

St Therese of Lisieux Catholic Parish

Moonah-Lutana

St Therese of Lisieux Church

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

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31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A



FROM THE PASTOR

A PLEA FOR THE SOUL

It's hard to find your soulmate in someone who doesn't believe you have a soul.

Recently on *The Moth Radio Hour* a young woman shared the story of her breakup with her boyfriend, a young man for whom she had deep feelings. The problem was that she, a person with a deep faith, a Mormon, struggled with the radical materialism of her boyfriend. For him, there were no souls; the physical world was real, and nothing else. She kept asking him if he believed he had a soul. He couldn't make himself believe that. Eventually, not without a lot of heartache, they broke up. Why? In her words: *It's hard to find your soulmate in someone who doesn't believe you have a soul.*

Her frustration is becoming more universal. More and more our world is ignoring and denying the existence of soul, becoming soul-less. It wasn't always like this. Up until modern times, often it was the physical and the body that weren't properly honoured. But things have changed, radically.

It began with Darwin, who rooted our origins more in the history of our bodies than in the origins of our souls; it took more shape in the mechanistic philosophies of the last century, which understood both our universe and ourselves as physical machines; it became more firm as modern medicine and experimental psychology began more and more to explain the brain primarily in terms of carbon complexification and biochemical interactions; it seeped into our higher educational systems as we produced more and more technical schools rather than universities in the deeper sense; and it culminated in popular culture where love and sex are spoken of more in terms of chemistry than in terms of soul. It is not surprising that for most pop singers today the mantra is: *I want your body! I want your body!* We're a long ways from Shakespeare's marriage of true minds and Yeats' love of the pilgrim soul in you.

Religion of course has always lodged its protests against this but often its understanding of the soul was itself too narrow to have much power to lure a materialistic culture back into wanting to rediscover and listen to the soul. Ironically, it took a non-religious figure, Carl Jung, to speak of soul again in a way that is intellectually intriguing. And it was in the sick, the insane, the suicidal, and others whose lives were broken that Jung began to hear the cry of the soul (whose demands are sometimes very different from those of the body and whose needs are for much more than simple comfort and the prolonging of life).

FROM THE PASTOR

(CONTINUED)

Much of Jung's teaching and that of his followers can be seen as a protest for the soul. We see this, for example, in the writing of James Hillman. It's ironic that as an agnostic he was able to speak about the soul in ways that we, who are religious, might envy and emulate. Like Jung, he also drew many of his insights from listening to the soul cry out its meaning and pain through the voices of the sick, the insane, the broken, and the suicidal. Religion, medicine, and psychology, he believes, are not hearing the soul's cry. They're forever trying to fix the soul, cure the soul, or save the soul, rather than listening to the soul, which wants and needs neither to be fixed nor saved. It's already eternal. The soul needs to be heard, and heard in all its godly goodness and earthy complexes. And sometimes what it tells us goes against all common sense, medical practice, and the over-simplistic spiritualities we often present as religion.

To be more in touch with our souls we might examine an older language, the language that religion, poets, mythologists, and lovers used before today's dominant materialism turned our language about the soul into the language of chemistry and mechanism. We cannot understand the soul through any scientific description but only by looking at its behavior, its insatiability, its dissatisfactions, and its protests. A soul isn't explained, it's experienced, and soul experience always comes soaked in depth, in longing, in eros, in limit, in the feeling of being pilgrim in need of a soulmate.

Happily, even today, we still do spontaneously connect the soul to things beyond chemistry and mechanism. As Hillman points out: "We associate the word 'soul' with: mind, spirit, heart, life, warmth, humanness, personality, individuality, intentionality, essence, innermost, purpose, emotion, quality, virtue, morality, sin, wisdom, death, God. As well, we speak of a soul as 'troubled', 'old', 'disembodied', 'immortal', 'lost', 'innocent', 'inspired'. Eyes are said to be 'soulful', for the eyes are 'the mirror of the soul'; and one can be 'soul-less' by showing no mercy."

Soul-lessness: We understand the make-up of something best when we see it broken. So perhaps today we can best understand our soul-lessness in the growing acceptance of pornography and hook-up sex, where the soul is intentionally and necessarily excluded from what is meant to be the epitome of all soulful experience.

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In the Sacred Heart of Jesus
Fr Mark Hanns MSC

PARISH NOTICES

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.

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

Our Parish 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>

THINKING ABOUT BECOMING CATHOLIC?

You are invited to join a group of like-minded people, who are thinking about becoming Catholic. We meet most Thursday evenings in the Chapel in the Parish Centre at 7:00pm. If you are interested please see Fr Mark.

**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 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 this coming 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 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 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 or phone 0407704539. For more information visit 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. 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.

VERBUM DONINI BIBLICAL & CATE- CHETICAL INSTITUTE

The Verbum Domini Biblical & Catechetical Institute's next module of the **Sacraments** course will be on the biblical foundations of **Holy Orders & Matrimony. When:** Tuesday 14th and 21st November (Parts I and II), 6.30-9pm. **Where:** Murphy Room, Diocesan Centre, 35 Tower Rd, New Town. Cost: **FREE.** **Register:** christine.wood@aohtas.org.au or 6208-6236. Come even if you missed the previous modules. TCEO teachers received professional learning credits for attendance. All welcome and bring your bibles.

THE GREATEST AMONG YOU.....
(MAL 1:14-2:8-10; 1 THESS 2:7-9,13;
MT 23:10-12)

Recently there was a headline in a newspaper: Has our World gone mad? We seem to be faced with extremists. There are bombings of innocent people, snipers in cities and schools, murders in public buildings, shootings on a university campus, continual suicide bombings in Iraq and Afghanistan. Extremists of all kinds are appearing.

Jesus faces the extremists of his own day. He and the Pharisees enter into a harsh controversy. Jesus warns his followers: Listen to what they tell you but do not do what they do! "They do not practice what they preach." He questions the desire of these religious leaders to appear important and enjoy privileges in society. The Pharisees make practice of the law central to their lives. They consider that keeping the Law is a means of proving that they are true to the Covenant. Keeping the Law is itself a good thing; but the Pharisees go to extremes. They focus on minor points of the Law and fail "to see the wood for the trees." Thus their works become their god. Anyone who does not keep the Law to the letter is condemned. People are shackled by these extremists. Instead of freeing people, they are laying heavy burdens on people's backs that they cannot bear.

There is only one God (one Father, one teacher, one master) and all our direction comes from keeping God central. When our focus is right, then our relationships are right. God as centre leaves us servants – both of God and of one another. Keeping our focus on God does not allow us to seek honours and recognition. It allows us to serve God in one another. The surprise and good news is that when we keep our focus on God and serve one another, God exalts us!

Let's face it: We all need a little human recognition once in a while. We all need a

pat on the back. Jesus is not denying us these simple human niceties. He is telling us that seeking this cannot replace the real work at hand: keeping our eyes on God who lives in the ones we serve. Loving one another is loving God.

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STEWARDSHIP

"Whoever exalts himself will be humbled; but whoever humbles himself will be exalted." - **MATTHEW 23:12**

Jesus gave His life to serve, not to be served. Putting other's needs before our own needs is a sign of becoming a mature disciple, of following Jesus' example. Humility is really a sign of a strength. By putting other's needs first we declare to the world that we are putting our complete trust in God. When we align our thoughts and actions with God's plan for us, the result is Joy and Peace.

EMMANUEL SPIRITUALITY CENTRE

There has been speculation recently that the Emmanuel Spirituality Centre in Launceston is closing.

THIS IS NOT THE CASE!!

*From the end of 2017, the Sisters of St Joseph will no longer be managing the Centre, but Archbishop Porteous has invited members of a Brazilian Catholic Lay Community – **Palavra Viva** - to accept this role into the future. Six consecrated women will be arriving in Launceston in December to begin the transition, as well as undertaking other evangelisation roles. Josephites Sisters Jenny Scally and Caroline Duggan will remain in residence there as long as necessary to allow continuity and a smooth transition, and bookings for 2018 (and beyond) are going ahead as usual. We give thanks for the many blessings the Centre has brought to our community over its 30 years of operation, and look forward to its continuing Mission of "offering opportunities for prayer, personal growth and pastoral formation ... in an environment of peace, beauty, welcome and hospitality".*

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

Anniversaries

*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,
Aleksander Bidejowski, Win Manning,
Ray Voss, Gwen Kelly, Andrew Clifford,
Fr Kevin Graydon, Von Jenkins,
Zofia Jablonski, Augustyn Celny,
Arthur Manning.*

Recently Deceased

*Denise O'Rourke, Genowefa Pikula,
Bronwyn Bartniczak, Fr John Shalvey MSC,
John Prus.*

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TOWARDS HEALING HELPLINE:

Phone: 1800 356 613

TRUTH JUSTICE & HEALING

COUNCIL:

<http://www.tjhcouncil.org.au>

READINGS

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 practise what they preach.

MASS TIMES

Monday 6th to Sunday 12th November

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

READINGS/ROSTERS

11th / 12th November, 2017

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Let my prayer come into your presence.
Incline your ear to my cry for help, O Lord.

FIRST READING: (Wisdom 6:12 - 16)

Wisdom is found by those who look for it.

PSALM: (Psalm 62:2-8)

My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

SECOND READING: (1 Thessalonians 4:13 - 18)

Those who died as Christians, God will bring to
life with Jesus.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: (Matthew 24:42, 44)

Alleluia, alleluia!

Be watchful and ready:

you know not when the Son of Man is coming.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL: (Matthew 25:1 - 13)

Look, the bridegroom comes. Go out to meet
him.

Saturday 6:30pm

Readers Steve Randell,
Anne Thuringer
Ministers Ed & Monica Sianski
Projector Alec

Sunday 9:00am

Readers M Ogle, Phyllis Nicoll
Ministers Paul de Groot, B McManus
Sick Paul de Groot
Projector Eva Hangan

Sunday 4:30pm

Readers Colleen Rakowski,
Eva Hangan
Ministers Cameron Brown,
Carlene Larkin
Projector Kerrie Morrisby
Altar Bev White
Cleaning Kerrie Morrisby,
Marj Smith
Counters Goldie McGuinness,
Kerrie Morrisby