

First Reading Hab 1:2-3; 2:2-4

A reading from the prophet Habakkuk
How long, Lord, am I to cry for help while you will not listen; to cry 'Oppression!' in your ear and you will not save? Why do you set injustice before me, why do you look on where there is tyranny? Outrage and violence, this is all I see, all is contention, and discord flourishes. Then the Lord answered and said, 'Write the vision down, inscribe it on tablets to be easily read, since this vision is for its own time only: eager for its own fulfilment, it does not deceive; if it comes slowly, wait, for come it will, without fail. See how he flags, he whose soul is not at rights, but the upright man will live by his faithfulness.'

Responsorial Psalm Ps 94:1-2. 6-9. R. v.8

(R.) If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Second Reading 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to Timothy
I am reminding you to fan into a flame the gift that God gave you when I laid my hands on you. God's gift was not a spirit of timidity, but the Spirit of power, and love, and self-control. So you are never to be ashamed of witnessing to the Lord, or ashamed of me for being his prisoner; but with me, bear the hardships for the sake of the Good News, relying on the power of God. Keep as your pattern the sound teaching you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. You have been trusted to look after something precious; guard it with the help of the Holy Spirit who lives in us.

Gospel Acclamation 1 Pt 1:25

Alleluia, alleluia! The word of the Lord stands for ever; it is the word given to you, the Good News. Alleluia!

Gospel Lk 17:5-10

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke
The apostles said to the Lord, 'Increase our faith.' The Lord replied, 'Were your faith the size of a mustard seed you could say to this mulberry tree, "Be uprooted and planted in the sea", and it would obey you. 'Which of you, with a servant ploughing or minding sheep, would say to him when he returned from the fields, "Come and have your meal immediately"? Would he not be more likely to say, "Get my supper laid; make yourself tidy and wait on me while I eat and drink. You can eat and drink yourself afterwards"? Must he be grateful to the servant for doing what he was told? So with you: when you have done all you have been told to do, say, "We are merely servants: we have done no more than our duty.'"

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NEWSLETTER

5— 6 October 2019

27th Sunday In Ordinary Time - Year C

St. John the Baptist

The Parish has been entrusted to the Salesians of Don Bosco since 2000

St. Monica

Dear Friends,

The Gospel today is about faith and humility. Jesus warns His disciples not to put their trust in riches and to always forgive those who wrong them. This sort of faith is a gift from God. In their weakness the apostles ask Jesus, 'Increase our faith'. His reply helps them to understand the mystery.

Faith can work miracles. A tiny amount would be enough to obtain amazing results. The reason for this is that faith depends on a person's trust in God and their humility. Faith without humility would be incomplete since whatever good we may achieve is only possible with God's help. This is why Jesus says that 'when you have done all that you have been told to do say we are merely servants; we have done no more than our duty.'"

Jesus wants us to understand that we cannot barter with God: I do something for you, God and you must give me what I want in return. God can never owe us anything since all we have and are come from God's merciful goodness. Jesus helps us to understand that we are all God's children and part of God's household. As a tender and loving Father, God can never be outdone in generosity and goodness. As our Lord and Master, God the Father sets His faithful servants at His own table and waits on them (Lk 12:37). Therefore, when we serve others we show our filial love and trust in God. The Apostle's prayer: "Increase our faith," should also be our prayer and the prayer of every Christian.

May the Virgin Mary Mother of God pray to Jesus for all.



Fr. Guy Riolo

PARISH DIARY
October 2019

5 Saturday, Mass of Virgin Mary

- 9.00am Mass at St John's
- 9.30am & 5.15pm Reconciliation at St. John's
- 6.00pm Mass at St. John's

6 Sunday, 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8.30am Mass at St Monica's
- 10.00am Mass at St. John's

7 Monday, Our Lady of the Rosary

- 9.00am Mass at St John's
- 8.00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

9 Wednesday, St Dennis, bishop, martyr, and companions, martyrs

- 9.00am Mass at St. John's
- 10.00am Mass at St. John's

10 Thursday,

- 12.00pm Mass at St John's
- 9.00am Mass at St John's

11 Friday,

- 9.00am Mass at St John's
- 9.30am & 5.15pm Reconciliation at St. John's
- 6.00pm Mass at St. John's

12 Saturday, Mass of Virgin Mary

- 9.00am Mass at St John's

13 Sunday, 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8.30am Mass at St Monica's
- 10.00am Mass at St. John's

Church Foyer & Kitchen Floor Repairs

Repair work to the flooring of the church foyer and kitchen will commence on Monday 7 October. The weekday Masses will be held in the Parish Meeting Room during this work. The Weekend Masses will still be held in the church during this time. Fr. Guy Riolo

St John Paul II Family Festival Sunday, October 20

The Life, Marriage & Family Office - Archdiocese of Hobart, would like to invite people of any age to attend the St John Paul II Family Festival that is being held on Sunday October 20, from 12-4pm at St Therese of Lisieux Church, 24 Hopkins Street, Moonah. The event will celebrate the Feast of St John Paul II and will involve food, a mini-concert, a film, talks for parents, children's activities and prayer. Register at www.eventbrite.com.au & search 'St John Paul II Family Festival' or call Ben Smith on 6208 6036 by Wednesday October 16.

SOLEMNITY OF ST TERESA OF JESUS

A Sung Mass will be celebrated in honour of St Teresa of Jesus (Avila), the foundress of the Discalced Carmelite Order, at the Carmelite Monastery, 7 Cambridge St., Launceston on Tuesday 15th October at 9:30am Archbishop Julian will be the principal celebrant and homilist. Morning tea will follow Mass. All welcome. A Novena of Masses and Prayers will also be offered in preparation for the feast from 6th - 14th October. Intentions may be sent to Mother Teresa Benedicta at the Monastery by post, phone 6331 3585 or tascarmelvoc@gmail.com.

Mission Adventure

Communities in Asia, Africa and the Pacific seek volunteer medics, teachers, tradies, business and admins to assist their development. Contact Palms and find out how sharing your skills can immerse you in a world of deep cultural discovery. Apply by November 1st to start your adventure in 2020! Call us Mon-Fri on 02 9560 5333 or see palms.org.au.

Legion of Mary

Rosary will be recited at St John's Church during the month of October Saturday 5.30pm and Sunday 9.30am. **Annual Retreat** | Saturday October 19, 2019 | Commencing 9.30am for 10.00am start @ St Paul's Catholic Church, Paice St. Bridgewater. A plate to share for lunch would be appreciated. Please RSVP and contact:0434998180 (John Bereton) to arrange transport.

FEAST OF ST THERESE

The feast of St Therese will be celebrated with a Sung Mass at the Carmelite Monastery, 7 Cambridge St., Launceston on Tuesday 1st October at 9:30am. Archbishop Julian will be the celebrant and homilist. Mass will be followed by morning tea. All are welcome to join the Carmelite Nuns for this celebration.



Parish Volunteers.

To meet legal requirements as a result of the Royal Commission on sexual abuse, all parishes must ensure all staff and applicable volunteers have required compliance checks in place, namely a **current Police Check** as well as **Working with Vulnerable People Registration**. We are compiling a list of the status of all these checks and you may find that we contact you to arrange to have these checks in place if you do not already have them. Please contact Sr. Pamela Davis at the parish office as soon as possible.

Fr. Guy Riolo

Footy Points Margin

Well, the Grand Final has been played and won convincingly with the margin being 89 points. This has yet to be claimed as well as the Grand Final runners up (88 points and 90 points). Nor have there been any claims for round 7 (39 points), round 13 (19 points), the 1st Week of the Finals (10 points) and the Preliminary Final (19 points). Check your tickets - any winnings not claimed by 29 October will go to the parish.

OUR SICK - Please remember in your prayers:

Leonie Hills, Monique Matzner, Carol-ann Jones, Zayden Direen, Mary Nichols, Charlie White, Patricia Mc Donah, Sarah Gill, Nance Bennette, Kate Hayes-Newington, Patricia Leamey, Maila Beekmeijer, Ted Grainger, Lani Baron, Alida Beric, Nell Smith, Peter Drake, Eileen Sherrin, Don Ambler, Doreen Street, Fr Bob Curmi, Frances Direen, Anne Hansch, Lynn Priest, Tom Carty, Rodolfo Gonzales and Ken Young.

Prayers for the Deceased

Please remember in your prayers our deceased parishioners, family and friends especially Augusto Di Tommaso, Marie Knight, Esther Underwood, Gwen Foster, Graziano Ceron, Peter Crane, Stephen Cooper, Steven Stivicic, Stan Brach, John O'Brien and Kevin Walsh. Eternal rest grant unto their souls O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace. Amen.

WEEKEND MASSES

St John's, Glenorchy

- 9.00am Saturday
- 6.00pm Saturday Vigil
- 10.00am Sunday

St. Monica's, Chigwell

- 8.30am Sunday

WEEKDAY MASSES

St. John's, Glenorchy

- 9.00am Mon, Tues, Wed, Friday, Sat.
- 12.00pm Thursday

ROSARY

At St. John's, Glenorchy

- 8.40am every Saturday

RECONCILIATION

At St. John's, Glenorchy

- 9.30am & 5.15pm Sat.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

At St. John's, Glenorchy

- 8.00am Wednesday

LEGION OF MARY

at St. John's, Glenorchy

- 6.45 pm Every Tuesday

ST. JOSEPH'S PRAYER GROUP

at St. John's, Glenorchy

- 1st Wednesday of the month at 9.30am

COUNTERS' ROSTERS

This Week:	7 Oct
Mary Parsissons' Team	
Next Week :	14 Oct
Linda Mondigo's Team	

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Envelopes:	\$ 910.00
Loose Plate:	\$ 1,066.60
Direct Deposit:	\$ 405.00
TOTAL:	\$ 2,381.60
Week's Budget: \$ 2,500.00	
Deficit	\$ 118.40