

# 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 October, 2017**

**30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A**



## FROM THE PASTOR

### THE COMMUNION OF SAINTS

At any given time, most of the world believes that death isn't final, that some form of immortality exists. Most people believe that those who have died still exist in some state, in some modality, in some place, in some heaven or hell, however that might be conceived. In some conceptions, immortality is seen as a state wherein a person is still conscious and relational; while in other concepts, existence after death is understood as real but impersonal, like a drop of water that has flowed back into the oceans.

As Christians, this is our belief: We believe that the dead are still alive, still themselves and, very importantly, still in a living, conscious, and loving relationship with us and with each other. That's our common concept of heaven and, however simplistic its popular expression at times, it is wonderfully correct. That's exactly what Christian faith and Christian dogma, not to mention deep intuitive experience, invite us to. After death we live on, conscious, self-conscious, in communication with others who have died before us, in communion with those we left behind on earth, and in communion with the divine itself. That's the Christian doctrine of the *Communion of Saints*.

But how is this to be understood? Not least, how do we connect to our loved ones after they have died? Two interpenetrating biblical images can help serve as an entry-point for our understanding of this. Both come from the Gospels.

The Gospels say that at the instant of Jesus' death, *the veil of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom; and the earth shook and the rocks were split. The tombs were opened, and many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised.* (Matthew 27, 50-52) The Gospels then go on to tell us that on the morning of the Resurrection several women came to Jesus' grave to anoint his dead body with embalming spices, but rather than finding his dead body, they meet instead an empty grave and two angels who challenge them with words to this effect: *Why are you looking for a live person in a cemetery? He isn't here. He's alive and you can find him in Galilee.* (Luke 24, 5) What's contained in these images?

As Christians, we believe that we are given eternal life through Jesus' death. Among other images, the Gospels express that in this metaphor: Jesus death, they tell us, "opened the tombs" and emptied graveyards. For this reason, Christians have never had a huge cult around cemeteries. As Christians, we don't do much in the way of spiritual practices around our cemeteries. Why? Because we believe all those graves are empty. Our loved ones aren't there and aren't to be found there. They're with Jesus, in "Galilee".

# FROM THE PASTOR

## (CONTINUED)

What's "Galilee", in terms of a biblical image? In the Gospels, Galilee is more than a place on a map; it's also a place inside the Spirit, God's Spirit and our own. In the Gospels, Galilee is the place where, for the most part, the good things happen. It's the place where the disciples first meet Jesus, where they fall in love with him, where they commit themselves to him, and where miracles happen. Galilee is the place where Jesus invites us to walk on water. Galilee is the place where the disciples' souls enlarge and thrive.

And that is also a place for each of our deceased loved ones. In each of their lives, there was a Galilee, a place where their persons and souls were most alive, where their lives radiated the energy and exuberance of the divine. When we look at the life of a loved one who has died we need to ask: Where was she most alive? What qualities did she, most-uniquely, embody and bring into a room? Where did she lift my spirit and make me want to be a better person?

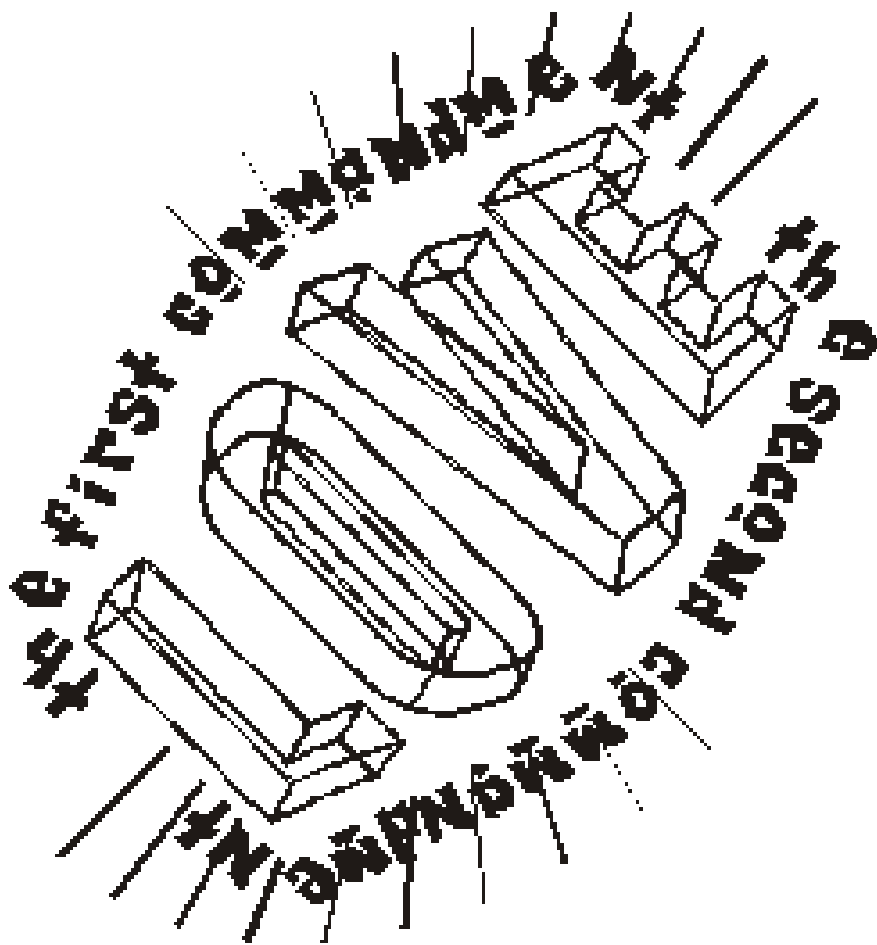
Name those things, and you will have named your loved one's Galilee – and you will also have named the Galilee of the Gospels, namely, that place in the heart where Jesus invites you to meet him. And that is too where you will meet your loved ones in the communion of saints. Don't look for a live person in a cemetery. She's not there. She's in Galilee. Meet her there.

Elizabeth Johnson, leaning on Karl Rahner, adds this thought: "Hoping against hope, we affirm that they [our loved ones who have died] have fallen not into nothingness but into the embrace of the living God. And that is where we can find them again; when we open our hearts to the silent calmness of God's own life in which we dwell, not by selfishly calling them back to where we are, but by descending into the depth of our own hearts where God also abides."

And the "Galilee" of our loved ones can also be found inside our own "Galilee". There's a deep place inside the heart, inside faith, hope, and charity, were everyone, living or deceased, is met.

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In the Sacred Heart of Jesus  
Fr Mark Hanns MSC



# **PARISH NOTICES**

## **EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT & ROSARY**

There will be no exposition of the Blessed Sacrament this coming Friday 4th November.

## **SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION**

Sacramental preparation for FIRST RECONCILIATION will commence shortly. Enrolment forms are available from the Parish or School Office. 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 Only—**Thursday, 16th November**; 7:00pm in the Saints Louis & Zelig Martin Parish Centre.
- For Parents and Children - **Sunday, 19th November**; 9:00am Mass Presentation to the Parish and at approx. 10:15am in the Saints Louis & Zelig Martin Parish Centre – 1st Workshop.
- For Parents and Children - **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.

## **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.

## **AFL FOOTY MARGIN TICKET WINNERS**

The next two weekends are the final opportunity to claim your winnings of \$250. If you have black ticket with the winning number of 48 (margin of AFL Grand Final), see either Deacon Michael or Eva Hangan. If this is not claimed by 5th November, the monies will be used to assist our pilgrims to attend ACYF.

## **NOVEMBER MASS OFFERINGS**

During the month of November, Masses are offered for the Souls of the Faithful Departed. At the entrance of the Church are “November Mass Offering” envelopes. If you would like a Mass to be offered for someone please complete and add to the normal collections over the next few weekends in October. A schedule will then be arranged for a Mass to be celebrated during the month of November.

## **PARISH WEBSITE LAUNCH**

We are pleased to announce the launch of our Parish website. This website contains parish contact details, Mass times, enrolment forms (Baptism, Reconciliation, Confirmation and Communion) and the latest Parish bulletin. The address is <http://cdtas.org.au/moonah>

## **THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED (ALL SOULS' DAY 2017)**

All Souls' Day will be celebrated on Thursday 2nd November at St Matthew's Catholic Church, Pontville. 4pm will be the blessing of the graves and at 5:30pm, Mass. For More information please contact Fr Leo on 03 6263 6442



**ACOLYTE FORMATION & TRAINING –  
6:30PM NOVEMBER 6, 13 & 20**

The Acolyte is instituted for service at the altar, to assist the priest and deacon and, if needed, distribute Holy Communion to the faithful both inside and outside the celebration of the Mass. Responding to a large number of enquiries the Liturgy Office will offer a program of training and formation to prospective and presently serving Acolytes in November. The program for the Southern parishes will be offered over 3 sessions at St Mary's Cathedral Parish Centre and will provide pastoral, spiritual and liturgical guidelines, and practical training. Those completing the course of instruction and petitioning for institution as acolytes will be asked to provide evidence of baptism and a signed note of endorsement by their Parish Priest. Register your interest at [liturgy@aohtas.org.au](mailto:liturgy@aohtas.org.au) Enquiries: 03 6208 6034

**ST THERESE'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL ANNUAL  
ART EXHIBITION "OVER THE RAINBOW"**

The annual art exhibition for Prep - Grade 6 grand opening 3:00pm - 4:30pm on Tuesday, 7th November in the St Therese's School/Parish Hall. All are welcome. Music, awards, special guests, presentation, speakers & light refreshments will be available.

**STAR OF THE SEA CATHOLIC COLLEGE  
60TH ANNIVERSARY**

Star of the Sea Catholic College, George Town, is celebrating its 60th Anniversary this year. To celebrate, the school is holding a Cocktail Evening at 7:30pm for past staff and students on Friday 10th November, a Family Fun Day from 12 - 4pm on Saturday 11th November, and a Mass of Thanksgiving at 11:00am on Sunday 12th November. Star of the Sea warmly welcomes past staff, students and families to any of the events. For more information, please contact the College on (03) 6382 1242 or search for the Star of

the Sea 60th Anniversary Facebook page.

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

**Calling all Christmas lovers!!** Do you love singing? Do you love singing about Christmas? Yes? Then we need you!!! **Carols on the Hill 2017** is an Archdiocese of Hobart outdoor carol event, and we are putting together an event choir specially for the night. We are looking for people in our parish communities to be involved. There will be 3 rehearsals leading up to the day. Music and rehearsal CD available mid-October. To express interest and for further information, please contact [luci.macfarlane@catholic.tas.edu.au](mailto:luci.macfarlane@catholic.tas.edu.au) or 0407 095 964.

**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](http://www.waytostjames.com.au) or take a flyer from the church foyer.

**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@griegtograceaus.org.au](mailto:info@griegtograceaus.org.au) or phone 0407704539. For more information visit [www.griegtograce.org](http://www.griegtograce.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.

## **L'ARCHE AUSTRALIA "SHARE A MEAL"**

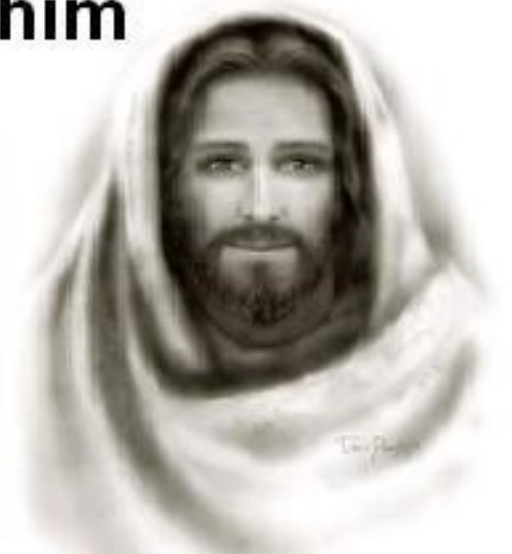
L'Arche Australia is asking for your support to assist in their main fundraising event **'Share a Meal' during the month of August. They have chosen August as this is the month that L'Arche was founded in 1964 – August 4.** This exciting national event will be a wonderful opportunity for those who care about inclusion and community, to gather over a meal and raise vital funds needed to provide care and support to those living with an intellectual disability. To ensure that the launch is a success, St Therese of Lisieux Moonah Lutana Parish will be hosting a "Share a Meal" for L'Arche Australia in August 2018. Will you help? If you care about the dignity of those living with intellectual disability then we would love to have you involved, please let us know. If you are willing to assist in planning and helping out with this event, simply register on the registration form in the Church foyer. Further information is available online at the following website [www.larche.org.au/shareameal](http://www.larche.org.au/shareameal). This event is very important to everyone at L'Arche and we are hoping that people will act now to help L'Arche to continue their essential work and in particular to grow L'Arche in Australia. In L'Arche, people who have intellectual disabilities and those who come to assist them, share life and daytime activities together in family-like settings that are integrated into local neighbourhoods. L'Arche in Australia has 5 communities in Brisbane, Sydney, Canberra, Melbourne and Hobart and is

committed to helping create an open, inclusive and compassionate Australian society where every person is valued and can make a contribution. Bendigo, Perth and the Hunter are in the process of establishing communities and need our support. There are committed people in Adelaide and Alice Springs who deeply desire a L'Arche community in their cities. It is essential that this event is a success, so that L'Arche can help more adults living with an intellectual disability to build their homes in a community that celebrates their gifts and provides them with a place to thrive. L'Arche is inviting us to get involved with this exciting new event to raise these vital funds. **Come and join our hosted event for L'Arche Australia? It's a simple way to share a sense of community gathered around the table – and make a real difference.**

## **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.

**They asked him**



**"What is The Greatest Commandment of All ? "**

**(Matthew 22:36-38) (Deut. 6:4,5)**

**THE GREATEST COMMANDMENT**  
**(EX 22:20-26; 1 THESS 1:5-10; MT 22:34-40)**

Terrorism is now on our own doorstep. We do not have to go looking to America to find where it will strike. Yet there is one thing that stands out in recent tragic events, it is that we, as Australians, can work together to overcome death and destruction. Too often our political leaders, rather than working together, are simply out for political power and prestige. We have seen just how well we can work together to look after those who are suffering, in mind or body. Surely that is love of neighbour.

This is where these two loves – of God and neighbour – become one. If we try to keep only one of these loves, we lose them both. If we pretend to seek God while we have no interest in our neighbour - poor, orphans, widows, and refugees – we will never find the God of revelation. If we presume to be concerned only with our neighbour and forget that we are all made in God's image, then we will also lose a precious link with God.

It is not too difficult to reconcile these two demands in theory. The real problem lies at the practical level. The Exodus text helps us face it by reminding us that it is necessary to be concretely concerned: "If you take your neighbour's cloak ... in what will that person sleep?" Are we concerned about knowing what the poor will wear and where they will spend their night? Will they have a roof over their heads? Will they have a house or land from which they will be expelled? Being Christian today means being challenged by these questions?

This is where the two loves blend. Asking where the poor will sleep is important to God. Asking how we can reach out to those who are distressed over the tragic loss of a loved one in any tragedy is important to God! "If your neighbour cries out to me, I will listen, for I am compassionate." (Exodus

22:27) Believing in the "living and true God" (Thess 1:9) leads us to be compassionate too. "Feeling with" the poor will lead us to encounter God.





## **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, John Prus, Marie Morrisby,  
Marian Zieba, Alan O'Rourke,  
Natasha Gutteridge, Jean Vanier.*

### ***Anniversaries***

*Fr Edward Sheedy, Laurence Lyons,  
David Darby, Fr James Long,  
Hilary Sweeney, Charles Denis Mahony,  
Ian Wilson Coad, Malcolm L. Jenkins,  
Michael Wilczynski, Ila Weaving,  
Adam Krasnicki.,  
Barbara Therese Rakowski,  
Amy Elizabeth Rose, Rogelio Gabriel,  
Walter Gamble, George Harrison,  
Lionel J. Ford, Fr Patrick Fanning,  
Franciszek Czernkowski, Diane Radcliffe,  
Brian Sertori, Ellen Deacon,  
Donato Brighella, William Thomas Hangan,  
Anna Puzinowski, Nellie Curtain,  
Maria Adamus., Eugeniusz Pikula,  
Fr Albert Cuneo, Br Denis Phillips,  
Leonard Haney, Piotr Czechowski,  
Fr Thomas O'Loughlin, Stuart George Smith,  
Lachlan O'Keeffe, 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.*

### ***Recently Deceased***

*Irene Bracken, Denise O'Rourke,  
Genowefa Pikula.*

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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>

**28th / 29th October, 2017**

**30th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:**

Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice;  
turn to the Lord and his strength;  
constantly seek his face.

**FIRST READING:** (Exodus 22:20 - 26)

If you are harsh with the widow or the orphan, my anger will rage against you.

**PSALM:** (Psalm 17:2 - 4, 47, 51)

I love you, Lord, my strength.

**SECOND READING:** (1 Thessalonians 1:5 - 10)

You turned away from idols to serve God and await his Son.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** (John 14:23)

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words,  
and my Father will love them and we will come to them.

Alleluia!

**GOSPEL:** (Matthew 22:34 - 40)

You shall love the Lord your God, and your neighbour as yourself.

**MASS TIMES**

**Monday 30th October to Sunday 5th November 2017**

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

**READINGS/ROSTERS**

**4th / 5th November, 2017**

**31st Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:**

Forsake me not, O Lord, my God;  
be not far from me!

Make haste and come to my help,  
O Lord, my strong salvation!

**FIRST READING:** (Malachi 1:14 - 2:2, 8 - 10)

You have strayed from the way, you have caused many to stumble by your teaching.

**PSALM:** (Psalm 130)

In you, Lord, I have found my peace.

**SECOND READING:** (1 Thessalonians 2:7 - 9, 13)

We were eager to hand over to you not only the Good News but our lives as well.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** (Matthew 23:9, 10)

Alleluia, alleluia!

You have one Father, your Father in heaven;  
you have one teacher: the Lord Jesus Christ!  
Alleluia!

**GOSPEL:** (Matthew 23:1 - 12)

They do not practice what they preach.

**Saturday 6:30pm**

**Readers** Gerry McGushin,  
Margaret Henderson

**Ministers** Rexine & Gerard Synnott

**Projector** Eva Hangan

**Sunday 9:00am**

**Readers** Annie Brush, Melissa Philp

**Ministers** Monica Sianski,  
Barbara McArthur

**Sick** Monica Sianski

**Projector** Izak Hangan

**Sunday 4:30pm**

**Readers** Carlene Larkin, Peter Flint

**Ministers** Bill Jacob, Rebecca Goss

**Projector** Eva Hangan

**Altar** Monica Sianski, Victoria Maty

**Cleaning** Syro-Malabar Community

**Counters** Marie Anders & Kaye Wood