

# St Therese of Lisieux Catholic Parish



## Moonah-Lutana

St Therese of Lisieux Church

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

### Sunday 23rd September, 2018

TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B

## FROM THE PASTOR

### LACKING THE SELF-CONFIDENCE FOR GREATNESS

We all have our own images of greatness as these pertain to virtue and saintliness. We picture, for instance, St. Francis of Assisi, kissing a leper; or Mother Teresa, publicly hugging a dying beggar; or John Paul II, standing before a crowd of millions and telling them how much he loves them; or Therese of Lisieux, telling a fellow community member who has been deliberately cruel to her how much she loves her; or even of the iconic, Veronica, in the crucifixion scene, who amidst all the fear and brutality of the crucifixion rushes forward and wipes the face of Jesus.

There are a number of common features within these pictures that speak of exceptional character; but there's another common denominator here that speaks of exceptionality in a different way, that is, each of these people had an exceptionally strong self-image and an exceptionally strong self-confidence.

It takes more than just a big heart to reach across what separates you from a leper; it also takes a strong self-confidence. It takes more than an empathic heart to publicly hug a dying beggar; it also takes a very robust self-image. It takes more than mere compassion to stand before millions of people and announce that you love them and that it's important for them to hear this from you; it also takes the rare inner-confidence. It takes more than a saintly soul to meet deliberate cruelty with warm affection; it also requires that first you yourself have experienced deep love in your life. And it takes more than simple courage to ignore the threat and hysteria of a lynch mob so as to rush into an intoxicated crowd and lovingly dry the face of the one they hate; it takes someone who has herself first experienced a strong love from someone else. We must first be loved in order to love. We can't give what we haven't got.

Great men and women like St. Francis, Mother Teresa, John Paul II, and Therese of Lisieux are also people with a stunning self-confidence. They have no doubt that God has specially gifted them and they have the confidence to publicly display those gifts. The sad fact is that many of us, perhaps most of us, simply lack sufficient self-image and self-confidence to do what they did. Perhaps our hearts are just as loving as theirs and our empathy just as deep, but, for all kinds of reasons, not least because of how we have been wounded and the shame and reticence that are born from that, it is existentially impossible for us to, like these spiritual giants, stand up in front of the world and say: "I love you – and it's important that you hear this from me!" Our tongues would surely break off as an inner voice would be saying: "Who do you think you are? Who are you to think the world needs to hear of your special love?"

# FROM THE PASTOR

## (CONTINUED)

Truth be told, too often it isn't virtue that's our problem; it's self-confidence. Mostly we aren't bad, we're just wounded. William Wordsworth once said something to the effect that we often judge a person to be cold when he or she is only wounded. How true.

Thankfully God doesn't judge by appearances. God reads the heart and discerns between malice and wound, between coldness and lack of self-confidence. God knows that no one can love unless he or she has first been loved, and that very few, perhaps no one, can publicly display the heart of a giant, the courage of a hero, and the love of a saint when that big heart, courage, and love haven't, first, been felt in an affective and effective way inside of that person's own life.

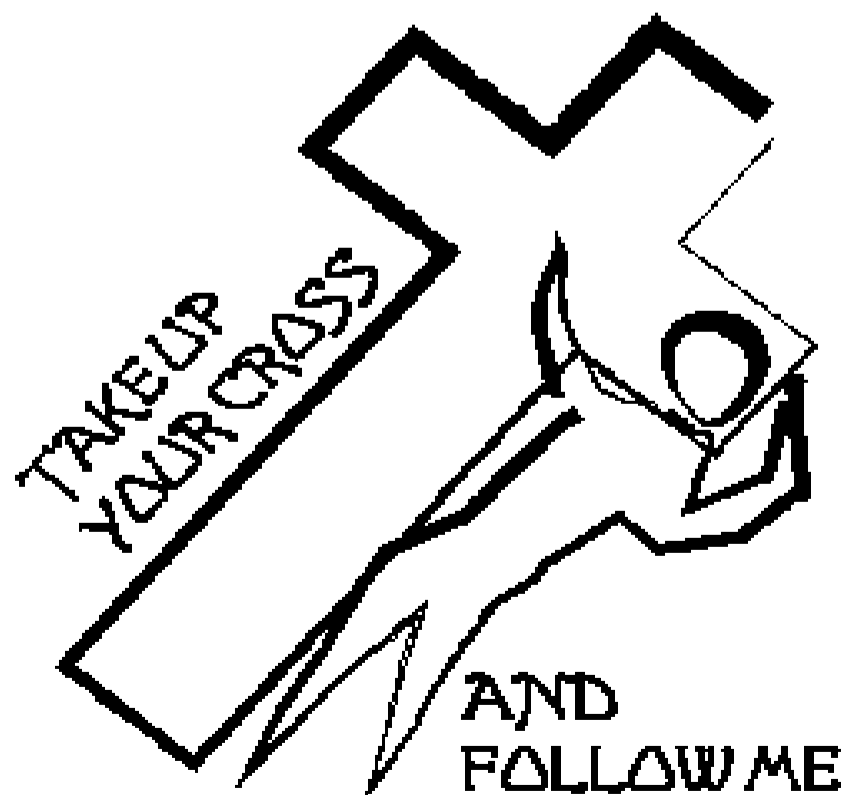
So what's helpful in knowing this? A deeper self-understanding is always helpful and there can be a consolation, though hopefully not a rationalisation, in knowing that our hesitancy to step out publicly and do things like Mother Teresa is perhaps more rooted in our lack of a healthy ego than in some kind of selfishness and egoism. But of course, after that consolation comes the challenge to throw away the crutches we have been using to cope with our wounds and our crippled self-image so as to begin to let our heart, courage, and love manifest themselves more publicly. Our tongues won't break off if we speak out loud about our love and concern, but we will only know that once we actually do it. But, to do that, we will have to first step through a paralysing shame to a self-abandon that up to now we haven't mastered.

And there's a lesson in this too for our understanding of ego within spirituality. We've invariably seen ego as bad and identified it with egotism; but that's over-simplistic because spiritual giants generally have strong egos, though without being egotists. Ironically too many of us are crippled by too-little ego and that's why we never do great things like spiritual giants do. Egoism is bad, but a healthy, robust ego is not.

Fr Ron Rolheiser OMI ©

In the Heart of Jesus

Fr Mark Hanns MSC



**'You must forget yourself, carry your cross, and follow me.'** Mark 8:34

## **SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION**

### **FIRST RECONCILIATION**

A time for preparing our children to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation is approaching. An invitation is extended to any Parents who wish their Children to take part in preparing to celebrate First Reconciliation will need to complete the enrolment form located in the Church foyer and attend the sessions listed below Preparation Session. We ask for everyone to please pray for our Parish children who are preparing for their First Reconciliation on Monday, 3rd December 2018 at 6:30pm. The dates for preparation meetings are:

- **An introductory session for Parents only - Thursday, 8th November** in the Parish Centre at 7:00pm.
- **Presentation to the Parish - Sunday, 11th November, Mass, 9:00am.** Candidates will be presented to the Parish Community. This will be followed by the **First Preparation workshop**, for Parents and Children in the Parish Centre from approx. 10:15am to 11:15am.
- **Mass - Sunday, 18th November, Mass, 9:00am.** This will be followed by the **Second Preparation Workshop**, for Parents and Children in the Parish Centre from approx. 10:15am to 11:15am.
- **Mass Sunday, 25th November.**
- **Mass - Sunday, 2nd December, Mass, 9:00am.** This will be followed by the **Third Preparation Workshop**, for Parents and Children in the Parish Centre from approx. 10:15am to 11:15am.
- **First Reconciliation, Monday, 3rd November, at 6:30pm,** for Parents, Children and Family.

### **EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is held each Friday after Mass until 5:00pm in the Parish Centre Chapel.

## **LECTIO DIVINA**

On the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month Lectio Divina is held in the Ss Louis and Zelig Martin Parish Centre, Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Chapel from 10:00am until 11:30am. All are welcome.

### **SILENT MEDITATION**

On 10th and 24th September, 8th & 22nd October, 5th & 19th November Silent Meditation will be held. Starting promptly at 2:15pm until 3:00pm. To book call 03 6247 1307. All are welcome.

### **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.

### **COMMUNITY ROOM LIBRARY**

The Community Room library is now available for borrowing (and returning) of books. All books have been stamped and a coloured dot will be added shortly. If you would like to borrow a book please record into the borrowing book with your name and phone number and when returning place a line through your entry.

### **ANOINTING OF THE SICK MASS**

The next Anointing of the Sick Mass will be celebrated on Friday 28th September during the normal 12 midday Mass. A light lunch will be served in the Community Room following the Mass. Please bring a plate of food to share. Even if you are unable to bring a plate please stay for a cuppa and some food.

### **ST THERESE'S SCHOOL FAIR**

The St Therese's School Fair will be held **(THIS SUNDAY)** after the 9:00am Mass 23rd of September, at 10am. **On fair day the school/church car parks will be closed as some of the fair activities will occupy the car-parks. This will mean parking will only be available on the surrounding streets.**

## **MOVIE NIGHT WITH THE SISTERS**



This Friday, 28th September at 6:30pm in the Church Community Room. The film is "Karol: A man who became Pope" (2005). The life of the Saint Pope John-Paul II, from his youth as a

writer, actor, and athlete in war-torn occupied Poland to his election as Pope at the age of 58.

## **NEW MINISTRY ROSTERS**

New Lector, Eucharistic Minister, Eucharistic Minister to the Sick and Data Projector are available in the foyer.

## **FR MARK ON HOLIDAYS**

This is to advise that Fr Mark will be on holidays from Monday 1st October until Friday 2nd November, inclusive. During his absence we will have a number of visiting priests celebrating weekend Masses together with Fr Kaz celebrating most of the weekday Masses.

## **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 Monday, 1st October at 9:30am. Carmelite, Fr Sunny Peackal OCD, will be the principal celebrant and homilist. Mass will be followed by morning tea. All are welcome to join the Carmelite Nuns for this celebration.

## **THE CHRISTOPHER DAWSON CENTRE FOR CULTURAL STUDIES**

The next talk will be on Tuesday 25th September at 6:00pm at St Mary's Cathedral Centre (located at the rear of St Mary's Cathedral, Harrington Street, Hobart). Professor Rufus Black, Vice Chancellor, University of Tasmania will be speaking on the topic Christian Theology in a Post-Christian World. RSVP to Email [director@dawsoncentre.org](mailto:director@dawsoncentre.org) or call Dr David Daintree on 0408 879 494.

## **MARIAN FESTIVAL**

On Saturday 13th October 2018, St Paul's Catholic Church Bridgewater, will be holding a Marian Festival, commencing at 2:00pm.

The schedule of activities are:

2:00pm - 3:00pm - Rosary & Adoration

4:00pm - 5:00pm - Worship Songs, Testimonies

5:00pm - 7:00pm - Worship Songs, Testimonies and Veneration of the statue of Mary

7:00pm - Mass and Healing Prayer

Dinner will be served after the Mass. All are welcome. For further information see the brochure in the foyer or call

Bridgewater-Brighton Parish on 6263 6242.

## **DIRECTED RETREAT AT MARYKNOLL**

This retreat is from 26th October to 4th November but each day is stand alone, so you may come for one day or as many days as you wish. The retreat will be led by Fr Peter Addicoat and Sr Margaret Henderson RMS. For a copy of the brochure please see the Archdiocesan and Parish website or contact Margaret on 0418 366 923 or [mm.henderson@bigpond.com](mailto:mm.henderson@bigpond.com).

## **PALMS AUSTRALIA**

*More to mission than meats the eye!* Right now, a Butcher is needed in Madang, Papua New Guinea; Meat this challenge: contact Christine on 02 9560 5333. For more opportunities, visit [www.palms.org.au/volunteer](http://www.palms.org.au/volunteer). Can't commit just yet? Check out [www.palms.org.au/encounters](http://www.palms.org.au/encounters).

## **GRIEF TO GRACE - HEALING THE WOUNDS OF ABUSE**

This is a spiritual retreat for anyone who has suffered degradation or violation through physical, emotional, sexual or spiritual abuse. The retreat will be held May 26<sup>th</sup> to May 31<sup>st</sup> 2019. To request an application contact Anne by emailing [info@griegtograceaus.org.au](mailto:info@griegtograceaus.org.au) or phone 0478599241. For more information visit [www.griegtograce.org](http://www.griegtograce.org)

## **MATRIMONIUM SUMMER SCHOOL**

A deep dive into God's plan for sexuality and marriage for young adults. Monday, 21st January to Friday, 25th January 2019, at Jane Franklin Hall, South Hobart. Speakers include Professor Tracey Rowland, Dr Kevin Donnelly and Anna Krohn. For more information call Ben Smith on 03 6208 6036

## **MANUS LIVES MATTER**

From Sr Jane Keogh (the Brigidine Sisters in Melbourne): The situation there (among the asylum seekers on Manus Island) is dire at present and we have so many with serious suffering and untreated illness plus many more suffering mental health problems. The despair is everywhere and there is also a growing violence. We have men who don't even know who they are and one was running lost in Moresby twice recently with no phone or money and not knowing where he was. Our faithful helpers are still working

with us and we have Rebecca Lim working there right now to address one crisis after another. Your donation went to helping with medical treatment for those we could get some supplies to. We had to pay \$8000 recently for one man to have his badly broken knee and tendons set and it took a week for anyone to act. They insisted we paid up front. If you would like to support Sr Jane and the Brigidine Sisters with their work for *Manus Lives Matter*, please feel free to talk with Dr Gerry McGushin, after Mass, by phone at home, **62789149**, or by email, [mcgushin@bigpond.com](mailto:mcgushin@bigpond.com). Alternatively: **Contact Jane at [janeikeogh@gmail.com](mailto:janeikeogh@gmail.com) or 0409 773 572** Donations can be sent to: **Direct Debit at Account Name: Brigidine Sisters BSB: 112 879 ACCT No: 010 449 549**

## **CHILDLIKE PERCEPTION**

Wis 2:12.17-20; Jam 3:16-4:3; Mk 9:30-37

We all know how honest children are. They speak about things as they see them. They respond spontaneously to any situation. If they are having a good time they will let us know about it and the whole neighbourhood. I was observing a child recently in a toyshop. The place belonged to the child. All the words coming from the mother: Don't touch that! It does not belong to you. Be careful or you will break those toys and Mummy will have to pay for them. Adult standards were lost on the child. She owned everything in the store. It is no wonder that Jesus put as little in front of his disciples when he was trying to teach them about the kingdom. Children retain an ability to see, hear and understand what adults have lost.

God accepts us as we are. There is only one way he wants us to change. He wants us to become like the little child that Jesus held tenderly in his arms. Jesus has been trying to teach his disciples about the Kingdom. He has told them time and again that he is to suffer and die and will rise again. He gave them a special view of his divinity shining through his humanity at the Transfiguration. Yet when Jesus asked them: What were you arguing about on the road? They said nothing because they had been arguing which one of them was the greatest. 'If anyone wants to be first, he must make himself last of all and servant of all.'

Just as Christ carried out the work of redemption in poverty and oppression, so the Church is called to follow the same path. Christ Jesus, though he had the form of God, emptied himself and took on the form of a servant (Phil. 2:2.7); though he was rich, he became poor for our sake (2Cor 8:9). Likewise the church, though needing human resources to carry out her mission, is not set up to seek earthly glory. Rather she is to proclaim and show humility and self-denial.' (Vatican II) Noel Mansfield, MSC ©

## STEWARDSHIP

“If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all.” MARK 9:35

Jesus teaches us that we are called to serve one another. Sacrifice is not a word that many people like to hear. We think it means that we must give up something that we want.

However, the literal meaning of sacrifice is “to make holy,” from the words “sacer” = sacred and “facere” = to make. In other words, we make our lives holy by sharing our gifts in the service of God.

### WEEKLY COLLECTION

Envelopes:	\$ 1,387.50
Loose:	\$ 808.40
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$ 2,195.90</b>

Week's Budget Collections:  
\$ 2,538.00

**LOSS \$ 342.10**

**Thank You!**



### 2020 PLENARY COUNCIL

Have your say! Let us hear your voice! Our Parish will be holding a workshop on Saturday 13th October, commencing at 2:30pm until 4:45pm. This workshop will allow our Parish to come together and pray, read the questions and reflect, share and listen and re-gather and pray. The Question is on display in the Church foyer, but it is “What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?” This is an opportunity to share your voice towards Plenary Council 2020. The Plenary Council gives us all an important opportunity to listen to what the Spirit is saying to the Church in Australia.

## PLENARY COUNCIL PRAYER

Come, Holy Spirit of Pentecost.

Come, Holy Spirit of the great South Land.

O God, bless and unite all your people in Australia and guide us on the pilgrim way of the Plenary Council.

Give us the grace to see your face in one another and recognise Jesus, our companion on the road.

Give us the courage to tell our stories and to speak boldly of your truth.

Give us ears to listen humbly to each other and a discerning heart to hear what you are saying.

Lead your Church into a hope-filled future, that we may live the joy of the Gospel.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, bread for the journey from age to age. Amen.

Our Lady Help of Christians, pray for us.

St Mary MacKillop, pray for us.



## **LET US PRAY FOR**

### ***The Sick***

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

### ***Anniversaries***

*Margaret Cashion, Antinio Gabriel, Mary Jean Davey, Rosalie Armstrong, Alfred Monaghan, Audrey Lyons, Priscilla Celia Gabriel Salas, Allenby James Salter, Fr Henry Reid, 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, Hipolit Brazewics, A. E. (Peter) Allen, Maria Giosio, Frederick Ernest Keating, Fr Cornelius Troy, Carleine Alda Keating, Leopoldo (Paul) Sambrano, Ethel May Keating, Zofia Smietanski, Winsome I. Hodgetts, Boleslaw Nisciernek, Jan Szczygiel, Antoni Sobczyszyn, Marie Katranjac, Mary Driessen, Marjorie Jean Becker, Margarita Camarao, Fr Arthur Perkins, Sr Veronica Higgins, Gordon Clarke, Dave Smith, Charles J Stokoe, Thalia Baker, Teo Stockmann, Horace Duggan, Joyce Patricia Gadd, Myrtle Dwyer, Michal Zolniewczak, Jozef Lepak, Boniface Siksnius.*

### ***Recently Deceased***

*Margaret James (Joe Higgins' Sister), Lynette Burles (L' Arche's Gregory Burles' Sister).*

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## **RECONCILIATION:**

Saturday 11:00am-11:30am

## **BAPTISMS AND MARRIAGES:**

By appointment

## **ARCHDIOCESAN WEBSITE:**

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

## **TOWARDS HEALING HELPLINE:**

Phone: 1800 356 613

## **TRUTH JUSTICE & HEALING COUNCIL:**

<http://www.tjhcouncil.org.au>

## **PLENARY COUNCIL:**

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

## READINGS

*23rd September, 2018*

*Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary  
Time - Year B*

### 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: (Wisdom 2:12, 17-20)

Let us condemn him to a most shameful death.

### PSALM: (Psalm 53:3-6, 8)

The Lord upholds my life.

### SECOND READING: (James 3:16-4:3)

Justice is the harvest of peacemakers from seeds sown in a spirit of peace.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

God has called us with the gospel to share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Alleluia!

### GOSPEL: (Mark 9:30-37)

The Son of Man will be delivered into the hands of humanity .... All who wish to be first must make themselves the servants of all.

## MASS TIMES

Monday 24th to Sunday 30th September  
2018

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

## READINGS/ROSTERS

*30th September, 2018*

*Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary  
Time - Year B*

### 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: (Numbers 11:25-29)

Are you jealous on my account? Who decrees that all people may prophesy?

### PSALM: (Psalm 18:8, 10, 12-14)

The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

### SECOND READING: (James 5:1-6)

Your wealth is rotting.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Your word, O Lord, is truth: make us holy in the truth.

Alleluia!

### GOSPEL: (Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48)

Anyone who is not against us is for us. If your hand should cause you to sin, cut it off.

### Saturday 6:30pm

*Readers* Steve Randell, Gerry McGushin

*Ministers* Donna Bone, Phil Blake

*Projector* Chris K

### Sunday 9:00am

*Readers* Peter Van Loggerenberg,  
Brendan McManus

*Ministers* Simone McManus,  
Fadi Elbarbar

*Sick* Fr Mark Hanns

*Projector* Izak Hangan

### Sunday 4:30pm

*Readers* Melissa Brown, Carlene Larkin

*Ministers* Carol Kitt, Kerrie Morrisby

*Projector* Eva Hangan

*Altar* Fran Smith

*Cleaning* Victoria Maty, Kieran Aherne,  
Monica Sianski

*Counters* Kaye Wood, Marie Anders