

St Therese of Lisieux Catholic Parish



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St Therese of Lisieux Church

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

Sunday, 19th May, 2019

5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER - YEAR C

FROM THE PASTOR

LISTENING TO CHRIST'S HEARTBEAT

The last supper account in John's gospel gives us a wonderful mystical image. The evangelist describes the beloved disciple as reclining on the breast of Jesus. What's contained in this image? A number of things:

First, when you put your head upon someone else's chest, your ear is just above that person's heart and you are able to hear his or her heartbeat. Hence, in John's image, we see the beloved disciple with his ear on Jesus' heart, hearing Jesus' heartbeat, and from that perspective looking out into the world. This is John's ultimate image for discipleship: The ideal disciple is the one who is attuned to Christ's heartbeat and sees the world with that sound in his or her ear.

Then there is a second level to the image: It is an icon of peace, a child at its mother's breast, contented, satiated, calm, free of tension, not wanting to be anywhere else. This is an image of primal intimacy, of symbiotic oneness, a connection deeper than romantic love.

And for John, it is also a Eucharistic image. What we see in this image of a person with his ear on Jesus' heart, is how John wants us to imagine ourselves when we are at Eucharist because, ultimately, that is what the Eucharist is, a physical reclining on the breast of Christ. In the Eucharist, Jesus gives us, physically, a breast to lean on, to nurture at, to feel safe and secure at, and from which to see the world.

Finally, this is also an image of how we should touch God and be sustained by him in solitude.

Henri Nouwen once said: "By touching the centre of our solitude, we sense that we have been touched by loving hands." Deep inside each of us, like a brand, there is a place where God has touched, caressed, and kissed us. Long before memory, long before we ever remember touching or loving or kissing anyone or anything, or being touched by anything or anybody in this world, there is a different kind of memory, the memory of being gently touched by loving hands. When our ear is pressed to God's heart – to the breast of all that is good, true, and beautiful – we hear a certain heartbeat and we remember, remember in some inchoate place, at a level beyond thought, that we were once gently kissed by God.

Archetypally this is what's deepest within us. There is an ancient legend which holds that when an infant is created God kisses its soul and sings to it. As its guardian angel carries it to earth to join its body, she also sings to it. The legend says that God's kiss and his song, as well as the song of the angel, remain in that soul forever – to be called up, cherished, shared, and to become the basis of all of our songs.

But to feel that kiss, to hear that song, requires solitude. You do not feel gentleness when inside of you and all around you there is noise, abrasiveness, anger, bitterness, jealousy, competitiveness, and paranoia. The sound of God's heartbeat is audible only in a certain solitude and in the gentleness it brings. John of the Cross once defined solitude as "bringing the mild into harmony with the mild". That was his way of saying that we will begin to remember the primordial touch of God when, through solitude, we empty our hearts of all that is not mild, namely, noise, anger, bitterness, and jealousy. When we become mild we will remember that we have been touched by loving hands and, like the beloved disciple, we will then have our ear to the heartbeat of Christ.

Thus, inside each of us there is a church, an oratory, a place of worship, a sanctuary not made by human hands. And it is a gentle place, a virgin place, a holy place, a place where there is no anger, no sense of being cheated, no need to be competitive, and no need to be restless. It is a soft place; but it can be violated, through a giving of oneself that does not respect oneself, and, especially, through lying and rationalising and the cauterisation, warping, and hardening of heart that follows upon that. Conversely, though, it is also a place that can remain inviolate, sacred, and untouched, even when abused and violated.

It is in that place, entered into through solitude and gentleness of spirit, that we have a privileged access to God because that is the place where God has already touched us and where we, however dimly, remember that.

We were once touched by hands far gentler and more loving than our own. The memory of that touch is a brand – warm, dark, gentle. To enter that memory is to lean on the breast of Christ, just as the beloved apostle did at the last supper. From that place, with our ear on Christ's heart, we have the truest perspective on our world.

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In the Heart of Jesus

Fr Mark Hanns MSC

PRAYERFUL CENTRING

Church as a community is central to who we are, so it is a good thing to get re-connected to each other at church. Church is also a praying community, so it is a spiritually helpful practice to prepare for the beginning of Mass in a way that focuses and centres us for the sacrament we are about to enter into. Thus, I thought we could introduce a brief time of prayer and silence before the Mass begins. We will begin it with a spoken prayer led by a member of the congregation, followed by a minute or two of silence before the entrance procession.

Many people do this now, but they are surrounded by much conversation. This will allow us to become centred and to also be mindful of others who are praying. We'll begin this after Easter.

Whenever we are in the body of the church, let us be mindful to maintain this reverent quietness, not suppressing all conversation but keeping it to a very low volume, so others can pray.

Fr Mark

NOTICES

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION CONFIRMATION

Sacramental preparation for Confirmation has commenced. Please pray for our Parish children who are preparing for Confirmation on Sunday, 2nd June 2019 at 9:00am. The dates for preparation meetings are:

- **Presentation of Creed - THIS** Sunday, 19th May, Mass, 9:00am. Candidates will be presented with the Creed during Mass. This will be followed by the **Second Workshop**, for Parents and Children in the Parish Centre.
- **Practice & Archbishop's Visit - NEXT** Thursday, 23rd May, 5:45pm, **Practice for Confirmation in Church**, for Parents, Candidates and Sponsors. **Visit of Archbishop Julian**, 6:30pm in Church, with Parents, Candidates and Sponsors.
- **Mass - NEXT** Sunday, 26th May, Mass, 9:00am. This will be followed by the **Third Workshop**, for Parents and Children in the Parish Centre.
- **Confirmation with Mass**, Sunday, 2nd June, at 9:00am, for Parents, Candidates, Sponsors and Family.

LEAVING COLLECTION

Over the next few weekends we will continue to hold a leaving collection to assist the family of 6 children left orphaned by the sudden death of their mother. All funds raised will be made available to the family.

FEAST OF THE SACRED HEART

PPC is seeking interested parishioners to work together to prepare for the Feast of the Sacred Heart, which is celebrated on Friday, 28th – Sunday, 30th June. If you are interested please add your names to the sheet in the foyer.

PLANNED GIVING

The Parish is in the process of preparing to re-order for the new planned giving year. If you wish to be added to this list please complete the registration form in the foyer and return in the weekend collections.

PARTICIPATION OF WOMEN IN THE CHURCH

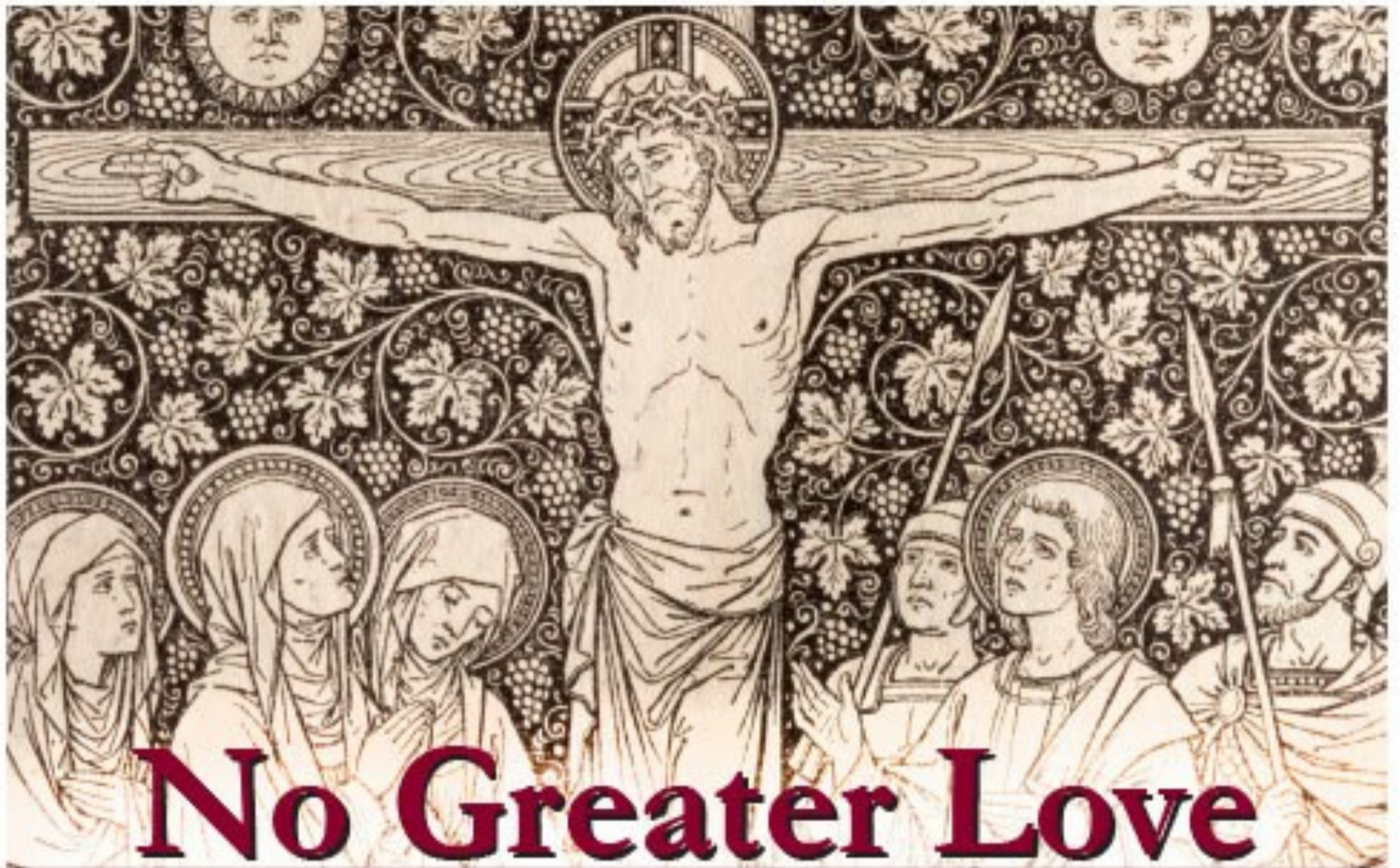
PPC wishes to inform parishioners of an organisation "Catholic Women Speak", seeking to bring Catholic women's voices into dialogue with others in the Catholic Church, with those in other churches and religious traditions, and with wider society, in order to participate in a deeper, richer understanding of the Catholic tradition and its relevance for our times. More details can be found at www.catholicwomenspeak.com

MEDITATION DAY

The next Meditation Day at Maryknoll will be on Friday, 31st May 2019, 9:30 until 3:00p.m. Please bring lunch to share. If able to attend please contact Marion on marion.ramsay6@bigpond.com.

ST THERESE'S CRAFT GROUP

The Craft group dates for remainder of 2019 are as follows:- 13th and 27th May, 3rd and 17th June, 1st, 15th and 29th July, 12th and 26th August, 9th and 23rd September, 7th and 21st October, 4th and 19th November. The group meets every fortnight from 1pm to 3pm in the Church Community Room of the Church. A shared afternoon tea is held, so bring a plate to share. All are welcome to come along.



Mission evenings with Archbishop Julian Porteous

An evening of song, testimony, preaching,
adoration and prayer

St Therese of Lisieux, Moonah
Thursday, 25 July 2019, 6.30pm

CATHOLIC STANDARD

The latest issue of the Catholic Standard is available in the foyer: **Highlights Include:**

- Prayers for Sri Lanka
- Pope issues document dedicated to fighting abuse
- Tasmanians trust in Divine Mercy
- Evangelium Conference: developing a missionary spirit in parishes
- Zillah Jones: a lifetime of service
- Festival Day and Gracefest
- Walk with Christ
- Br Barry Parker

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE "MERCY MEMORAL DAY" MASS

Members of the CWL extend an invitation to all to attend a Mass for "Mercy Memorial Day" a day set aside by the League to remember those babies lost to abortion. It will be held on the Feast of Our Lady Help of Christians on Friday 24th of May at 11.30am at St. John's Richmond, followed by a shared lunch. Enquiries to : Judy 0457 619 198.

WALK WITH CHRIST

On Sunday, 23rd June 1:15pm to 3:00pm. Celebrate the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ by walking with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament through the city of Hobart. Be at St Joseph's Church (Harrington St) by 1.15pm, and walk with us to St Mary's Cathedral for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction concluding at 3:00. There will be a 'cuppa' afterwards. If you can't do the walk come to the Cathedral at 2:00 for prayer and Adoration. Experience our rich Catholic heritage in solidarity with Catholics all over the world and through the ages, by bearing public witness to our Lord and Saviour. Can't join in person? Prayer intentions written in the 'Book of Life' which is in your parish will be taken in the procession and presented at the Cathedral.

IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MARY MACKILLOP **25TH ANNIVERSARY NATIONAL** **PILGRIMAGE**

The Sisters of St Joseph invite you to join the 25th anniversary National Pilgrimage, giving you the opportunity to journey to places in Australia made holy by St Mary MacKillop. The Pilgrimage commences in Melbourne 22 October, visiting Penola, Adelaide and other significant places, and concludes in Sydney 2 November 2019. The cost is \$3,575 – \$4,390 (twin share) depending on capital city of departure (Australia or New Zealand). Single supplement for all areas \$685 pp. For a brochure, application form or further information please email national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au or call Sr Therese Leydon rsj on 0417 683 123, or Sr Annie Bond rsj on 02 8912 4818.

POSITION VACANT

CatholicCare Tasmania's Multicultural Service Program is looking to employ an Educator for the Leading the Way initiative. This position is for one day a week under a 12 month casual contract (0.2 FTE). Leading

the Way aims to improve educational outcomes for students from Refugee and Migrant backgrounds who are in Grade 9 and 10 at local Government Schools.

Hope in our world

John 13:31-35

Throughout the Easter season, the readings keep offering hope to those who are suffering, a hope founded on the risen Lord. In 1964, Martin Luther King preached the same hope when he accepted the Nobel Peace Prize:

“I refuse to accept the view that mankind is so tragically bound to the starless midnight of racism and war that the bright daybreak of peace and brotherhood can never become a reality. ... I believe that unarmed truth and unconditional love will have the final word in reality.”

This is the same hope that Jesus places before us today. Judas had just left the room to betray his Master. Jesus addressed his disciples tenderly with the words: “My little children.” There was tenderness and compassion even when he knew one of his own was about to betray him. He knew that these men sitting with him would also run away that very night.


Jesus' last will and testament was a new commandment: “Love one another.” (v. 35). This was a bold statement that stood in stark contrast to what was going to happen in the next few hours. Yet Jesus refused to believe that the world was inherently evil. He believes it was inherently good.

What was ‘new’ about this commandment? This love extended to other members of the inner circle, that is the community, and not to others outside the community. ‘By this everyone (that is, all outsiders) will know that you are my disciples (insiders), if you love one another.’ (v. 35) This example of mutual love for all in the community should be a stirring example to all those who are outside the community.

Perhaps the best explanation for the newness of Jesus' commandment was implied in the themes that were interwoven throughout the farewell address: intimacy, indwelling, mutual understanding and knowledge. These themes characterise this covenant and make it 'new'. It is a covenant sealed at the Last Supper. God's covenantal love is spontaneous, unmotivated by anything we can do, directed to sinners and others unworthy of love. Israel experienced this love of old (Deut 7:6-8). In the death and resurrection of Jesus, this love was complete.

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I give you
a new commandment:
love one another
as I have loved you.




Gospel Acclamation Jn 13:35

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STEWARDSHIP

"I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another." (John 13:34)

It is easy to love someone when they love you back. But it takes strength and courage to love someone when we feel unappreciated, used or feel our opinion doesn't matter. It takes courage to "love my neighbour" when he may be someone I don't like, someone I don't know or someone that doesn't look like me.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Envelopes:	\$ 1,338.80
Loose:	\$ 1,048.30
TOTAL:	\$ 2,387.10
<u>Week's Budget Collections:</u>	<u>\$ 2,538.00</u>
Difference	-\$ 150.90

Thank You!

LET US PRAY FOR

The Sick

Thanh Huynh, Shirley Lehner, Olga Woods, Susan Wilson, Josh Stokes, Lise Levaque, Mary Hughes, Drina Paradzik, Jay Jennings, Tony Dalton, Elsa Bazan, Bev Murray, Kayden Edwards, Marie Morrisby, Lorna Brazendale, Leo Manning, Jan Grubb, Felicity Matthews, Alicia Stroud, Elsa Natoli, Peter van Loggerenberg, Joan Horne, Geoff Grubb.

Anniversaries

Mollie A Reid, Bridget Agnes Imlach, Alice Miller, Walenty Ejlak, Maria Bidejowski, Fr Paul Fleming MSC, Giovanni Lindo, Stefan Brzyski, Br Gordon Morgan MSC, Darcy Cooper, Bortolo Luigi Gesiotto, Tony Andrikonis, Sr Mary Honorata Scanlon, Syd Riley, Janine Smith, Eleonora Szczypior, Cedric Davey, Peter Wells, Michael Mika, Doris Kathleen Coad, Stanley Reynolds, Doris Aiken, Jozef Gawlik, Antioco Fonollera Abueva, Jadwiga E. Mianowski, Julia Maud Button, Noel Holloway, David Oliver, Sydney Higgins, Loreto Gabriel, Teodor Sianski, Albert Knights, Ermanno Fidanza, Natalie Daley, Patricia Hills, Wasyl Petryk, Leon Krawczyk, Irena Krawczyk, Aldo Perri, Stanisława Ozon, Dolly Webster, Saturnino Gabriel, Margaret (Peggy) Duggan, Mary Magdalene Coad, Fr Alan Guest, Zofia Michalewicz, Fr Mark McGuinness MSC, Irene Jedrzejczak, Fr Thomas Whitty, Shane Morrisby, Thomas Hutchinson, Hedley Tierney, Harold Blake, Fr Rudolph Lopez, Edward Podolski, George Brazendale, Thomas Robinson, Fr Alfred Finch, Julius Ots, Ellen Virth, Olga Smith, Eva Mary White, Dorothy Roehrs, Rosa de Cesare, Wladyslawa Belkner, Josephine M. Lockett, Gladys Bresnehan, Stanisława Halys.

Recently Deceased

Jean Vanier (Founder of L'Arche), Eunice Schofield.

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SAFE COMMUNITIES:

<https://hobart.catholic.org.au/content/safe-communities>

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SEXUAL ASSAULT SERVICE:

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

READINGS

19th May, 2019

5th Sunday of Easter - Year C

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: (Psalm 97:1-2)

O sing a new song to the Lord,
for he has worked wonders;
in the sight of the nations he has shown his
deliverance, alleluia.

FIRST READING: (Acts 14:21-27)

They assembled the church and gave an
account of all that God had done with them.

PSALM: (Psalm 144:8-13)

I will praise your name for ever, my king and
my God.

SECOND READING: (Revelation 21:1-5)

He will wipe away all the tears from their
eyes.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia!, Alleluia!

I give you a new commandment:
love one another as I have loved you.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL: (John 13:31-35)

I give you a new commandment: love one
another.

MASS TIMES

Monday 20th to Sunday 26th May 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

READINGS/ROSTERS

26th May, 2019

6th Sunday of Easter - Year C

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: (Isaiah 48:20)

Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard;
proclaim to the ends of the earth:
The Lord has freed his people, alleluia.

FIRST READING: (Acts 15:1-2, 22-29)

It has been decided by the Holy Spirit and
ourselves not to burden you beyond what is
essential.

PSALM: (Psalm 66:2-3, 5-6, 8)

O God, let all the nations praise you!

SECOND READING: (Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23)

He showed me the holy city coming down out
of heaven.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: (John 14:23)

Alleluia!, Alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words,
and my Father will love them and we will
come to them.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL: (John 14:23-29)

The Holy Spirit will teach you everything and
remind you of all I have said to you.

Saturday 6:30pm

Readers Steve Randell, Nathan Shane

Ministers Rexine & Gerard Synnott

Projector Anne Thuringer

Sunday 9:00am

Readers Peter van Loggerenberg,
Fadi Elbarbar

Ministers Phyllis Nicoll,
Maureen Pangrazzi

Sick Maureen Pangrazzi

Projector Izak Hangan

Sunday 4:30pm

Readers Kerrie Morrisby, **Volunteer**

Ministers Marj Smith, Carlene Larkin

Projector Daniel Duharte

Altar Nirmalee & Threesa

Cleaning Maree Triffett

Counters Kaye Wood, Marie Anders