

# St Therese of Lisieux Catholic Parish



## Moonah-Lutana

St Therese of Lisieux Church

In the care of Missionaries of the Sacred Heart (MSC)

### Sunday, 13th September, 2020

24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

CHILD PROTECTION SUNDAY

*ST THERESE OF LISIEUX CATHOLIC PARISH MOONAH LUTANA  
IS COMMITTED TO PROVIDING A SAFE AND NURTURING CULTURE  
FOR ALL PEOPLE IN OUR PARISH.*

*TO BE ON EARTH THE HEART OF GOD*



Dear friends, on the 1st Sunday of the Season of Creation, we are challenged to accept our prophetic responsibility in love to invite each other to conversion and care for creation in these times of ecological crisis. We also heard from Peter Flint's reflection on the very late arrival of humanity in God's cosmic plan of creation and that planet Earth is our only and common home; there is no feasible planet B. That itself should drive us to be carers and protectors of creation!

The Readings this weekend remind us not to let our prophetic call to others turn into anger against them. In the First Reading from the book of Ecclesiasticus, we are warned that clinging to anger and vengeance

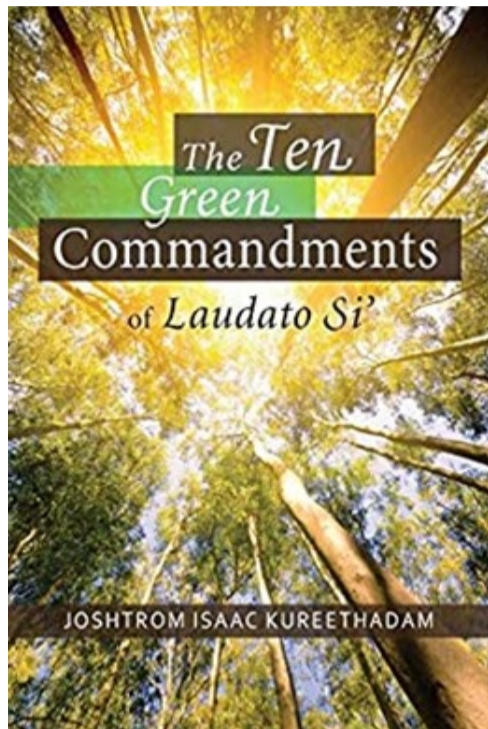
will bring God's anger and vengeance upon us. We must forgive others' injustice as we have been forgiven by God for our own. Legitimate righteous anger, on the other hand, can provide energy and courage to speak out and work for change, but this kind of anger seeks conversion and reconciliation, not vengeance or destruction. It does not become bitter and imprison us.

In the same spirit, the Gospel answers two questions: How often must we forgive someone who seeks forgiveness? And what will happen if we don't forgive each other? Jesus paints God as a king willing to forgive an outrageous sum owed to him, not because it's necessary - a king has no obligation to forgive anything - but simply because of compassion. Peter, in the guise of the first servant, sees his anger against his brother as justifiable, but that attitude is destined for destruction. Holding others bound to their sin poisons our love. Our unforgiveness reveals how far short we fall of God's compassion, and for our sake and theirs, we are challenged to work our way towards forgiveness.

The Readings also invite us to reflect with gratitude on all the failings, sins, and abuse of creation that God has forgiven us and is now calling us to confront, heal and transform. We start by being conscious of how precious and sacred those gifts of creation are:

*What do we most appreciate, enjoy and rely on in nature?  
How can we come to recognise it more as a gift from God?  
How can we contemplate God present in those gifts?*

These are great questions to reflect on during this season of creation as we stroll along the beach or bushwalk or spend time in our shack amid nature. I hope to be doing just that as I embark on the Three Capes walk this coming week. Or take this season to slowly read *Laudato Si'*, especially the first two chapters, and let that spur further reflection and action.



Another way of breaking open *Laudato Si'* is to draw on the wisdom of notable commentators like Fr Joshtrom, who serves on the staff of the Vatican's Dicastery for Promoting Integral Development. Sr Margaret from the parish has kindly summarised for us the wisdom we can glean from his latest book '*The Ten Green Commandments*'. The first two commandments listed below correspond to the first step of 'See' in the 'See Judge Act' paradigm around which *Laudato Si'* is written.

### **1. TAKE CARE OF OUR COMMON HOME IN PERIL**

What do we **SEE** today happening to our beloved home? The human impact on the environment persists because we choose to be complacent, remain indifferent and to simply carry on as we always have. The main physical manifestations of the crisis of our common home outlined in *Laudato Si* are: pollution and waste, climate change and its impacts, the depletion of natural resources, the scarcity of fresh drinking water and the unprecedented scales of biodiversity loss.

The first Green Commandment insists that we wake up. This is not something for the future. The time for action is now. We are called not just to acknowledge but to 'care', to act, to speak out against the forces that are destroying our planet. The question is not what can you do but what will you do?



### **2. LISTEN TO THE CRY OF THE POOR**

It is the poor who are the disproportionate victims of the degradation of our common home. The poor benefit least and suffer most, even though their carbon footprint is virtually non-existent. The poor are going hungry as the oceans are depleted by over-fishing, they are going thirsty as there is no clean water to drink, they are becoming sick due to pollution from today's chemical-dependent and waste-producing economies.

*Laudato Si'* is a loud clarion call to create a more equitable and just world and to care for our common home and for the most vulnerable members of our human family. 'The cry of the poor and the cry of the earth' is a call for eco-justice and call to action. '*O God of the poor, help us to rescue the abandoned and forgotten of this earth, so precious in your eyes. Bring healing to our lives, that we may protect the world and not prey on it, that we may sow beauty, not pollution and destruction.*'

In the heart of Jesus,

Krish

# NOTICES

## PRAYER INTENTION

In the entry foyer (Community Room) and main foyer we have placed a Prayer Intention box and some paper, if you would like to write a prayer or a special intention and place into the box. The box will be carried in the entrance procession and placed onto the altar and offered together with the bread and wine as part of the Eucharistic Offering.

## DONATE! DONATE!

An electronic *Donation Point* is now available in the main foyer. You are able to tap your credit or debit cards and make a \$10.00 donation towards the church. If you wish to make a \$20.00 donation then you tap the machine twice but with about a 30 second break between each tap. This *Donation Point* is being trialled at a few churches across the Archdiocese.

## MASSES ON-LINE

The parish is continuing to provide live-streaming of the 9:00am & 11:00am Sunday Masses available on the Parish FaceBook Page [StTherese OfLisieux](#). These will be shortly after each Mass available on the Parish YouTube Channel <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCOVWp5dkjeawjkxg4FaUZtA>.

## CANCELLING BOOKINGS

With Masses filling, if you wish to cancel your attendance at a Mass, please call the Parish Office on 9412 8471 during office hours Monday, Tuesday & Friday 9:00am - 4:30pm. Outside these hours a message can be left.

## NAME TAGS

Now that we have returned to Masses, if we could recommence wearing our name tags it will assist parishioners to re-acquaint themselves with you.

## ASSISTED SUICIDE BILL TO BE INTRODUCED INTO PARLIAMENT THIS WEEK

Mersey MLC Mike Gaffney introduced a Bill that will legalise assisted suicide into the Tasmanian Legislative Council on Thursday, August 27. This Bill will make Tasmania's laws some of the most permissive in the world. The Bill does not require the person to have a terminal illness and has watered down a number of safeguards that are meant to protect vulnerable people. Please contact your local State MPs to express your concern. A letter writing kit is available at the back of the Church. Whilst handwritten letters are received better, this weekend we have prepared standard letters addressed to each of our local members of both houses of Parliament, to which you will be able to add your name, address and signature and we will post these on your behalf.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO FR KRISH

On Thursday this week, Fr Krish celebrated his birthday. We wish Fr Krish a very blessed birthday for last Thursday.

## 25th ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINATION

On Wednesday 23rd September, Fr Mark Hanns MSC celebrates his 25th Anniversary of Ordination. A congratulations card is available in the Church foyer for people to sign this weekend so we can arrange for it to be sent to Fr Mark for his anniversary.

## PARISHIONERS' CORNER

As we continue to self-isolate we as a community like to hear what is happening with each other. This corner of our bulletin is dedicated to achieving this. If you would like to add something please provide these to the Parish Office before 9:00am Friday morning either by email, phone or dropped off at the Parish Office.

## THANK YOU

To Kate McQuade it is always a pleasure to find one of your poems in our parish bulletin. You touch life's encounters so well and I would like to express a big thank you for your sharing of your poems with the parish. I am looking forward to reading more of your thoughtful writing.

Lucia Werner

## SCHOOL NEWS

This week our parish and school project class sessions began. Our Early Years classes engaged positively with Sister Margaret's Godly play session on St Francis of Assisi. We also enjoyed some gardening together. Together we are recognising and celebrating September as the season of creation!



Fran Bearman  
Principal

## POLISH NEWS

### **Prawo wyboru**

W ostatnim tygodniu mówiliśmy o darze wolności i o tym jak my wolni ludzie z tego daru korzystamy. W tym tygodniu kontynuując ten sam temat chciałabym zwrócić uwagę na prawo wolności wyboru.

Oprócz stałych debat na temat aborcji i eutanazji w ostatnich tygodniach rozgorzała na nowo dyskusja na temat asystowanej śmierci. Stało się to za sprawą przygotowywanej ustawy rządowej o asystowanej śmierci w Tasmanii.

Choć w wielu krajach eutanazja jest nielegalna to jednak co jakiś czas powraca temat prawa odbierania sobie życia przez osoby nieuleczalnie chore, cierpiące na depresję czy też cierpiące na choroby psychiczne. W środkach masowego przekazu pojawiają się hasła pt. „Pozwólcie mi decydować o mojej śmierci”. Dodatkowo jeszcze używa się argumentu, że samobójstwo czyli własnoręczne odbieranie sobie życia nie jest nie legalne. Dlatego asystowane umieranie na życzenie powinno też być dozwolone.

W dzisiejszych czasach społeczność ludzką zaczyna charakteryzować ogromna niespójność. Z jednej strony wiedza i umiejętności lekarskie, nowoczesny sprzęt medyczny mają służyć ratowaniu życia. Lekarze robią wszystko, by ratować życie przedwcześnie urodzonych dzieci, ludzi śmiertelnie chorych, staramy się chronić osoby starsze zwłaszcza teraz w dobie pandemii Covid 19. Z drugiej strony podnoszą się głosy domagające się swobody do aborcji, eutanazji czy też asystowanej śmierci. Myślę, że jedną z przyczyn takiej dwulicowej postawy jest to, że człowiek zapomniał o swoim miejscu i o tym, że nie jest Panem życia i śmierci.

Dla wszystkich wierzących jest oczywiste, że Panem życia i śmierci jest sam Pan Bóg. To od Niego pochodzi nasze życie i po ziemskiej pielgrzymce zmierzamy

spowrotem do Niego. Jednak to Bóg decyduje kiedy ten moment nastąpi. Pomiędzy jednym a drugim jest cała gama naszych życiowych doświadczeń. Jednym z nich jest również cierpienie. Choć łatwiej o cierpieniu mówić aniżeli je przeżywać to jednak cierpienie nie daje nam prawa decydować o życiu i śmierci. Myślę, że jedną z odpowiedzialności nas ludzi wierzących jest otoczenie ludzi cierpiących gorącą modlitwą, by w tym co przeżywają nie czuli się sami. Ci, którzy borykają się depresją najczęściej swoje dramaty przeżywają sami, gdzieś za zamkniętymi drzwiami swoich domów. Nasza odpowiedzialność polega na tym, by te osoby czuły się kochane, ogarnięte opieką fizyczną i duchową. W tych dniach módlmy się szczególnie o zrozumie dla nas wszystkich jak cennym darem jest życie i jaką troską powinniśmy to życie otaczać.

Pozdrawiam wszystkich i życzę błogosławionego tygodnia.

Sr Elżbieta Czernicka MChR

### **NO ENGLISH MASSES**

Further to last week's bulletin, Masses in English will now be celebrated by Fr Jozef on the following dates: Wednesday, 16th, Thursday, 17th and Friday 18th September and Wednesday, 23rd and Thursday, 24th September. However on Wednesday, 14th October, Thursday, 15th October and Friday, 16th October have still been cancelled due to absence of Fr Krish and Deacon Michael. In addition on Friday, 25th September the 12 noon Mass will be a whole school Mass. Attendance is limited to 20 parishioners. Bookings are essential for the 25th.

### **POLISH MASSES OCTOBER/NOVEMBER**

During the months of October and November an additional Mass will be held each Wednesday evening at 6:30pm. A separate booking sheet is available in the entrance to the Church and in the Church foyer. Bookings are essential.

### **NOVEMBER MASS OFFERINGS**

Offerings for the Souls of the Faithful Departed can still be made. In the foyer are "Mass Offering" envelopes. If you would like a Mass to be offered for someone please complete and place into the collection basket in the Church foyer.

### **FORTIETH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**

Sincere thank you to so many who kindly made contact with me, attended the Masses at the Cathedral and Holy Spirit church, contributed towards a presentation and sent cards, gifts, and good wishes on the occasion of the fortieth anniversary of my ordination as a priest. Many thanks to Fr Shammi Perera and the team of people at the Cathedral for the Diocesan celebration which included Mass followed by a luncheon for the clergy in the Cathedral Centre. Sincere thanks also to Claire Manthorpe, the parish secretary, and to all involved in the parish celebration held at Holy Spirit church the following evening. Such an occasion is another reminder that all of us together make up the Body of Christ and that each in our own capacity live out our baptismal calling as we share in various ways in the one priesthood of Christ. For me it has been and will continue to be an enormous joy and privilege to serve Christ and to make Him known in and through his Church.

Fr Brian Nichols

### **CATHOLIC STANDARD**

The latest issue of the Standard has arrived. This issue contains:

- Parliament to debate assisted suicide;
- Fr Brian to take on new challenge as he celebrates 40th anniversary;
- Latrobe Catholic school's proud links to VC hero;
- Sr John Mary says final 'yes' to calling;
- 50 years of Polish priests in Tasmania;
- ASSISTED SUICIDE;
- Fatherhood and faith from Tassie dads;
- And heaps more.

## **ADORATION FOR LIFE!**

On Monday, 14th September the St Mary's Youth Group is hosting, a prayer, in response to the euthanasia Bill which will be debated in Parliament on Tuesday 15 September. We invite you to join us for adoration and prayer from 7:00pm to 11:00pm. With prayer everything is possible. For further details please contact Pierre Paya on 0432 283 512

## **PARISHIONER NEEDS ROOM**

A Parishioner needs a room for a few weeks before returning to Vietnam. See Deacon Michael or Fr Krish.

## **HOLY LANDS COLLECTION NEXT SUNDAY**

The annual collection for the support of the Church in the Holy Land normally takes place on Good Friday. This year, due to the closure of churches around the world during Holy Week because of the COVID-19 Pandemic, Pope Francis moved the date for this collection to Sunday September 20th to coincide with the Feast of the Exaltation of Holy the Cross on September 14th. This collection promotes the missionary work of the Church in the Holy Land by providing welfare assistance to local Christians in areas such as health, education, employment and housing. Parishes, schools, orphanages and medical centres throughout the Holy Land also rely on assistance from this collection. It is also used to maintain over 70 churches and shrines associated with the life of Jesus. Please remember the Christians of the Holy Land on Sunday September 20th and please also keep them in your prayers. Donations can be made through the Parish in three different ways:

1. All cash contributions should be made through the envelopes available in Church foyer or on the Church pews.
2. All Credit card offerings should be made on the back of the Holy Land Collection envelopes.
3. All personal cheques made out to the "Holy Land Commissariat" and be placed in the collection envelopes or sent directly to 47 Victoria street, Waverley NSW 2024.

## **MASSES - UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE / MAZA - AŻ DO PODANIA DALSZYCH INFORMACJI**

<b>Day / Dzień</b>	<b>Hours / Godzina</b>	
Monday / Poniedziałek	9:00am	Mass / Msza po angielsku
Tuesday / Wtorek	9:00am	Mass in Polish / Msza po polsku
Wednesday / Środa	12:00Noon	Mass / Msza po angielsku
Thursday / Czwartek	6:30pm	Mass / Msza po angielsku
Friday / Piątek	9:00am	Mass in Polish / Msza po polsku
	12:00Noon	Mass / Msza po angielsku
Saturday / Sobota	4:30pm	Mass / Msza po angielsku
	6:30pm	Mass / Msza po angielsku
Sunday / Niedziela	9:00am	Mass / Msza po angielsku
	11:00am	Mass in Polish / Msza po polsku
	1:00pm	Mass in Polish / Msza po polsku
	4:00pm	Mass / Msza po angielsku

## **Bookings are essential:/Rezerwacje są niezbędne:**

To attend Masses please call 9412 8477 or 9412 8479 or book online at <https://www.trybooking.com/BJSH>.

Aby wziąć udział we Mszy w dni powszednie i niedziele, upewnij się, że dokonujesz rezerwacji dzwoniąc pod numer 9412 8477 lub 9412 8479 lub dokonaj rezerwacji online pod adresem <https://www.trybooking.com/BJSH>.

## **LET US PRAY FOR**

### ***The Sick***

Thanh Huynh, Shirley Lehner, Olga Woods, Susan Wilson, Lise Levaque, Mary Hughes, Drina Paradzik, Jay Jennings, Tony Dalton, Elsa Bazan, Bev Murray, Kayden Edwards, Lorna Brazendale, Leo Manning, Jan Grubb, Alicia Stroud, Aileen Jones, Garry Hay, Paddi McDonald, Joe Higgins, Jan Manning, Gracie Manson, Lucia Werner, Patricia Hangan, Kieran Aherne, Vanessa Farlie, Bev White, Vinco Muriyadan (Seminararian), Carolyn Rakowski, Sylvester Rakowski.

### ***Anniversaries***

Geoffrey Desmond van Luxemborg  
Theo van De Kamp, Lillian Ann Butler,  
Hugh Sullivan, Robert Jeffrey Wood,  
Leslie Coad, Anthony Lee Cordwell,  
Verna Read, Mary Christina Watson,  
Richard John Button, Boleslaw Adamus,  
Adamo Franov, Ian McAleese,  
Fr Robert Dando MSC, Charles M. Walters,  
Sabatino Porretta, Kathleen J. Triffitt,  
Stanley John Halton, Fr John McManus MSC,  
Jack Virth, Jean Marie Scanlon, Ilona Toth,  
Gail Sportelli, Mollie Ryan, Terence Tuttle,  
Fr George Taylor MSC, Luca Sportelli,  
Francis Malone, Jadwiga Wasilewski,  
Fr Peter Wood MSC, Jack Maywood,  
Patricia O'Keeffe, Freda Allen, Waclaw Abramski,  
Jane Robinson, Josef Korytkowski,  
John Edward Coad, Alojzy Leszczynski,  
Fr Patrick McGuane MSC, Elsie Mackie,  
Ludwig Kopanski, Antoni Pogorzelski,  
Maria de Groot, Virginia Hills, Jack de Groot,  
Margaret Cashion, Antonio Gabriel,  
Jack William Horne, Mary Jean Davey,  
Rosalie Armstrong, Kazimierz Abranski,  
Alfred Monaghan, Audrey Lyons,  
Ethel Maude Lyden, Priscilla Celia Gabriel Salas,  
Allenby James Salter, Fr Henry Reid MSC,  
Br Tony Smith cf, John R. Nolan, Vera Madej,  
Robert Malm, John Manning,  
Victoria Cabiladas Gabriel,  
Mary Margaret (Mollie) Miller,  
Marie Therese Coad, Brian Larkin.

### ***Recently Deceased***

Giovanna Bocchino, Michael Sorbain.

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### **RECONCILIATION:**

By appointment

### **BAPTISMS AND MARRIAGES:**

By appointment

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[www.hobart.catholic.org.au](http://www.hobart.catholic.org.au)

### **SAFE COMMUNITIES:**

<https://hobart.catholic.org.au/content/safe-communities>

### **TOWARDS HEALING HELPLINE:**

**Phone:** 1800 356 613

### **SEXUAL ASSAULT SERVICE:**

**Phone:** 03 6231 1811 (Day) (Hobart) or  
1800 697 877 (24/7)

03 6334 2740 (Day) (Launceston)

### **PLENARY COUNCIL:**

<http://www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au>

**READINGS**

*12th/13th September, 2020*

*24th Sunday in Ordinary Time—Year A*

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:** (Cf. Sirach 36:18)

Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you,  
that your prophets be found true.

Hear the prayers of your servant,  
and of your people Israel.

**FIRST READING:** (Sirach 27:30-28:7)

Forgive your neighbour’s faults and when  
you pray, your sins will be forgiven.

**PSALM:** (Psalm 102:1-4, 9-12)

The Lord is kind and merciful;  
slow to anger, and rich in compassion.

**SECOND READING:** (Romans 14:7-9)

Whether alive or dead, we belong to the Lord.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** (John 13:34)

Alleluia, alleluia!

I give you a new commandment:

love one another as I have loved you.

Alleluia!

**GOSPEL:** (Matthew 18:21-35)

I tell you that you forgive not seven times but  
seventy times seven.

**WEEKLY COLLECTION**

**TOTAL: \$ 1,485.35**

Weeks Budget Collections: \$ 1,927.50

**Difference -\$ 442.15**

**Thank You!**

*24th Sunday in Ordinary Time—Year A*

	<b>Lector</b>	<b>Data Protector</b>
<b>4:30pm</b>	Margaret Henderson	Alec Avellana
<b>6:30pm</b>	Steve Randell	Threesa K
<b>9:00am</b>	Marty Ogle	Melissa Philp
<b>4:00pm</b>	Bill Jacob	Melissa Brown

**READINGS**

*19th/20th September, 2020*

*25th Sunday in Ordinary Time—Year A*

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:**

I am the salvation of the people, says the  
Lord.

Should they cry to me in any distress,  
I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for  
ever.

**FIRST READING:** (Isaiah 55:6-9)

My thoughts are not your thoughts.

**PSALM:** (Psalm 144:2-3, 8-9, 17-18)

The Lord is near to all who call him.

**SECOND READING:**

**(Philippians 1:20-24, 27)**

For me to live is Christ.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** (Cf. Acts 16:14)

Alleluia, alleluia!

Open our hearts, O Lord,

to listen to the words of your Son.

Alleluia!

**GOSPEL:** (Matthew 20:1-16)

Why are you jealous because I am generous?

**STEWARDSHIP**

*“For if we live, we live for the Lord, and if we  
die, we die for the Lord; so then, whether we  
live or die, we are the Lord’s.” (Romans 14:8)*

This is the essence of stewardship –  
everything we have and everything we are is  
a gift from God. We aren’t “owners” of  
anything, we are merely “stewards” of the  
gifts that God has given us, especially our  
very own lives. Pray to God daily and ask  
Him how He is calling you to live the life that  
He intended for you.

*25th Sunday in Ordinary Time—Year A*

	<b>Lector</b>	<b>Data Protector</b>
<b>4:30pm</b>	Carlene Larkin	Anne Thuringer
<b>6:30pm</b>	Threesa K	Chris K
<b>9:00am</b>	Melissa Philp	Izak Hangan
<b>4:00pm</b>	Cameron Brown	Daniel Duharte