St Therese of Lisieux Catholic Parish



St Therese of Lisieux Church In the care of Missionaries of the Sacred Heart (MSC)

Sunday 13th May, 2018
THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD - YEAR B

FROM THE PASTOR

PROTEST, SANITY, AND A CHRISTIAN RESPONSE

Dreaming is sometimes the most realistic thing we can do. Or, is there still something else we might do, like public protest, or something else?

In his book on prophecy, *Commandments for the Long Haul*, Daniel Berrigan offers this advice. Prophetic gestures aren't always politically effective. Often they accomplish nothing that's practical; but he adds: *If you can't save the world at least you can save your own sanity.*

Sometimes that's all that can be accomplished by our protests against injustice. Moreover struggling to salvage our own sanity is not as privatised as it first appears. When we protest something that's wrong, even though we know our protest is not going to practically change anything, the sanity we are saving is not just our own. We're also *saving the sanity of the moment*.

Commenting on the current activism on the issues of human rights and the environment of Booker Prize winning novelist, Arundhati Roy, art critic, John Berger, says this: "Profound political protest is an appeal to a justice that is absent, and is accompanied by a hope that in the future this justice will be established; this hope, however, is not the first reason the protest is made. One protests because not to protest would be too humiliating, too diminishing, too deadly. One protests (by building a barricade, taking up arms, going on a hunger strike, linking arms, shouting, writing) in order to save the present moment, whatever the future holds. A protest is not principally a sacrifice made for some alternative, more just future; it is an inconsequential redemption of the present." In essence, it preserves some sanity in the present moment.

But it may be inconsequential in terms of practically changing anything. Most everything remains the same. The injustice continues, the poor continue to be poor, the international scene continues to threaten war, racists continue to be racist, the environment continues to be ravaged, corruption continues to go unchecked, and dishonesty continues to get away with its lies. And so people go on marches, go to prison, go on hunger strikes, and sometimes even die for protesting, while the injustice, corruption, and dishonesty go on. At a certain point, logically and inevitably, we need to ask ourselves the question young Marius, in Jean Val Jean's, *Les Miserables*, asks after his friends have died while protesting and nothing seemingly changed: What was your sacrifice for? Was this worth dying for?

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Those questions are valid, but they can have a positive answer. They didn't die in vain, for nothing, for an impractical idealism, for a naïve dream, for something they'd have outgrown had they lived longer. Rather their death was "an inconsequential redemption" of the present moment, meaning, its practical effectiveness may be immeasurable, but the moral seed it sows inside that moment will eventually help produce things that are measurable. All the women who initially protested for the vote never got to vote. But today many women do get to vote. The moral seed they planted in their inconsequential protests eventually produced something practical.

Sometimes you might feel pretty alone in making your protest and it might seem that you're working only at saving your own sanity and bewailing only your own diminishment and humiliation. But no one is an island. Your diminishment, your humiliation, and your sanity, are part of the immune system of all humanity. Everyone's health is partially dependent upon your health; just your health is partially dependent upon everyone else's.

And so protest is always in order and is indeed mandated by our faith. We may not remain passive in the face of injustice, inequality, racism, indifference to the poor, indifference to the Mother Nature, corruption, and dishonesty. We need to sow moral seeds into the present moment. How?

Not all of us (perhaps even most of us) are called upon to take up placards, make public protest, have ourselves arrested, or lay down our lives for a cause – except when the injustice or corruption is so extreme as to merit that. Normally, for most of us, our protest must be real but need not be the witness of martyrs.

I very much like a counsel proposed by Archbishop Paul-Andre Durocher of Gatineau, Quebec, in a recent issue of *America* magazine. Commenting on the tensions that exist today between our Christian faith and the complex challenges that come to us from the world, Durocher, after first acknowledging that there are no easy answers, offers this counsel: "The first step is to acknowledge them [the tensions]. Second, to understand why they arise. Third, to accept and even embrace them. And fourth, to commit to living a mature Christian faith in spite of those tensions." (*America, April 30, 2018*)

In the face of all that's happening in our world, some of which goes against everything we believe in and hold dear, sometimes all we can do is to hold our own moral ground, humbly, prophetically – and perhaps quietly.

And since that's all we can do, it's surely enough.

Fr Ron Rolheiser OMI ©

In His Heart

Fr Mark MSC

PARISH NOTICES

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION CONFIRMATION

Sacramental preparation for Confirmation will commence shortly. Please pray for our Parish children who are preparing for Confirmation on Saturday, 7th July2018 at 6:30pm. The dates for preparation meetings are:

- Meeting for Parents only Thursday,
 24th May in the Parish Centre at 7:00pm.
- Presentation to the Parish Sunday, 27th May, Mass, 9:00am. Candidates will be presented with a crucifix to wear during the preparation time. This will be followed by the First Workshop, for Parents and Children in the Parish Centre immediately following the 9:00am Mass.
- Mass Sunday, 3rd June.
- June, Mass, 9:00am. Candidates will be presented with the Creed during Mass. This will be followed by the **Second**Workshop, for Parents and Children in the Parish Centre immediately following the 9:00am Mass.

 Carpark in Melville Street. The carpark closes at 4.30pm. For more details conditional video. Go to YouTube and
- Mass Sunday, 17th June.
- Mass Sunday, 24th June, Mass, 9:00am.
 This will be followed by the Third
 Workshop, for Parents and Children in the Parish Centre immediately following the 9:00am Mass.
- Practice & Archbishop's Visit -Thursday, 5th July. 5:45pm, Practice for Confirmation in Church, for Parents, Candidates and Sponsors. Visit of Archbishop Julian, 6:45pm in Parish Centre, for Parents, Candidates and Sponsors.
- Confirmation with Mass, Saturday, 7th July, at 6:30pm, for Parents, Candidates, Sponsors and Family.

THE ANNUAL PROCESSION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT FOR THE FEAST OF THE BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST

Archbishop Julian Porteous continues a centuries-old Corpus Christi tradition in June, as he leads the annual Walk with Christ procession through Hobart. This event is open to Catholics of all ages, and it revives a rich Catholic tradition of public faith demonstration through procession and festival. The procession begins at St Joseph's Church (65 Harrington Street) at 1.15pm on Sunday 3 June. Continuing along Harrington Street, the procession arrives at St Mary's Cathedral for Benediction at 3.00pm. Participants who are unable to walk in the procession are invited to come to St Mary's Cathedral at 2.00pm to take part in the Adoration and concluding Benediction. Long-term car parking near the Cathedral is available at the Hobart City Council's Carpark in Melville Street. The carpark closes at 4.30pm. For more details contact Deacon Nick MacFarlane on 0418 242 010. We encourage you to invite your family and presence of Christ in Hobart. Watch the promotional video. Go to YouTube and search 'Walk with Christ Hobart 2018' https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=rMs8qRu7-0Q

THINKING ABOUT BECOMING CATHOLIC?

You are invited to join a group of like-minded people, who are thinking about becoming Catholic. If you are interested please see Fr Mark.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT & ROSARY

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is held each Friday after the 12 noon Mass until 5:00pm in the Chapel in the Parish Centre. The Rosary is prayed between 4:00pm - 5:00pm.

BLESSING AND COMMISSIONING OF MINISTERS.

It is a worthy practice to show recognition and appreciation to the members of our parish who serve the community in various ministries, and to pray for the grace of the Holy Spirit upon them. This will take place THIS Weekend on the Feast of the Ascension at all Masses, for those who are ministers of the Word and ministers of the Eucharist. Many others are engaged in ministries of service in various ways, and these will be blessed and commissioned next weekend, on the Feast of Pentecost. There is no need for worry if anyone is absent. We can repeat these Rites of Blessing on following weeks as necessary. We will bless all ministers, not only the new ones. You don't have to memorise anything or do anything special, just be there and I will call you forward as a group. We thank you and appreciate your self-giving.

1ST ANNIVERSARY OF THE CONSECRATION OF TASMANIA TO OUR LADY'S IMMACULATE HEART

A Marian Liturgy and Rosary lead by His Grace, Archbishop Julian Porteous, will be held **TODAY** Sunday 13th of May, at 3pm at St Mary's Cathedral, Hobart. Today over 160 parishes and Rosary groups around Australia will be joining together to pray the Rosary for the future of our country. Everyone is welcome.

CRAFTY!!!!!

A small group of parishioners meet on a regular basis at Caroline Rakowski's home to make birthday cards for children who have been baptised within the parish, and other cards. If you would like to be part of this group, please contact Caroline on 03 6272 8282.

MOTHERS' DAY CAKE STALL

The Oberek Polish Dance Group is holding a cake stall this **SUNDAY** immediately following the 9:00am Mass and prior to the Polish Mass in the Community Room.

FEAST OF THE SACRED HEART

The Feast of the Sacred Heart will be celebrated in the Parish on Friday, 8th June and over the weekend 9th & 10th June. The Friday Mass will be a whole school Mass, with priests invited from across Southern Tasmanian to concelebrate. At all the weekend Masses (6:30pm, 9:00am & 4:30pm) the focus (music, readings & homily) will be on the Feast of the Sacred Heart. Immediately after the 9:00am Sunday Mass, a Brunch will be served in the School/Parish Hall. If you would like to assist with preparing to cook and serve the brunch or would like to just come along and eat, please complete the sign-up sheet in the foyer. This sheet will be available until Sunday, 3rd June.

PAUL MAGGS' BOOK (DARE TO DREAM)

Paul Maggs was an MSC Priest in the 1980s and ministered here at St Therese's for a couple of years. He has written a book "Dare to Dream ... a personal journey", this book is now available for purchase at \$15.00. The profits from the sale of this book will be donated to Monivae College, Hamilton, Victoria, for the education of indigenous students from the Northern Territory. The book is inspirational, informative and ideal for discussion groups. It has a message for all age groups from senior college students to those in their senior years.

HOBART HAVEN

All young adults are invited to a new weekly event that will be held in St Mary's Cathedral called Hobart Haven. This event is a chance for young people to get away from the noise and rush of daily life and simply spend some time with Jesus. Hobart Haven will run every Wednesday from 6-7pm at St Mary's Cathedral and will include: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, time for silent prayer, hymns, scripture reflection, chance for Confession and Benediction.

LAUNCH OF SHORT FILM ON MY OWN?

L'Arche Beni-Abbes is pleased to announce the launch of the next in the "AS I AM" video series on Thursday, 17th May at 7:00pm. The launch will be held in the School/Parish Hall. A \$5 donation to cover the cost of the supper is requested and payable at the door upon arrival. If you would like to see previous videos in this series visit http://larche.org.au/get-involved/as-i-am-series-videos/. If you are interested in attending call Kat, L'Arche Beni-Abbes Office on 6228 3920 by Wednesday 16th May.

WORLD YOUTH DAY PILGRIMAGE IANUARY 2019

The Archdiocese of Hobart is planning to take young people to the upcoming World Youth Day in Panama, to be held in January 2019. If you are aged between 18-35 years old, please take one of the postcards located in the Church foyer. The estimated cost is around \$5,000 per person. Additionally, if you are interested please see Deacon Michael so planning can be commenced to assist with fundraising towards your attendance.

TASMANIAN CATHOLIC YOUTH FESTIVAL

Registrations for this event are now open, BUT CLOSE ON MONDAY 14th MAY. You can register at https://www.eventbrite.com.au/ e/tcyf-night-rally-hobart-tickets-45185726725. The inaugural "Tasmanian Catholic Youth Festival" (TCYF) will be held on May 17th in Hobart with a fantastic line-up of speakers and performers. They include US singer/songwriter and ACYF performer Steve Angrisano, entrepreneur and Oneplate charity founder Therese Nichols. The festival will consist of a day session which will be open to all school students from years 8-12 followed by a night rally that will be open to all young people up to 30 years of age. If you have any questions, please email youth@aohtas.org.au.

RACHEL'S VINEYARD

Many men and women who suffer grief after an abortion need hope to move on. You are not alone, there is hope after an abortion experience. We can help. Our next Rachel's Vineyard retreat for healing after abortion will be held in Hobart on August 31st to September 2nd. To speak to someone please call Anne Sherston on the confidential phone lines 03 62298739 or 0478599241.

INVITATION TO THE ORDINATION MICHAEL SMITH AS A DEACON

You are invited to the ordination of Michael Smith as a Deacon for the Archdiocese of Hobart. The ordination will be celebrated at St Marys Cathedral on Friday, 1st June, 2018 at 7:00pm. Everyone is welcome. A registration interest form is located in the foyer or RSVP to

Michael.mckenna@aohtas.org.au.

80TH ANNIVERSARY SACRED HEART CATHOLIC SCHOOL GEEVESTON

Sacred Heart Catholic School Geeveston is celebrating its 80th Anniversary. To mark this important milestone in the school's wonderful history, you are invited to attend our Anniversary Mass and Morning Tea. Thursday, 7th June, 2018 at 9.30am. The Mass will be led by Archbishop Porteous, at Sacred Heart Catholic School Hall, 4690 Huon Highway Geeveston. Morning Tea will follow at 10.30am. RSVP by Thursday, 24th May, to the School Office on 6297 1313 or Email shg@catholic.tas.edu.au. All current and past members of our school community, including sisters, clergy, staff, students, families, parishioners and friends of Sacred Heart Catholic School are invited to attend and celebrate this important milestone.

KENOSIS RETREAT

Kenosis means self emptying and refers to God, putting his divinity aside to come amongst us as a human being. This retreat we will explore who we are so as to accept ourselves and truly be in a position to empty ourselves for others. Date: June 15th – 18th 2018, Presenter: Fr Ray Sanchez C.P. Venue: Maryknoll House of Prayer, Blackman's Bay. Further information call Anne on 0407704539 or email

journallingretreat@iinet.net.au.

PLANNED GATHERING " "HEART CENTERED LEADERSHIP

On 14th to 16th September at St Mary's Towers, Douglas Park, training in Heart Centred Leadership to people in MSC Parishes will be offered. The course will be over a weekend starting on Friday evening and finishing lunch time Sunday and will be based on the very successful program offered to people in MSC Colleges. Facilitators Alison McKenze (Chevalier Institute) and Narita Perrotta (Hindmarsh/ Findon Parish). Participants will explore what it means to be a leader in formation in Spirituality of the Heart for people in leadership roles in MSC parishes. It is envisaged that there will be two or three participants from each MSC parish. Costs are to be advised together with the final program. If you are interested please see Deacon Michael.

NEW EMAIL ADDRESS PARISH & FR MARK

All Priests & Parishes across the Archdiocese of Hobart are in the process of changing their email. Please note the new email address in the parish directory of this bulletin. Our Parish phone numbers will be changing shortly as well.

WORK WANTED

Silpa Thomas is looking for all types of data entry jobs, web site development or software development. If you know of anything please contact Silpa on 0450 123 721.

ST THERESE'S CATHOLIC TENNIS CLUB

St Therese's Catholic Tennis Club continues to enjoy tennis at the Domain Tennis Centre each Tuesday and Friday morning, Tuesday and Thursday afternoon and on the fourth Sunday of the month (afternoon). Contact Ros Williams on 0407 838 367.

STEWARDSHIP

"Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God." – 1 JOHN 4:15

How strong is your faith? When you have an opportunity to either defend or clarify a question about our Catholic faith, do you do it? Or, do you remain silent so that others don't think you are weird? Pray for the courage to be strong in all circumstances and to share your witness with others.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Envelopes: \$ 1,569.50

Loose: \$ 866.30

TOTAL: \$ 2,435.80

Week's Budget Collections:

<u>\$ 2,538.00</u>

LOSS -\$ 102.20

Thank You!

LET US PRAY FOR The Sick

Thanh Huynh, Shirley Lehner, Susan Wilson, Fr Peter Nicholls, Josh Stokes, Lise Levaque, Mary Hughes, Drina Paradzik, Jay Jennings, Olga Woods, Tony Dalton, Elsa Bazan, Bev Murray, Kayden Edwards, Marie Morrisby, Marian Zieba, Alan O'Rourke, Lorna Brazendale, Leo Manning, Genowefa Grzegorczyk, Felicity Matthews, Marie Knight.

Anniversaries

Michael Mika, Doris Kathleen Coad, Stanley Reynolds, Doris Aiken, Jozef Gawlik, Antioco Fonollera Abueva, Jadwiga E. Mianowski, Julia Maud Button, Noel Holloway, David Oliver, Sydney Higgins, Loreto Gabriel, Teodor Sianski, Albert Knights, Ermanno Fidanza, Natalie Daley, Patricia Hills, Wasyl Petryk, Leon Krawczyk, Aldo Perri, Stanislawa Ozon, Dolly Webster, Saturnino Gabriel, Margaret (Peggy) Duggan, Mary Magdalene Coad, Fr Alan Guest, Zofia Michalewicz, Fr Mark McGuinness MSC, Irene Jedrzejczak, Fr Thomas Whitty, Shane Morrisby, Thomas Hutchinson, Hedley Tierney, Harold Blake, Fr Rudolph Lopez, Edward Podolski, George Brazendale, Thomas Robinson, Fr Alfred Finch, Julius Ots, Ellen Virth, Olga Smith, Eva Mary White, Dorothy Roehrs, Rosa De Cesare, Wladyslawa Belkner, Josephine M Lockett, Gladys Bresnehan, Stanislawa Halys, Janina Z. Kopaczynski, Pelagia Rakowski, Ron Gamble, Shelagh Sonners, Nenita V. Zuchowicz, Aleksander Radziwon, Norman Direen, Keith Bradshaw, Thomas Kendall, Jim Dalton, Phone: 1800 356 613 Fr Michael Durkan, Maria Sianski, Christopher Dawes, Dorothy M. Elliott, Fr Dallas Cox.

Recently Deceased

Fr John Williams AM (Funeral 1pm Monday 14th May, at St Mary's Cathedral)

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BAPTISMS AND MARRIAGES:

By appointment

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www.hobart.catholic.org.au

TOWARDS HEALING HELPLINE:

TRUTH JUSTICE & HEALING **COUNCIL:**

http://www.tjhcouncil.org.au

READINGS

13th May, 2018

The Ascension of the Lord - Year B

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Men of Galilee, why gaze in wonder at the heavens?

This Jesus whom you saw ascending into heaven will return as you saw him go, alleluia.

FIRST READING: (Acts 1:1-11)

Why are you standing here looking into the sky? Jesus has been taken into heaven.

PSALM: (Psalm 46:2-3, 6-9)

God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.

SECOND READING: (Ephesians 4:1-13)

To the measure of the full stature of Christ.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: (Matthew 28:19, 20)

Alleluia, alleluia!

Go and teach all people my gospel.

I am with you always, until the end of the

world.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL: (Mark 16:15-20)

The Lord Jesus was taken into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God.

MASS TIMES

Monday 14th to Sunday 20th May 2018

Monday 11th to Sunday 20th May 2010		
	English	Polish
Monday	9:15am	
Tuesday	No Mass	9:00am
Wednesday	12:00 noon	6:30pm
Thursday	9:15am	
Friday	12:00 noon	9:00am
Saturday	6:30pm	
Sunday	9:00am 4:30pm	10:45am

READINGS/ROSTERS

20th May, 2018 Pentecost Sunday - Year B

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

The Spirt of the Lord has filled the whole world and that which contains all things understands what is said, alleluia.

FIRST READING: (Acts 2:1-11)

They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak different languages.

PSALM: (Psalm 103:1, 24, 29-31, 34)

Lord send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

SECOND READING: (Galatians 5:16-25)

The fruit of the Spirit.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL: (John 15:26-27; 16:12-15)

The Spirit of truth will guide you into all the truth.

Saturday 6:30pm

Readers Margaret Henderson,

Anne Thuringer/Daniel Watson

Ministers Steve Randell, Gerry McGushin

Projector Chris K

Sunday 9:00am

ReadersTony Webb, Marie AndersMinistersEva Hangan, Simone McManus

Sick Michael Hangan Projector Melissa Philp

Sunday 4:30pm

Readers Kerrie Morrisby,
Colleen Rakowski
Ministers Marj Smith, Carlene Larkin
Projector Eva Hangan

Altar Monica Sianski, Victoria Maty

Cleaning Rexine & Gerard Synnott

Counters David Devereux, Joe Higgins