St Therese of Lisieux Catholic Parish Moonah-Lutana

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

Sunday, 15th September, 2019 24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C

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

FROM THE PASTOR

THE SCENT OF HUMILITY

According to Isaac the Syrian, a famous 7th Century bishop and theologian, a person who's genuinely humble gives off a certain scent that other people will sense and that even animals will pick up, so that wild animals, including snakes, will fall under its spell and never harm that person.

Here's his logic: A humble person, he believes, has recovered the smell of paradise and in the presence of such a person one does not feel judged and has nothing to fear, and this holds true even for animals. They feel safe around a humble person and are drawn to him or her. No wonder people like Francis of Assisi could talk to birds and befriend wolves.

But, beautiful as this all sounds, is this a pious fairy-tale or is it a rich, archetypal metaphor? I like to think it's the latter, this is a rich metaphor, and perhaps even something more. Humility, indeed, does have a smell, the smell of the earth, of the soil, and of paradise.

But how? How can a spiritual quality give off a physical scent?

Well, we're psychosomatic, creatures of both body and soul. Thus, in us, the physical and the spiritual are so much part of one and the same substance that it's impossible to separate them out from each other. To say that we're body and soul is like saying sugar is white and sweet and that whiteness and sweetness can never be put into separate piles. They're both inside the sugar. We're one substance, inseparable, body and soul, and so we're always both physical and spiritual. So, in fact, we do *feel* physical things spiritually, just as we *smell* spiritual things through our physical senses. If this is true, and it is, then, yes, humility does give off a scent that can be sensed physically and Isaac the Syrian's concept is more than just a metaphor.

But it's also a metaphor: The word *humility* takes its root in the Latin word, *humus*, meaning soil, ground, and earth. If one goes with this definition then the most humble person you know is the most-earthy and most-grounded person you know. To be humble is to have one's feet firmly planted on the ground, to be in touch with the earth, and to carry the smell of the earth. Further still, to be humble is to take one's rightful place as a piece of the earth and not as someone or something separate from it.

The renowned mystic and scientist, Pierre Teilhard de Chardin, expressed this sometimes in his prayers. During the years when, as palaeontologist, he worked for long stretches in the isolated deserts of China he would sometimes compose prayers to God in a form he called, *A Mass for the World*. Speaking to God, as a priest, he would identify his voice with that of the earth itself, as that place within physical creation where the earth itself, the soil of the earth, could open itself and speak to God. As a priest, he didn't speak *for* the earth; he spoke *as* the earth, giving it voice, in words to this effect:

Lord, God, I stand before you as a microcosm of the earth itself, to give it voice: See in my openness, the world's openness, in my infidelity, the world's infidelity; in my sincerity, the world's sincerity, in my hypocrisy, the world's hypocrisy; in my generosity, the world's generosity in my attentiveness, the world's attentiveness, in my distraction, the world's distraction; in my desire to praise you, the world's desire to praise you, and in my self-preoccupation, the world's forgetfulness of you. For I am of the earth, a piece of earth, and the earth opens or closes to you through my body, my soul, and my voice.

This is humility, an expression of genuine humility. Humility should never be confused, as it often is, with a wounded self-image, with an excessive reticence, with timidity and fear, or with an overly sensitive self-awareness. Too common is the notion that a humble person is one who is self-effacing to a fault, who deflects praise (even when it's deserved), who is too shy to trust opening himself or herself in intimacy, or who is so fearful or self-conscious and worried about being shamed so as to never step forward and offer his or her gifts to the community. These can make for a gentle and self-effacing person, but because we are denigrating ourselves when to deny our own giftedness, our humility is false, and deep-down we know it, and so this often makes for someone who nurses some not-so-hidden angers and is prone to being passive aggressive.

The most humble person you know is the person who's the most-grounded, that is, the person who knows she's not the centre of the earth but also knows that she isn't a second-rate piece of dirt either. And that person will give off a scent that carries both the fragrance of paradise (of divine gift) as well as the smell of the earth.

Fr Ron Rolheiser OMI ©
In the Heart of Christ
Fr Mark MSC

NOTICES

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Please pray for our Parish children who this A prayer vigil for victims of abuse will be Sunday will be receiving the Body and Blood held on THIS Thursday, 19th September of Christ for the first time at the 9:00am Mass.

LEAVING COLLECTION

We will continue to hold a leaving collection to assist the family of 6 children left orphaned by the sudden death of their mother. All funds raised will be made available to the family. So far we have raised \$1,953.95 to assist the family. The children's III. family here, is seeking to obtain visas for the children to relocate to Australia, but these cost over \$1,200.00 per child.

ST THERESE'S CRAFT GROUP

The Craft group dates for remainder of 2019 are as follows:- 9th and 23rd September, 7th and 21st October, 4th and 18th November. The group meets every fortnight from 1pm to 3pm in the Church Community Room. A shared afternoon tea is held, so bring a plate to share. All are welcome to come along.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL ASSIST-A-STUDENT

St Vincent de Paul Assist-a-Student is an education program aimed at breaking the cycle of poverty. If you are able to assist please see the brochures available in the church foyer.

PARTICIPATION OF WOMEN IN THE CHURCH

PPC wishes to keep you informed of organisations representing Catholic Women in the Church. The Office for Participation of Women in the Church has a monthly newsletter for which you can register. Details can be found at https:// www.opw.catholic.org.au/newsletter/fromthe-office. This is in addition to "Catholic Women Speak", who are seeking to bring Catholic women's voices into dialogue with others in the Catholic Church. Their details are at:

www.catholicwomenspeak.com.

PRAYER VIGIL FOR VICTIMS OF ABUSE

between 5:00pm - 6:30pm. All are invited to come and you may choose to do one of the following:

- To sit quietly in the pews and pray I. quietly by yourselves.
- To sit with others behind the altar, II. with their own prayers and/or use the sheet provided to quietly pray.
- To share a hot drink at the back of the church and talk with others.
- Take a prayer sheet home to continue IV. to pray for victims of abuse.

COLLECTION FOR PETER'S PENCE

This weekend the Archdiocesan collection for Archdiocesan Sick and Aged Priests' Fund will be held. Envelopes will be located on the pews and can be placed into the collection baskets next weekend. The Sick and Aged Priests Fund was established to ensure that all diocesan priests incardinated into the Archdiocese of Hobart would receive adequate accommodation, health care and support needed in their retirement, or should they become ill. Retirement expenses are currently met by the Sick and Aged Priests Fund via donations and bequests, and by priests themselves. There are no federal or state government grants to support clergy in retirement. The Sick and Aged Priests Fund helps to meet the following needs of our diocesan priests:

- A modest monthly allowance;
- Nursing home and hostel care for frail priests;
- Assistance in transitioning to retirement;
- Assistance with out of pocket medical and dental expenses;
- Assistance with board and lodging expenses;
- Motor vehicle costs.

13 DAY PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY

Fr Brian Nichols will be accompanying a Harvest Journeys tour of places of religious significance including Rome, Montecassino, Assisi, Siena, Florence and more. The tour departs on 13 May 2020. The cost per person will be in the range of \$5,000 to \$6,000. For full details, contact Sandy Bay Parish or email: sandybay@aohtas.org.au.

AFL GRAND FINAL FOOTY MARGIN

The Parish is selling footy Margin tickets on the AFL Grand Final for \$10.00. The winner of the margin between the two team of the AFL Grand Final will win \$500.00 and the number either side will win \$50.00 each. Tickets will be sold after each of the weekend Masses. If you wish to get a ticket midweek please see Fr Mark.

WELLNESS WORKSHOP FOR CATHOLICS

Invite: to all Catholic men & women who need to adopt a healthier lifestyle. During Lent you were spiritually nourished; but is your body nourished with good food, are you exercising regularly, or do you have too many unhealthy habits that are difficult to change. I have met so many Catholics who know they need to exercise, eat better, lose weight, de-stress but they don't actually DO IT. That's where coaching fits in. As a qualified wellness coach with a degree in theology, I will help you to develop your own unique plan to get motivated, organised, build confidence and find your own way to develop healthier habits that align with your beliefs and your lifestyle. Come along to my 5 week program that starts **This** Wednesday, 18th September at 5pm at St Mary's Cathedral. Please ring Sandra to book or find out more details if this program interests you. 048 737 8646 or David? When: Thursdays 19th September, email sandra59harvey@gmail.com.

ROOM TO RENT MOONAH

Maria Luu has a room to rent at 96 Albert Road, Moonah. If you know someone who might be interested call Maria on 0409 496 278.

"UNPLANNED" MOVIE INSPIRING TRUE **STORY**

All Abby Johnson ever wanted to do was help women. As one of the youngest Planned Parenthood clinic directors in the nation, she was involved in upwards of 22,000 abortions and counselled countless women about their reproductive choices. Her passion surrounding a woman's right to choose even led her to become a spokesperson for Planned Parenthood, fighting to enact legislation for the cause she so deeply believed in. Until the day she saw something that changed everything, leading Abby Johnson to join her former enemies at 40 Days For Life, and become one of the most ardent pro-life speakers in America. This movie will be shown on two evenings and bookings **URGENTLY** need to be made to ensure these events proceed. **THIS Thursday 19th September** Village Cinemas, Eastlands 7:00pm booking at https://fan-force.com/screenings/ unplanned-village-cinemas-eastlands/ or THIS Friday 20th September Village Cinemas, Eastlands, 7:00pm booking at https://fan-force.com/screenings/ unplanned-village-cinemas-eastlands-2/

'HE MUST REIGN' BIBLE STUDY: THE KINGDOM OF GOD IN SCRIPTURE.

Learn what Jesus meant when he said, "The time is fulfilled, and the Kingdom of God is at hand". How do the parables of the Kingdom of God relate to Jesus' ministry? What sort of kingdom did Jesus come to bring? The drama in the Gospels turns on a single question: Is Jesus the long awaited Messiah, the son of David come to restore the everlasting monarchy promised to 3rd & 17th October. **Time**: 6.30-8.30pm. Where: Murphy Room, Diocesan Centre, 35 Tower Rd, New Town. Register: email christine.wood@aohtas.org.au or call 6208-6236. **Cost**: \$20 for the study guide.



NEW EVANGELISATION SUMMIT (NES): GLOBAL SUMMIT DAY

This event will be held on Saturday, 5th October between 8:00am-4.30pm, in the Murphy Room, Archdiocesan Centre, Tower Road. It's an international event that will inspire thousands of Catholics to be engaged in the New Evangelisation. The annual NES was held earlier this year in Ottawa, Canada. It will be video-streamed to host sites globally on October 5th. Hear great ideas about evangelisation, and discuss them with locals. **Speakers include**: Cardinal Gerald Lacroix, Fr James Mallon, Michelle Moran, Michele Thompson, Fr Jon Bielawski, and Michael Dopp. Register by October 1st: Christine Wood on 6208-6236 or

christine.wood@aohtas.org.au. Cost: free.

Information:

https://www.newevangelization.ca/

VOCATIONS RETREAT - CAMPBELL TOWN 5TH OCTOBER

A Vocations Retreat is being planned for Saturday, 5th October from 1:00 pm until 3:00pm at the St Michael's Presbytery, Campbell Town. If you know of any young men who may be considering a vocation to the priesthood, could you please invite them to come along? The day will consist of input on vocation in the Church, a time for personal reflection and then time for



communal prayer. Fr. Brian Nichols, Vocation Director.

AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC YOUTH FESTIVAL (ACYF) - PERTH 6TH - 11TH DECEMBER 2019

A pilgrimage to the Australian Catholic Youth Festival (ACYF) in Perth! The ACYF is a gathering of young people who come together to celebrate the joy and beauty of the Catholic faith in a setting that is vibrant and engaging. If you want to know more about the ACYF, visit the festival website below and check out the promo video: www.acyf.org.au. The "Hobart-Perth Pilgrimage" is open to all young people from year 9 to 30 years of age and will be held from 6-11 December. All students will need to register through their Catholic Colleges, whilst young adults between the ages of 18-30 can register at the website below: https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/acyfhobart-to-perth-pilgrimage-registration-62123542187. For more information on the pilgrimage, please see the registration page or the poster in the church foyer.

AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED

An international Catholic Charity that supports suffering and persecuted Christians. Currently over 200 million Christians worldwide cannot freely exercise their faith; Christians are persecuted, discriminated against or oppressed in more than 40 countries. The primary work of Aid to the Church in Need is focussed on providing spiritual & pastoral support to keep the Catholic faith alive. We support projects at the request of bishops and religious superiors who have nowhere else to turn. Visit <u>www.aidtochurch.org</u> and click 'subscribe'. If you prefer to receive our newsletter via post, call 1800 101 201 during business hours to arrange.

EMOTIONS: GUARDIANS AND SUPPORTERS OF THE SOUL

This Workshop will be presented on Saturday, 12th October at the Josephite Mission and History Centre, 67 Clare Street, New Town between 9:30am until 3:30pm. The Cost is \$30. RSVP by Monday, 30th September. Further details are on the notice in the Church foyer.

PARISH SUBSCRIPTION TO FORMED

We're pleased to announce the availability of FORMED, an online service for accessing thousands of Catholic videos, audios and ebooks On Demand anytime, anywhere! As a parishioner, you will have access to entertaining movies, inspiring audio talks, informative bible studies, and much more. We are providing this resource free of charge to help our parishioners learn and grow in their faith. You will also be able to easily access any featured content the we are promoting within our parish community from time to time. So please join us. Also once you have signed up, don't forget to download the free iOS or Android app to put FORMED at your fingertips. We hope you will enjoy this incredible gift and please spread the word to others. To sign up for FREE, just visit us here: https:// sttheresemoonahlutana.formed.org then click "Register now" and follow the prompts for your own access to all FORMED content on demand. If any parishioner has a personal FORMED account, you might consider cancelling it, using the parish one and donating what you save towards the parish account. If you have any issue please text or call Deacon Michael on 0438 243 533.

STEWARDSHIP

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Envelopes: \$ 2,801.50

Loose: \$ 889.90

TOTAL: \$ 3,691.40

Week's Pledged Collections:

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

"Everything I have is yours." (Luke 15:31)
Our Heavenly Father gives us everything, including the chance to share in His eternal kingdom. Yet, like the Prodigal Son we are often lured away by the materialism of our society. Do we really want to turn our backs on all that God offers in exchange for a material wealth that has no lasting value?

Difference \$ 1,153.40

Thank You!

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, Felicity Matthews, Alicia Stroud, Elsa Natoli, Peter van Loggerenberg, Joshua Baric, Paddi McDonald, Chris Poulson, Joe Higgins, Aileen Jones, Gracie Manson.

Anniversaries

Mary Christina Watson, Richard John Button, Boleslaw Adamus, Ian McAleese, Fr Robert Dando, Charles M. Walters, Sabatine Porretta, Kathleen J. Triffitt, Stanley John Halton, Fr John McManus, Jack Virth, Benita La Polla, Jean Marie Scanlon, Ilona Toth, Gail Sportelli, Mollie Ryan, Terence Tuttle, Fr George Taylor, Luca Sportelli, Francis Malone, Jadwiga Wasilewski, Fr Peter Wood MSC, Jack Maywood, Patricia O'Keeffe, Jane Robinson, Freda Allen, Josef Korytkowski, John Edward Coad, Virginia Hills, Jack de Groot, Margaret Cashion, Antonia Gabriel, Mary Jean Davey, Rosalie Armstrong, Alfred Monaghan, Audrey Lyons, Priscilla Celia Gabriel Salas, Allenby James Salter, Fr Henry Reid, Br Tony Smith cfc, John R. Nolan, Vera Madej, Robert Malm, John Manning, Victoria Cabiladas Gabriel, Mary Margaret (Mollie) Miller, Marie Therese Coad, Brian Larkin, Nancy Duggan, Iris R. Boucher, Bronislawa Konopielko, Krystyna Wroblewska.

Recently Deceased

Stanislaw Mikolajczyk.

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BAPTISMS AND MARRIAGES:

By appointment

ARCHDIOCESAN WEBSITE:

www.hobart.catholic.org.au

SAFE COMMUNITIES:

https://hobart.catholic.org.au/content/safecommunities

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

14th/15th September, 2019 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

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: (Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14)

The Lord relented and did not send the evil he had threatened.

PSALM: (Psalm 50:3-4, 12-13, 17, 19) I will rise and go to my father.

SECOND READING: (1 Timothy 1:12-17)

Christ came to save sinners.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: (2 Corinthians 5:19)

Alleluia!, Alleluia!

God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself;

and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL: (Luke 15:1-32)

There will be joy in Heaven over one sinner who does penance.

MASS TIMES

Monday 16th to Sunday 22nd September Ministers

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

READINGS/ROSTERS

21st/22nd September, 2019 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C

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: (Amos 8:4-7)

The Lord God spoke against those who buy the poor for money.

PSALM: (Psalm 112:1-2, 4-8)

Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor.

SECOND READING: (1 Timothy 2:1-8)

Lets prayers be offered to God for everyone; he wants all people to be saved.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: (2 Corinthians 8:9)

Alleluia!, Alleluia!

Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor, to make you rich out of his poverty.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL: (Luke 16:1-13)

You cannot be slaves both of God and of money.

Saturday 6:30pm

ReadersDebbie Large, Phil BlakeMinistersRebecca Goss, Gerry McGushin

Projector Chris K

Sunday 9:00am

ReadersSeena Sejan, Tony WebbMinistersRexine & Gerard SynnottSickGerard Synnott

Projector Gerara Synnott

Maureen Pangrazzi

Sunday 4:30pm

ReadersMelissa Brown, Colleen Rakowski **Ministers**Cameron Brown, Kerrie Morrisby **Projector**Daniel Duharte

Altar Victoria Maty, Kieran Aherne &

Monica Sianski

Cleaning Fracalossi Family

Counters Goldie McGuinness,

Kerrie Morrisby