

St Therese of Lisieux Catholic Parish



Moonah-Lutana

St Therese of Lisieux Church

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

Sunday, 10th November, 2019

32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C

*ST THERESE OF LISIEUX CATHOLIC PARISH MOONAH LUTANA
IS COMMITTED TO PROVIDING A SAFE AND NURTURING CULTURE
FOR ALL PEOPLE IN OUR PARISH.*

THE ANTHROPOLOGICAL FUNCTION OF GOSSIP

In his novel, OSCAR AND LUCINDA, Peter Carey, offers this colourful image of gossip. In a small town there are rumours about the priest and a particular young woman. Here's the image:

“The vicar of Woolahra then took her shopping and Society, always feeling shopping to be the most intimate activity, was pleased to feel the steam pressure rising in itself as it got ready to be properly scandalised – its pipes groaned and stretched, you could hear the noises in its walls and cellars. They imagined he paid for her finery. When they heard this was not so, that the girl had sovereigns in her purse – enough, it was reported, to buy the priest a pair of onyx cufflinks – the pressure did not fall, but stayed constant, so that while it did not reach the stage where the outrage was hissing out through the open valves, it maintained a good rumble, a lower note which sounded like a growl in the throat of a smallish dog.”

Wonderful! Gossip does resemble steam hissing from a radiator or the growl of a small dog. And yet it's so important. We form community around it. How so?

Take this example: Imagine going out for dinner with a group of colleagues. While there isn't overt hostility among you, there are clear differences and tensions. You wouldn't naturally choose go out to dinner together, but you've been thrown together by circumstance and are trying to make the best of it.

And so you have dinner together and things are quite pleasant really. There's harmony, banter, and humour at the table. How do you manage to get on so well, despite and beyond differences? By talking about somebody else! Much of the time is spent talking about others whose faults, eccentricities, and shortcomings we all agree upon. Alternatively, we talk about shared indignations. We end up having an harmonious time together because we talk about someone or something else whose difference from us is greater than our difference, at least at that moment, from each other. Of course, you're afraid to go to the bathroom because you already know whom they will be talking about when you get up from the table! Your fear is well-founded.

Until we reach a certain level of maturity, we form community largely around scapegoating, that is, we overcome our differences and tensions by focussing on someone or something about whom or which we share a common distancing, indignation, ridicule, anger, or jealousy. That's the anthropological function of gossip – and a very important one it is. We overcome our differences and tensions by scapegoating someone or something. That's why it's easier to form community against something rather than around something and why it's easier to define ourselves more by what we are against than by what we are for.

Ancient cultures knew this and designed certain rituals precisely to take tension out of the community by scapegoating. For example, at the time of Jesus within the Jewish community a ritual existed that essentially worked this way: At regular intervals the community would take a goat and symbolically invest it with the tensions and divisions of the community. Among other things, they would clothe it with a purple drape and put a crown of thorns on its head as a sign of their sins. (Notice how Jesus is vested in exactly these symbols when Pilate shows him to the crowd: "Ecco homo ... Behold your scapegoat!") The goat was then chased off to die in the desert. Its leaving the community was understood as taking the sin and tension away and the community was seen to be washed clean by its blood (as we are "in the blood of the lamb".)

Jesus is our scapegoat. He takes away our sin and division. How? He takes away our sins by taking them in, carrying them, and transforming them so as not to give them back in kind. Jesus takes away the sin of the world in the same way as a water-filter purifies, by holding the impurities within itself and giving back only what's pure.

Jesus took away the sin of the world this way: He took in hatred and gave back love; he took in curses and gave back blessing; he took in bitterness and gave back graciousness; he took in jealousy and gave back understanding; and he took in murder and gave back forgiveness. By absorbing our sin, differences, and jealousies, he did for us what we, in a less mature and less effective way, try to do when we crucify each other through gossip.

And that's his invitation to us: As adult women and men we are invited to step up and do what Jesus did, take in the differences and jealousies around us, hold them, and transform them so as not to give them back in kind.

Only then won't we need scapegoats any more. And only then will the steam-pipes of gossip cease hissing and the low growl of that smallish dog inside us be silent.

Fr Ron Rolheiser, OMI ©

In the Heart of Jesus

Fr Mark Hanns MSC

NOTICES

COLLECTION FOR PETER'S PENCE

Next weekend the Archdiocesan collection for Education of Future Priests will be held. Envelopes will be located on the pews and can be placed into the collection baskets next weekend. This collection assists fund the training and education of seminarians on their journey to the priesthood. The cost for each Seminarian is approx. \$45,000 per annum.

NOTICES

PREPARING TO CELEBRATE FIRST RECONCILIATION

The time for preparing our children to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation has commenced. Please pray for our Parish children who are preparing for First Reconciliation on Monday, 2nd December 2019 at 6:30pm. The dates for preparation meetings are:

- **Presentation to the parish** - Sunday, 10th November, Mass, 9:00am. This will be followed by the **First Workshop**, for Parents and Children in the Parish Centre.
- Sunday, 17th November, Mass, 9:00am. This will be followed by the **Second Workshop**, for Parents and Children in the Parish Centre.
- Sunday, 24th November, Mass, 9:00am.
- Sunday, 1st December, Mass, 9:00am. This will be followed by the **Third Workshop**, for Parents and Children in the Parish Centre.
- **First Reconciliation**, Thursday, 2nd December, at 6:30pm, for Parents, Candidates and Family.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS HAMPERS

The St Therese's Conference St Vincent de Paul is seeking donations for food items for the 2019 Christmas Hampers. A listing of items is available in the Church foyer and can be placed into the hampers in the church foyer. Items can be donated up to Sunday, 15th December.

LEAVING COLLECTION

Donations continue to assist the family of 6 children orphaned by the death of their mother. We have raised \$2,377.95 to assist the family. The children's family is seeking to obtain visas for the children to relocate to Australia, these cost over \$1,200.00 per child. A basket is near the church entry.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL ASSIST-A-STUDENT

St Vincent de Paul Assist-a-Student is an education program aimed at breaking the cycle of poverty. If you are able to assist please see the brochures available in the church foyer.

PARISH SUBSCRIPTION TO 'FORMED'

We're pleased to announce the availability of 'FORMED', an online service for accessing thousands of Catholic videos, audios and ebooks On Demand anytime, anywhere! As a parishioner, you will have access to entertaining movies, inspiring audio talks, informative bible studies, and much more. We are providing this resource free of charge to help our parishioners learn and grow in their faith. You will be able to easily access any featured content that we are promoting within our parish community from time to time. So please join us. Also once you have signed up, don't forget to download the free iOS or Android app to put 'FORMED' at your fingertips. We hope you will enjoy this incredible gift and please spread the word to others. To sign up for FREE, just visit us here: <https://stthereseemoonahlutana.formed.org> then click "Register now" and follow the prompts for your own access to all 'FORMED' content on demand. If any parishioner has a personal 'FORMED' account, you might consider cancelling it, using the parish one and donating what you save towards the parish account. If you have any issue please text or call Deacon Michael on 0438 243 533.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is held each Friday after the 12 noon Mass until 4:00pm in Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Chapel in the Parish Centre.

ST THERESE'S CRAFT GROUP

The Craft group last date for 2019 is the

18th November. The group normally meets on a Monday, every fortnight from 1pm to 3pm in the Church Community Room. A shared afternoon tea is held, so bring a plate to share. All are welcome to come along.

ST JOHN PAUL II DISPLAY

A display featuring the life of St John Paul II in the Community Room of the Church for the next week. The display is titled ***Pope John Paul II, Poland's Gift to the World.*** The display was created at the John Paul II University of Lublin, in Poland where he was a Professor in his earlier life. The display has been made available to Tasmania from the Polish Embassy in Canberra through the Consul for Poland in Tasmania.

NOVEMBER MASS OFFERINGS

Offerings for the Souls of the Faithful Departed can still be made. In the foyer are "Mass Offering" envelopes. If you would like a Mass to be offered for someone please complete and add to the normal collections.

PARISH MEMORIAL BOOK

Our Parish Memorial Book is about to be updated. If you wish for your loved ones or family members to be included please give these to Deacon Michael, before the 20th January.

COMMUNITY ROOM LIBRARY

The Community Room library is available for borrowing (and returning) of books. All books have been stamped and a coloured dot. 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. We unfortunately don't require any more books for the library at this point in time, Thank You.

2020 ST COLUMBAN ART CALENDAR

The 2020 St Columban Art Calendar is available for sale at the Piety Shop.

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL POOR BOX

In the foyer of the Church is located the

Saint Vincent de Paul poor box. All monies added to the poor box go directly to those who need assistance within the St Therese's Conference area.

PIETY SHOP

To the left of the statue of Saint Therese in the Church foyer, is located the Parish Piety Shop. The Piety Shop sells a range of cards, birthday, baptism, confirmation etc. and other religious items. All proceeds go to Saint Vincent de Paul.

CATHOLIC STANDARD

The latest edition of the Catholic Standard is available in the Church foyer. This editions **Highlights include:**

- For the love of John Paul II
- Embracing Marian devotion
- Tasmania linked to global faith summit
- St Brigid's Catholic School - Students put faith into action with care packs
- Catholic Education Tasmania Executive Director John Mula tenders resignation
- Supportive and community atmosphere at Blueline Laundry
- Tasmanians encouraged to travel to Toowoomba for Mission School
- Parish support for mental illness
- Knights celebrate national 100 year milestone
- November dedicated to drought prayer
- Library turns a page in its history
- Stitching together a fulfilling life of family, friends and faith - Win Mahoney

CAROLS ON THE HILL

Would you like to be part of bringing the spirit of Christmas to Hobart this Christmas? We are looking for volunteers for the annual *Carols on the Hill*. This will be taking place on Saturday, 21st December at Guildford Young College, Hobart. Roles include: making decorations, event setup, and ticket collection. Please contact Ella Tobin via ella.tobin@aohtas.org.au or 0468 601 517 by Friday, 15th November.

ROOM TO RENT MOONAH

Maria Luu has a room to rent at 96 Albert Road, Moonah. If you know someone who might be interested call Maria on 0409 496 278.

PARTICIPATION OF WOMEN IN THE CHURCH

PPC wishes to keep you informed of organisations representing Catholic Women in the Church. The Office for Participation of Women in the Church has a monthly newsletter for which you can register.

Details can be found at <https://www.opw.catholic.org.au/newsletter/from-the-office>. This is in addition to "Catholic Women Speak", who are seeking to bring Catholic women's voices into dialogue with others in the Catholic Church.

Their details are at:

www.catholicwomenspeak.com.

"SUMMER IN THE FOREST" DVD

The recently shown film "Summer in the Forest" discovering Jean Vanier's life work, will be available on DVD for purchase shortly. The DVD will cost \$25.00 plus postage and handling and an order form is in the Church foyer.

13 DAY PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY

Fr Brian Nichols will be leading a Harvest Journeys tour of places of religious significance including Rome, Montecassino, Pietrelcina, San Giovanni Rotondo, Monte Sant' Angelo, Lanciano, Loreto, Assisi, Siena and Florence. The tour departs on 18th May 2020. The cost per person will be in the range of \$5,000 to \$6,000. For full details, contact Sandy Bay Parish or email:

sandybay@aohtas.org.au.

MOVIE "UNPLANNED"

Due to the successful screenings of "Unplanned" last month, Moana Muller has arranged for three more screenings at Village cinema, Eastlands. This movie was screened in the USA earlier this year and had great success in unmasking the abortion industry's strategies, and most importantly, in changing people's hearts about abortion. "Unplanned" depicts the inspiring true story of one woman's journey of transformation. All Abby Johnson ever wanted to do was help women. As one of the youngest Planned Parenthood clinic directors in the nation, she was involved in upwards of 22,000 abortions and counselled countless women about their reproductive choices. Her passion surrounding a woman's right to choose even led her to become a spokesperson for Planned Parenthood, fighting to enact legislation for the cause she so deeply believed in. Until the day she saw something that changed everything. The movie will be screened on **Fridays 15th, 22nd and 29th November at 7pm**. Click on the links below to purchase your tickets (on the website, you will see "Buy a ticket NOW" on the left hand side in orange).

These are the dates for the screenings:
Friday 15th November - Village Cinemas, Eastlands @ 7pm <https://fan-force.com/screenings/unplanned-village-cinemas-eastlands-3/>

Friday 22nd November - Village Cinemas, Eastlands @ 7pm <https://fan-force.com/screenings/unplanned-village-cinemas-eastlands-5/>

Friday 29th November - Village Cinemas, Eastlands @ 7pm <https://fan-force.com/screenings/unplanned-village-cinemas-eastlands-4/>.

For further information about these three screenings, please contact Moana Muller on 0476 030 535 or email tasmuller@gmail.com.

ARCHDIOCESAN ENTRY IN THE 2019 MYER HOBART CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

The Archdiocese of Hobart would like to invite children and their parents/guardians (optional) to be a part of our walking nativity scene in the 2019 Myer Hobart Christmas Pageant on Saturday, 16th November. Participants are required from 9 am – 12pm. Children are given the choice to dress up as either an angel, shepherd or sheep. To register your interest please contact Ben Smith on ben.smith@aohtas.org.au or 6208 6036.

BOOK LAUNCH - MISSIONARY SISTERS OF SERVICE (MSS)

You are invited to the book launch "Dear Mother Dear Father" letters home from Fr John Corcoran Wallis 1927-1949. The launch will be held on Tuesday, 19th November 2019 at 6:00pm for 6:30pm start. At St Mary's Cathedral Centre 3rd Floor, 164 Harrington Street Hobart. The launch will be by Emeritus Archbishop Adrian Doyle. RSVP by Friday, 15th November by phone 03 9873 5520 or email mssadmin@missionarysisters.org.au. For further information see the notice in the Church foyer.

MELI MELO CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Come and enjoy a varied program of Christmas, folk and classical music including

soloists, choirs and an Alpine and French Horn ensemble presented by the Meli Melo choir. Where: St. John the Baptist Church, Bowden Street, Glenorchy. When: 2.00pm. on Saturday, 30th November. Entry by donation includes afternoon tea. All proceeds go to support students at the Don Bosco Technical School, Biratnager, Nepal. Contact Jo on 0419 510 014.

IMMACULATA MISSION SCHOOL 2020

The Immaculate Mission School 2020 is a ten day live-in formation school for young people, with talks on the faith from awesome speakers, daily Mass & prayer, Eucharistic Adoration, praise & worship, fun & fellowship & lots more! From 1st -10th January, 2020, at The Glennie School, Toowoomba. It is open to 15-35 year olds. Speakers include: Dr Ralph Martin (USA), Professor of Sacred Theology, international speaker on evangelisation and the spiritual life. Dr Martin is a consultant to the Pontifical Council for the New Evangelisation, Archbishop Julian Porteous, Vince Fitzwilliams, James Parker, Jess Leach, Paul Elarde, Sisters of the Immaculata & more. The cost is \$390 (cost includes all accommodation, food, speakers and activities) before 18th November, \$450 after 18 November. **For more info or to register:** www.sistersoftheimmaculata.org.au/ims or 0406 372 608.

STEWARDSHIP

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Envelopes:	\$ 1,260.60
Loose:	\$ 1,202.05
TOTAL:	\$ 2,462.65

Week's Pledged Collections:
\$ 2,538.00

Difference **-\$ 75.35**

Thank You!

"May our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who has loved us and given us everlasting encouragement and good hope through his grace, encourage your hearts and strengthen them in every good deed and word." (2 Thessalonians 2:16-17)

There are two important lessons here. First, we are called to be generous with our encouragement and hope. As God shows us mercy, we must be merciful to others. Second, joy is contagious! The joy we receive from doing good works not only strengthens us, it encourages others as well. Share the joy of living your faith whenever you can.

LET US PRAY FOR

The Sick

Thanh Huynh, Shirley Lehner, Olga Woods, Susan Wilson, Lise Levaque, Mary Hughes, Drina Paradzik, Jay Jennings, Tony Dalton, Elsa Bazan, Bev Murray, Kayden Edwards, Lorna Brazendale, Leo Manning, Jan Grubb, Alicia Stroud, Aileen Jones, Paddi McDonald, Peter van Loggerenberg, Chris Poulson, Joe Higgins, Gracie Manson.

Anniversaries

Michal Wilczynski, Ila Weaving, Adam Krasnicki, Barbara Therese Rakowski, Amy Elizabeth Rose, Rogelio Gabriel, Walter Gamble, George Harrison, Lionel J. Ford, Mary Margaret Watson, Fr Patrick Fanning, Franciszek Czernkowski, Diane Radcliffe, Stefan Chrost (Jnr), Genowefa Pikula, Brian Sertori, Ellen Deacon, Bridget Monaghan, Donato Brighella, William Thomas Hangan, Anna Puzinowski, Nellie Curtin, Maria Adamus, Eugeniusz Pikula, Fr Albert Cuneo, Br Denis Phillips cf, Yvonne Kay Contencin, John Henry Imlach, Leonard Haney, Piotr Czechowski, Fr Thomas O'Loughlin, Stuart George Smith, Lachlan O'Keefe, Monica Haley, Roman Raszdorf, Matthew Grubb, Harril George Watson, Marie Beckitt, James William Monaghan, Kevin Baker, William Henry Hinds, John Aiken, Eileen Hardinge, James Malcom Monaghan, Dennis Cashion, Istuan Ferencz, Stanislaw Wojtowicz, Darrekk Baldock, Jan Rodziewicz.

Recently Deceased

Lena Trzeciak, Shirley Gamble, Don Ryan Snr, Peter Imlach.

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RECONCILIATION:

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

SEXUAL ASSAULT SERVICE:

Phone: 03 6231 1811 (Day) (Hobart) or
1800 697 877 (24/7)

03 6334 2740 (Day) (Launceston)

PLENARY COUNCIL:

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

READINGS

9th/10th November, 2019

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: (Cf. Psalm 87:3)

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

FIRST READING: (2 Maccabees 7:1-2, 9-14)

The king of the world will receive us into life eternal at the resurrection.

PSALM: (Psalm 16:1, 5-6, 8, 15)

Lord, when your glory appears,
my joy will be full.

SECOND READING: (2 Thessalonians 2:16-3:5)

May the Lord strengthen you in everything good that you do or say.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: (Revelation 1:5, 6)

Alleluia!, Alleluia!

Jesus Christ is the firstborn of the dead;
glory and kingship be his for ever and ever.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL: (Luke 20:27-38)

He is not a God of the dead but of the living.

READINGS/ROSTERS

16th/17th November, 2019

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: (Jeremiah 29:11, 12, 14)

The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction.

You will call upon me, and I will answer you,
and I will lead back your captives from every place.

FIRST READING: (Malachi 3:19-20)

The sun of righteousness will shine on you.

PSALM: (Psalm 97:5-9)

The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.

SECOND READING: (2 Thessalonians 3:7-12)

Do not give anyone food who refuses to work.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: (Luke 21:38)

Alleluia!, Alleluia!

Lift up your heads and see;
your redemption is near at hand.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL: (Luke 21:5-9)

Your endurance will win you your life.

Saturday 6:30pm

Readers Ed Sianski, Margaret Henderson

Ministers Gerry McGushin, Monica Sianski

Projector Anne Thuringer

Sunday 9:00am

Readers Brendan McManus, Eva Hangan

Ministers Fadi Elbarbar, Phyllis Nicoll

Sick Paul de Groot

Projector Maureen Pangrazzi

Sunday 4:30pm

Readers Kerrie Morrisby, John Kitt

Ministers Rexine & Gerard Synnott

Projector Daniel Duharte

Altar Polish Community

Cleaning Maree Triffett

*Counters Goldie McGuinness &
Kerrie Morrisby*

MASS TIMES

Monday 11th to Sunday 17th November
2019

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