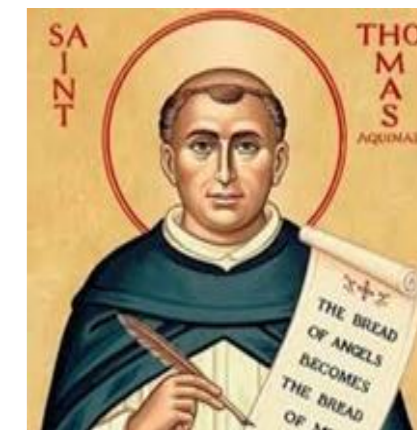


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MASS TIMES:	
Monday: Liturgy of the Word	9:30 am
Tuesday-Friday:	9:30 am
Saturday Vigil:	6:00 pm
Sunday:	9:00 am
Reconciliation	
Saturday:	5:00-5:30pm
Baptisms are held every 2nd Sunday of the Month.	

PRAYER REQUESTS

Sick:

Bernard Tierney, Denis Hally-Burton, Denis Strangman,
 We remember and pray for those who are ill at home and in hospital at this time.

Recently Deceased:

Pray for the Repose of Soul of: Fr Neville Drinkwater

Death Anniversaries:

We remember in prayer all those who have died.

Deceased are listed in the Memorial Book at the front of the Church and names can be added to it if dates are provided.

LAUGHTER IS GOOD FOR THE SOUL



FR NEVILLE DRINKWATERS FUNERAL

The funeral of Fr Neville Drinkwater was an historic moment in the life of this parish. As the founding parish priest Fr Drinkwater devoted much of his life to the parish and school. This dedication was truly remembered and celebrated as we farewell this dedicated priest. No doubt his legacy will continue to inspire and nurture this parish. Fr Gerard
 (Photo courtesy of The Daily Voice)



MESSAGE FROM KEVIN DRINKWATER

Once again I wish to say a special 'thank you' to all the wonderful people in the parish for the care and support shown over many years, to my brother, Fr Neville. Neville loved you all! His farewell on Tuesday deeply touched my heart and reflected your love for and appreciation of him. Thank you to the school family – staff, children and parents. Your presence at the Mass, the guard of honour and the cuppa after Mass spoke volumes of your relationship with your former beloved PP. God bless you all.

BAPTISMS

We welcome Ivanka Amarosekara and Mackenzie Olivares into our parish community and pray that Ivanka and Mackenzie and their parents Arshvin and Nathasha and Harold and Alicia will be especially blest.

PARISH CALENDAR-2023

Over the weekends of February a limited number of calendars will be available. If there is a special event that you wish to have included in the calendar, please see Sr Colleen and the calendar will be then finalised by the last weekend in February.

LITURGY MEETING

We will hold our first Liturgy meeting for 2023 on Wednesday 15th February at 7:00pm. If you are interested, please come along.

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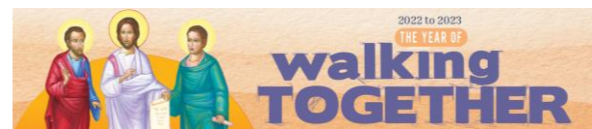
Reconciliation time has changed from Saturday 9:00-9:30am to Saturday 5:00-5:30pm

CALL TO MINISTRY

Next week, we will be asking you to consider different ways in which you may be able to contribute to the life of our Parish. There are 24 different Ministries across five different groups where we will be seeking your support. These include Liturgy (i.e. ways you can contribute to Holy Mass), Support Groups (e.g. St Vincent de Paul), Pastoral Care (e.g. Weekend meals for Father), Church maintenance (e.g. cleaning), and Social life (e.g. monthly BBQs). A full list of Ministries is available on the noticeboard at the back of the Church. Your contribution is vital if we are to continue to grow and thrive as a Parish. So, when you see the questionnaire at Masses on the 18th and 19th, please give serious thought as to how you can support **your Parish**.

CHILDRENS SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2023

Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation Sacramental Program enrolments are open. Sacramental Enrolment Forms can be collected on the notice board at the back of the Church.



THE YEAR OF WALKING TOGETHER

The Risen Lord walked together with the disciples on the road to Emmaus, drawing them from anxiety to hope, from confusion to joy.

Jesus, centre of our common Emmaus walk, with You alone to guide us, make Your home in our hearts; as we pour "new wine into fresh wineskins". (Mk 2:22)

Like Mary, imbued by the Holy Spirit, may we give birth to a renewed faith and united pastoral action in this Archdiocese in the years ahead.

St Mary of the Cross, our Great Australian Intercessor, pray for us.

Mary, Mother of the Church, pray for us.

All Saints of God, who name and sanctify our parishes, pray for us. Amen

Men's Scripture Discussion Group: Wednesday following 9:30 am Mass.

Scripture Discussion Group: Friday following 9:30 am Mass during school terms.

Latte with Our Lady: Rosary outside Charcoal Chicken every first Saturday of the month at 10:15 am. Praying for renewal and safety in our parish with coffee and a chat. Contact Julie 0412 337 367.

Call to Connect: Are you looking for an avenue of prayer and sharing the faith journey with a group of friends, online or face to face? Contact: calltoconnect.ministry@gmail.com

COLLECTION DETAILS

Tap and Go Machine next to the Collection Box to give people an opportunity to donate, should they wish to do so, when they aren't carrying cash **FIRST COLLECTION:**

Commonwealth Bank

Account Name: Central Presbytery Fund

BSB No: 062-786

Account No: 000029248

Reference: Suburb, Surname.

(e.g. 'Charnwood, Jones'). Ensure it is recorded and receipted properly and accurately.

SECOND COLLECTION:

Commonwealth Bank

Account Name: St Thomas Aquinas Parish Charnwood

BSB No: 062-786

Account No: 14877

Reference: Surname and envelope number

ROSTERS FOR 18-19 February 2023

	6.00pm	9.00am
Acolyte	Michael Carberry	Josh Osborne-Goldsbrough
Minister	Michael Carberry	Helen Axelby
Servers	Patrick Smith-Platt, Rebecca Joseph	Andy, Annabelle McPadden, Grace Spiers
Proclaimers	Annaliese Smith-Platt, Veronica Lina	Jancye Winter, Grace Jean
Music/Screens	Janette O'Sullivan	Annie Walsh-Smith
Slide Prep	Ella Barry	

CHILDREN LITURGY: Susan Magyar, Louise Osborne-Goldsbrough

CLEANING 18 February 2023: Cynthia & Peter Wong, Richard & Anne Cruise

MORNING TEA 12 March 2023: Marg & Steve Ellis, Kaye Radovanovic