koula Tsepelidis & Mar-tin Broad.

Recently Dec’d:

Sr. Loreto Cuffe rsj, Pauline Cutt, Sr. Angela Kennedy IBVM, Sr. Mary Murray IBVM, Frank Nugent

Anniversaries:

Joe Sim & Joel Sim

LITURGY - FEAST OF BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST YEAR B

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

He fed them with the finest wheat and satisfied them with honey from the rock.

FIRST READING: Exodus 24:3-8

This is the blood of the Covenant that the Lord has made with you.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 115:12-13,15-18 Rv13

I will take the cup of salvation, and call on the name of the Lord.

SECOND READING: Hebrews 9:11-15

The blood of Christ will purify our inner selves.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Jn 6:51-52

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord; whoever eats this bread will live for ever.

Alleluia, alleluia!

GOSPEL: Mark 14:12-16, 22-26

This is my body. This is my blood.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Jn 6:57

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him, says the Lord.

PIETY STALL

**OPENING TIMES:
BEFORE & AFTER MASS**

Baptism Candles and Gifts

Melbourne Catholic Magazine (May Edition) @ \$4.00ea

Sunday Missals available

NZ Kauri Wooden Crosses \$10.95 each

Br. James New CD's available \$25.00ea

Friends of Same East Timor Ground Coffee @ \$7.50ea

YOUTH NEWS

SIX2EIGHT YOUTH CLUB

The next meeting will be

Friday 15th June, 2018.

Enquiries: Caren on 9878 0818



STARFISH PROJECT – The next meet up will be

Saturday 16th June, 2018.

All newcomers most welcome.

Enquiries: Maria on 0403 354 584

CATECHETICS CLASSES:

Sacrament dates and classes have begun for 2018. Both **Reconciliation** classes and **Confirmation** classes have commenced, however, enquiries can still be made to **caren.garlick@cam.or.au** or by phone on 9878 0818.



CONGRATULATIONS TO

Megan Van Eyk & Andrew Bunter who will be

celebrating their Wedding on **Saturday 2nd June, 2018.**

Wishing you both a marriage filled with love and joy!

ST VINCENT DE PAUL CALL CENTRE

Looking for a volunteering opportunity that can make a real difference?

We are seeking volunteers for our busy Call Centre in Box Hill, who are willing to commit to supporting our Welfare Call Centre one day a week.

The Team’s main focus is to provide assistance to those who are reaching out to the Society for support.

Will you help us to provide this important service to the community?

To find out how please call 1300 736 933 or visit **www.vinnies.org.au/volunteering-vic**

FEAST OF THE SACRED HEART

Will be celebrated on Friday

8th June with Mass at

7.00pm, followed by light

refreshments in the Crying Room.

Bring a plate to share.

PLEASE NOTE: There will be a Whole School Mass at 10.00am



A Prayer for Priests

God, grant them the joys of their vocation, health of mind, body and spirit; a strong faith and a light heart to do the Lord's work in this world; and the love and support of their friends, family and parishioners. Holy Spirit, guide them and give them grace. Amen

SR. MARG has been asked by the Loreto East Timor Community Leader to come up while another sister is away, to teach the six Candidates to sew. They will each make a skirt for themselves which will be part of their uniform next year. Sr. Marg will be away from 7th June until 18th July, so please be ready to fill in if you see the need.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

"Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them and they all drank from it."-MARK 14:23

Jesus, the perfect steward, gave thanks, just before He gave Himself to us completely for our salvation. He offers us the chance to drink from His cup. In the Eucharist, we meet Christ personally and, if we listen to Him, we know what drinking from His cup means our own sacrifice—giving up some of our time, talent and treasure to do His work on earth.

St. Thomas' Social Scene What's On.....

CARDS NIGHT:

The next night will be on **June 7th** at 7.30pm in the Hall. All Welcome.

Contact: **Pat & Don on 9878 4790**



12TH ANNUAL PARISH LUNCHEON

WHERE: Manhattan Hotel, Cnr. Canterbury & Heatherdale Rd, Ringwood

WHEN: Sunday 17th June 2018 at 12noon

COST: \$20 –Seniors; \$28—Adults

PAYMENT: Pay at the door on the day.

BOOKINGS: By 12th June to **Yvonne and Peter Crowe on 9877 3360/0400 082 694**



SCRABBLE NIGHT:

The next night will be on **June 7th** in the Hall at 7.30pm. Please contact

either **Maureen on 9884 4376** or **Carmel on 9894 7950**



Coming Soon

ST THOMAS' PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL FORUM NO:2-POST ROYAL COMMISSION MONDAY JUNE 25TH AT 7.30PM

St. Thomas the Apostle Parish Pastoral Council invites you to a gathering in response to the Child Sexual Abuse Tragedy in the Church.

Guest speakers will speak on:

- *the effect child abuse has on individuals and families
- *what the parish and school are doing to protect our children
- *opportunities to help the survivors of this tragedy

The talks will be followed by a Q and A session.

It will be held in the School Hall, finishing with supper around 8.30pm.

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION: SOCIAL NETWORKS

That social networks may work towards that inclusiveness which respect others for their differences.



BIBLE STUDY GROUP

The Bible Study Group hopes you have enjoyed the stories of the *Plagues of Egypt* in the flyers recently. The next BSG is on **Thursday 14th June (7.30pm in the Presbytery)**. We are looking at "*Why Jesus taught with parables*", using the two in the following Sunday's readings as examples. Notes and info from Quentin (9877 5906)



We warmly welcome **Sadie Watts; Chloe Greenland & Bastian O'Halloran** who will be Baptised into our Parish Family this weekend. *May the grace of God be with you and your families always.*

ST VINCENT DE PAUL—ANNUAL APPEAL

Dear Parishioners, our Annual Appeal will be held on 23rd & 24th June 2018. This is separate from the state wide Winter Appeal of St. Vincent de Paul. Proceeds from our appeal are retained for use in our conference area. We hope you will support us once again. *Grace Mizzi—Blackburn Conference President*

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ROSTERS FOR WEEKEND OF THE 9TH & 10TH JUNE, 2018 - YEAR B

Mass	Commentators	Lectors	Special Ministers	Altar Servers	Welcoming Committee
6.00pm	Paul Muling	Margaret Easton	Louis Souchon Tony Keaney Jan Gaffy	Jeremy Garlick Dylan Garlick	Lorraine Rodgers
8.30am	Yvonne Crowe	Peter Crowe	Dorothy Murray Faye Winter		Anita Grandy
10.30am	Loreto Moore	Veronica Hawkins	Chris Raisin Maria Gibcus Hank Gibcus	Chanel Thompson	Verna Hawkins
5.00pm	Rita White	Thomas White	Sue Collins Josie Defina Peta Fulton	Lorena Garza Gidget Mannix	

Children's Liturgy: Leader: Janette
Vestment Colour: Green

Piety Stall: Team 5
Money Counters: Team 2

ST.VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY:

Call Centre for assistance – 1800 305 330
Free Call Weekdays 10am-3pm.

Vinnies Centre Ringwood Ph. 9870 9124,
Unit 1B/76-82 Maroondah Hwy Ringwood.
For Furniture & Whitegoods pickup—
Eastern Emergency Relief will pickup for St Vincent
de Paul week days 9am-1pm . Ph. 9874 8433.



FIRST AID EQUIPMENT

Attention Parishioners: We now have a new DEFIB which is located in the Sacristy. A First Aid Kit is also in the Kitchen Broom Cupboard. First Aid items (blankets etc.) which are provided by the Church are stored in a large plastic tub in the Crying Room (right sliding cupboard.)

FIRST FRIDAY PARISH MASS & LUNCHEON:

First Friday of the month starts at 11.30am (NEW TIME).

CHILDREN'S LITURGY:

Sundays at 10.30am Mass. **During School Terms only.**

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION AFTERNOON/EVENINGS:

Tuesdays at 7.30pm in the Quiet Room of the Church. Contact Phil Collins on 0410 668 140 or email at chrmed3130@gmail.com

New comers most welcome.

Monday afternoons at 4pm at the Retirement Village Centre. Contact Geni Hunt on 9802 2078 or email: geni.hunt9@gmail.com



ST. THOMAS' PLAYGROUP:

Every Wednesday morning during the School term, from 9.00am-11.00am. Please bring along a piece of fruit. If you have any queries, please call our coordinator Julie O'Donnell on 0434 408 122 (**During School Terms**)

PRAYER FOR PEACE....

God of hope and peace, be the spirit of wisdom, reconciliation and justice in the words and actions of the leaders of all nations. Protect those communities affected or threatened by violence in troubled areas. May the memories of those who have died urge all people towards an international community of security and peace. Mary Help of Christians, pray for us.

JEWISH & CATHOLIC FRIENDSHIP DINNER

Featuring a dialogue panel on youth in the life of our faith communities.

The dinner will be held on Sunday 17th June 2018 for a 7.30pm start.

At Catholic Leadership Centre, Cnr Albert & Hoddle Street, East Melbourne.

Book online: www.trybooking.com/VSMN

Contact: Jewish Community Council of Victoria
Bookings close 15th June 2018

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

*Invest in your most precious asset.....
Your Marriage!*

Recharge your relationship batteries and explore the precious nature of your marriage, allowing you both to share your feelings, hopes and dreams with each other.

2018 Melbourne weekend dates: 17-19 August and 9-11 November

Starts 7pm on Friday. Ends 5pm Sunday.

Accommodation and all meals provided.

Contact: Andre & Maria 0411 225 992

Email: vicbookings@wwme.org.au