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WEEKEND MASSES: Sunday 24th November 2019
34th Sunday in Ordinary Time.
Saturday Vigil.....6:00pm
Sunday8:30am & 10:00am
RECONCILIATION: Saturday.....5:00pm to 5:30pm
BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS..... Contact Office

WEEKDAY LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS:
Year C - Ordinary Time

Monday	9:30am	LOW	Liturgy of the Word .
Tuesday	6:00pm	MASS	
Wednesday	9:30am	MASS	
Thursday	9:30am	MASS	3/4KP & 2V attending Mass
Friday	9:30am	MASS	

The safety of Parishioners is everyone's responsibility. With ongoing repairs within the church & it surrounds it is important that everyone stays safe. Please be careful of any areas that are cordoned off. Care & Concern also extends to the carpark. Please note no parking marking & do not park in areas that block entrances & exits. Please also pull forward to allow everyone the possibility to park correctly.

Arthritis ACT provides services for people with chronic pain, mobility or balance issues. If you would like more information about services please contact local volunteer Linden Moffatt on 0404 142 427 or please collect brochure from the foyer. Please share with family & friends.

As you are all aware there have been a lot of repairs going on within our Church. Thank you all for your patience. Unfortunately the water has come back up in the Sacristy. The insurance has been informed & the plumber is on the job.

What's next: The water is again turned off & toilets & taps are not to be used, please use the facilities in the meeting room. Investigations have begun to try & find the cause of this leak. This is a new claim as far as the insurance is concerned. Lucky the damaged cupboard had not yet been repaired, these repairs will be delayed until we have a resolution, as has the replacing of the pavers & filling of the holes. We are currently getting quotes for this extra work.

Restoration: Water to sinks at the back of the church at our own cost is also delayed.

For your own safety please stay away from cordoned off areas.

Costs: Parish costs insurance excess 3 x \$500, roof make safe \$500, roof repair \$6,800 & pipe diversion \$1,700. We are hopeful that this further damage will be covered by insurance.

St Thomas has a Quest Payment System. The EFTPOS tap & go machine is back. You can donate \$10 by tapping your EFTPOS card to the machine. Want to donate more simply tap your card again. All money goes to St Thomas to help with running the Parish (& repair costs). Last weekend \$170 was donated. Many thanks to those who tried the machine. Have a go.

Vatican City (CNS) Pope Francis. Mass is the highest form of prayer & not an appropriate moment for small talk. At church, Catholics should spend their time in silence before Mass, preparing "to meet with Jesus" instead of engaging in "chitchat". Silence is so important.

In response to this message from Pope Francis it is imperative that we observe silence in our Church especially before & after Mass. It is a **MUST** that we should have respect for all those who enter the Church to spend time praying & preparing themselves for Mass & time for reflection after Mass. Most importantly the reverence of being silent in the presence of the Lord in the tabernacle is a form of prayer in itself & helps us to receptive to hearing God's word.

VINNIES NEWS

From 1 December to 24 December Society members will be conducting a "giving table" at South.Point Tuggeranong to support our Christmas Appeal.

If you have a few hours to spare contact Stan Jarzynski on 6231 8468 to go on the roster. Shifts are generally for 2 hours only. Material donations may also be left at the table. We appreciate your help over this busy period.

The Piety Stall at the back of our church has an excellent range of cards reflecting the spirit of Christmas and the birth of Christ. They are in packs of 5 & 8 and are very cheap to purchase.

St Caecilia's Choir will hold its annual Carol Service on Sunday, 8 December at 7.30 PM at the Chapel of St John the Evangelist, ANU. All welcome.

Contact: Maria Henry mrhnr@gmail.com

2019 FETE NEWS . \$35,000 raised.
 The St Thomas the Apostle Fete has once again come & gone. The weather was great & the day went extremely well.

Many thanks for everyone who, came to, helped out at, or donated to our fete. Particular thanks goes out to the Fete Committee without whose tireless work throughout the year it would not have come together. \$35,000 is a fantastic effort. To quote Ursula on Fete day, "This community rock's." A huge effort with a huge reward.

St Thomas Christmas Get together.
 The PPC invites you to join us on Sun 15th Dec. After 10am mass. BYO drinks & salad to share. Sausages & Bread will be provided. Not a fund raiser, just a chance to get together before Christmas for a picnic in the gardens. Please sign up on sheet in foyer for catering purposes.

FOOTSTEPS OF ST PAUL

Journey with St. Paul as you relive the Acts of the Apostles & the famous letters of the New Testament. Explore Greece & Greek islands in this 10 night pilgrimage led by Catholic Priests that features Athens, Corinth, Mykonos, Kusadasi, Crete, Santorini, Hosios Loukas, Delphi, Thessaloniki, Philippi & Kavala. All-inclusive Land Package price of \$4490 + Tips. The fare includes Entrances & Sites as per itinerary, Local Transfers in Deluxe coaches, stay in Premium Hotels, 3N Cruise with Lunch. All Breakfast & Dinners + Catholic Priest + English speaking professional guides. 2020 Departures Available: **12th May & 20th Oct.** FYI **03 8839 6615 or 1300721561** or email info@magiholidays.com.au

Upcoming Events & Other Info
 Please see **notice board** for more info, & don't forget **previously advertised events.**
 Archdiocesan website: www.cgatholic.org.au
St Thomas the Apostle Upcoming Events

- **St Vincent de Paul Meets** Mon 7:30pm - Parish C
- **Becoming a Catholic - RCIA** Mon 7:30pm Parish C
- FYI Contact Murray on 0400 009 923
- **PPC Meeting** 6pm Wed 13 Nov Parish Centre
- **Bible Study / Prayer Groups**
- Wed's 10am Parish C Annette 6231 9357
- Thu's 10am Moya's Home 6231 6015
- **Parish Christmas Lunch** Sun 15 Dec,
- **Advent Reconciliation** 6pm Thu 19 Dec Wanniasa

Other Information in the Diocese

- **Buy a Brick for Marymead.** - marymead.org.au
- **2020 Plenary Council** plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au
- **Evenings for the Engaged** marriage preparation program, Contact Mark & Kathy Haseler, 6166 7634.

The 1st Tuesday of each month our parish will pray the holy rosary in different languages during the holy hour. Mass 6pm, Silent Reflection 6:30pm -7pm, Rosary 7pm-7:30pm. All welcome.

An evening of Christmas Music & Readings With Friar Alessandro 6pm, Mon 9th Dec. St Christopher's Cathedral Canberra Entry FREE or by donation. Bookings Essential www.voicefrommassisi.org.au

Advent Reflection & Carols. St Monica's, Evatt, 7 December. 'Come Let Us Adore Him'
 This is a Christmas program with a difference! Please join us for carols, reflection & more from 3pm-6pm in the St Monica's School Hall, 1 Deffell St, Evatt. Come & be blessed!

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 We are also on Facebook: **like & share** today.

Weekly Collection & Repair Fund 16-17 Nov.

Required / wk: \$	950	Required / wk: \$	1,200
1st: \$	982	2nd Collection: \$	1,513
Target:	\$ 10,000	Raised	\$ 7,944

Pope Francis (4 Nov) We must put an end to the culture of waste, we who pray to the Lord to give us our daily bread. Food waste contributes to hunger and to climate change.

Roster for 1st Weekend of Month (30 Nov– 1 Dec)

	6.00pm	8.30am	10.00am
Acolyte	Tom Piper	Loia Fotu	Wayne P
Altar Servers	Zoe Schultheis Juliette Taylor	Oliver Briody Jack M B	Kimo G Help Needed
Readers	Ellie Mowlam Pam Kearins	Sienna & Mike Ambrosino	Sonia C Help Needed
Music	Trish Jarzynski	Chiara Strmota	Peter Glynn
Counters	Trish	And	Kim
Cleaning	Homan, Laughlin, Phillip Familes & Anne Healy		