



**Welcome to the Parish of St Thomas Aquinas, West Belconnen  
27th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A: 4/5 Oct 2014**

**Entrance antiphon:** Within your will, O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist your will. For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven; you are the Lord of all.

**Responsorial Psalm: THE VINEYARD OF THE LORD IS THE HOUSE OF ISRAEL.**

**Musicians side**

1. You brought a vine out of Egypt;  
to plant it you drove out the nations.  
It stretched out its branches to the sea,  
to the Great River it stretched out its shoots.
3. God of hosts, turn again, we implore,  
look down from heaven and see.  
Visit this vine and protect it,  
the vine your right hand has planted.

**Tabernacle side**

2. Then why have you broken down its walls?  
It is plucked by all who pass by.  
It is ravaged by the boar of the forest,  
devoured by the beasts of the field.
4. And we shall never forsake you again:  
give us life that we may call upon your name.  
God of hosts, bring us back;  
let your face shine on us and we shall be saved.

**ALL: THE VINEYARD OF THE LORD IS THE HOUSE OF ISRAEL.**

**Gospel acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! I call you friends, says the Lord, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. Alleluia!

**Communion antiphon:** The Lord is good to those who hope in him, to the soul that seeks him.

**PARISH CONTACTS, MASS AND OTHER DEVOTIONAL TIMES**

<b>Parish Priest</b> Fr Neville Drinkwater	<b>Church and Parish Centre</b> 23 Lhotsky Street, Charnwood 6258 1563 email: <a href="mailto:charnwood.pariah@bigpond.com">charnwood.pariah@bigpond.com</a> website: <a href="http://www.stthomasaquinascharnwood.com">www.stthomasaquinascharnwood.com</a>	<b>Mass times</b> Monday-Friday 9.30 am Saturday Vigil 6.00 pm Sunday 9.00 am
<b>Parish Pastoral Associate</b> Sr Colleen Howe rsj	<b>Young Families</b> Karen Hubbard, 6154 1815	<b>Reconciliation</b> Saturday 4.30 pm
<b>Family &amp; Friends</b> Rhonda & David Holt, 6258 4416	<b>Parish Safety Committee</b> Verity Whittaker, 0402 276 507	<b>Baptism</b> After 9.00 Mass (by appointment only)
<b>PPC Rep</b> Anne Tussup, 6258 8960	<b>Parish School of Religion</b> Denis Hally-Burton, 6258 3297	<b>Exposition</b> Friday 5:00-6:00pm in the Church
<b>Care, Prayer &amp; Discussion Groups</b> Sr Colleen, 6258 1563	<b>STA Principal</b> Cameron Johns, 6258 4077	

**MEETINGS AND PRAYER GROUPS IN PARISH CENTRE OR SCHOOL**

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	FRIDAY
<b>St Vincent de Paul</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> Monday 5:00pm Parish Centre	<b>Mothers' Prayer Group</b> 10:00am Parish Centre	<b>Parish School of Religion</b> 6.30pm during school term School Library	<b>Prayer &amp; Discussion Group</b> 10:00am Parish Centre

**ROSTERED DUTIES FOR NEXT WEEK**

	6:00PM SAT 11 Oct	9:00AM SUN 12 Oct		
<b>Acolyte</b>	Rod	Denis	<b>Children's Liturgy</b>	School Holidays
<b>Servers</b>	Nicholas, Claire, Genna, Jocelyn	Josh, Nic, Luke, Charlie	<b>Linen</b>	B Daly
<b>Extraordinary Mins</b>	Margie, Benny, Peter O	Sr Colleen, Trish, Anna	<b>Flowers</b>	L Marlow
<b>Proclaimers</b>	Jasmine, Irene	Cellina, Lisa	<b>Counting</b>	J, J & J Lean, T Tussup, L Marlow
<b>Music</b>	RTD	Sr Colleen	<b>Cleaning</b>	J Radovanovic, M&P Searson, S Noack
<b>Meal</b>	Rosalind Berry			

### **Pray for friends who are ill**

*(Bulletin Editor relies on advice from you or family about adding or deleting names.)*

Elizabeth Rose Dallinger (cousin of Cathy & Julie), her mother Margaret Rose and niece Bella Rose, John Bubear, Aida Guerrero Balon, F J Laspinas, Denise Steele, Stephen Lean, Pat Ireland, Janet Druett, Di Philip, Heather Carrol, Veronica James, Sr Ann Steenbergen, Paul Trevaskis (Peter's brother), Herman Sander, Sr Mary Murphy & Sr Maria Goretti.

### **Eucharist at Home or Home Visit**

Please let us know about anyone unable to attend Mass who wants Holy Communion at home. Also let Sr Colleen or Father Drinkwater know about anyone who is unwell whether in hospital or at home, housebound or would like a visit. Ask the person first; then let us know. Ph: 6258 1563.

### **New Parishioner Register**

Welcome to new parishioners. Please fill in the register on a table in the foyer of the church.

### **Feast Days This Week**

**Mon 6:** St Bruno

**Tue 7:** Our Lady of the Rosary

**Thu 9:** St Denis & Companions, St John Leonardi

### **Readings Next Week 11/12 Oct**

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Isaiah 25:6-10

Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20

Matthew 22:1-14

### **Diary Dates**

**Sun 5:** Daylight Saving begins

**Mon 6:** Public Holiday

**Wed 8:** Liturgy Meeting

**Mon 13:** School Term starts

### **Check out the parish website**

Our parish website is available at <http://www.stthomasquinaschamwood.com>. It contains weekly reflections, as well as information about the parish.

### **Foreign Coins**

Foreign coins are of no monetary value to either Father or the parish. Please do not put them in the collection bags.

**Lifeline ph: 131114**

### **Baptism**

We welcome Finnlay Matthew Perceval into our community of faith this weekend and we pray for God's blessing on his parents Shane and Merilyn.

### **Mary MacKillop Calendars**

Mary MacKillop calendars for 2015 will be available soon at \$6 each. Please give your orders to Sister Colleen.

### **Guinness and God**

Robert Falzon, the founder of MenALIVE will speak about "Fatherless Australia" at King O'Malley's Irish Pub in Civic on Tuesday 7 October.

He will discuss the challenge and the history of a society which has lacked solid fatherhood over generations. The event will also host the exciting launch of Robert's latest co-authored book, "The Father Factor".

There will be dinner, the book launch and some live music from 6.30pm, with Robert's talk starting at 7.30pm. For more information, contact [youth\\_events@catholiclife.org.au](mailto:youth_events@catholiclife.org.au) or call 6163 4300.

### **Blessing of Families, Mothers and Babies**

Families, mothers and babies are invited to St Clements' Retreat Centre Galong on Sunday 19 October. There will be a 9am Mass, followed by blessings of families, mothers and babies with the relic of St Gerard Majella.

The Centre is between Yass and Harden just off Burley Griffin Way.

### **Amicus**

Amicus, the support group for widowed, divorced and separated Catholics will be holding its next gathering for 2014 at the National Botanical Gardens on Sunday 12th October 2014 meeting at 12 noon for lunch. All are welcome; if you want to come along please call Enid on 6296 5592.

### **Sisters of the Good Samaritan**

The sisters of the Good Samaritan invite young women to them for a weekend of prayer, reflection, and conversation and to find out more about them. The weekend will be held at Mt St Benedict Centre, Pennant Hills. It will start at 6pm Friday 28 November and finish at 5pm on Sunday 30 November. Visit their website for more information.

### **Choir**

Choir practice is on again on Tuesday 7 Oct at 7.30pm in the Church. New members are most welcome.

For further information contact Paul Hubbard at [quarterdeck@gmail.com](mailto:quarterdeck@gmail.com).

### **Refugee Action Committee**

Canberra's Christians, Jews and Muslims are uniting to work for a more humane and compassionate approach to refugees.

Together they will launch a Faith-Based Working Group of the Refugee Action Committee (RAC), at the Canberra Centre for Culture and Christianity in Barton on October 14 at 7pm. All are welcome to attend. There will be light refreshments available from 6.30pm

### **Points worth pondering**

'We are all called to go out to all people with all of the Gospel message all of the time' (Christopher Prowse)

What does that mean for me here, now?

Do I avoid those I do not know or like? Am I prepared to leave my comfort zone and reach out to others?

### **What Progress for Women in the Church?**

The Archdiocesan Commission for Women invites you to a presentation by Sandie Cornish. Sandie has worked with many Catholic organisations on social justice issues and co-edited the ground-breaking Australian Catholic Bishops' Conference Report "Woman and Man: One in Christ Jesus".

There will be time for questions and the presentation of the Commission's annual report. The presentation is at the Rheinberger Centre, Yarralumla on Saturday 25 October, at 9:30 for 10:00 am. Men and women are invited to attend. A \$5 donation is requested to cover costs. Enquiries to Judy Netting 6278 4163 or 0400 766 784.

### **Bulletin Contributions**

The Parish Bulletin Editor for October is Peter Osborne, please let me have your contributions for the bulletin by Thursday evening. You can contact me by phone on 0415 109714 or by email at [peterosborne2009@gmail.com](mailto:peterosborne2009@gmail.com)