

# St Therese of Lisieux Catholic Parish

## Moonah-Lutana

St Therese of Lisieux Church

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



# Sunday, 27th January, 2019

## THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C

### FROM THE PASTOR

#### SNAKE-BITTEN ...

Everything is of one piece. Whenever we don't take that seriously, we pay a price.

The renowned theologian, Hans Urs Von Balthasar gives an example of this. Beauty, he submits, is not some little "extra" that we can value or denigrate according to personal taste and temperament, like some luxury that we say we cannot afford. Like truth and goodness, it's one of the properties of God and thus demands to be taken seriously as goodness and truth. If we neglect or denigrate beauty, he says, we will soon enough begin to neglect other areas of our lives. Here are his words:

"Our situation today shows that beauty demands for itself at least as much courage and decision as do truth and goodness, and she will not allow herself to be separated and banned from her two sisters without taking them along with herself in an act of mysterious vengeance. We can be sure that whoever sneers at her name, as if she were an ornament of a bourgeois past, whether he admits it or not, can no longer pray and soon will no longer be able to love."

Here's a simpler expression of that. There's a delightful little African tale that highlights the interconnectedness of everything and illustrates how, if we separate a thing from its sisters, we soon pay a price. The tale goes this way:

Once upon a time, when animals still talked, the mice on a farm called a summit of all the other animals. They were worried, they lamented, because they had seen the mistress of the house buy a mousetrap. They were now in danger. But the other animals scoffed at their anxiety. The cow said that she had nothing to worry about. A tiny little contraption couldn't harm her. She could crush it with her foot. The pig reacted in a similar way. What did he have to worry about in the face of a tiny trap? The chicken also announced that it had no fear of this gadget. "It's your concern. No worry for me!" it told the mice.

But all things are interconnected and that soon became evident. The mistress set the mousetrap and, on the very first night, heard it snap. Getting out of her bed to look at what it had caught, she saw that it had trapped a snake by its tail. In trying to free the snake she was bitten and the poison soon had her feeling sick and running a fever. She went to the doctor who gave her medicines to combat the poison and advised her: "What you need now to get better is chicken broth." (You can guess where the rest of this is going.) They slaughtered the chicken, but her fever lingered. Relatives and neighbours came to visit. More food was needed. They slaughtered the pig. Eventually the poison killed her. A huge funeral ensued. A lot of food was needed. They slaughtered the cow.

# FROM THE PASTOR

The moral of the story is clear. Everything is interconnected and our failure to see that leaves us in peril. Blindness to our interdependence, wilful or not, is dangerous. We are inextricably tied to each other and to everything in the world. We can protest to the contrary but reality will hold its ground. And so, we cannot truly value one thing while we disdain something else. We cannot really love one person while we hate someone else. And we cannot give ourselves an exemption in one moral area and hope to be morally healthy as a whole. Everything is of one piece. There are no exceptions. When we ignore that truth we will eventually be snake-bitten by it.

I emphasise this because today, virtually everywhere, a dangerous tribalism is setting in. Everywhere, not unlike the animals in that African tale, we see families, communities, churches, and whole countries focusing more or less exclusively on their own needs without concern for other families, communities, churches, and countries. Other people's problems, we believe, are not our concern. From the narrowness in our churches, to identity politics, to whole nations setting their own needs first, we hear echoes of the cow, pig, and chicken saying: "Not my concern! I'll take care of myself. You take care of yourself!" This will come back to snake-bite us.

We will eventually pay the price for our blindness and non-concern and we will pay that price politically, socially, and economically. But we will even pay a higher price personally. What that snake-bite will do is captured in Von Balthasar's warning: Whoever ignores or denigrates beauty will, he asserts, eventually be unable to pray or to love. That's true too in all cases when we ignore our interconnectedness with others. By ignoring the needs of others we eventually corrupt our own wholeness so that we are no longer able to treat ourselves with respect and empathy and, when that happens, we lose respect and empathy for life itself – and for God – because whenever reality isn't respected it bites back with a mysterious vengeance.

Fr Ron Rolheiser OMI ©

In the Heart of the Saviour,

Fr Mark MSC

Rolling Up The Scroll  
He Said, "Today,  
This Scripture Is  
Fulfilled..."



# NOTICES

## NEW MINISTERIAL ROSTERS

New Ministerial rosters for the period February to June 2019 are available in the Church foyer.

## WORLD YOUTH DAY - AUSSIE FEST

The Aussie Fest will be held at St Mary's Cathedral hall (and outdoor area) on Sunday, 27th January and will give young people in Tasmania the chance to be a part of **World Youth Day** in Panama! Come along to celebrate with all the Aussies In Panama through live music, video, free BBQ, prayer, talks and plenty more! We will also have live streaming of the WYD event with the Pope in Panama. Sam Clear, will speak to us about his adventures in walking around the world for Christian unity. More info on the event can be found at our Facebook page below: <https://www.facebook.com/events/328284518009815/>

## WORLD YOUTH DAY

If you would like to watch the final two ceremonies of World Youth Day - Panama (i.e. Vigil and Final Mass) these can be viewed at [www.sydneycatholic.org/live](http://www.sydneycatholic.org/live). The Vigil can be seen between 10:30am - 12:30pm on Sunday, 27th January and the Final Mass between 12:00am - 2:00am Monday, 28th January.

## TALKS BY PROFESSOR TONY HICKEY

Tony Hickey, Professor of Sacred Scripture and Theology, and a retreat master, will give a series of talks over three days commencing at 7pm Saturday, 26th January at the Harold Gregg Centre, Sandown Village, Southerwood Drive, Lower Sandy Bay. See Archdiocesan website or parish notice board for more details. Cost is by donation. Enquiries Sr. Catherine Maria 6225 4522 after 6pm, or Maree 6228 7108.

## SOCIAL JUSTICE/HUMAN RIGHTS

### ADDRESS

Phil Glendenning is Director of Edmund Rice Centre, Sydney, the President of the Refugee Council of Australia, and a human rights advocate. Phil will address current social justice/ human rights issues including Constitutional Recognition of Aboriginal Australians, Australia and Pacific Climate Change, & Australian policy and practice about Refugees and Asylum Seekers. Details: Wednesday, 30 January 2019, 7.30pm-9.00pm in the St Therese of Lisieux Moonah Lutana Parish Community Room at the rear of St Therese's Church, 24 Hopkins St, Moonah. For further information contact: Br Sean McManus 0417 136 640

## CRAFT GROUP RESUMES.

The St Therese's Craft Group will be starting up again on Monday 4th February. All are welcome to come along and join in. You can bring any type of craft you wish to do. The group meets every fortnight from 1pm-3pm in the Church Community Room. A donation of \$3 is given to charity annually. A shared afternoon tea is held, so bring a plate to share. The following dates have been set until the end of May: 4th and 18th February, 4th and 18th March, 1st, 15th and 29th April and 13th and 27th May.

## CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE CRAFT SHOP

The Catholic Women's League Craft shop reopens on Monday 21st January 2019. The shop is located at 16 Criterion Street Hobart and is open from Monday to Friday 10am to 3pm. If you are looking for a unique gift, come and see what is available.



**125<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF ST CANICE  
CHURCH, GLENGARRY 10<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY  
2019**

This occasion will be marked with a concelebrated Mass at St Canice Catholic Church at **10.00am** followed by light refreshments (33 Glengarry Rd, Glengarry). Archbishop Julian Porteous will be our Principal Celebrant on this auspicious occasion.



**CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE MEETING**

The Catholic Women's League will be holding its first meeting for 2019 on Tuesday, 19th February 2019 between 11:30am - 12:30pm with a shared lunch. If you are interested in becoming a member of the Catholic Women's League, come along as new members are most welcomed.

**MARRIAGE MASS FOR THE RENEWAL OF  
VOWS**

Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Julian Porteous on Sunday, 24th February, 2019 at St Mary's Cathedral, Hobart at 10.30am. Couples celebrating Catholic Marriage milestones including couples in the early years of marriage (1<sup>st</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> anniversaries) are invited to RSVP to the Office- of Life, Marriage and Family by emailing [ben.smith@aohtas.org.au](mailto:ben.smith@aohtas.org.au) or on 6208 6036. Catholic married couples will receive a special acknowledgement from Archbishop Julian on the day.



**FAREWELL FR PETER O'LOUGHLIN**

Fr Peter O'Loughlin Parish Priest of Bellerive-Linsidfarne is retiring. A farewell function will be held on Friday, 1st March 2019 at 7:30pm at Blundstone Arena (Ricky Ponting Room). This will be an informal gathering (neat, casual dress) to celebrate Fr Peter's 53 years of Priestly Service to the people of Tasmania. \$35.00 cost per person includes, a variety of finger food and tea/coffee. Drinks can be purchased at the bar. Please RSVP by 16th February 2019 with payment. Payment options are Cash, Cheque or Debit/Credit Card. A payment slip is available in the foyer. Enquiries can be directed to:- Inga Shelverton on 0417 026 617 or email [ishelverton@hotmail.com](mailto:ishelverton@hotmail.com) or Mike Gallagher on 0418 126 574 or email [mikegall55@gmail.com](mailto:mikegall55@gmail.com).

**"THE SPIRIT HAS ANOINTED ME"**

Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21

Today, we have an insight into Jesus' own experience of the Spirit of God. He has experienced baptism by John. Now, in the power of that Spirit, he came to his home town, Nazareth, to proclaim the Good News. He proclaims to those in the synagogue that he was the fulfillment of God's promises. "These words of the prophet Isaiah are being fulfilled even as you listen." He is speaking about his own experience. He knows that the Holy Spirit is upon him and has anointed him for a special mission.

The reading from the Book of Nehemiah is an excellent backdrop to the Gospel scene. It records the solemn proclamation of the Word of God that took place after the return from exile in Babylon. The picture is very specific. It is a moment of reverence and solemnity. The Word of God had been closed to the people for many generations while they were in exile. Now Ezra steps forward to proclaim it at great length. To enhance the sense of occasion, he is on a high platform; the attention of the people is fixed on him.

Jesus can be seen in this way in the synagogue at Nazareth. The power of the Spirit is on him; his reputation has spread. He is teaching as he usually does on the Sabbath and he stands up to read. The scroll of the prophet Isaiah is given to him and he opens it at a very special place. Some have called this the Magna Carta of liberation theology. Jesus' ministry of liberation is directed to the whole person. He is not concerned with politics. He is concerned for those who reach out to God in their need.

As long as injustice and oppression still flourish, Jesus' ministry of liberation is incomplete. "All eyes in the synagogue are fixed on him." Keep your eyes fixed on Jesus. His experience is the key to our understanding of God's call in our own lives. Jesus is the Word of God.

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### **PLENARY COUNCIL 2020 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.



**Plenary Council 2020**  
Listen to what the Spirit is saying...

### **PLENARY COUNCIL RESPONSE (PART 1)**

Our Parish has gathered together to reflect upon our response to the call of the Plenary Council 2020. The following is our submission that was captured during our gathering together as a community and discernment over a number of months. We have broken our submission into seven sections (Faith Education, Church Structure, Clergy, Sacraments, Marginalised, Laity & Women and Young People), which reflected our discernment.

#### **FAITH EDUCATION**

Needs to focus closely on the teachings of Jesus, unpacked in more details for Adults and made child friendly for younger. So a more gradual progression, a life-long learning for all ages. The existing frameworks of RCIA, RCIC and Adult Faith Education could be further developed to ensure this happens. This will also require training programmes for Catechists to be trained in these redeveloped programmes. The ongoing formation of all in Faith Education is another area that is lacking within the Catholic Church in Australia. Local homegrown programmes need to be developed for Australian conditions (e.g. unpacking the scriptures (at all levels), unpacking the Mass).

#### **CHURCH STRUCTURE**

We are a living church in a Post-Vatican II era, we must not revert to Pre-Vatican II church. Clericalism is not suited to today's world, clergy must live among the flock and have the smell of the sheep. The church needs to completely use Jesus as it's model



more fully in its treatment of its members. Less rules and regulations and more compassion. Inclusiveness is very important. A reformation of where the Church is, but still recognise all the diverse elements within but don't force these elements upon those who are not so inclined. Less Church Patriarchy is needed and a more flatter and transparent church is required, in actions and processes.

### **CLERGY**

Our Bishops, Priests and Deacons need to be among the flock, not living the life of luxury. Be more transparent in their duties and life skills, be part of the flock and have the smell of the sheep on them.

A solution to allowing priests to marry should be implemented. There are some issues around family life that will need to be addressed to ensure that families are supported as they grow and priests are moved from parish to parish. Priests in other rites and religions have married priests so why are these not looked at to see if similar arrangements can occur in the Catholic Church.

It appears that Clericalism is alive and well in our seminaries. This is not our Post-Vatican II Church. Clericalism must be discouraged, Our Seminarians must live in the real world. They must live as Jesus lived, for and with the people. Seminarians'

### **STEWARDSHIP**

*"Go, eat rich foods and drink sweet drinks, and allot portions to those who had nothing prepared..." (Nehemiah 8:10)*

Ezra's instructions to the people show us that God does not forbid us from enjoying the good things in life. He wants us to be happy! However, God expects us to be grateful for all that He has given us and to generously share our blessings with those who are in need without expecting anything in return.

training must include life skills, the interaction with people, the short stays (6 months) in parishes needs to be a lot longer to know what parish life is about. Get to know the people, don't just favour a few. Whilst work is still progressing in regards to the Royal Commission, the ongoing effects on the parishioners is heavy. There needs to be a single way of dealing with our processes and not this diocese is doing this and this diocese is doing that, a single response a single process. We as a Catholic Church must be open to all criticisms of what has happened, but let's get this right otherwise we will continue to strike problems again in the future.

The homilies given play a large part in attracting and keeping parishioners. Whilst we are sure homiletics plays a part in the teachings of our Seminarians and those in formation, they need to ensure that real life experiences are portrayed when delivering a homily.

*You are also encouraged to respond to the question 'What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?' by visiting the website for the plenary council at [www.plenarycouncilcatholic.org.au](http://www.plenarycouncilcatholic.org.au).*

*If you would like to respond to any of the above please email the Parish Office [moonahlutana@aohtas.org.au](mailto:moonahlutana@aohtas.org.au). Responses are required before 15th February 2019.*

### **WEEKLY COLLECTION**

Envelopes: \$ 1,483.50

Loose: \$ 893.80

**TOTAL: \$ 2,377.30**

Week's Budget Collections:

\$ 2,538.00

**Loss \$ 160.70**

**Thank You!**

## **LET US PRAY FOR**

### ***The Sick***

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

### ***Anniversaries***

*Kathleen Mary Wood, Carol Trojan,  
Joshua Flack, Otto Fritz,  
Jadwiga Dmuchowski, Marianna Gladysz,  
Paul Taylor, Elizabeth Ann Rakowski,  
Teresita Gabriel Despacio, Fr Vincent Dwyer,  
Fr Patrick Moloney, Hedley Hodgetts,  
Richard Daniel Coad, Camden Cashion,  
Wilhelm Waiser, Charles Burnett,  
David Curtin, Josef Kremzer, Emilia Cisak,  
John Dwyer, Sydney Grubb, Amy Kennedy,  
Mary Brown, Ella Hoskins, Joan Etherington,  
Antoni Halys, Fr Robert Hyland MSC,  
Rodger Cashion, Evelyn May Hope,  
Earla Poulson. Mollie Cooper,  
Antonia (Toni) Luxemborg, Beattie Jones,  
Editha Gabriel Malicdan, Graeme Bresnehan,  
Elizabeth Trojanowski, Francis Robert Young,  
Gavin Davey, Pawel Cichon,  
Kathleen D. McCabe, Vale Stanwix,  
Nancy Veronica Cullen, Stanislaw Czachor,  
Humphrey Beckitt, Grant Brazendale-Brooks,  
Susanne Brazendale, Emilia Gabriel Abueva,  
Helena Niemczyk, Lucy Frazik,  
Fr John Eldridge MSC, Tess Triffett,  
Boleslawa Kemp, Stefan Adam Jedyka,  
Michelle Ann White (Read), Jack Webster,  
Shirley Etjel May Thomas, Esmay Henry,  
Michael Noonan, Grace Phyllis Dance,  
Karol Michalowski.*

### ***Recently Deceased***

*Karol Stateczny.*

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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)

## **SAFE COMMUNITIES:**

<https://hobart.catholic.org.au/content/safe-communities>

## **TOWARDS HEALING HELPLINE:**

Phone: 1800 356 613

## **PLENARY COUNCIL:**

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

## READINGS

26th/27th January, 2019

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time -  
Year C

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

O sing a new song to the Lord;  
sing to the Lord, all the earth.  
In his presence are majesty and splendour,  
strength and honour in his holy place.

### FIRST READING: (Nehemiah 8:2-6, 8-10)

They read from the book of Law and they  
understood what was read.

### PSALM: (Psalm 18:8-10,15)

Your words, Lord, are spirit and life.

### SECOND READING: (1 Corinthians 12:12-30)

Together you are Christ's body, but each of  
you is a different part of it.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: (Luke 4:18)

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Lord sent me to bring Good News to the  
poor and freedom to prisoners.

Alleluia!

### GOSPEL: (Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21)

The scriptures were fulfilled on this day.

## MASS TIMES

Monday 28th January to  
Sunday 3rd February 2019

	English	Polish
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	10:00am
Sunday	9:00am 4:30pm 5:45pm (Syro- Malabar)	10:45am

## READINGS/ROSTERS

2nd/3rd February, 2019

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time -  
Year C

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Save us, O Lord our God!  
And gather us from the nations,  
to give thanks to your holy name,  
and make it our glory to praise you.

### FIRST READING: (Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19)

I have appointed you as prophet to the  
nations.

### PSALM: (Psalm 70:1-6,15, 17)

I will sing of your salvation.

### SECOND READING: (1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13)

There are three things that last: faith, hope  
and love; and the greatest of these is love.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: (Luke 4:18)

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Lord sent me to bring Good News to the  
poor and freedom to prisoners.

Alleluia!

### GOSPEL: (Luke 4:21-30)

Jesus, like Elijah and Elisha, was not sent only  
to the Jews.

### Saturday 6:30pm

*Readers* Ed Sianski, Anne Thuringer

*Ministers* Gerard & Rexine Synnott

*Projector* Threesa K

### Sunday 9:00am

*Readers* Maria Rodgers, Melissa Philp

*Ministers* Fadi Elbarbar, Monica Sianski

*Sick* Monica Sianski

*Projector* Maureen Pangrazzi

### Sunday 4:30pm

*Readers* Cameron Brown, Bill Jacob

*Ministers* Melissa Brown, Kerrie Morrisby

*Altar* Polish Community

*Cleaning* Syro-Malabar Community

*Counters* Michael & Eva Hangan