

# St Therese of Lisieux Catholic Parish



## Moonah-Lutana

St Therese of Lisieux Church

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

### Sunday, 28th July, 2019

### 17TH 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

### WHAT DOES IT MEAN “TO BE BORN AGAIN”?

What does it mean to “be born again, to “be born from above”? If you’re an Evangelical or Baptist, you’ve probably already answered that for yourself. However, if you’re a Roman Catholic or a mainline Protestant then the phrase probably isn’t a normal part of your spiritual vocabulary and, indeed, might connote for you a biblical fundamentalism which confuses you.

What does it mean to “be born again”? The expression appears in John’s Gospel in a conversation Jesus has with a man named, Nicodemus. Jesus tells him that he “must be born again from above”. Nicodemus takes this literally and protests that it’s impossible for a grown man to re-enter his mother’s womb so as to be born a second time. So Jesus recasts the phrase metaphorically, telling Nicodemus that one’s second birth, unlike the first, is not from the flesh, but “from water and the Spirit”. Well ... that doesn’t clarify things much for Nicodemus, or for us. What does it mean to be born again from above?

Perhaps there are as many answers to that as there are people in the world. Spiritual birth, unlike physical birth, doesn’t mean the same thing for everyone. I have Evangelical friends who share that for them this refers to a particularly powerful affective moment within their lives when, like Mary Magdala in the Garden with Jesus on Easter Sunday, they had a deep personal encounter with Jesus that indelibly affirmed his intimate love for them. In that moment, in their words, “they met Jesus Christ” and “were born again”, even though from their very childhood they had always known about Jesus Christ and been Christians.

Most Roman Catholics and mainline Protestants do not identify “knowing Jesus Christ” with one such personal affective experience. But then they’re left wondering what Jesus meant exactly when he challenges us “to be born again, from above”.

A priest that I know shares this story regarding his understanding of this. His mother, widowed sometime before his ordination, lived in the same parish where he had been assigned to minister. It was a mixed blessing, nice to see her every day in church but she, widowed and alone, began to lean pretty heavily upon him in terms of wanting his time and he, the dutiful son, now had to spend all his free time with his mother, taking her for meals, taking her for drives, and being her one vital contact with the world outside the

narrow confines of the seniors' home within which she lived. During their time together she reminisced a lot and not infrequently complained about being alone and lonely. But one day, on a drive with her, after a period of silence, she said something that surprised him and caught his deeper attention: "I've given up on fear!" she said, "I'm no longer afraid of anything. I've spent my whole life living in fear. But now, I've given up on it because I've nothing to lose! I've already lost everything, my husband, my youthful body, my health, my place in the world, and much of my pride and dignity. Now I'm free! I'm no longer afraid!"

Her son, who had only been half-listening to her for a long time, now began to listen. He began to spend longer hours with her, recognising that she had something important to teach him. After a couple of more years, she died. But, by then, she had been able to impart to her son some things that helped him understand his life more deeply. "My mother gave me birth twice; once from below, and once from above," he says. He now understands something that Nicodemus couldn't quite grasp.

We all, no doubt, have our own stories.

And what do the biblical scholars teach about this? The Synoptic Gospels, scholars say, tell us that we can only enter the kingdom of God if we become like little children, meaning that we must, in our very way of living, acknowledge our dependence upon God and others. We are not self-sufficient and that means truly recognising and living out our human dependence upon the gratuitous providence of God. To do that, is to be born from above.

John's Gospel adds something to this. Raymond E. Brown, commenting on John's Gospel, puts it this way: To be born again from above means we must, at some point in our lives, come to understand that our life comes from beyond this world, from a place and source beyond our mother's womb, and that deeper life and deeper meaning lie there. And so we must have two births, one that gives us biological life (births us into this world) and another that gives us eschatological life (births us into the world of faith, soul, love, and spirit). And sometimes, as was the case with my friend, it can be your own birthmother who does the major midwifing in that second birth. Nicodemus couldn't quite get past his instinctual empiricism. In the end, he didn't get it. Do we?

Ron Rolheiser OMI ©

In the heart of Jesus

Fr Mark Hanns MSC

### **THANK YOU**

On behalf of the Horne, Lyden and Hangan families, we wish to thank Fr Terry Bowman, Frs Mark and Jozef, the Parish catering group, Br Sean McManus and everyone who came along to celebrate the life of Joan Horne. Family is an important part of our lives and to have the support of family (both close, extended and parish) gives us comfort. The wonderful generosity, encouragement and love by this family will help us to continue the legacy that Joan and Jack gave to us all. We thank you from the depths of our heart and wish you every blessing.

# NOTICES

## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Sacramental preparation for First Holy Communion will commence shortly. Please pray for our Parish children who are about to commence preparing for First Holy Communion on Sunday, 15th September 2019 at 9:00am. The dates for preparation meetings are:

- Meeting for **PARENTS** only Thursday, 22nd August, at 7:00pm in the Saints Louis and Zelig Parish Centre.
- **Presentation to the parish** - Sunday, 25th August, Mass, 9:00am. Candidates will be presented with a Crucifix during Mass. This will be followed by the **First Workshop**, for Parents and Children in the Parish Centre.
- **Presentation of "Our Father"** - Sunday, 1st September, Mass, 9:00am. Candidates will be presented with the "Our Father" during Mass. This will be followed by the **Second Workshop**, for Parents and Children in the Parish Centre.
- Sunday, 8th September, Mass, 9:00am. This will be followed by the **Third Workshop**, for Parents and Children in the Parish Centre.
- **Practice** - Thursday, 12th September, 6:00pm, for Parents and Candidates, in the Church.
- **First Holy Communion Mass**, Sunday, 15th September, at 9:00am, for Parents, Candidates and Family.

## 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 \$1,558.95 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.

## URGENT REQUEST FOR HELP

One of our parishioners, George Washington Paul, has been seeking asylum in Australia as a refugee. Br Sean has been helping him. His father was murdered and he was attacked in Sri Lanka. The Australian Government is deporting him back to Sri Lanka with no financial assistance. Could we, as his Catholic community, assist him with a spontaneous collection this weekend to help him to survive when he arrives back in Sri Lanka? Thank you for your care, Fr. Mark

## SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR SEA SUNDAY

Last weekend the collection for Sea Sunday raised \$303.20, Thank you for supporting this valuable mission to all seafarers.

## ST THERESE'S CRAFT GROUP

The Craft group dates for remainder of 2019 are as follows:- 29th July, 12th and 26th August, 9th and 23rd September, 7th and 21st October, 4th and 19th November. The group meets every fortnight from 1pm to 3pm in the Church Community Room. A shared afternoon tea is held, so bring a plate to share. All are welcome to come along.

## 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 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/from-the-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](http://www.catholicwomenspeak.com)



## **ST MARY OF THE CROSS MACKILLOP**

### **MASS**



The Sisters of St Joseph and the Josephite Associates, invite you to a Mass to celebrate the Feast of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, to be held at the Josephite Mission and History Centre, 67 Clare St, New Town on Thursday 8 August 2019 at 7 pm. A Light supper to follow. RSVP: 6228 1628 by 5th August for catering purposes (business hours). All welcome.

### **LATEST MANUS LIVES MATTER**

An update on the situation on Manus Island, and support for the Brigidine Sisters is available in the Church foyer.

### **CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE CALL FOR NEW MEMBERS AND PRAYER**

The Catholic Women's League is seeking members and wish for everyone to pray for new members.

*Grant, I ask you Lord, a blessing on the works performed by the members of the Catholic Women's League. I pray that by the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, and the intercession of Mary, Help of Christians, more women will become participating members of the Catholic Women's League. We ask this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

### **MASS HONOURING GOD AS FATHER**

7:00pm on Wednesday, August 7th at St. Mary's Cathedral, a Mass honouring God as Father. Pope Francis has recently called on Christians to have a closer relationship to our Heavenly Father: "For a Christian to pray is simply to say 'Abba' to say 'Papa', to say 'Dad' to say 'Father' but with the trust of a child." The absence of fathers in today's society has created "the father wound" - now recognised as the most universal wound on earth. As a result, God the Father has become an inadvertent stumbling block

in people's spiritual development. It is therefore an important work of the Church to bring people to a renewed relationship with God the Father. The Mass will be preceded by a Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration and prayer starting at 6:00pm. After the Mass there will be an opportunity to have prayer for healing. Enquiries: Maree 6228 7108

### **THE SACRAMENT OF THE PRESENT MOMENT**

This is the theme for this year's annual gathering for Catholic Charismatic Renewal Tasmania at the Emmanuel Centre Launceston on the weekend of September 13<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup>. A warm invitation to all to come and be refreshed . Live-in or day registrations available. Closing date: 30<sup>th</sup> August. Enquiries: Christine Smith 0422 832 712/Lyn Driessen 0408 385 360

### **JOHN WALLIS MEMORIAL LECTURE 2019**

***Date claimer:*** The John Wallis Memorial Lecture 2019 will be presented by an experienced educational leader, Deborah Kent. Deborah, the CEO and Principal of Jesuit College of Spirituality, Melbourne, will speak on "*CONTINUING THE JOURNEY – charitable engagement with new frontiers*" at Guilford Young College (Hobart) on **Thursday 12 September**, at 7:00pm. All interested people are invited to attend. For further information contact: Eva Dunn 0417 734 503 or [eva.dunn@gmail.com](mailto:eva.dunn@gmail.com)

### **60<sup>TH</sup>. ANNIVERSARY OF THE ARRIVAL OF DOMINICAN SISTERS IN TASMANIA.**

On the 15th September 2019 the Dominican Sisters are celebrating the 60<sup>th</sup>. anniversary of their arrival in Tasmania. The parish of St John the Baptist, Glenorchy welcomes everyone to join us at the 10.00am Mass, followed by light refreshments in the foyer.



## VOCATIONS RETREAT - CAMPBELL TOWN

5TH OCTOBER

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. Fr. Brian Nichols, Vocation Director.



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

The Archdiocese of Hobart has organised a pilgrimage to the Australian Catholic Youth 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](http://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/acyf-hobart-to-perth-pilgrimage-registration-62123542187>. For more information on the pilgrimage, please see the registration page or the poster in the church foyer.

**30 & 31 August 2019**

St Bernard's Church,  
27 Wyndham Rd.,  
Claremont

Keynote Speaker  
**Robert Falzon,**  
Evangelist.

Archdiocese  
of Hobart

To register online, go to [www.eventbrite.com.au](http://www.eventbrite.com.au) and search 'Evangelium Conference Tas'.  
Alternatively, you can book & pay over the phone by contacting Diana Batchelor on 6210 8805.

## GLENORCHY CITY COUNCIL'S IMPLEMENTATION OF A FORCED FOGO SERVICE TO OUR COMMUNITY

While this petition is not against such an introduction of Food Organic & Garden Organic Service, **it is against Council not giving the community their democratic right to OPT OUT.** Further details and petition are available in the foyer.

### PLENARY COUNCIL

The six National Themes for Discernment invite people to reflect, to pray and to consider how God is calling the People of God to be a Christ-centred Church in Australia that is:

- Missionary and Evangelising;
- Inclusive, Participatory and Synodal;
- Prayerful and Eucharistic;
- Humble, Healing and Merciful;
- A Joyful, Hope-Filled and Servant Community; and
- Open to conversion, Renewal and Reform

This week we look at **"Open to conversion, Renewal and Reform"**.

After John the Baptist had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee and began preaching the Good News of God. He said, "The time has come; the Kingdom of God is at hand. Repent and believe the Good News" (Mark 1:14-15).







## **LET US PRAY FOR**

### ***The Sick***

Thanh Huynh, Shirley Lehner, Olga Woods, Susan Wilson, Josh Stokes, Lise Levaque, Mary Hughes, Drina Paradzik, Jay Jennings, Tony Dalton, Elsa Bazan, Bev Murray, Kayden Edwards, Marie Morrisby, 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.

### ***Anniversaries***

Doreen Klye, William Clare, Theo Driessen, Domenica Passarelli, Herbert Patrick Coad, Maria Czerniawski, Lawrence B McGuinness, Maria Opiniano, Terry Cashion, Paul Monaghan, Urban Haley, Betty Oliver, Fr William Clune, Reginald Halton, Charles Desire, John Arthur Dance, Patrick Adolphus Holloway, Carolina De Narin, Lil Donovan, Jose Gabriel, Ruby Kathleen Desire, Sr Gwen Dooley, Michal Czerniawski, Vittoria Matiello, Gaetano Pace, Jozef Lepak, Emmanuel (Geoff) Van Luxemborg, Denis Shelverton, William (Bill) Louis Dance, Frank Leaman, Francisco Gabriel, Honorata Dzidek, Odo Miller, Denis Daley, Dorothy Emma Hangan, Kevin Cashion, Piotr Krasnicki, Anna Balazs, John Monaghan, Michael L. Hardiner, Jack Ryland, Kathleen Monaghan, Blanche Gamble, Noreen Dednholm, Catherine Clare, Vern Mackey, Betty Hasler, Jan Sadkowski, Fr Gabriel Saap MSC, Nellie May Kendall, Doris May Gibson, Benita LaPolla, Kay Gillie, Jack & Eileen Bresnehan, Kevin James Ogle, Maria Ladaniwskyj, Dennis McArthur, Franciszek Lichon, Mervyn James Hangan, Michael Moynihan.

### ***Recently Deceased***

Mark Barrington, Helena Almonaitis, Joan Horne, Julia Kathleen McGuire.

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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

## **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

*27th/28th July, 2019*

*17th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

*- Year C*

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

God is in his holy place,  
God who unites those who dwell in his  
house;  
he himself gives might and strength to his  
people.

### FIRST READING: (Genesis 18:20-32)

Lord, do not be angry if I speak.

### PSALM: (Psalm 137:1-3, 6-8)

Lord, on the day I called for help, you  
answered me.

### SECOND READING: (Colossians 2:12-14)

He has made you alive with Christ for he has  
forgiven all our sins.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: (Romans 8:15)

Alleluia!, Alleluia!

You have received the Spirit which makes us  
God's children,  
and in that Spirit we call God our Father.  
Alleluia!

### GOSPEL: (Luke 11:1-13)

Ask, and it will be given to you.

## MASS TIMES

Monday 29th July to Sunday 4th August

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

## READINGS/ROSTERS

*3rd/4th August, 2019*

*18th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

*- Year C*

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

O God, come to my assistance;  
O Lord, make haste to help me!  
You are my rescuer, my help;  
O Lord, do not delay.

### FIRST READING: (Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23)

What do people gain by all their work?

### PSALM: (Psalm 89:3-6, 12-14, 17)

In every age, O Lord, you have been our  
refuge.

### SECOND READING: (Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11)

Seek the things that are above where Christ is.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: (Matthew 5:3)

Alleluia!, Alleluia!

Happy the poor in spirit;  
the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

Alleluia!

### GOSPEL: (Luke 12:13-21)

To whom will all this wealth of yours go?

### Saturday 6:30pm

*Readers* Gerry McGushin, Debbie Large

*Ministers* Phil Blake, Rebecca Goss

*Projector* Anne Thuringer

### Sunday 9:00am

*Readers* Marty Ogle, Brendan McManus

*Ministers* Silpa Cherpanath,

Monica Sianski

*Sick* Monica Sianski

*Projector* Izak Hangan

### Sunday 4:30pm

*Readers* Melissa Brown, Colleen Rakowski

*Ministers* Cameron Brown, Daniel Duharte

*Projector* Daniel Duharte

*Altar* Polish Community

*Cleaning* Syro-Malabar Community

*Counters* Goldie McGuinness,  
Kerrie Morrisby