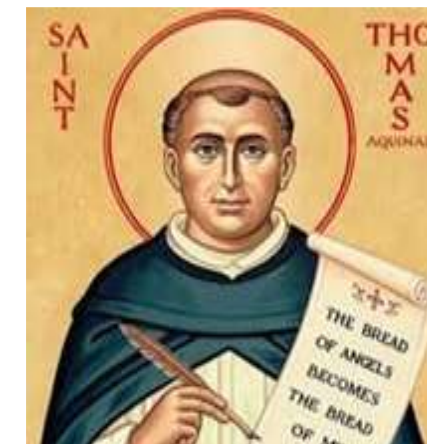




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MASS TIMES: 19-25 April

Monday – Friday Liturgy of The Word and Holy Communion 9:30am
 Saturday Vigil: 6:00pm
 Sunday: 9:00am
All Sacrament enquiries to 6258 1563

PRAYER REQUESTS

Sick:

We remember and pray for those who are ill at home and in hospital at this time.

Jessica Russell, Bernard Druett (Darcey Druett's son)

Recently Deceased:

Pray for the Repose of Soul of:

Death Anniversaries:

We remember in prayer all those who have died.

Beryl Daly, Angela Hillis, Chlap Wilhelm, Leo Wyche, Mary Murphy, Frank Tighe, Johanne Elliott, Veronica Hughes, Mel Rowbotham, Hermon Sanders, John Bizjak, Lena Rankin, Betty Douthwaite, David Callanan, Daniel Julyan, Pamela White, Marlene Walls, Marjorie Brett, Felix Castillo

LAUGHTER IS GOOD FOR THE SOUL

A man is worried that his wife is losing her hearing, so he consults a doctor. The doctor suggests that he try a simple at-home test on her: Stand behind her and ask her a question, first from twenty feet away, next from ten feet, and finally right behind her.

So the man goes home and sees his wife in the kitchen facing the stove. He says from the door, "What's for dinner tonight?" No answer:

Ten feet behind her, he repeats, "What's for dinner tonight?" Still no answer.

Finally right behind her he says, "What's for dinner tonight?"

And his wife turns around and says, "For the third time – chicken!"

GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY APPEAL

Collection to help fund the education of those studying for ordination will be next weekend 24th-25th April.

There are two seminarians studying for the priesthood in our Archdiocese. There are other young men too, considering the priestly calling next year.

The 2021 Good Shepherd Appeal is an opportunity for spiritual and financial generosity.

Please join us in generous giving. You can make a gift by envelopes on the seats this weekend. They can be placed in the collection point this weekend or next, or you can give at www.cgatholic.org.au/goodshep.

WELCOME

We welcome Fr Lachlan Cole and thank him for celebrating the weekend masses with us.

OUT OF PARISH

Fr Tom will be on holiday from 18th April till 1 May. Weekdays will be Liturgy of Word and Communion at 9:30am each day except Saturday.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Meeting was held on Tuesday 13 April. A copy of the minutes is on the noticeboard at the back of the Church for your information.

CATHOLIC THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

Series of short sessions: online via Zoom

Engaging Your Faith

Choose one, choose all, choose what interests you and all for just \$20 per session, running 11th to 31st May. Booking, payment and further information: www.ctc.edu.au/news-and-events/engaging-your-faith/

ST THOMAS AQUINAS MEN'S LUNCHEON

STA Men's Luncheon will be held on Tuesday 18 May at Raiders Club Kippax. If you haven't had a personal invitation and wish to attend, please add your name and email on the sheet located on the notice board.

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER TO ST JOSEPH

Hail, guardian of the Redeemer,
 Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary
 To you God entrusted His only Son;
 In you Mary placed her trust;
 With you Christ became a man.

Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen.

PRAYER FOR THE PANDEMIC

Lord God, bless Australia, our Great South Land of the Holy Spirit. Grant, that as the Cross shines in our southern skies, so may Christ bring light and wellbeing to southern skies, so may Christ bring light and wellbeing to our nation, to its peoples old and new., May we receive our nation, to its peoples old and new., May we receive protection from all maladies and healing for those who are sick. May those in our country experiencing illness, isolation and suffering be aware of our tangible support through our prayers and actions. We ask this through Christ Our Lord, Amen

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

Mothers Prayers: Every Tuesday after 9:30 am Mass. Special prayers for your children.

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

Lectio Divina: First Wednesday of the month at 7:30pm. Bringing Christ alive in Scripture through prayer, reflection and sharing.

COLLECTIONS – NEW OPTION

We have installed a 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.

The amount is set at \$15.00 of which \$10.00 will go to the parish and \$5 to the support of the clergy – the limit will be reviewed later! Thanks for your support.

FIRST COLLECTION:

Commonwealth Bank

Account Name: Central Presbytery Fund

BSB No: 062-786

Account No: 000029248

Reference: Parish: St Thomas Aquinas Charnwood.

SECOND COLLECTION:

Commonwealth Bank

Account Name: St Thomas Aquinas Parish Charnwood

BSB No: 062-786

Account No: 14877

Reference: Surname and envelop number (e.g. 'Jones 251'). Ensure it is recorded and receipted properly and accurately.

ROSTERS FOR 1-2 MAY

	6.00pm	9.00am
Minister	Peter O	Cathy
Servers	Caitlyn, Damy, Abigail	Gian, Nicholas
Proclaimers	Brian H, Rita	Charles, Lisa
Music/Screens	Canned/Debbie	Canned/Brian
Slide Prep	Brian	

CHILDREN LITURGY 2 MAY: Megan Winter, Catherine Howard

CLEANING 1 MAY: Margaret Ellis, Christine Tierney, Ernest & Veronica Lina

LINEN 9 MAY: Brian Daly

MORNING TEA 9 MAY: Gerard & Leisa Gough, Grace Jean