

St Therese of Lisieux Catholic Parish

Moonah-Lutana

St Therese of Lisieux Church

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



Sunday, 3rd February, 2019

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C

FROM THE PASTOR

SPIRITUALITY AND SPIRITUALITIES

What is spirituality and what makes for different spiritualities?

The word spirituality is relatively new within the English-speaking world, at least in terms of how it is being used today. Prior to the 1960s you would have found very few books in English with the word “spirituality” in their title, though that wasn’t true for the French-speaking world. A half-century ago spiritual writers within Roman Catholicism wrote about spirituality but mostly under titles such as “The Spiritual Life” and “Ascetical Theology”, or under the guise of devotional treatises. Protestants and Evangelicals, for the most part, identified spirituality with Roman Catholic devotions and steered clear of the word.

What is spirituality, as generally understood within church circles today? Definitions abound within spiritual writings of every sort, each of which defines spirituality with a particular end-goal in mind. Many of these definitions are helpful within academic discussions but are less so outside those circles. So, let me risk simplifying things with a definition that’s wide, interreligious, ecumenical, and hopefully simple enough to be helpful.

Spirituality is the attempt by an individual or a group to meet and undergo the presence of God, other persons, and the cosmic world so as to come into a community of life and celebration with them. The *generic* and *specific* disciplines and habits that develop from this become the basis for various *spiritualities*.

Stripped to its root, spirituality can be spoken of as a “discipline” to which someone submits. For example, in Christianity we call ourselves “disciples” of Jesus Christ. The word “discipleship” takes its root in the word “discipline”. A disciple is someone who puts herself under a discipline. Hinduism and Buddhism call this a “yoga”. To be a practising Hindu or Buddhist you need be practising a certain spiritual “discipline”, which they term a yoga. And that’s what constitutes any religious practice.

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All religious practice is a question of putting oneself under a certain “discipline” (which makes you a “disciple”). But we can distinguish among various religious “disciplines”. Aristotle gave us a distinction which can be helpful here. He distinguished between a “genus” and a “species”; e.g. bird is a genus, robin is a species. Thus, looking at various spiritualities we can distinguish between “generic” disciplines and “specific” disciplines: *Christianity, Judaism, Hinduism, Buddhism, Islam, Taoism*, and various *Native Religions* are “generic” spiritualities. But within each of these you will then find a wide range of “specific” spiritualities. For example, within the wide category of Christianity you will find *Roman Catholics, Anglicans, Episcopalians, Protestants, Evangelicals, Mormons*, and *Congregationalists*. Each of these is a species.

Then we can distinguish still further: Within each of those you will find a wide range of “sub-species”, that is, particular Christian “disciplines”. For instance, within Roman Catholicism, we can speak of persons who have *Charismatic* spirituality or a *Jesuit, Franciscan, Carmelite, or Salesian* spirituality, to offer just a few examples. Notice the pattern here – from genus to species to sub-species. As a spirituality, Christianity is a genus, Roman Catholicism is a species, and being a Jesuit or a Franciscan (or, in my case, being an Oblate of Mary Immaculate) is a sub-species.

I apologise if this seems a bit irreverent, that is, to speak so clinically of genus, species, and sub-species in reference to cherished faith traditions wherein martyrs’ blood has been shed. But the hope is that this can help us understand more clearly a complex issue and its roots.

No one serves one’s God fully, just as no one lives out one’s God-given dignity fully. We need guidance. We need trusted, God-blessed patterns of behaviour and disciplines that ultimately come from divine revelation itself. We call these religions. Then, inside of these religions, we can be further helped by models of behaviour lived out by certain saints and wisdom figures. Thus, inside of Christianity, we have the time-tested example and wisdom of 2000 years of faithful women and men who have carved out various “disciplines” which can be helpful for us to better live out our own discipleship. *Jesuit, Franciscan, Carmelite, Salesian, Mazenodian, Charismatic, Opus Dei, Focolare, Catholic Worker, Sant’Egidio, Cursillo, Acts-Missions*, and *Catholic Christian Outreach*, among others, are spiritualities, and just as the exercise and diet regimens of health experts can help us keep our bodies more healthy, so too can the discipleship practices of particular saints, spiritual giants, and wisdom figures help make our following of Jesus more faithful and generative.

Which one of these spiritualities is best for you? That depends upon your individual temperament, your particular vocation and call, and your circumstance within life. One size doesn’t fit all. Just as each snowflake is different from every other snowflake, so too with us. God gives us different gifts and different callings and life puts us in different situations.

They say the book you need to read finds you and finds you at the exact time that you need to read it. That’s true too for spiritualities. The one you need will find you, and will find you at the exact time when you need it.

Fr Ron Rolheiser OMI ©

P.S. My spirituality is the spirituality of the Heart of Christ. Fr Mark MSC.

NOTICES

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL (PPC)

Parish Pastoral Council has a number of vacancies. If you are interested in joining PPC please see Fr Mark. PPC meets normally on the third Monday February to November at 5:30pm in the Church Community Room. Anyone is welcomed to attend.

CRAFT GROUP RESUMES.

The St Therese's Craft Group will be starting up again tomorrow 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 at each gathering which is donated 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.

125TH ANNIVERSARY OF ST CANICE CHURCH, GLENGARRY 10TH 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 the Principal Celebrant.

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 (1st, 5th and 10th anniversaries) are invited to RSVP to the Office of Life, Marriage and Family by emailing 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-Lindisfarne 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 or Mike Gallagher on 0418 126 574 or email mikegall55@gmail.com.



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 RESPONSE **(COMPLETE)**

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 people,

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 its 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' 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.

SACRAMENTS

A part of our response under Faith Education we stated "Needs to focus closely on the teachings of Jesus, unpacked made child friendly for younger people." Our Sacraments need to allow our young people to get to know Jesus. Sacraments allow us to pass on to our younger generation these teachings, but the learning must not stop after the Sacrament is received. We need further ongoing development which then leads to further Adult Faith Education, and a want to learn along life's journey.

The order of some of the Sacraments relies upon the direction of the local Bishop but must be standardised across the Catholic

Church. Research the correct order and stick with the result, make the decision at the ACBC level.

The administering of the Sacraments should be reviewed, allowing for example the anointing of the sick be given by lay people or Deacons, bring back the Third Rite of Reconciliation.

MARGINALISED

The Church is not an institution, an organisation, an employer or a land owner, we are a listening Church, listening to the needs of the suffering, the poor, the marginalised, the old, everyone, we must never fail to see Christ in others! We need to be like Jesus listening to all people and walking with them, this is the model of the Catholic Church we need; not a more institutionalised organisation. Jesus was a marginalised Jew, the Church must be 'God's hands on earth' responding to the needs of the people.

Christ taught us about "Love in action" the Church needs to look at love and what can be improved throughout the current Church of Australia. Our Parish is good and has a strong MSC Charism which fits well with love in action, but we too need to look deeper to be the 'Heart of Christ on Earth'. We talked about how as a parish and as a church in general we are called to be inclusive and loving people towards all, and that as a Catholic people we should put a focus in support and care for all, poor, lonely, old, sick, isolated and disabled; and how we should live the faith through opportunities of social justice and have a personal responsibility to this; to not say someone else is looking after the less fortunate but to go out and help them ourselves.

The Church is a community and we need to break down barriers; we need to step outside our comfort zone.

We need to keep loving, being caring & sensitive to each other's needs. We need to be mindful and caring of the environment.

We need to be visible in any follow-up to actions – faith in action e.g. homelessness, unemployed, refugee families. We need to break down the loneliness barrier that parishioners & the community experience. We need to ensure that Jesus does not become a stranger to us & that we do not become strangers to each other.

Our Hospitals and Schools need to look at themselves and not the dollar, remembering why they were formed: it was not to make money but to service the marginalised.

The Church needs to find its voice, it needs to speak out clearly, loudly and with conviction on human rights abuse and environmental destruction. Jesus faced each of these similar situations during his lifetime and spoke out, sometimes challenging the authorities – the Church needs to do the same.

We need to accept all people into our Church Communities, people who are divorced, had an abortion, who are LGBT. We need to see the face of Christ in all; accepting them all within our Church Communities – caring for everyone.

LAITY & WOMEN

The Church needs to recognise and acknowledge the role of women within the church; in decision-making; as Deacons or Priests within our Catholic Church. The Royal Commission raised issues relating to

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.

the patriarchal nature of the Church. A way around this is the inclusion of the laity and women into senior roles within the Church; not just administrative roles but in decision-making. The ordination of women as Deacons or Priests will allow the Church to be inclusive of all genders.

YOUNG PEOPLE

We need to understand where the young are; there needs to be better engagement at all levels of the Church. The young need a place to belong and youth groups are a good step forward, but maybe look at intergenerational ministry where youth are incorporated into existing outreach Parish Groups such as Saint Vincent de Paul, or have more say in the Liturgy of the Parish. Develop our youth in leadership and mentor them with other parish members. We need to encourage the young “not to leave the Church because of Judas. Stay focused on Jesus. Just as the other Apostles did.”

*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.*

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

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Envelopes:	\$ 1,516.00
Loose:	\$ 1,139.60
TOTAL:	\$ 2,655.60

Week’s Budget Collections:
\$ 2,538.00

Difference \$ 117.60

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

*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, Elaine Voss,
Ieva Andrikonis, Bert de Groot,
Stephen Horne, David Blake,
Bertram Williams, Thelma Dalton,
Bridget Beckwith, Fr Harold Bridgwood,
Margaret Mills, Benjamin Bresnehan.*

Recently Deceased

Karol Stateczny.

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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

PLENARY COUNCIL:

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

READINGS

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.

MASS TIMES

Monday 4th to Sunday 10th February 2019

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

READINGS/ROSTERS

9th/10th February, 2019

*Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time -
Year C*

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

O come, let us worship God
and bow low before the God who made us,
for he is the Lord our God.

FIRST READING: (Isaiah 6:1-8)

Here am I! Send me.

PSALM: (Psalm 137:1-5, 7-8)

In the sight of the angels I will sing your
praises, Lord.

SECOND READING: (1 Corinthians 15:1-11)

I preach what they preach, and this is what
you believe.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: (Matthew 4:19)

Alleluia, alleluia!

Come follow me, says the Lord,
and I will make you fishers of my people.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL: (Luke 5:1-11)

They left everything and followed him.

Saturday 6:30pm

Readers Daniel Watson, Monica Sianski
Ministers Debbie Large, Gerry McGushin
Projector Anne Thuringer

Sunday 9:00am

Readers Melissa Philp, Tony Webb
Ministers Peter van Loggerenberg,
Fadi Elbarbar
Sick Mark Hanns
Projector Izak Hangan

Sunday 4:30pm

Readers Colleen Rakowski,
Cameron Brown
Ministers Kerrie Morrisby, Carlene Larkin
Altar Victoria Maty, Kieran Aherne &
Monica Sianski
Cleaning Maree Triffett & Lizy Palsbery
Counters Kaye Wood & Marie Anders