

St Therese of Lisieux Catholic Parish

Moonah-Lutana

St Therese of Lisieux Church

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



Sunday 26th November, 2017

**OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE -
YEAR A**

FROM THE PASTOR

LIVING IN THE NOW

INCARNATION AND INDWELLING

Most religious people I've met—from sincere laypeople to priests and nuns—still imagine God to be elsewhere. Before you can take the “now” seriously, you must shift from thinking of God as “out there” to also knowing God “in here.” In fact, that is the best access point! Only inner experience can bring about a healing of the human-divine split.

Transformation comes by realising your union with God right here, right now - regardless of any performance or achievement on your part. That is the core meaning of grace. But you have to *know* this for yourself. No one can do this knowing for you. I could tell you that God is not elsewhere and heaven is not later, but until you come to personally and regularly experience that, you will not believe it.

Authentic Christianity overcame the “God-is-elsewhere” idea in at least two major and foundational ways. Through the Incarnation, God in Jesus became flesh; God visibly moved in with the material world to help us overcome the illusion of separation (John 1:14). Secondly, God as Holy Spirit, is precisely known as an indwelling and vitalising presence. By itself, intellectual assent to these two truths does little. The Incarnation and Indwelling Spirit are known only through participation and practice, when you actively draw upon such Infinite Sources. “Use it or lose it!”

Good theology helps us know that we can fully trust the “now” because of the Incarnation and the Spirit within us. It's like making love. We can't be fully intimate with someone who is physically absent or through vague, amorphous energy; we need close, concrete, particular connections. That's how our human brains are wired.

Jesus teaches and is himself a message of now-ness, here-ness, concreteness, and this-ness. The only time Jesus talks about future time is when he tells us not to worry about it (see Matthew 6:25-34). Don't worry about times and seasons, don't worry about when God will return, don't worry about tomorrow. Thinking about the future keeps us in our heads, far from presence. Jesus talks about the past in terms of forgiving it. Some say forgiveness is central to his whole message. Jesus tells us to hand the past over to the mercy and action of God. We do not need to keep replaying the past, atoning for it, or agonising about it.

FROM THE PASTOR (CONTINUED)

Yet, as practitioners of meditation have discovered, the mind can only do two things: replay the past and plan or worry about the future. The mind is always bored in the present. So it must be trained to stop running backward and forward. This is the role of contemplation.

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In the heart of Jesus
Fr Mark Hanns MSC



PARISH NOTICES

CHRISTMAS MASS TIME 2017

Saturday 23rd December 6:30pm (Vigil)
Sunday 24th December 9:00am
10:45am (Polish)
NO MASS 4:30pm
Children's Vigil Mass 6:30pm
9:00pm (Vigil)
Midnight
(Polish)
Monday 25th December 9:00am
10:45am

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT & ROSARY

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is held each Friday after the 12 noon Mass until 5:00pm. The Rosary is prayed between 4:00pm - 5:00pm in the Chapel in the Parish Centre.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Sacramental preparation for FIRST RECONCILIATION has commenced. Please pray for our Parish children who are preparing for First Reconciliation on Thursday, 7th December 2017 at 6:30pm. The dates for preparation meetings are:

- For Parents and Children - **THIS Sunday, 26th November**; 9:00am Mass and at approx. 10:15am in the Saints Louis & Zelig Martin Parish Centre – 2nd Workshop.
- For Parents and Children - **Sunday, 3rd December**; 9:00am Mass and at approx. 10:15am in the Saints Louis & Zelig Martin Parish Centre – 3rd Workshop.
- **Thursday, 7th December** First Reconciliation at 6:30pm in the Church.

ACYF FUNDRAISING RAFFLE

This Weekend we will be running a raffle to support our pilgrims going to ACYF. Tickets will be \$1 each or 3 for \$2, available at each Mass and drawn at 4:30pm Mass on Sunday 10th December. We have four prizes. 1st Prize 2018 Season Ticket for Playhouse Theatre; 2nd & 3rd Prize Crochet Rugs & 4th Prize Family Pool Pass Hobart Aquatic Centre.

CHRISTMAS CHRONICLE 2017

Our Christmas Chronicle will be published ready for all to enjoy again this year. If you would like to contribute articles, short stories, Christmas Recipes or anything you consider may be of interest to our parishioners please email or give copy to Deacon Michael Hangan: moonahlutana@aohtas.org.au or Monica Sianski: esianski@bigpond.com.

PARISH MEMORIAL BOOK

Our Parish Memorial Book is about to be updated. Please forward the names of family members whom you would like included, to Deacon Michael, before 21st December.

THINKING ABOUT BECOMING CATHOLIC?

You are invited to join a group of like-minded people, who are thinking about becoming Catholic. We meet most Thursday evenings in the Chapel in the Parish Centre at 7:00pm. If you are interested please see Fr Mark.

L'ARCHE AUSTRALIA "SHARE A MEAL"

L'Arche Australia's main fundraising event is 'Share a Meal'. This is a wonderful exciting opportunity to support L'Arche. As a community we will be hosting a "Share a Meal" for L'Arche Australia in August 2018. If you are able to assist with the planning of this event please add your name to the sign-up sheet in the church foyer.

OLD VIRGILIANS ANNUAL MASS AND LUNCHEON

The Old Virgilians Association, in conjunction with St. Virgils College Leavers, will be celebrating our Annual Mass in St. Mary's Cathedral at 11.30am on Tuesday, 28th November, 2017. The usual Luncheon (two course meal with drinks provided \$30) will be held immediately after in the assembly hall at the St. Virgils Junior School next door. All Old Virgilians and friends are invited. Please notify attendance to SVC office 6249 6555 or email: adminsvc@stvirgils.tas.edu.au Peter Imlach, Secretary.

MELI MELO CHRISTMAS CONCERT

The Meli Melo Choir presents their Christmas concert in support of the Don Bosco Technical School, Biratnagar, Nepal at 2.30pm on 9 December in St. John's church, Bowden Street, Glenorchy. The varied concert features Alpine and French Horn ensembles, choral and solo performances. Come along and enjoy an afternoon of Christmas music while at the same time supporting students at the Technical School. Entry is by donation and includes light refreshments. Contact Jo 0419 510 014

CAROLS ON THE HILL - 17 DECEMBER 2017 - GYC OVAL BARRACK ST, HOBART

Tickets for the inaugural Archdiocese of Hobart's Carols on the Hill are now available to order online. Supported by the City of Hobart, Carols on the Hill is a free, traditional outdoor carols event specifically designed for families to share in the joyful spirit of Christmas. The event will be staged at the Hobart campus of Guilford Young College on Sunday, December 17 from 7pm to 9pm, with gates opening at 6pm. The oval is secure and can comfortably hold around 1200 people, making it an ideal venue for families with children. Compered by Tasmanian-born speaker and author Sam Clear, Carols on the Hill will feature local group and individual performances, as well as community carol singing. The lighting of candles as dusk descends on the city is sure to make for a memorable carols event. The Catholic Education Giving Tree will offer people the opportunity to donate non-perishable food items to support those in need this Christmas, and families are invited to light a candle and say a prayer at the nativity scene. **How to order your tickets:** Entry to Carols on the Hill is free; however, attendees must order tickets through an official website. A valid email address is required to order tickets.

- Individuals can order up to a maximum of six (6) tickets.
- A single general admission ticket must be reserved for each & every attendee (adults & children).
- Tickets are free. There are no costs involved when ordering tickets.
- You can choose to receive tickets by email that require printing, or electronic tickets delivered to your smart phone or tablet.
- Tickets are available once you accept the event Terms & Conditions on the ticketing website.

To reserve your tickets, go to www.eventbrite.com.au and enter 'Carols on the Hill' as your search criteria.



Supported by:



THE WAY TO ST JAMES (CYGNET)

THE CAMINO OF THE SOUTH

After the successful pilgrimage in 2017, it is announced that the 2018 pilgrimage will be held on 12-13 January 2018. Inspired by the famous Spanish El Camino of St James this two day pilgrim walk will take you through the scenic and peaceful Huon Valley to a celebration at the Spanish mission styled Church of St James, nestled in the heart of Cygnet. Through fellowship, reflection, rejoicing and ritual you will find an opportunity to reconnect with the spiritual dimensions of your life. To find out more or to book visit

www.waytostjames.com.au or take a flyer from the church foyer.

IMMACULATA MISSION SCHOOL

1st-10th Jan 2018, HOBART, Tasmania "To know God, to love God, to make God known"

What? An awesome opportunity to grow in faith & fellowship! Featuring talks on the faith, daily Mass, fellowship, prayer times and lots of fun. **Who?** 15-35 year olds

Where? Jane Franklin Hall, South Hobart, Tasmania **Cost:** \$410 (all-inclusive of accommodation, meals & activities).

Contact: 0406 372 608 or

immaculatamissionschool@gmail.com

To register or for more info:

<http://sistersoftheimmaculata.org.au/ims-2018>.

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 April 8th – 13th 2018. To request an application contact Anne by emailing info@griegtograces.org.au or phone 0407704539. For more information visit www.griegtograces.org

RACHEL'S VINEYARD

Rachel's Vineyard has helped many men and women to move on with hope. You are not alone, there is hope after an abortion experience. To speak to someone please call Anne Sherston on the confidential phone lines 03 62298739 or 0478599241.

ST THERESE'S CATHOLIC TENNIS CLUB

St Therese's Catholic Tennis Club continues to enjoy tennis at the Domain Tennis Centre each Tuesday and Friday morning, Tuesday and Thursday afternoon and on the fourth Sunday of the month (afternoon). Contact Ros Williams on 0407 838 367.

STEWARDSHIP

"...whatever you did for one of the least of my brothers, you did for me" - **MATTHEW 25:40**

Most of us are generous when it's convenient for us. We are generous when we have the time or the money. But, generosity is the opposite of that. It means giving of one's time, money, compassion, forgiveness or mercy when it's not convenient; when it's not on our schedule, but on the other person's schedule.

Advertisement

**VOTE 1 for ALDERMAN
Michael Hangan**

**wants transparency and accountability
at Glenorchy City Council.**

✓ Is a resident of Glenorchy;	✓ Has 20 years experience in Local Government;
✓ Is a Father of 4 Children; and	✓ Is focused on the Community.

TEAM KRISTIE

"A team of independent candidates united by common values, to give the community their voice back and to see Council put the community's best interest first."

Authorised by Michael Hangan
19 Atherton Avenue, WEST MOONAH 7009

The Kingdom of God (Ezek 34:11 - 12, 15 - 17; 1 Cor 15:20 - 26, 28; Mt 25:31 - 46)

Matthew opens Jesus' preaching with the Beatitudes. He now concludes by reminding us what is essential in any disciple's conduct. The Son of Man, the King, will come to judge all nations. His kingdom is not one of power but of service: 'The Son of Man came not to be served but to serve.' (Mt 20:28) This is the criterion for judgment. We need to follow the path of the Master if we are to enter the Kingdom. His path is one of service to all people especially those in greatest need.

There is a tendency to place eternal life in some future after-life. However, Jesus never limits eternal to what is beyond human history. It is eternal life. That means life at all times, including the present. The demands of the kingdom lead to giving life now: giving food, drink, shelter, clothes, or visiting the sick or those in prison. These are the stuff of human living. In our giving, we are sharing the very graced life we have received from God. God gave us life and he asks us to share that life with all those we meet. His Son gave his life that we might live. We are called to the same pattern of service. This is notably a service to the poor, the insignificant.

This judgment is not confined to the individual response. Commenting on this text, Pope John Paul II spoke of a 'social dimension that refers to the total universal dimension of injustice and of evil.' He concluded with this severe warning: 'In the light of Christ's words, the poor South will judge the opulent North. And poor people and poor nations - poor in different ways, not only lacking food but also deprived of freedom and of other human rights - will be judging those who snatch away

their possessions, accumulating for themselves the imperialist monopoly of economic and political predominance at the expense of others.' (Canada, 1984)

Believing that God has communicated his own life to us does not take us out of history. On the contrary, it makes us confront the here and now more fully because what is definitive and eternal is judged by what is transitory.

Noel Mansfield, msc ©



LET US PRAY FOR

The Sick

*Tara Radcliffe, Thanh Huynh,
Shirley Lehner, Susan Wilson,
Fr Peter Nicholls, Josh Stokes, Maria Di Noia,
Lise Levaque, Mary Hughes, Drina Paradzik,
Pauline Brown, Jay Jennings, Olga Woods,
Tony Dalton, Elsa Bazan, Bev Murray,
Hon Dr Vanessa Goodwin MLC,
Kayden Edwards, Marie Morrisby,
Marian Zieba, Alan O'Rourke,
Lorna Brazendale, Natasha Gutteridge.*

Anniversaries

*Monica Haley, Roman Raszdorf,
Matthew Grubb, Marie Beckitt,
William Henry Hinds, John Aiken,
Eileen Hardinge, Dennis Cashion,
Istuan Ferencz, Stanislaw Wojtowicz,
Darrell Baldock, Jan Rodziewicz,
Margaret Belcher, Rozalina Hajduk,
Kerry Jones, Aleksander Bidejowski,
Win Manning, Ray Voss, Gwen Kelly,
Andrew Clifford, Fr Kevin Graydon,
Von Jenkins, Zofia Jablonski, Augustyn Celny,
Arthur Manning, Paul Duggan,
Josephine (Betty) Taylor, Iris Daley,
Bruce Malm, Tom Aiken, Stan Ryan,
Barbara McMaster, John B Driessen,
Fredrick Harry Butler,
Gilles Jacobus Stokman, Ernie McGuinness,
Iris Burnett, Wladyslaw Dorzdz,
Geoffrey Brazendale, Hermino Gabriel,
Nellie Cashion, Anna Catharina Stokman,
Eileen Hardinge Anna Balazs.*

Recently Deceased

John Prus, Craig McKeown.

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By appointment

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TOWARDS HEALING HELPLINE:

Phone: 1800 356 613

TRUTH JUSTICE & HEALING

COUNCIL:

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

READINGS

25th / 26th November, 2017

*Our Lord Jesus Christ,
King of the Universe*

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity, and wisdom and strength and honour. To him belong glory and power for ever and ever.

FIRST READING: (Ezekiel 34:11 - 12, 15 - 17)

You, my flock, I judge between sheep and sheep.

PSALM: (Psalm 22:1 - 3, 5 - 6)

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

SECOND READING: (1 Corinthians 15:20 - 26, 28)

He will hand over the kingdom to God the Father, so that God may be all in all.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: (Mark 11:9, 10)

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord!

Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David!

Alleluia!

GOSPEL: (Matthew 25:31 - 46)

He will take his seat on his throne of glory, and he will separate men one from another.

MASS TIMES

Monday 27th November to Sunday 3rd

December 2017

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

READINGS/ROSTERS

2nd / 3rd December, 2017

First Sunday of Advent—Year B

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

To you, I lift up my soul, O my God.

In you, I have trusted; let me not be put to shame.

Nor let my enemies exult over me; and let none who hope in you be put to shame..

FIRST READING: (Isaiah 63:16 - 17; 64:1, 3 - 8)

Oh, that you would tear the heavens apart and come down.

PSALM: (Psalm 79:2 - 3, 15 - 16, 18 - 19)

Lord, make us turn to you, let us see your face and we shall be saved..

SECOND READING: (1 Corinthians 1:3 - 9)

The revelation we looked for, Christ Jesus our Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: (Psalm 84:8)

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL: (Mark 13:33 - 37)

Stay awake! You never know when the Lord will come.

Saturday 6:30pm

*Readers Margaret Henderson,
Anne Thuringer*

Ministers Eva Hangan, Donna Bone

Projector Threesa K

Sunday 9:00am

Readers Brian Beckitt, B McManus

Ministers Monica Sianski, Eva Hangan

Sick Monica Sianski

Projector Izak Hangan

Sunday 4:30pm

Readers Bill Jacob, Kerrie Morrisby

Ministers Daniel Duharte, Eva Hangan

Projector Melissa Brown

Altar Monica Sianski, Victoria Maty

Cleaning Syro-Malabar Community

Counters Eva & Michael Hangan