



A Big Thank You

Dear Parish Families of Dromana and Rosebud, it's hard to believe how quickly the past seven months have flown by. As many of you already know, Archbishop Peter A. Comensoli, in his letter dated 27 May 2025, has appointed me as the new Parish Priest of St. Christopher's in Syndal and Holy Saviour in North Glen Waverley. I will begin this new chapter on 1 July 2025, which means my time with you here will draw to an end by the close of June.

Though short, my time here has been filled with joy, grace, and countless meaningful encounters. I want to express my heartfelt thanks to each of you for the love, care, and support you've shown me. From day one, you welcomed me not just as a priest, but as a part of your parish family—and that has meant the world to me.

Thank you to all who give of themselves in so many ways—through financial Support, volunteering, ministry, and quiet behind-the-scenes service. Each of you helps keep this parish alive with the Spirit of Christ. I also want to say a special thank you to the communities of Fatima School and Padua College. The warmth, enthusiasm, and faith of your staff and students have been truly uplifting.

Please know that I will carry you all with me as I move to my new appointment. You have made a lasting impression on my heart, and I will keep you in my prayers.

*Until we meet again—thank you for everything.
With love and blessings,*

Fr. Jacob Peter Alvares, SAC.

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