The dedication of the Lateran Basilica

You are God's building

Entrance Antiphon
I saw the holy city, a new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared like a bride adorned for her husband.

Responsorial Psalm
The waters of the river gladden the city of God.

Gospel Acclamation
Alleluia, alleluia! I have chosen and sanctified this house, says the Lord, that my name may remain in it for all time. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon
Be built up like living stones, into a spiritual house, a holy priesthood.

Gospel Reflection
Today’s feast is focussed on the main Church in Rome, seen as the mother of all churches. We celebrate how we live, move and love as one universal Church.

But what does it mean to be Church? Today’s Gospel shows - in a passage laden with imagery - how Jesus is the new Temple. It enables us to look forward in reflecting on how we - individually and as a Parish - are Church to one another and to the world.

Being Church is centring our lives on Jesus, having him as our very foundation. Is this who we are?

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
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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:  Ms Betty Hurst

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 Mioduchowski

Mackillop Group
This Group gets together in the Parish Meeting Room on a Tuesday from 10.00 a.m. until noon.

Contact:  Ms Betty Hurst

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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.

New sets of envelopes are now available. Please pick up your set.

Sacramental Programs
At present, we are planning Parish Sacramental Programs for 2015. Those who wish to participate are invited to give their details to Fr Ray or Betty Hurst.

Weekday Masses
There will be no Mass at St Thomas’ on Friday 14 November.

Parish Pastoral Team
The next meeting will be on Tuesday 11 November 2014 at 2.00 p.m. at the Presbytery.

School and Parish Fete
This will be held in the School grounds on Friday 14 November between 4.00 p.m. and 7.00 p.m.

You may be able to help. If you can, please see Fr Ray. But you can always be there to support your Parish Community.

Bible Study Group
The Group meets next on Thursday 13 November 2014 at 4.00 p.m. at the Presbytery.
BIG DAY SUNDAY 16 NOVEMBER 2014
Fr Ray will be celebrating 20 years as a Priest (actual day is 19 November). After the 10.00 a.m. Mass on Sunday 16 November 2014, we will be having a BBQ (Sausages, Hamburgers, etc). We would love you to come along and bring a salad or sweet to share. Coffee, tea etc., will be provided. The BBQ will be held in the School Hall. Please let us know if you are coming to the BBQ for catering purposes. BYO cold drinks. If you would like to make a donation towards a gift for Fr Ray please see Eugene Nikolajenko at 6.00 p.m. Mass, Ray Wilby at 8.30 a.m. Mass and Vinko Ljubanovic at 10.00 a.m. Mass.

OUR CALL TO MISSION

It is impossible to persevere in a fervent evangelization unless we are convinced from personal experience that it is not the same thing to have known Jesus as not to have known him, not the same thing to walk with him as to walk blindly, not the same thing to hear his word as not to know it, and not the same thing to contemplate him, to worship him, to find our peace in him, as not to.

(Pope Francis, The Joy of the Gospel, 266)