

St Therese of Lisieux Catholic Parish



Moonah-Lutana

St Therese of Lisieux Church

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

Sunday, 29th March, 2020

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT - YEAR A

*ST THERESE OF LISIEUX CATHOLIC PARISH MOONAH LUTANA
IS COMMITTED TO PROVIDING A SAFE AND NURTURING CULTURE
FOR ALL PEOPLE IN OUR PARISH.*

TO BE ON EARTH THE HEART OF GOD

Dear friends, we now live in a time where life and death are constantly in the news. Not surprisingly, we worry for and cherish much more our loved ones as we start to stay home and socially distance ourselves from larger public gatherings. Some have said such a time has been long coming when we can “reset” and truly come to value again how our health, families, relationships and solidarity with each other outweigh and outlast our selfish drives and the stresses we face. Yet there is also a growing fear and anxiety at what will happen next in Tasmania given the rampant and deadly spread of the virus in Europe and America, as well as on the mainland with its increasing number of cases from community transmission. There is a sense we are heading into a lockdown with most of the draconian measures already in place. Echoing the fragility of life, our gospel this weekend describes how the loss of a loved one is final and heartbreaking. Mary and Martha have lost their brother Lazarus and their grief was compounded by the fact that their good friend Jesus had missed the funeral. When he arrived, Mary and Martha cried out that if he had come earlier, Lazarus would not have died. And then, the impossible occurs: Jesus restored life to the dead man, and in doing so gave hope to the two grieving sisters, the village who mourned with them and us who listen to this gospel centuries later. This hope for more is rooted in a belief that Jesus loves us as much as he loved Lazarus and wept openly for him. His love transcends even death and gains for us eternal life.

This love proclaims the truth that Jesus is the lord of life. He has power to call us out of our tombs. We do not have to be physically dead to be raised up. The prophet Ezekiel boldly promised in our first reading: Thus, says the Lord, “I will open your graves and raise you from them”. What a powerful image. Israel had just been overrun by Babylon (modern day Iraq) with its leaders and people abducted. Many were killed but majority were dispersed from their land, temple and customs which anchored their cultural identity. There was a real sense of feeling abandoned by God. We can similarly feel for the people now who are far from home in many ports and cities, unable to return because of attempts to stem the tide of Covid-19. Not sharing the people’s despair, Ezekiel envisioned resurrection as a metaphor that promised hope of a new future back on home soil despite appearances to the contrary. Israel would be liberated from Babylon; metaphorically speaking, they would rise from their graves and come back to life. This promise was fulfilled by the next powerhouse Persia who defeated Babylon and allowed the Israelites to return home.

We can be dead in the midst of life when we remain indifferent to the plight of other people, when we choose to make life all about us in this time of pandemic. Is this not like living in a tomb? When Jesus came offering abundant life he wasn't just talking about release from our physical graves, but also the ruts that deaden us and have us living like self-absorbed robots instead of women and men alive with the spirit of God. What does resurrection in this context look like? To love one another, to see each other as God's beloved as we have been reminded in recent weeks that we are all connected and in this together. This life expresses itself especially now in moving towards a more loving, vulnerable, and authentic community that cares for each and every part of Christ's Body. Richard Rohr, a wise Franciscan spiritual guru said recently: *We cannot face large-scale crises as individuals; we cannot carry the pain of this reality on our own, nor can we only look out for ourselves. The pain is communal and so too must be the response.* The readings this weekend carry for us a timely message of hope and rebirth just when we are inclined to withdraw and despair. We are invited to be not passive onlookers at the tomb but to actively help to make resurrection possible by taking away the stone and unbinding people and freeing them. In this time of anxiety in which we are experiencing, let us respond with love and free each other from fear and indifference.

Because of the current stringent measures in place (that keep evolving), we are unable to open the church for visits, personal prayer, stations of the cross, adoration and reconciliation. We also have had to suspend all small group gatherings like the Lenten sharing group and RCIA. The only exceptions are for weddings and funerals with just the minimal number of people. We will continue to stay connected through the weekly bulletin and updates, as well as record the weekend mass to play from 9am Sunday. Do call us anytime (9412 8471) if you need any of those resources sent to you by mail, or if you like to receive the sacrament of reconciliation or a home visit. One of the things we can do powerfully together despite being physically apart is to pray. I invite you to join Michael and myself in prayer at 9am Monday to Saturday when we celebrate daily mass together behind closed doors. Join us to pray especially for the following intentions in our community and around the world:

The elderly, ill and dying
Medical personnel, carers and volunteers
The exiled, isolated and homeless
Priest, pastors and faith leaders
Political leaders, communicators and the operationally active
The unemployed, retrenched and those financially impacted
and anyone else you know who is especially hit by the current crisis.

Right now, a lot of us cannot *go* to church but, more than ever, we can *be* the church. The church is always at our best, not when things are going well, but when we respond in a Christ-like manner to difficult circumstances. That is our calling now. Let's step up and allow God to breathe new life!

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Holy Sacrament.

I love you above all things and I desire to receive you into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come into my heart spiritually.

I embrace you as if you were already there, dwelling within me, and I unite myself to you wholly.

Never permit me to be separated from you because I am your child.

Comfort me with the knowledge that you are with me and within me and I belong to you.

Amen.

In the heart of Jesus, Krish

NOTICES

NOVEL CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)

In light of the ongoing developments in relation to COVID-19 we wanted to provide all parishioners with an update as we all have a part to play in the prevention of the spread of this disease. We also have a duty of care to the health and wellbeing of all, and to ensure we are being vigilant in managing this outbreak. COVID-19 is a respiratory illness with symptoms ranging from a mild cough to pneumonia. Some people recover easily, others may get very sick very quickly. There is evidence that it spreads from person to person. The safety and welfare of our Parish community is really important and we endeavour to promote and provide a safe environment for all.

Our Church is locked and alarmed, so until further advised we **cannot** enter. We have a table outside the door which will contain copies of this and future bulletins and other important information. All Masses remain cancelled until further notice. Below is some further information during this time:

- No Reconciliation will be held, but suitable arrangements can be made with Fr Krish who would meet with you (outside the church). If you wish please contact Fr Krish on 9412 8471.
- No Baptisms will be held until further notice except in danger of death.
- Funerals are restricted to 10 mourners only.
- Weddings are restricted to five people (Minister, Couple and Witnesses).
- No Parish gatherings (i.e. prayer groups and meetings).

It is also recommended:

- To continue the practice of good hygiene to prevent the spread of colds and infection. Transmission of infections can be reduced by 80% simply by regular washing of hands;
- Keep all surfaces clean;
- Frequently clean hands by using an alcohol-based hand sanitiser or soap and

water;

- When coughing and sneezing cover mouth and nose with flexed elbow or tissue – throw tissue away immediately in a sealed bin and wash hands;
- Avoid close contact with anyone who has fever and cough;
- If you have fever, cough and difficulty breathing, seek medical care early and share previous travel history with your health care provider.

The organisations listed below are some of the places you can contact during the COVID-19 pandemic. This list will be updated within this bulletin.

Australian Government Department of Health <https://www.health.gov.au/>
National Coronavirus Hotline

1800 020 080 Call this line if you are seeking information on coronavirus (COVID-19). The line operates 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Tasmanian Department of Health

https://www.dhhs.tas.gov.au/publichealth/communicable_diseases_prevention_unit/infectious_diseases/coronavirus

Tasmanian Public Health Hotline

1800 671 738 If you think you might have COVID-19 because of recent travel or contact with a confirmed case, phone your GP or the Tasmanian Public Health Hotline.

Police Assistance Line 131 444 For police assistance, including the reporting of people not isolating. Please keep Triple Zero (000) for emergencies only.

Services Australia The department delivering government payments and services.

<https://www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/>

Centrelink 13 24 68 <https://my.gov.au/>

Business Tasmania 1800 440 026 Advice, updates and support for businesses responding to COVID-19 impacts.

https://www.business.tas.gov.au/coronavirus_information

Translating and Interpreting Service

(TIS) 131 450 An interpreting service for people that do not speak English and for agencies and businesses that need to communicate with non-English speaking clients. They have access to interpreters speaking more than 160 languages.

tisnational.gov.au

Spirit of Tasmania 1800 634 906

For booking enquiries and cancellations.

1800RESPECT Confidential information, counselling and support service for people affected by or experiencing sexual assault, domestic or family violence and abuse.

Relationships Australia 1300 364 277

Support services for individuals, families and communities.

St Vincent de Paul 6234 4244

Australian Red Cross 1800 RED CROSS

Salvation Army Australia 13 SALVOS

Lifeline — 13 11 14

Headspace Help for young Tasmanians.

<https://headspace.org.au/young-people/how-to-cope-with-stress-related-to-covid-19/>

Launceston 6335 3100

Devonport 6424 6102

Hobart 6231 3908

Kids Helpline — 1800 55 1800

ABC coronavirus coverage

[ABC News digital](#)

[ABC News channel](#)

[ABC Radio Hobart](#)

[Coronacast](#)

KEEPING IN CONTACT

The Parish wishes to keep in contact with all parishioners. If you are not receiving our bulletin via email, please let us know and we can add your email address to our database of parishioners. If you would like to just have a chat please let us know. We would like to provide you with materials over the coming weeks to keep you up to date with what is happening within our community. If you would like this please contact the Parish Office on 9412 8471.

OFFERTORY GIVING

A number of people have asked the question regarding the continuing of their Offertory Giving or donations. Fr Krish has written a letter attached to this bulletin. A number of options are available for you to consider:

1. Direct debit can be made through the Commonwealth Bank quoting the information below:
BSB 067-000
Account Number 1031 5759
Account Name CDF – Moonah/Lutana Parish
Reference Surname/Envelope number
2. Cash donations or Offertory Giving envelopes can be received at the Parish Office between the hours of 9:30 am to 4:30 pm on Monday, Tuesday and Friday.
3. Cash donations or Offertory Giving envelopes can be placed into the mail slot on the left hand side of the front door of the presbytery.
4. Cash donations or Offertory Giving envelopes can be delivered to the Catholic Development Fund, 35 Tower Road, New Town.

If you are unsure please call the Parish Office on 9412 8471.

EASTER MASSES

All Easter Masses have been cancelled. Frs. Krish and Jozef will celebrate the Sacred Paschal Triduum and these will be broadcast on the Parish Facebook Page and Webpage. Broadcast times are listed below:

Thursday of the Lord's Supper - 7:30pm
9th April 2020 (Polish & English combined);

Stations of the Cross - 10:00am 10th April 2020;

Friday of the Passion of the Lord - 3:00pm
10th April 2020 (Polish & English combined);

The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night -
7:30pm 11th April 2020 (Polish & English combined).

MASSES ON-LINE

The parish will be providing a recording of Sunday Mass which will be available each Sunday Morning on the Parish Website <http://cdtas.org.au/moonah> or our Parish FaceBook Page [StTherese OfLisieux](#). If you don't have access to the internet but have a computer we can provide you with a USB version of the Mass. To arrange for this please contact the Parish Office on 9412 8471.

The Sunday principal Mass at St Mary's Cathedral (10:30am) will be live-streamed. It will be available through the Archdiocese of Hobart's YouTube channel <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBzten6uVS-Ymf-7KVUEepQ/featured>. Channel Ten airs "Mass for you at home" at 6:00am on Sundays and then online via TenPlay. Mass on Demand can be streamed at <https://cathnews.com/>.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION CONFIRMATION

Sacramental Programme has been cancelled for 2020. It is hoped that Reconciliation will be held later in the year.

WELLNESS PROGRAMME

Due to the current health situation with Covid 19, the Polish Welfare Office has decided to postpone the Information Sessions for Seniors on Wellness and Reablement in English and the second series in Polish, until further notice. We apologise to those planning to attend. We will advise of the new dates when the situation changes. Please contact us on 6228 6258 if you have any questions. Thank you for your understanding.

Sr Elizabeth, Wellness Officer.

FORMED HAS BEEN UPDATED!

(please use Chrome browser)

IF YOU JOIN NOW THIS SERVICE IS FREE.

Now might be a good time to join **formed** visit www.formed.org. Remember to use Chrome browser to access **formed**. Formed now over 4,000 titles of award-winning Catholic content, children's programming, audio talks, e-books and more, are available on almost any internet-connected device (PC's, tablets, smart phones and smart TV's etc.) The new platform was produced after consultation and feedback from the users (now over 900,000) across 5,000 parish communities. Formed has improved performance and an enhanced search tool. It allows offline playback and you no longer have to remember a password because access is now simply through your email address. For existing subscribers just Visit www.formed.org then click 'Sign In' and enter your email address. You will be sent an email and when you click on the link in the email you're in! No more passwords! You can stay signed in even when you close your browser or your device is off. When you go back to www.formed.org just click on 'sign in' and you can start watching again. As long as you don't sign out, the content will remain available to you. If you do sign out, then to get back in just go to www.formed.org again and click 'sign in' and an email will be sent to you and click – you're back in. For parishioners wanting to join our FORMED group account the process has become even easier than it was. Go to formed.org and click 'Sign Up', on the next page select "I Belong to a Parish or Organisation", find our parish by name, "St Therese of Lisieux 24 Hopkins St Moonah TAS", enter your email address and you will be sent an email - and you're in! Diving into the beauty of the Faith has never been easier: at home, on the go, or from any internet connected device. Discover thousands of books, audio talks, movies, documentaries, and studies... there is something for every member of the family

to help them grow closer to Christ and His Church. 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 issues please see Deacon Michael on 0438 243 533.

"A ROAMING CATHOLIC"
AUTOBIOGRAPHY OF FATHER ADRIAN
MEANEY MSC

The Parish will shortly have available a number of copies of this book for purchase for \$15.00 each. This book is an autobiography of Father Adrian Meaney MSC of the many years' experience in many places and cultures, which he has gathered into a story. If you would like to purchase please contact the Parish Office on 9412 8471.



PRAYER IN THIS TIME OF CRISIS

Almighty and all-merciful God,
lover of the human race, healer of all our
wounds,
in whom there is no shadow of death,
save us in this time of crisis;
grant wisdom and courage to our
leaders;
watch over all medical people
as they tend the sick and work for a cure;
stir in us a sense of solidarity beyond all
isolation;
if our doors are closed, let our hearts be
open.

By the power of your love destroy the
virus of fear,
that hope may never die
and the light of Easter, the triumph of life,
may shine upon us and the whole world.
Through Jesus Christ, the Lord risen from
the dead,
who lives and reigns for ever and ever.
Amen.

Holy Mary, health of the sick, pray for us.
St Joseph, guardian of us all, pray for us.
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STEWARDSHIP

"Jesus said to her, 'Did I not tell you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?'"
(John 11:40)

Many of us say that we believe in God. We go to church on Sunday. We volunteer for events at our parish. But when life gets hard and the pressure is on, when things aren't going our way, do we really believe and put our trust in the Lord? When we live a life of gratitude, being thankful for the gifts we have been given, we really do see that God is providing all that we need. It opens our hearts to see God's active presence in our daily lives.

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, Alicia Stroud, Aileen Jones, Garry Hay, Paddi McDonald, Peter van Loggerenberg, Joe Higgins, Gracie Manson, Patricia Hangan.

Anniversaries

Samuel Lyden, Laurie Belcher, Leokadia Sadkowski, Wladyslaw Osuckowski, Giuseppe Cugino, Rex Graham Morrisby, Marjoria Williams, Joanne Maree Read, Pauline Watts, Olga Hanns, Lawrence Triffett, Frank Brown, John Skaraupa, Jan Cisak, Wladyslaw Gniadek, Paul Krizanovic, Bertram Williams, Mary Monaghan, Aloisy Kempa, Bridget Beckwith, William Clare, Lola Hutchinson OAM, Belle Ayton, Kazimierz Jablonski, Elizabeth Streat, Peter Hope, Zofia Cisak, Harold Poulson, Thirza Beryl Barber, Prudencia Gabriel Salas, Fr Norbert Earl MSC, Fr Bernard Baldwin MSC, Fr Fredrick Morduant MSC, Fredrick Hoskins, Peter Weronika, Klaus Joseph Goerss, Bernard Aitken, Kazimieras Paschkewizschus, Michalina Machnik, George McGuire, Basilio Gabriel, Sime Kolega, Kathleen Brooks, Mavis Brown.

Recently Deceased

Jadwiga Grabek, Mathew William Skelly, Myrtle Goodsell, Katarzyna Polacik.

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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/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

28th/29th March, 2020

5th Sunday of Lent - Year A

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: (Cf. Psalm 42:1-2)

Give me justice, O God,
and plead my cause against a nation that is
faithless.

From the deceitful and cunning rescue me,
for you, O God, are my strength.

FIRST READING: (Ezekiel 37:12-14)

I shall put my spirit in you, and you will live.

PSALM: (Psalm 129)

With the Lord there is mercy
and fullness of redemption.

SECOND READING: (Romans 8:8-11)

If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the
dead is living in you, then he will give life to
your own mortal bodies.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: (John 11:25, 26)

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!
I am the resurrection and the life, says the
Lord;
whoever believes in me will not die for ever.
Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

GOSPEL: (John 11:1-45)

I am the resurrection and the life.

MASS TIMES

**Monday 30th March to Sunday 5th April
2020**

	English	Polish
Monday	No Mass	
Tuesday	No Mass	No Mass
Wednesday	No Mass	No Mass
Thursday	No Mass	
Friday	No Mass	No Mass
Saturday	No Mass	
Sunday	No Mass	No Mass

READINGS

4th/5th April, 2020

*Palm Sunday of the Passion of the
Lord - Year A*

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: (Matthew 21:9)

Hosanna to the Son of David;
blessed is he who comes in the name of the
Lord, the King of Israel.
Hosanna in the highest.

GOSPEL: (Matthew 21:1-11)

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the
Lord.

FIRST READING: (Isaiah 50:4-7)

I did not cover my face against insult and I
know I will not be ashamed.

PSALM: (Psalm 21; 8-9, 17-20, 23-24)

My God, my God, why have you abandoned
me?

SECOND READING: (Philippians 2:6-11)

He humbled himself to become like us and
God raised him on high.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: (Philippians 2:8-9)

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of
endless Glory!
Christ became obedient for us even to death,
dying on the cross.
Therefore God raise him on high and gave him
a name above all other names.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of
endless Glory!

GOSPEL: (Matthew 26:14-27:66)

The passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according
to Matthew.