THE FOLLOWING IS THIS WEEK’S PARISH BULLETIN

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Reaching Out

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TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A) (2014 - 38) 21 SEPTEMBER 2014

God's generous love

Entrance Antiphon
I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord. Should they cry to me in any distress, I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for ever.

Responsorial Psalm
The Lord is near to all who call him.

Gospel Acclamation
Alleluia, alleluia! Open our hearts, O Lord, to listen to the words of your Son. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon
You have laid down your precepts to be carefully kept; may my ways be firm in keeping your statutes.

PARISH PRIEST
Fr Ray Zammit mssp

PARISH PASTORAL TEAM
Chairperson Mr Eugene Nikolajenko
Secretary Mr Vinko Ljubanovic
Sacramental Coordinator Ms Betty Hurst

ST THOMAS AQUINAS PRIMARY SCHOOL
Telephone 5275 3560
School Principal Mr Michael Manganelli
Secretary Ms Anne Papke

ST VINCENT DE PAUL
Meetings are held on the second and fourth Wednesdays at 6.00 p.m. in the Parish Meeting Room. Contact: Mr Larry Pankhurst

SCHOOL BREAKFAST CLUB
This is an initiative of the Society of St Vincent de Paul. The Group, made up of Vinnies members, parents, teachers and parishioners, meets to provide breakfast for the schoolchildren. Contact: Ms Julia Moduchowski

FOOTY TIPPING
The footy tipping social evening is to be held at the school hall on Wednesday 24 September starting at 6.30 p.m. Find out who the winners are or who will hold the wooden spoon. There will be games and prizes throughout the evening. Food: party pies, sausage rolls, sandwiches and more, soft drinks provided. Coffee, tea will also be available, plus sweets. If you are in the footy competition there is no charge, as this is included in the initial cost. People not in the competition a charge of $8.00 to cover the food costs. As this is catered for, we require numbers by Sunday 21 September. For enquiries about the night contact Charmaine or Eugene Nikolajenko on 5247 9553.

PARISH SUPPLOTTO
Last Saturday’s winners were: Julia Moduchowski (9) and Ehlana Dodge Evett (22). A new Block has started. Will you be in it? Thank you for your support.

CUPPA AFTER MASS
Please stay after Mass at St Thomas’ and have a cuppa and a chat with your fellow parishioners.

PIETY STALL
Have a look at what is available. You can also place your own orders.

TRADING TABLE
Your assistance in this venture has made it a success. Please keep an eye out for anything you feel someone else could use. Fresh produce is also welcome.

BIBLE STUDY GROUP
At our last Pastoral Team Meeting, it was decided that a Bible Study Group would be formed. Would you like to form part of it? This would be a small group so there would need to be some commitment to regular attendance. Please see Fr Ray if interested.

SCHOOL BUILDING FUND
From 1 July 2012, 10% of the Thanksgiving Offering has been directed to the School Building Fund. This same amount can then be claimed as a tax deduction. It is a way of supporting our School.

Tax Receipts are now available. Please pick up your envelope.

We all belong to God’s Kingdom.
TOGETHER WE CELEBRATE AND PRAY
St Thomas Aquinas Church, Norlane

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The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available on Saturday evening from 5.30 to 5.50 p.m. before Mass, or by appointment.

St John the Evangelist Church, Rippleside

Wednesday 24 September 10.00 a.m. Mass 25th Week in Ordinary Time
Friday 26 September 10.00 a.m. Mass 25th Week in Ordinary Time
Sunday 28 September 8.30 a.m. Mass 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Wednesday 24th September 10.35 a.m. Rosary
Sunday 28 September 11.00 a.m. Latin Mass XVI Sunday after Pentecost

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available before and after Mass, or by appointment.

Remembering the Sick
Jordana Kordovic, Michael R. Navarro, Margo Trajkowski, Philomena MacBride, Brígida Barra, Mike Anthony Grupi, Florenza Flores, Antonio Romeo, Luigi Lucioni, Mary Ruzzo, Josephine Wakeman, Frank Beatie, Dorrie Jago, Alice Squires, Doris Boyle, Corrina Schintler, Salvatore Servello, Christopher Jennings, Darren Doyle, Susana Cioch, Rosemary Brandon, Gaetana Camilleri, John Ford, Grace Gerritsen.

Those who died recently

God calls us
We can never be called “generous”. All that we possess we have received from God. It is our vocation to return to God all the talents God has entrusted to us.

FORTHCOMING PARISH EVENTS
Please mark these dates on your diary:
Footy Tipping Social on Wednesday 24 September at 6.30 p.m at the School Hall Confirmation on Sunday 26 October at 10.00 a.m.
Parish Luncheon on Sunday 9 November at the Croatian Community Centre School and Parish Fete on Friday 14 November from 4.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m.
Twentieth Anniversary of Ordination on Sunday 16 November with BBQ after 10.00 a.m. Mass
Community Luncheon on Saturday 22 November in the School Hall
Christmas Carols on Sunday 7 December at St John’s

OUR CALL TO MISSION
The Gospel has an intrinsic principle of totality: it will always remain good news until it has been proclaimed to all people, until it has healed and strengthened every aspect of humanity, until it has brought all men and women together at table in God’s kingdom. The whole is greater than the part.

(Pope Francis, The Joy of the Gospel, 237)

SCHOOL NEWS

Dear Parishioners,

Hasn’t this school term gone quickly! It feels like only yesterday, when I was asking our students how their term 2 school holidays were. With holidays only a week away I pray for all our children and families to stay safe and have an enjoyable, restful break.

On Tuesday we had our Family Italian Day, where students experienced various activities and learnings from an Italian perspective. The pizza and pasta was delicious! On Wednesday, we had our Adidas fun run, and it was great to see our children supporting this event by generating money for the school by getting sponsored. Once again thank you to all the families that supported this great fundraiser for our school. On Thursday we had our whole school mass. It had a special Father’s Day focus lead by our year 1/2 students. It was great to see some of our families there to support our wonderful cherubs! To conclude the week the school leaders organized a Mufti day with rotating casual clothes day. All students donated a gold coin to support our ongoing support to Kaliba Primary School in the Republic of Congo. As a school we are wanting to raise money to purchase furniture for the school in Africa.

I would like to sincerely thank our wonderful families, parishioners and friends who have donated so much of their time over weekends and school hours to help and improve the school for our students this term. Your hard work has certainly been noticed by the St Thomas Aquinas community and myself. I encourage and anticipate your support will continue for the remainder of the year.

God Bless!

Michael Manganelli
Acting Principal

ROSTERS

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Counters J. Mioduchowski

THANK YOU! 14 September 2014

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK
Thanksgiving Collection $ 512.20
Direct Deposits & Cheques $ 1000.00
Presbytery Collection $ 252.50

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

“The last will be first, and the first, last.” (Matthew 20:16)

You’ve heard the saying “it’s not where you start but how you finish.” This certainly applies to this Bible passage. We have a responsibility not only for our own lives, but for the lives of others as well. We are called to generously share our gifts with others, not hoard them for our own use. Through our gratitude and generosity we help each other get to heaven!