## St Therese of Lisieux Catholic Parish Moonah-Lutana

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

## Sunday 9th September, 2018 TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B

## FROM THE PASTOR

#### **HOLY COMMUNION**

Our children receive their first Holy Communion today. I remember receiving my First Holy Communion. I remember the practices which we had to exercise with precision. I remember the Sunday Missal I received as a present on the day. Opposing pages were printed in English and Latin. I believe it is still in the family possessions somewhere. We scrubbed up and wore our best white shirts, shorts and long socks. That photo depiction of innocence will also be in the family treasure house. The innocence itself underwent a metamorphosis into something that did not fully resemble it during the teenage years. Yet because of the formation in faith that I received from my parents, and the knowledge of Christ that I had with the formation for the reception of the Sacraments, whenever I veered from the straight and narrow path I always saw the signposts pointing me back toward it.

Our, my, understanding of the Sacraments was necessarily limited in childhood, but I had absolute certainty that Jesus Christ was living and present in the Sacrament of the altar, and that when I received Him in this Sacrament, He and I were one. That is still true. Yet there is more to appreciate in this mystery, for a mystery is something that continuously reveals itself, first a little, then more, and again more. This is a spiritual mystery, the mystery of God's own Self, so we can search and discover more and more, as if we are diving in the world's oceans discovering reefs, life-forms, species and colours beyond imagining. Unless we dive in, open our eyes, search, and gaze, we won't discover. The mystery of God is that ocean of discovery and awe-inspiring wonder. St Thomas Aquinas spent twenty years of his life pondering the mystery of God and writing his Summa Theologica, but on a night in December 1273 after celebrating Mass he experienced a mystical vision that shattered his entire aspirations. After that night he never wrote another word, and he died six months later. On his deathbed he is reported to have pointed to all of his books and said "After what I have experienced, all that is just straw." He experienced the encounter with God.

We enter this mystery when we enter into the Mass. Our focus and awareness is on the God who created the entire universe, whose Spirit gave birth to that original Big Bang or Flaring Forth that occurred in a trillionth of a second, whose Spirit is the energy in every electron encircling every atomic nucleus, and who brought each of us into existence, and whose life enables our hearts to beat and our minds to perceive and behold all around us, and is present to us here and now in this place, this moment.

## **FROM THE PASTOR**

#### (CONTINUED)

In the liturgy of the Word we recall the stories of the experiences of the Jewish people in the Hebrew Scriptures. The story of the Jewish nation is also our own personal, individual life experience. We can find ourselves there. The couple in the Garden of Eden seduced into doing what they know they should not...this is us with our own self-deceptions and guilt, self-justifications, and consequent loss of our inner peace. Then follows the blame game, "It wasn't my fault, it was the woman you put with me". We start talking like that in kindergarten. Those people enslaved in Egypt...this is a description of our own periods of time when we are not free in our relationships, not free of burdens, not free to be ourselves. Then comes deliverance, the Exodus, the Passover. God's words to Moses, "I have heard the cries of my people under their burdens, and I mean to set them free", is the pivotal intention of God for each one of us. In a moment of grace we are given a freedom that we haven't experienced before. The Covenant and the Commandments were the formation of the Hebrew people in the way of life that would guarantee their freedom. To be true to it would ensure they remained free. Betrayal and forgetfulness of it was the slide to destruction and loss of freedom. The prophets reminded them to remember their Covenant and live it. Sometimes the nation got it right. Most times they got it wrong.

Then, in the Gospels came Jesus who, at His Baptism, saw the vision that Moses grasped, yet more clearly, saw the panoramic vision of God for humanity, that God's love for each and every person was not conditional but absolute and infinite. Jesus lived the Jewish Covenant authentically and completely. Jesus opened Himself every day to the Father's grace, embodied it and lived this love in the service of justice for the dispossessed, compassion for the poor, mercy for sinners and a challenge to the powerful. When this challenge to the power of the oppressor for the sake of love was to cost Him His life, He gave that too, gave everything. On the Cross He displayed Infinite Love. Through the Cross, through death to His Resurrection He Passed Over from death to life, from slavery to freedom.

At the Last Supper and at this Eucharist He gives his Body, His Blood. When we eat this and drink this we become one with Him in His entire Self, His vision for humanity and for each one of us, His compassion, His passion for justice, His determination, His Spirit, His relationship with the Father, His love, His wisdom, His courage, His virtue, and His Self-Sacrifice, His Resurrection. We die with Him to all that is evil and rise with Him to all that is good, true and beautiful. Our False-Self dies and our True-Self rises in the Resurrection. We Pass Over with Him from all that enslaves us, to freedom, and from all that is deathly, to life with Him, now and forever.

In their First Holy Communion our children receive the entire person of Jesus, human and divine. In every Holy Communion from then on they grow more into becoming one with Him.

In His Divine and Human Heart

Fr Mark MSC

AND FOLLOW ME

## SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Please pray for our Parish children who are making their First Holy Communion **THIS** Sunday, 9th September 2018 at 9:00am. The Children are:

- · Clair Narlely
- Charlie Jones
- Heidi Stringer
- · Hser Gay Paw
- Tobiasz Kozlowski
- William Rodgers
- Owen Scott
- Jonah Stephens
- Hollie O'Neal

## EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is held each Friday after Mass until 5:00pm in the Parish Centre Chapel.

#### **LECTIO DIVINA**

On the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month Lectio Divina is held in the Ss Louis and Zelie Martin Parish Centre, Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Chapel from 10:00am until 11:30am. All are welcome.

#### **SILENT MEDITATION**

On 10th and 24th September, 8th & 22nd October, 5th & 19th November Silent Meditation will be held. Starting promptly at 2:15pm until 3:00pm. To book call 03 6247 1307. All are welcome.

#### **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.

#### **COMMUNITY ROOM LIBRARY**

The Community Room library is now available for borrowing (and returning) of books. All books have been stamped and a coloured dot will be added shortly. If you would like to borrow a book please record into the borrowing book with your name and phone number and when returning place a line through your entry.

#### MEMORIAL MASS FOR FR PETER WOOD

A Memorial Mass for Fr Peter Wood MSC, will be held on Monday 10th September 2018 at 7:00pm. All are welcome and a light supper will be served in the community Room immediately after the Mass.

#### **CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL**

You are all warmly welcome to our next Healing Mass on **Wednesday 12thSeptember** at St. Joseph's Church (side chapel) corner Macquarie/Harrington Streets in the city. Evening commences with Songs of Praise and Worship at 7.30 pm. There will be an anointing during the Mass and opportunity for personal prayer afterwards. Evening concludes around 9pm and supper for those who wish to stay. Enquiries: Di van Tienen 0447350379.

#### **SPRING HIGH TEA**

St. John the Baptist Catholic Parish Outreach committee is holding a Spring High Tea on the 15th September from 2:00pm – 4:30pm, in the Guilford Young College Glenorchy catering suite, \$15. Come and be tempted with delicious cakes, scones and pastries and hear Dr. Bridgette Watts share some of her experiences in Nepal. Silent auction, lucky door etc. All proceeds go to supporting students at Don Bosco Technical School, Biratnagar, Nepal. RSVP to <a href="mailto:phillipsfelecia@hotmail.com">phillipsfelecia@hotmail.com</a> or mobile 0447 887 512 by 8th September.

#### **IOHN WALLIS MEMORIAL LECTURE**

The 2018 John Wallis Memorial Lecture and supper will be held on Wednesday, 19th September at 7:00pm at Guilford Young College Hobart Campus Chapel. The theme is God, my family and other home truths. The guest speaker is Michael McGirr who is Dean of Faith at St Kevin's College, Melbourne and he is an essayist, reviewer, prize winning short story writer and teacher. Bookings are essential. To book contact Eva Dunn 0417 734 503 or email <a href="mailto:eva.dunn@gmail.com">eva.dunn@gmail.com</a>. A donation of \$10 or \$5 for concession card holders/students.

#### FR MARK ON HOLIDAYS

This is to advise that Fr Mark will be on holidays from Monday 1st October until Friday 2nd November, inclusive. During his absence we will have a number of visiting priests celebrating weekend Masses together with Fr Kaz celebrating the weekday Masses.

#### **SICK AND RETIRED PRIEST COLLECTION**

The Sick and Aged Priest's Fund was established to ensure that all diocesan priests incardinated into the Archdiocese of Hobart would receive adequate accommodation, health care and support needed in their retirement, or should they become ill. Retirement expenses are currently met by the Sick and Aged Priest's Fund via donations and bequests, and by priests themselves. There are no federal or state government grants to support clergy in retirement. Please give generously to the Sick and Aged Priest's Appeal next weekend.

#### **ST THERESE'S SCHOOL FAIR**

The St Therese's School Fair will be held (IN TWO WEEKS) after the 9:00am Mass 23rd of September, at 10am. On fair day the school/church car parks will be closed as some of the fair activities will occupy the car-parks. This will mean parking will only be available on the surrounding streets. The Fair Committee is seeking donations for any of the following: Jams chutneys, preserves (clearly listed with date made and list of ingredients), Plants - bunches Franklin Hall, South Hobart. Speakers of flowers or established pots, Second Hand goods - Bric-a-brac, clothes, dvds, books etc, Crafts - knitted, crochet or embroidered goods, anything handmade, Baked goods cakes, biscuits, cupcakes, muffins, scones, slices etc. Please include a full list of ingredients on your baked goods and please NO fresh cream. All donated items can be brought to the school either on Saturday 22nd between 9am-2pm or before Mass on Sunday the 23rd. We hope to see you there on the day.

#### **DIRECTED RETREAT AT MARYKNOLL**

This retreat is from 26th October to 4th November but each day is stand alone, so you may come for one day or as many days as you wish. The retreat will be led by Fr Peter Addicoat and Sr Margaret Henderson RMS. For a copy of the brochure please see the Archdiocesan website or contact Margaret on 0418 366 923 or mm.henderson@bigpond.com.

#### **PALMS AUSTRALIA**

More to mission than meats the eye! Right now, a Butcher is needed in Madang, Papua New Guinea; Meat this challenge: contact Christine on 02 9560 5333. For more opportunities, visit www.palms.org.au/volunteer. Can't commit just yet? Check out www.palms.org.au/encounters.

#### **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 May 26th to May 31st 2019. To request an application contact Anne by emailing info@grieftograceaus.org.au or phone 0478599241. For more information visit www.grieftograce.org

#### **MATRIMONIUM SUMMER SCHOOL**

A deep dive into God's plan for sexuality and marriage for young adults. Monday, 21st January to Friday, 25th January 2019, at Jane include Professor Tracey Rowland, Dr Kevin Donnelly and Anna Krohn. For more information call Ben Smith on 03 6208 6036

#### **WEEKLY COLLECTION**

**Envelopes:** \$ 1,262.00

721.60 Loose:

**TOTAL:** 1,983.60

**Week's Budget Collections:** 

<u>\$ 2,538.00</u>

554.40 **LOSS** 

Thank You!

#### **STEWARDSHIP**

"Did not God choose those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom that he promised to those who love him?" JAMES 2:5

What is more important – being rich in faith or rich in possessions? Society teaches us that possessions are most important. God teaches a different lesson. When we are rich in faith, we keep God first in all things and realise that material things really don't matter and that it's more important to share with those who have less.



#### **PLENARY COUNCIL 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.

#### **THE PRICE OF DISCIPLESHIP** (Is 30:5-9; Jas 2:14-18; Mk 8:27-35)

Jesus asks the crucial question: Who do people say I am? Then he asks his disciples directly: Who do you say I am? Peter answers simply: You are the Christ. Can you join Peter in giving this answer? Can you accept that Jesus is the answer to our dreams and hopes, the one who expresses our ideals and teaches us about love and life, freedom and prayer, about God and ourselves. If we can answer with Peter, then we are ready to move on and become disciples.

Jesus then taught the disciples what it meant for him to be the Christ, the Son of Man. That the Messiah must suffer is based on the figure in the prophet Daniel (c.7) and also on the Suffering Servant of Isaiah (52-53). In this he fulfilled the prophetic pattern of the Old Testament.

Peter failed to understand what Jesus was saying. He reprimanded Peter. Jesus turns on Peter and rebukes him sternly: Get behind me, Satan! Jesus can use this title for Peter because Peter is expressing the central temptation Jesus faced. It was not a rejection of Peter. It was a very definite way of saying: You are expressing the very thing that would take me away from the Father's will.

Peter's way of thinking is perfectly understandable in human terms. However Jesus is going beyond the human to the divine realm. Jesus wanted Peter to follow in his own footsteps and not to try to lead him away from God's plan no matter how difficult that plan is to accept and to understand.

Jesus calls the crowd and his disciples. 'If anyone wants to become my follower, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me.' The word 'self' can be taken in two ways. Jesus has the deepest respect for the human self. If you want to keep that human self intact, then you will have to give up another part of yourself, the self that is focused on itself, that is afraid to let go and give itself way to the demands of love. It is like a seed that will not submit itself to the earth to bring forth life. Noel Mansfield, msc ©



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## LET US PRAY FOR The Sick

Thanh Huynh, Shirley Lehner, Susan Wilson, Fr Peter Nicholls, Josh Stokes, Lise Levaque, Mary Hughes, Drina Paradzik, Olga Woods, Jay Jennings, Tony Dalton, Elsa Bazan, Bev Murray, Kayden Edwards, Marian Zieba, Marie Morrisby, Lorna Brazendale, Leo Manning, Felicity Matthews, Marie Knight, Alicia Stroud, Marian Simpson.

#### **Anniversaries**

Fr Robert Dando, Charles M. Walters, Sabatino Porretta, Kathleen J. Triffitt, Stanley John Halton, Fr John McManus, Jack Virth, Jean Marie Scanlon, Ilona Toth, Gail Sportelli, Mollie Ryan, Terence Tuttle, Fr George Taylor, Luca Sportelli, Francis Malone, Jadwiga Wasilewski, Jack Maywood, Patricia O'Keeffe, Jane Robinson, Freda Allen, Josef Korytkowski, John Edward Coad, Fr Patrick McGuane, Elsie Mackie, Ludwig Kopanski, Antoni Pogorzelski, Maria de Groot, Virginia Hills, Jack de Groot, Margaret Cashion, Antinio Gabriel, Mary Jean Davey, Rosalie Armstrong, Alfred Monaghan, Audrey Lyons, Priscilla Celia Gabriel Salas, Allenby James Salter, Fr Henry Reid, John R. Nolan, Vera Madej, Robert Malm, John Manning, Victoria Cabiladas Gabriel, Mary Mary (Mollie) Miller, Marie Therese Coad, Brian Larkin, Nancy Duggan, Iris R. Boucher, Bronislawa Konopielko.

#### Recently Deceased

Fr Peter Wood MSC

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#### **RECONCILIATION:**

Saturday 11:00am-11:30am

#### **BAPTISMS AND MARRIAGES:**

By appointment

#### **ARCHDIOCESAN WEBSITE:**

www.hobart.catholic.org.au

#### **TOWARDS HEALING HELPLINE:**

Phone: 1800 356 613

## TRUTH JUSTICE & HEALING COUNCIL:

http://www.tjhcouncil.org.au

#### **PLENARY COUNCIL:**

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

#### **READINGS**

#### 9th September, 2018 Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

#### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:**

You are just, O Lord, and your judgement is right; treat your servant in accord with your merciful love.

#### FIRST READING: (Isaiah 35:4-7)

Then the ears of the deaf shall be opened and the tongues of the dumb speak.

**PSALM:** (Psalm 145:7-10) Praise the Lord, my soul!

#### **SECOND READING:** (James 2:1-5)

Has not God chosen the poor of the world to inherit the kingdom?

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom and healed all who were sick.

Alleluia!

**GOSPEL:** (Mark 7:31-37)

He makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak.

#### **MASS TIMES**

### Monday 10th to Sunday 16th September

<u>2018</u>		
	English	Polish
Monday	9:15am	
Tuesday	No Mass	9:00am
Wednesday	12:00 noon	
Thursday	9:15am	6:30pm
Friday	12:00 noon	9:00am
Saturday	6:30pm	
Sunday	9:00am 4:30pm	10:45am

#### **READINGS/ROSTERS**

#### 16th September, 2018 Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

#### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:**

Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you, that your prophets be found true.

Hear the prayers of your servant, and of your people Israel.

#### FIRST READING: (Isaiah 50:5-9)

I gave my body to those who struck me.

#### **PSALM**: (Psalm 114:1-6, 8-9)

I will walk in the presence of the Lord, in the land of the living.

#### **SECOND READING:** (James 2:14-18)

Faith without good works is dead.

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Alleluia, alleluia!

My only glory is the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, which crucifies the world to me and me to the world.

Alleluia!

#### **GOSPEL:** (Mark 8:27-35)

You are the Christ ... the Son of Man was destined to suffer much.

#### Saturday 6:30pm

**Readers** Threesa K, Debbie Large **Ministers** Ed & Monica Sianski

**Projector** Alec Avellana

#### Sunday 9:00am

ReadersMelissa Philp, Marie AndersMinistersMarty Ogle, Maureen PangrazziSickMaureen Pangrazzi

**Projector** Izak Hangan

#### <u>Sunday 4:30pm</u>

**Counters** 

ReadersCarlene Larkin, Peter FlintMinistersKerrie Morrisby, Melissa BrownProjectorEva HanganAltarSruthi Pallissery & Lizy PalsseryCleaningKerrie Morrisby, Marj Smith

Michael & Eva Hangan