St Therese of Lisieux Catholic Parish Moonah-Lutana



St Therese of Lisieux Church In the care of Missionaries of the Sacred Heart (MSC)

Sunday 4th March, 2018 THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT - YEAR B

FROM THE PASTOR

WE NEED A CONSISTENT ETHIC OF LIFE

This weekend we vote in our state election. What bothers me greatly is that there is an inconsistent Principle and Ethic of Life on both wings of politics. Catholic Church social teaching honours and upholds Justice, Peace and the Integrity of Creation, and the JPIC Commission (established by the International Union of Superior Generals) currently focuses its activities on "Living in Right Relationship with All of Creation." This means being able to create a sense of well-being with family, neighbour, the community, people of other countries, other living creatures, the environment around us and the entire universe, respecting and listening to the other, being in dialogue with the other, caring for God's creatures, protecting the environment, upholding peace at all times and practising active nonviolence at every opportunity. The Church has consistently stated its Preferential Option for the Poor. It is anchored in the Gospel, in the Vatican Council II Documents and in Papal Documents stretching back to Rerum Novarum or The Rights and Duties of Capital and Labor, an encyclical issued by Pope Leo XIII on 15 May 1891. It was an open letter, passed to all Catholic Patriarchs, Primates, Archbishops and Bishops, that addressed the condition of the working classes. Of primary concern was the need for some amelioration of "The misery and wretchedness pressing so unjustly on the majority of the working class". And the Church has always emphasised the sanctity of human life from the moment of conception to natural death.

I must speak in general terms here, for there will be degrees, variations and exceptions, but on the Left Wing of politics are those who are concerned for social justice, the welfare of the poor, the working classes, and the care of the natural environment. Locally, this care for those who suffer under addictions to gambling extended to a stated policy of eradication of poker machines. In general, people on this wing will be in favour of gun control, and they will be opposed to capital punishment. They will favour the treatment and rehabilitation of drug addicts rather than punishment. Yet on this wing of politics, which used to be the only political home for Catholics when Catholics were unwelcome in the conservative ascendancy in this country, there is no recognition for the right to life of the unborn child. There is also a move now to introduce euthanasia, as was approved in Victoria's Parliament. Such a move would have profound negative ramifications for the most vulnerable at the latter stages of life, and lead to an erosion of resources directed toward palliative care. On this wing of politics is a growing contempt of Christianity and a mood for excluding from the political discourse any input from religious bodies.

FROM THE PASTOR (CONTINUED)

On the Right Wing of politics, and again I speak generally and recognise the exceptions, are those who, are more inclined to appreciate religion. There is more likely to be those who would recognise and protect the right to life of the unborn child, and there is more resistance to any move to legalise euthanasia. Yet the influence of religion among these is inclined to be limited to these areas and personal morality. On this wing there will be those more inclined to favour capital punishment (more in America than here). There is a tendency to resist any legal restraints on capitalism. If profits can be made for business then it is expected that the working classes will benefit through "trickle-down" economics, which is discredited. In fact, legal structures are set in place which mandate the maximisation of profits for the shareholders. This inevitably means the minimisation of benefits for workers through minimal wages. Business is given priority over the environment. The denial of human induced climate change emanates from this wing, with the consequent resistance to any change of practice that may hinder current business freedom. There is a favouring of unbridled capitalism including the proliferation of poker machines, tobacco etc.

We need a new political voice, one which espouses Catholic Social Teaching without being exclusively Catholic, but which unites with all people of good-will of all faiths and none, all who share in these values for human life at all stages, social justice, family life, environmental protection and an equitable distribution of wealth and the world's goods. We need people in politics with a Consistent Ethic of Life. Let anyone start a movement who can.

In the Heart of Christ Fr Mark MSC



PARISH NOTICES

THINKING ABOUT BECOMING CATHOLIC?

You are invited to join a group of like-minded people, who are thinking about becoming Catholic. If you are interested please see Fr Mark.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT & ROSARY

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is held each Friday after the 12 noon Mass until 5:00pm. The Rosary is prayed between 4:00pm - 5:00pm in the Chapel in the Parish Centre.

LENTEN PROGRAM

Lenten Prayer Group on Wednesday is at 10:30am in the Community Room. The Thursday Lenten Prayer group on Thursday at 7:00pm in the Chapel Saints Louis and Zelie Martin Parish Centre.

TIME, TALENT & TREASURE 2018-2021

"Our Church, Our Community, Our Commitment" 2018-2021. This week we focus on Treasure and review our financial commitment to our Parish. In accord with the vision and the values of Jesus, we are striving to build a welcoming and inclusive community to provide life-giving support and services to all peoples. This is a time for renewal for everyone.

PLEDGE SUNDAY

On the weekend of 3rd/4th March (Next weekend) will be pledge Sunday. This is our

MSC FEAST DAY

We are seeking interested parishioners to form a sub-committee to work towards a Parish celebration for the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. This year's feast day is on Friday 8th June with the possibility of celebrating the feast across the weekend. If you are interested in helping to plan this celebration please place your name onto the sheet in the Church foyer.

WORK WANTED

Silpa Thomas is looking for all types of data entry jobs, web site development or software development. If you know of anything please contact Silpa on 0450 123 721.

<u>COLES - SPORTS FOR SCHOOLS</u> <u>DOCKETS</u>

Coles is running the "Sports for Schools" dockets promotion whereby if you spend \$10 you can receive a voucher. These vouchers allow St Therese's School to redeem the vouchers for sports equipment. So if you are able to collect these vouchers you can place them into the Big Blue Box in the Church Foyer. This promotion runs until 3rd April 2018

BOOK AND CRAFT FAIR

The Polish Welfare Office will be holding a Book and Craft Fair on Saturday 17th March 2018 between 10.00am to 2.00pm at the Polish House 22-24 New Town Road, New Town. For more information or to book your own table, call 03 6228 6258.

TRANSPORT TO 9:00AM SUNDAY MASS

time to review our commitment of Time, Talent and Treasure to "Our Church, Our Community, Our Commitment" for the period 2018-2021. This week we continue to discern and bring our commitments with us to Church on this weekend. Your commitment can be added to the special weekend collection.

A parishioner is seeking assistance to get to 9:00am Sunday Mass. If you are able to help please see Fr Mark or Deacon Michael.

MT CARMEL COLLEGE OPEN DAY

Mt Carmel College will be hosting open days on Sunday, 4th March 11am - 1pm, Wednesday, 20 June 2pm, Wednesday, 29 August 2pm, and Thursday, 8 November 2pm. If you are interested please see the brochure in the Church foyer.

ST VIRGIL'S COLLEGE SENIOR SCHOOL OPEN DAY

Austins Ferry campus, Thursday, March 8 from 9.00 am to 5.30 pm for guided tours. Come and experience Grade 7 to 10 students at work and play during an interactive tour of the College. Meet staff and students and learn about the exciting learning opportunities available to boys at St Virgil's College. Please note that for 2018 the Tasmanian Catholic Education Office has determined that enrolments will be taken for Grade 7 entry for 2019 and 2020 which has brought the timeline forward by 12 months for Grade 5 families. Grade 7 enrolments for 2019 (current Grade 6) and 2020 (current Grade 5 boys) close on Thursday, March 29. Vacancies may also be available at other secondary grade levels. For all Open Day information or to complete an online enrolment please visit the website www.stvirgils.tas.edu.au or email mnugent@stvirgils.tas.edu.au for an enrolment package.

GRIEF TO GRACE - HEALING THE WOUNDS OF ABUSE

This is a spiritual retreat for anyone who has suffered degradation, 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@grieftograceaus.org.au or phone 0407704539. For information visit www.grieftograce.org.

KENOSIS RETREAT

Kenosis means self emptying and refers to God, putting his divinity aside to come amongst us as a human being. This retreat we will explore who we are so as to accept ourselves and truly be in a position to empty ourselves for others. Date: June 15th – 18th 2018, Presenter: Fr Ray Sanchez C.P. Venue: Maryknoll House of Prayer Blackman's Bay. Further information call Anne on 0407704539 or email journallingretreat@iinet.net.au.

VOLUNTEER WITH PALMS AUSTRALIA -GET OUT THERE AND BE THE CHURCH, <u>"BRUISED, HURTING AND DIRTY"</u>



Do you have teaching, medical, business, admin or trade skills? Ever thought of sharing them with our global family to reduce poverty and make a fairer world? Palms volunteers Australia help build capacity of

overseas communities over

the long term. They don't do quick fixes on short stays, but immerse themselves in another culture and exchange skills within trusting, mutually beneficial relationships. Right now, schools, clinics and community organisations in the Pacific, Asia and Africa, Asia seek volunteers to mentor their local personnel and develop communities sustainably. Are you ready to "Get out there?" Contact Christine at Palms on 02 9560 5333 or go to www.palms.org.au/volunteer/

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.

CALVARY HOSPITAL SEEKING MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

Is God calling you to minister to the vulnerable and sick in our community? Calvary Hospitals are seeking Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist to join our team of voluntary Parish Visitors. You would bring the Sacrament after mass on one Sunday a month to be distributed to Catholic patients currently in our hospitals. This would require a monthly commitment of around one hour. There are vacancies at both our Lenah Valley and St John's South Hobart campuses. No experience required, just a heart for those in need and a willingness to be trained and endorsed by your parish priest. Speak to your parish priest regarding your interest, or if you have any further questions, contact Sean Conry, Pastoral Care Manager for Calvary Hobart on 6278 5232.

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.

MANUS ISLAND UPDATE

This is a response from Sr Jane Keogh (Brigidine Sister in Melbourne) in reply to a donation that Gerry & Sally McGushin made to support her work with the asylum seekers on Manus Island. Sr Jane coordinates a support group: Manus lives Matter. To receive Sr Jane's newsletter or make donations please contact Sr Jane at janeikeogh@gmail.com or 0409 773 572. "Hello Sally and Gerry. Thanks so much for your donation. I have used it for medical needs of one of the guys waiting in Moresby for doctor's appointment and not getting any appointment. We sent him to a local medical centre and paid for his consultation and for tests which identified exactly what his stomach problems were and he got the correct medication. It is criminal we had to do that but it was the only way to get him help after a long wait. He is now back on Manus so we did this just in time as there are no alternatives in Manus. I also spent some of it on food for the two men in Bomana gaol. In PNG gaols the relatives bring food - it is not supplied except for a small bowl of rice and fish each day- rather inedible. We also had to buy them a wok and cutlery and plates. Re parcels: It has become too expensive to post things and many parcels were delayed a long time while Customs and the Management argues about duty costs so we are mostly sending money for them to buy things on Manus. Often the quality is not good but it seems too much waste now to send parcels. The guys now have their own bank accounts so it is not difficult to send international banking on the net. I get lots of requests for needs - the latest has been for pillows and sheets, phone protectors, sandals (not available on Manus so I bought them and am sending them this with fingers crossed the cost is not too high. We send spices because these also are not available and some guys are now cooking their won food which they like. Thanks so much for your on going support. Jane". If you with to make a donation, direct debits can be made at Account Name: Brigidine Sisters, BSB: 112 879, Acct No: 010 449 549.

STEWARDSHIP

"You shall not carve idols for yourselves in the shape of anything..." - Exodus 20:4

How many "gods" do you put before God? "Idols" do not always take the shape of physical things, things we can touch and feel. Those are easy to recognise. Many times they take the form of things we cannot should not attempt to justify luxuries as touch and are much harder to spot like pride, power, ego, time, comfort or health.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Envelopes:	\$	1,110.15	
Loose:	\$	996.95	
TOTAL:	\$	2,107.10	
Week's Budget Collections:			
	<u>\$</u>	2,368.00	
LOSS:	\$	\$260.90	

TEMPLE CLEANSED

Ex 20:1-7; Cor 1:22-25; Jn 2:13-25

In today's gospel, Jesus confronts the religious leaders of his time. For them the temple was a special place of worship. Yet they allowed this temple to be used as a 'market place.' Jesus' whole being rebels against such an idea. For him the temple is the place where God is especially present in his covenant. This is also the feast of the Passover, the feast that commemorates the freeing of the Israelite nation from slavery in Egypt. Jesus sees this buying and selling in the temple as a new form of oppression of Polish the people, which perverts the worship due **31st March** to a 'jealous God'. (Ex 20:5) The people are entering into a relationship with God by way of money. As a result they are finding an oppressing God, not the Father who liberates them from slavery. The house of the Father who loves and liberates his people has become 'a market place' which is exploiting and degrading.

Jesus is harsh with those selling doves (v.16). Why? The poorest people used doves for the purification sacrifices. Those who sell doves represent in a special way those who are oppressing the poorest in the name of worship. Our attitude to the very poor must be the complete opposite. We must be prepared to sell what is luxurious; we necessary for ourselves or God's worship; we need to change these luxuries into food, clothes and housing for the poor.

Jesus died for that. Paul speaks of the cross as an enigma. It represents both weakness and madness; but it also reveals God's power and wisdom. The Christian message is as crazy today as it did in Jesus' lifetime.

We are committed to this type of detachment by our proclaiming 'Christ crucified', even though it causes scandal. We can so easily rationalise what we do in the name of religion. We can use religious motives to justify anything; but the Lord, who knows what is in the human heart (Jn 2:25), will not allow us 'to misuse his name.' (Ex 20:7)

Noel Mansfield, msc ©

EASTER MASS TIMES

29th March

THURSDAY of the Lord's Supper 7:30pm (Combined Communities) **30th March**

Stations of the Cross 10:00am FRIDAY of the PASSION of the LORD

3:00pm 5:00pm The EASTER VIGIL in the HOLY NIGHT 7:30pm

(Combined Communities) **<u>1st April</u>** (Daylight savings ends at 3:00am) SUNDAY of the RESURRECTION **Resurrection Mass (Polish)**

Mass Mass (Polish) **NO MASS**

7:00am 9:00am 10:45am 4:30PM

LET US PRAY FOR The Sick

Thanh Huynh, Shirley Lehner, Susan Wilson, Fr Peter Nicholls, Josh Stokes, Maria Di Noia, Lise Levaque, Mary Hughes, Drina Paradzik, Jay Jennings, Olga Woods, Tony Dalton, Elsa Bazan, Bev Murray, Hon Dr Vanessa Goodwin MLC, Kayden Edwards, Marie Morrisby, Marian Zieba, Alan O'Rourke, Lorna Brazendale, Leo Manning, Genowefa Grzegorczyk, Pauline Watts.

Anniversaries

Irene Scanlon, Margaret Monaghan, Max Watson, Elvie J Keenan, Denis Francis Duggan, Marj Symmons, Denis Henry Scanlon, Marion Keenan, Stefan R Zelek, Walenty Bodel, Laurie Belcher, Leokadia Sadkowski, Wladyslaw Osuckowski, Giuseppe Cugino, Marjorie Williams, Joanne Maree Read, Lawrence Triffett, Frank Brown, John Skaraupa, Jan Cisak, Wladyslaw Gniasek, 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 Baldwin, Fr Frederick Morduant.

Recently Deceased

Tara Radcliffe, Pauline Brown,

PARISH OFFICE AND PRESBYTERY

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Parish Priest: Fr Mark Hanns MSC Phone: 6272 1442 Email: pastormoonahlutana@netspace.net.au

Deacon: Rev Michael Hangan *Phone:* 0438 243 533

Polish Chaplain: Fr Kazimierz Bojda SChr *Phone:* 0412 067 013 **Email:**

ST THERESE'S SCHOOL

24 Hopkins Street, Moonah *Phone:* 6272 1403 **Principal:** Mr Cameron Brown **Email:** <u>sttherese@catholic.tas.edu.au</u>

RECONCILIATION:

Saturday 11:00am-11:30am

BAPTISMS AND MARRIAGES:

By appointment

ARCHDIOCESAN WEBSITE:

www.hobart.catholic.org.au

TOWARDS HEALING HELPLINE:

Ingrid Leszczynski.

Phone: 1800 356 613

TRUTH JUSTICE & HEALING

COUNCIL:

http://www.tjhcouncil.org.au

READINGS

3rd/4th March, 2018 Third Sunday of Lent - Year B <u>ENTRANCE ANTIPHON</u>:

My eyes are always on the Lord, for he rescues my feet from the snare. Turn to me and have mercy on me, for I am alone and poor.

FIRST READING: (Exodus 20:1-17)

The Law was given through Moses.

PSALM: (Psalm 18:8-11)

Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

SECOND READING: (1 Corinthians 1:22-25)

We are preaching a crucified Christ, a scandal to many, but to those who have been called, the wisdom of God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: (John 3:16)

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

God loved the world so much he gave us his only Son, that all who believe in him might have eternal life.

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

GOSPEL: (John 2:13-25)

Destroy this sanctuary, and in three days I will raise it up.

MASS TIMES

Monday 5th to Sunday 11th March 2018

	English	Polish
Monday	9:15am	

READINGS/ROSTERS

10th/11th March, 2018 Fourth Sunday of Lent - Year B ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her. Be joyful, all who were in mourning; exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.

FIRST READING: (2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23) The wrath and the mercy of the Lord are revealed in the exile and liberation of his people.

<u>PSALM</u>: (Psalm 136)

Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you!

SECOND READING: (Ephesians 2:4-10) When we were dead through sins, he brought us to life.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: (John 3:16)

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ! God loved the world so much he gave us his only Son, that all who believe in him might have eternal life.

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

GOSPEL: (John 3:14-21)

God sent his Son into the world that we might be saved through him.

<u>Saturday 6:30pm</u>

Readers	Steve Randell, Ed Sianski
Ministers	Eva Hangan, Monica Sianski
Projector	Threesa K

Sunday 9:00am

Readers	Marie Anders, M Ogle
Ministers	Maureen Pangrazzi,
	Simone McManus

Sick Michael Hangan Tuesday **No Mass** 10:30am Melissa Philp **Projector** Wednesday 12:00 noon 6:30pm Sunday 4:30pm Thursday 9:15am Carlene Larkin, Melissa Brown **Readers** Rebecca Goss, Marj Smith **Ministers** Friday 12:00 noon 9:00am *Kerrie Morrisby* **Projector** Saturday 6:30pm Altar Polish Community 9:00am 10:45am Sunday Cleaning Kerrie Morrisby, Marj Smith 4:30pm David Devereux, Joe Higgins *Counters*