

St Therese of Lisieux Catholic Parish



Moonah-Lutana

St Therese of Lisieux Church

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

Sunday, 22nd March, 2020

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT - YEAR A

*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

BULLETIN FOR THE 4TH WEEK OF LENT

Dear friends, what a sad turn of events in just one week! We gathered last Sunday for worship and Eucharist, reflected on the word of God, prayed for those in need, especially those affected by the COVID-19 pandemic, and received the Body of Christ in the flesh (with the recommended safety precautions in place). Since then, in response to the spike in infections, a few measures taken by the Federal and State governments and by the Church have meant that Australia has closed its borders to non-Australian citizens, Tasmania is strictly limiting interstate travel and the Church here has suspended all public Masses and offered dispensation for all from our Sunday Mass obligation. These are all big moves that shock us and may cause us to feel they are an over-reaction, but it has driven home to all of us the fight against the COVID-19 pandemic is real and cannot be under-estimated. The situation in Europe and America has showed us how a delayed reaction is still worse than an over-reaction. It is comforting to know the bottom line is people's health and lives rather than the economy that no doubt will take a hit with tourism and employment to suffer greatly as a result. During this time, as much as we are tempted to be anxious and negative about all these measures, let us also know that this too will pass but it means having to go through very uncomfortable change in the meantime with the way we conduct our lives and relationships with others, how we have to be more self-conscious with our health and hygiene, and how we continue to be church. The measures are meant to point to social distancing as a way of reducing the spread of the disease, but social distancing should not come to mean social isolation.

I have been with you in the parish community for barely two months and I have enjoyed how you put on your name tags to introduce yourselves to me and how I often (still) struggle to remember your names. I am thankful I have come to know some of you better in this time. It's been a gradual process of getting to know each other and unfortunately, this has been rudely interrupted. I will miss that and the feel of community every Sunday brings. At the same time, this new situation (a new normal maybe?) also provides other opportunities to connect to community. We are blessed to be living in this time where we have technology and social media to suggest other means of connection with each other. Deacon Michael has been a great help in helping to disseminate the recent announcements from the bishop on suspension of Masses by email and text through our PACS system, using the information you have given us.

Our website and Facebook pages have also helped to spread the news especially to our younger audience. If you know of anyone who has missed out in these channels of information, please let us know and we are happy to update our system. I am conscious our older audience might not have emails and FB accounts or know how to access websites, so I ask you to help one another stay connected in this time or let us know and we are happy to mail them any resources. We will endeavour to send out our bulletins and any other updates weekly and we hope to do a recording of or live stream the Sunday Mass or give that out on a USB so we stay connected as church. No doubt this is not quite the same as face to face ministry or receiving Eucharist in the flesh, but it can provide opportunities for families and neighbours in small numbers to gather together to pray and reflect on the word of God and be in spiritual communion with each other. In times like this when we are not able to receive Christ in the Eucharist, we are invited to encounter Christ in the Word and in our neighbour, especially those who are in need during this time. We will also continue to visit the sick and homebound when permitted.

In this turmoil, prayer is needed more than ever before and while we cannot gather for Eucharist, the church will remain open (10am to 6pm daily) for personal prayer, visits and small group meetings. The stations of the cross for Lent will continue on Fridays at 1130am followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 12-4pm. Come and spend time with the Lord, but do maintain a respectful distance with each other. Individual reconciliation will continue to be offered on Saturday mornings at 11am. Life has changed but it will go on with some familiar elements. Last week, we read in the Gospel of John about the woman at the well, who believed in Jesus and inspired others to believe by her preaching. This Sunday, John gives us another unnamed person who became a model of faith and discipleship – a man born blind. This man had been blind from birth. When he encountered Jesus, he is healed, given sight he never had and testified to what Jesus did for him. As John sees it, we are all born blind. When we encounter and accept Christ, we finally truly see. This season of Lent provides a good time to open our eyes to encounter Christ in these times of tragedy and turmoil and come to see the beauty and grace that often accompany such times that can be easily missed. Let me leave you with an anonymous poem I received earlier this week noticing exactly this grace in our suffering.

*Yes there is fear. Yes there is isolation. Yes there is panic buying.
Yes there is sickness. Yes there is even death.*

*But, they say that in Wuhan after so many years of noise you can hear the birds again.
They say that after just a few weeks of quiet,
the sky is no longer thick with fumes but blue and grey and clear.*

*They say that in the streets of Assisi,
people are singing to each other across the empty squares, keeping their windows open,
so that those who are alone may hear the sounds of family around them.*

*They say that a hotel in the West of Ireland
is offering free meals and delivery to the homebound.
Today a young woman I know is busy spreading fliers with her number through the
neighbourhood
so that the elders may have someone to call on.*

*Today Churches, Synagogues, Mosques and Temples
are preparing to welcome and shelter the homeless, the sick, the weary.
All over the world people are slowing down and reflecting.
All over the world people are looking at their neighbours in a new way.
All over the world people are waking up to a new reality:
To how big we really are.
To how little control we really have.
To what really matters.
To Love.*

*So we pray and we remember that:
Yes there is fear.
But there does not have to be hate.
Yes there is isolation.
But there does not have to be loneliness.
Yes there is panic buying.
But there does not have to be meanness.
Yes there is sickness.
But there does not have to be disease of the soul.
Yes there is even death.
But there can always be a rebirth of love.*

*Wake to the choices you make as to how to live now
Today, breathe.
Listen, behind the factory noises of your panic,
The birds are singing again
The sky is clearing,
Spring is coming,
And we are always encompassed by Love.
Open the windows of your soul,
And though you may not be able to touch across the empty square,
Sing.*

In the heart of Jesus,

Krish

NOTICES

NOVEL CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)

In light of the ongoing developments in relation to COVID-19 we wanted to provide all parishioners with an update as we all have a part to play in the prevention of the spread of this disease. We also have a duty of care to the health and wellbeing of all, and to ensure we are being vigilant in managing this outbreak. COVID-19 is a respiratory illness with symptoms ranging

from a mild cough to pneumonia. Some people recover easily, others may get very sick very quickly. There is evidence that it spreads from person to person. The safety and welfare of our Parish community is really important and we endeavour to promote and provide a safe environment for all.

In the Church foyer is a letter from the Archbishop, advising of the cancellation of all Masses which commenced on Thursday, 18th March 2020, and remains in place until further notice. Below is some further information during this time:

- The Church will be open from 10:00am to 6:00pm daily for private prayer.
- Reconciliation will continue to be held between 11:00am-11:30am each Saturday.
- Baptisms, Funeral and Weddings will be restricted to only immediate family members.
- You are encouraged to maintain a safe distance (1.5 metres) from anyone in the church when you arrive.
- The number allowed in the church at any one time will be restricted.

It is also recommended:

- To continue the practice of good hygiene to prevent the spread of colds and infection. Transmission of infections can be reduced by 80% simply by regular washing of hands;
- Keep all surfaces clean;
- Frequently clean hands by using an alcohol-based hand sanitiser or soap and water;
- When coughing and sneezing cover mouth and nose with flexed elbow or tissue – throw tissue away immediately in a sealed bin and wash hands;
- Avoid close contact with anyone who has fever and cough;
- If you have fever, cough and difficulty breathing, seek medical care early and share previous travel history with your health care provider.

OFFERTORY GIVING

A number of people have asked the question regarding the continuing of their Offertory Giving or donations. A number of options are available for you to consider:

- A wall safe has been installed in the Church foyer with visitor envelopes

placed on top. Place your sealed Offertory Giving Envelope into this wall safe. The safe is cleared each day.

- Offertory Giving Envelopes can be given in person to the Parish Office or delivered to the Catholic Development Fund, 35 Tower Road, New Town.
- Cheques or Money Orders can be posted to the Parish via PO Box 819, Moonah or left in person at the Parish Office. Please do not post cash as this is illegal.
- If you have internet banking you can make payments directly into the parish account. Details can be obtained from the parish office on 9412 8471.

If you are unsure please call the Parish Office on 9412 8471

MASSES ON-LINE

The parish will be providing a recording of Sunday Mass which will be available each Sunday Morning on the Parish Website <http://cdtas.org.au/moonah> or our Parish FaceBook Page [StTherese OfLisieux](#). If you don't have access to the internet but have a computer we can provide you with a USB version of the Mass. To arrange for this please contact the Parish Office on 9412 8471.

The Sunday principal Mass at St Mary's Cathedral (10:30am) will be live-streamed. It will be available through the Archdiocese of Hobart's YouTube channel

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBzten6uVS-Ymf-7KVUEepQ/featured>.

Channel Ten airs "Mass for you at home" at 6:00am on Sundays and then online via TenPlay.

Mass on Demand can be streamed at <https://cathnews.com/>.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

CONFIRMATION

Sacramental Programme has been cancelled for 2020. It is hoped that Reconciliation will be held later in the year.

SMALL GROUP ACTIVITIES

As mentioned above we will continue to provide reconciliation each Saturday 11:00am - 11:30am. The RCIA Programme will continue each Thursday evening. Stations of the Cross at 11:30am each Friday will continue with limited numbers. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will continue each Friday immediately after Stations of the Cross.

WELLNESS PROGRAMME

Due to the current health situation with Covid 19, the Polish Welfare Office has decided to postpone the Information Sessions for Seniors on Wellness and Reablement in English and the second series in Polish, until further notice. We apologise to those planning to attend. We will advise of the new dates when the situation changes. We will complete the first series in Polish as planned: Session 4 - on Thursday, 26th March 2020 and Session 5 on Thursday, 2nd April 2020. Please contact us on 62 28 62 58 if you have any questions. Thank you for your understanding. Sr Elizabeth, Wellness Officer.

FORMED HAS BEEN UPDATED!

(please use Chrome browser)

Now might be a good time to join **formed** visit www.formed.org. Remember to use Chrome browser to access **formed**. Formed now over 4,000 titles of award-winning Catholic content, children's programming, audio talks, e-books and more, are available on almost any internet-connected device (PC's, tablets, smart phones and smart TV's etc.) The new platform was produced after consultation and feedback from the users (now over 900,000) across 5,000 parish communities. Formed has improved performance and an enhanced search tool. It allows offline playback and you no longer have to remember a password because access is now simply through your email address. For existing subscribers just Visit www.formed.org then click 'Sign In' and

enter your email address. You will be sent an email and when you click on the link in the email you're in! No more passwords! You can stay signed in even when you close your browser or your device is off. When you go back to www.formed.org just click on 'sign in' and you can start watching again. As long as you don't sign out, the content will remain available to you. If you do sign out, then to get back in just go to www.formed.org again and click 'sign in' and an email will be sent to you and click – you're back in. For parishioners wanting to join our FORMED group account the process has become even easier than it was. Go to formed.org and click 'Sign Up', on the next page select "I Belong to a Parish or Organisation", find our parish by name, "St Therese of Lisieux 24 Hopkins St Moonah TAS", enter your email address and you will be sent an email - and you're in! Diving into the beauty of the Faith has never been easier: at home, on the go, or from any internet connected device. Discover thousands of books, audio talks, movies, documentaries, and studies... there is something for every member of the family to help them grow closer to Christ and His Church. 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 issues please see Deacon Michael on 0438 243 533.

"A ROAMING CATHOLIC" **AUTOBIOGRAPHY OF FATHER ADRIAN** **MEANEY MSC**

The Parish will shortly have available a number of copies of this book for purchase for \$15.00 each. This book is an autobiography of Father Adrian Meaney MSC of the many years' experience in many places and cultures, which he has gathered into a story. If you would like to purchase please contact the Parish Office on 9412 8471.

PRAYER IN THIS TIME OF CRISIS

Almighty and all-merciful God,
lover of the human race, healer of all our
wounds,
in whom there is no shadow of death,
save us in this time of crisis;
grant wisdom and courage to our
leaders;
watch over all medical people
as they tend the sick and work for a cure;
stir in us a sense of solidarity beyond all
isolation;
if our doors are closed, let our hearts be
open.

By the power of your love destroy the
virus of fear,
that hope may never die
and the light of Easter, the triumph of life,
may shine upon us and the whole world.
Through Jesus Christ, the Lord risen from
the dead,
who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

Amen.

Holy Mary, health of the sick, pray for us.
St Joseph, guardian of us all, pray for us.
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WEEKLY COLLECTION

Envelopes: \$ 1,443.00

Loose: \$ 745.80

TOTAL: \$ 2,188.80

Week's Pledged Collections:

\$ 2,538.00

Difference - \$ 349.80

Thank You!

KEEPING IN CONTACT

The Parish wishes to keep in contact with all parishioners. If you are not receiving our bulletin via email, please let us know and we can add your email address to our database of parishioners. If you would like to just have a chat please let us know. We would like to provide you with materials over the coming weeks to keep you up to date with what is happening within our community. If you would like this please contact the Parish Office on 9412 8471.



STEWARDSHIP

"Not as man sees does God see, because man sees the appearance but the Lord looks into the heart." (1 Samuel 16:7)

How often do we invest our time, talent, and treasure in creating an appearance that does not matter at all to God? We strive to impress with our clothing, home, career, possessions, car, and other marks of distinction. But none of these illusions of greatness will impress God. Instead, He will look into our hearts to see how much we loved Him, how much we loved others and how we showed that love by the way we used our time, talent, and treasure here on earth.

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, Peter van Loggerenberg, Joe Higgins, Gracie Manson, Patricia Hangan.

Anniversaries

Marj Symmons, Denis Henry Scanlon, Marion Keenan, Stefan R. Zelek, Walenty Bodel, Ingrid Leszczynski, Samuel Lyden, Laurie Belcher, Leokadia Sadkowski, Wladyslaw Osuckowski, Giuseppe Cugino, Rex Graham Morrisby, Marjoria Williams, Joanne Maree Read, Pauline Watts, Olga Hanns, Lawrence Triffett, Frank Brown, John Skaraupa, Jan Cisak, Wladyslaw Gniadek, Paul Krizanovic, Bertram Williams, Mary Monaghan, Aloisy Kempa, Bridget Beckwith, William Clare, Lola Hutchinson OAM, Belle Ayton, Kazimierz Jablonski, Elizabeth Streat, Peter Hope, Zofia Cisak, Harold Poulson, Thirza Beryl Barber, Prudencia Gabriel Salas, Fr Norbert Earl MSC, Fr Bernard Baldwin MSC, Fr Fredrick Morduant MSC, Fredrick Hoskins, Peter Weronika, Klaus Joseph Goerss.

Recently Deceased

Leanne Beth Meehan, Jadwiga Grabek, Mathew William Skelly, Myrtle Goodsell, Katarzyna Polacik.

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RECONCILIATION:

Saturday 11:00am-11:30am

BAPTISMS AND MARRIAGES:

By appointment

ARCHDIOCESAN WEBSITE:

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

22nd/23rd March, 2020

4th Sunday of Lent - Year A

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: (Cf. Isaiah 66:10-11)

Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her.
Be joyful, all who were in mourning;
exult and be satisfied at her consoling
breast.

FIRST READING: (1 Samuel 16:1, 6-7, 10-13)

In the presence of the Lord God, they
anointed David King of Israel.

PSALM: (Psalm 22)

The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.

SECOND READING: (Ephesians 5:8-14)

Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on
you.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: (John 8:12)

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!
I am the light of the world, says the Lord;
whoever follows me will have the light of
life.

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

GOSPEL: (John 9:1-41)

The blind man went off and washed himself
and came away with his sight restored.

MASS TIMES

Monday 23rd to Sunday 29th March 2020

	English	Polish
Monday	No Mass	
Tuesday	No Mass	No Mass
Wednesday	No Mass	No Mass
Thursday	No Mass	
Friday	No Mass	No Mass
Saturday	No Mass	
Sunday	No Mass	No Mass

READINGS/ROSTERS

28th/29th March, 2020

5th Sunday of Lent - Year A

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: (Cf. Psalm 42:1-2)

Give me justice, O God,
and plead my cause against a nation that is
faithless.

From the deceitful and cunning rescue me,
for you, O God, are my strength.

FIRST READING: (Ezekiel 37:2-14)

I shall put my spirit in you, and you will live.

PSALM: (Psalm 129)

With the Lord there is mercy
and fullness of redemption.

SECOND READING: (Romans 8:8-11)

If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the
dead is living in you, then he will give life to
your own mortal bodies.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: (John 11:25, 26)

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!
I am the resurrection and the life, says the
Lord;

whoever believes in me will not die for ever.
Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

GOSPEL: (John 11:1-45)

I am the resurrection and the life.

Saturday 6:30pm

Readers, Ministers, Projector N/A

Sunday 9:00am

Readers, Ministers, Sick, Projector N/A

Sunday 4:30pm

Readers, Ministers, Projector N/A

Altar N/A

Cleaning N/A

Counters N/A