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 September, 2019 25TH 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

SOME COUNSELS ON FAITH AND RELIGION FOR OUR PRESENT GENERATION

It's no secret that today we're witnessing a massive decline in church attendance and, seemingly, a parallel loss of interest in religion. The former mindset, within which we worried, sometimes obsessively, about sin, church-going, and heaven and hell no longer holds sway for millions of people. As one parent, worried about the religious state of his children, shared with me recently, "our old religious concerns never ever darken their minds." What's to be said in the face of this?

Admittedly, I may not be the person best-suited to offer that advice. I'm over 70 years old, a spiritual writer whose main focus of research and teaching right now is on the spirituality of ageing, and I'm a Roman Catholic priest, a religious insider, who can be perceived as simply a salesman for religion and the churches.

But, despite that, here are some counsels on faith and religion for today's generation.

First: *Search honestly*. God's first concern is not whether you're going to church or not, but whether you are staying honest in your search for truth and meaning. When the Apostle Thomas, doubts the reality of the resurrection, Jesus doesn't scold him, but simply asks him to stretch out his hand and continuing searching, trusting that if he searches honestly he will eventually find the truth. The same is true for us. All we have to do is be honest, to not lie, to acknowledge truth as it meets us. In John's Gospel, Jesus sets out only one condition to come to God: *Be honest and never refuse to acknowledge what's true, no matter how inconvenient*. But the key is to be honest! If we're honest we will eventually find meaning and that will lead us where we need to go – perhaps even to a church door somewhere. But even if it doesn't, God will find us. The mystery of Christ is bigger than we imagine.

Second: *Listen to what's deepest inside you*. Soul is a precious commodity. Make sure you honour yours. Honour the voice inside your soul. Deeper than the many enticing voices you hear in world inviting you in every direction is a voice inside you which, like an insatiable thirst, reminds you always of the truth of this prayer from Saint Augustine: *You have made us for yourself, Lord, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you*. Stay in touch with that voice. You will hear it in your restlessness and it will, in the words of Karl Rahner, teach you something that's initially is hard to bear but eventually sets you free: *In the torment of the insufficiency of everything attainable, we eventually learn that here in this life there is no finished symphony.*

Third: *Beware the crowd*! In the Gospels the word "crowd" is almost always pejorative. For good reason: Crowds don't have a mind and the energy of a crowd is often dangerous. So beware of what Milan Kundera calls "the great march", namely, the propensity to be led by ideology, group-think, the latest trend, the popular person or thing, the false feeling of being right because the majority of people feel that way, and the social pressures coming from both the right and the left. Be true to yourself. *Be the lonely prophet who's not afraid to be alone on the outside*. Dream. Be idealistic. Protect your soul. Don't give it away cheaply.

Fourth: *Don't confuse faith with the churches – but don't write off the churches too quickly.* When they ask those without religious affiliation today why they aren't religious invariably their answer is: "I just don't believe it anymore." But what's the "it" which they no longer believe? *What they don't believe anymore isn't in fact the truth about God, faith, and religion, but rather what they've heard about God, faith, and religion.* Sort that out and you will find that you do have faith. Moreover, don't write off the churches too quickly. They have real faults; you're not wrong about that, but they're still the best GPS available to help you find your way to meaning. They're a roadmap drawn up by millions of explorers who have walked the road before you. You can ignore them, but then be alert to God's gentle voice often saying: "Recalculating". God will get you home, but the churches can help.

Fourth: *Don't forget about the poor*. When you touch the poor, you're touching God and, as Jesus says, at the judgment day we will be judged by how we served the poor. Give yourself away in some form of altruism, knowing, as Jesus puts it, that it's not those who say Lord, Lord, who go to heaven but those who serve others. In your search, you need to get a letter of reference from the poor.

Fifth: *Look among your contemporaries for a patron to inspire you.* Jean Vanier, Henri Nouwen, Thomas Merton, Dorothy Day, Oscar Romero, Dietrich Bonhoeffer, Simone Weil, Etty Hillesum, and Dag Hammarskjold, among others – they've all navigated your issues.

Fr Ron Rolheiser OMI ©

In the Heart of Christ

Fr Mark MSC

NOTICES

THANK YOU

Last Sunday we celebrated First Holy Communions of eight of our children. Thanks be to God for this step of faith in their journey of life. We always need to keep praying for them that they grow ever stronger in faith. Thanks to all of you, their parents, for guiding them in their faith journey, especially in this season of preparation for this sacrament. Keep up the good work. Thanks are due to Sister Margaret who so effectively teaches them in the Sunday workshops in a way that truly engages and captivates the kids. Thanks to Marie Anders, Kay Wood, Elizabeth Higgins and Kathy Legzdins who prepared the morning tea, as they always so willingly do. And thanks to Amelia Daun who again baked and decorated a beautiful cake for them.

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 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:- 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

AFL GRAND FINAL FOOTY MARGIN LAST CHANCE TO PURCHASE AFL GRAND FINAL FOOTY MARGIN TICKETS

The Parish is selling footy Margin tickets on the AFL Grand Final for \$10.00. The winner of the margin between the two teams 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.

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.

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 be able to easily access any featured content that 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

shared afternoon tea is held, so bring a plate FREE, just visit us here: <u>https://</u> to share. All are welcome to come along. <u>sttheresemoonahlutana.formed.org</u>

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. 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.

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 Cardinal Gerald Lacroix, Fr James Mallon, 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.

SOCIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY

On 29 September, we will celebrate Social Justice Sunday. This year, the Australian Bishops' Social Justice Statement is titled: 'Making it Real: Genuine human encounter in our digital world'. It shares Pope Francis' challenge to us to 'boldly become citizens of the digital world'. It points out that we are called not just to be inhabitants of this world, but active citizens shaping the digital landscape rather than being shaped by it. Copies of the Social Justice Statement or a 10 point summary will be available in the Church foyer next weekend.

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.

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: 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/



PARTICIPATE WITH OTHER HOST SITES FROM AROUND THE WORLD!

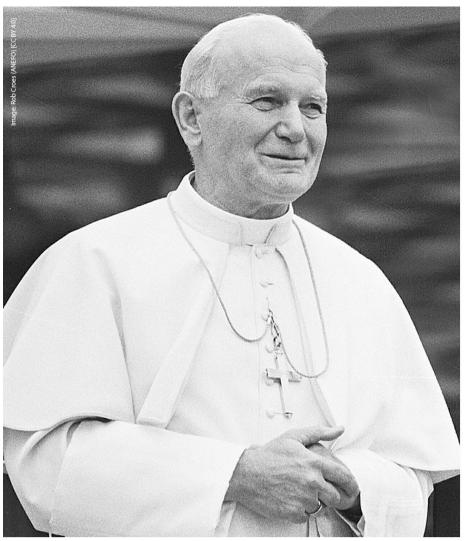
To save your seat, register at newevangelization.ca

VOCATIONS RETREAT - CAMPBELL TOWN 5TH OCTOBER

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

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.



130th ANNUVERSARY OF THE DEATH OF FR JULIAN TENISON WOODS

The Sisters of St Joseph invite you to Prayer and Supper on Monday 7th October 2019 at 7.00 pm at the Josephite Mission and History Centre 67 Clare Street New Town. RSVP: 6228 1628.

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.

SOLEMNITY OF ST TERESA OF JESUS

A Sung Mass will be celebrated in honour of St Teresa of Jesus (Avila), the foundress of

St John Paul II Family Festival

Sunday, October 20, 12-4pm St Therese of Lisieux Church, 24 Hopkins Street, Moonah

Event Itinerary –

12:00 Lunch/Concert with Polish Dancers Chaplet of Divine Mercy and Veneration of the relics of St John Paul II A Film on St John Paul II's Legacy (90min) Afternoon tea with Kremovka Outdoor family games (St John Paul's Favourite cake) St John Paul II film (continuing) / Finish 2:00 4:00 Talk and Discussion on St John Paul II's Letter to Families (adults) / Free Event Supervised children's activities

ST JOHN PAUL II FAMILY FESTIVAL

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 16th.

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: <u>sandybay@aohtas.org.au</u>.

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 <u>tascarmelvoc@gmail.com</u>



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

A pilgrimage to the Australian Catholic Youth superiors who have nowhere else to turn. 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.

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.

STEWARDSHIP

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Envelopes: \$ 1,679.70

"No servant can serve two masters. He will hate one and love the other, or be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon (wealth)." (Luke 16:13) Is money a "god" that you put before God? Giving money to support the Church and other charities is a pillar of our faith, just like attending Mass every Sunday and participating in parish ministry. Giving money frees us from being a slave to money. It increases our dependence on God and our trust that God will provide all that we need.

Loose:	\$	1,012.85				
TOTAL:	\$	2,692.55				
Week's Pledged Collections:						
		<u>\$ 2,538.00</u>				
Difference	\$	154.55				

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, Don Ryan Snr.

Anniversaries

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, Hipolit Brazewicz, A. E. (Peter) Allen, Maria Giosio, Frederick Ernest Keating, Marian Zieba, Fr Cornelius Troy, Leopoldo (Paul) Sambrano, Carleine Alda Keating, Ethel May Keating, Zofia Smietanski, Winsome I. Hodgetts, Boleslaw Nisciernek.

PARISH OFFICE AND PRESBYTERY

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ST THERESE'S SCHOOL

24 Hopkins Street, Moonah *Phone:* 03 6272 1403 <u>Principal:</u> Mrs Fran Bearman *Email:* <u>sttherese@catholic.tas.edu.au</u>

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/safecommunities

Recently Deceased

Stanislaw Mikolajczyk, Max Jones.

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

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) Let 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!

<u>GOSPEL</u>: (Luke 16:1-13)

You cannot be slaves both of God and of money.

MASS TIMES

Monday 23rd to Sunday 29th	<u>September</u>	
<u>2019</u>	-	
English	Polish	

<u>READINGS/ROSTERS</u>

28th/29th September, 2019 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgement, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments.

But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

FIRST READING: (Amos 6:1, 4-7)

You who give yourself to licentiousness and revelry will be exiled.

PSALM: (Psalm 145:6-10)

Praise the Lord, my soul.

SECOND READING: (1 Timothy 6:11-16)

Obey the commandments until the coming of the Lord.

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!

<u>GOSPEL</u>: (Luke 16:19-31)

During your life good things came your way just as bad things come the way of Lazarus. Now he is being comforted while you are in agony.

Saturday 6:30pm

	to Sunday 29th		Readers	Shane Poulson, Phil Blake
<u> </u>	<u>2019</u>		Ministers	Steve Randell, Debbie Large
	English	Polish	Projector	Anne Thuringer
	C		<u>Sunday 9:00</u>	<u>am</u>
Monday	9:15am		Readers	Marie Anders, Melissa Philp
Tuesday	No Mass	9:00am	Ministers	Simone McManus, Paul de Groot
Wednesday	12:00 noon		Sick	Paul de Groot
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Thursday	9:15am		<u>Sunday 4:30</u>	<u>pm</u>
Friday	12:00 noon	9:00am	Readers	Kerrie Morrisby, John Kitt
5			Ministers	Carol Kitt, Cameron Brown
Saturday	6:30pm		Projector	Daniel Duharte
Sunday	9:00am	10:45am	Altar	Fran Smith
5	4:30pm		Cleaning	Rexine & Gerard Synnott
	-		Counters	Milagros Jacob & Aileen Watson