

St Therese of Lisieux Catholic Parish



Moonah-Lutana

St Therese of Lisieux Church

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

Sunday 1st July, 2018

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B

FROM THE PASTOR

WHEN BAD THINGS HAPPEN TO GOOD PEOPLE

“But we prayed for her!!!??” was the bewildered exclamation that jumped from the lips of my ten-year-old niece when her infant sister died. There is a lot contained in that utterance – “Where is God? This doesn’t fit with a God who is supposed to be all-powerful, who created the universe, who loves us, who is fair, ...who is...etc, etc”. Other adults observed that it’s not fair that there are people who don’t want their children and don’t care for them even when they keep giving birth to them, while this one was desperately loved and wanted...and died.

It also bent and stretched my soul and my understanding when I pondered the power of prayer, and the power of faith, and Jesus’ words, “If your faith is the size of a mustard seed you could tell this mountain to throw itself into the sea and it would obey”. We all had faith! and we all prayed!, and we all had that faith boosted when we saw her dramatic growth and improvement. Did we fail? Did God fail? Is there a God? Where is this God? This takes me to the heart of Mary when she faced the same question. She and Joseph consecrated Jesus in the temple when he was eight days old. Simeon prophesied that this child is destined for the fall and the rising of many in Israel, destined to be a sign that is rejected. Then he looked at Mary and said, “And a sword will pierce you own soul, too”, and he continued on. Yes, this was the sword of pain and sorrow that pierced Mary’s heart as she watched helplessly her son’s torturous death. But it was more. It was also the sword spoken of in the Letter to the Hebrews, “For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, *piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart*” (Hb 4:12). At that moment, Mary’s question was, “Are you still going to believe in God now, a loving God, an all-powerful God, a God of justice? Here in the middle of total blackness, are you still going to believe; are you still going to trust?”

Elie Wiesel faced the same question in his book, *Night*. He was a teenager in the Nazi death camps of Birkenau and Auschwitz. In one pivotal scene, he describes the execution of three Jews, among whom is a young child: (A warning - this is a brutal and heart-wrenching description).

One day, as we returned from work, we saw three gallows, three black ravens, erected on the Appelplatz. Roll call. The SS surrounding us, machine guns aimed at us: the usual ritual. Three prisoners in chains – and, among them, the little *pipel*, the sad-eyed angel.

• The SS seemed more preoccupied, more worried, than usual. To hang a child in front of thousands of onlookers was not a small matter. The head of the camp read the verdict. All eyes were on the child. He was pale, almost calm, but he was biting his lips as he stood in the shadow of the gallows.

FROM THE PASTOR

(CONTINUED)

- This time, the Lagerkapo refused to act as executioner. Three SS took his place.
- The three condemned prisoners together stepped onto the chairs. In unison, the nooses were placed around their necks.
- “Long live liberty!” shouted the two men.
- But the boy was silent.
- “Where is merciful God, where is He?” someone behind me was asking.
- At the signal, the three chairs were tipped over.
- Total silence in the camp. On the horizon, the sun was setting.
- “Caps off!” screamed the Lageralteste. His voice quivered. As for the rest of us, we were weeping. “Cover your heads!”
- Then came the march past the victims. The two men were no longer alive. Their tongues were hanging out, swollen and bluish. But the third rope was still moving: the child, too light, was still breathing...
- And so he remained for more than half an hour, lingering between life and death, writhing before our eyes. And we were forced to look at him at close range. He was still alive when I passed him. His tongue was still red, his eyes not yet extinguished.
- Behind me, I heard the same man asking:
- “For God’s sake, where is God?”
- And from within me, I heard a voice answer:
- “Where is He? This is where – hanging here from this gallows...”

The problem of the presence of evil is almost understandable when I know that people have free-will. God can’t stop them doing evil without taking their free-will away, rendering them non-human, and he won’t. Yet the evil that nature inflicts, how can we grasp meaning in it? Why should it happen? Where is God in this?

We live in a very beautiful but very imperfect world, a world that’s not complete, where things go wrong, where there is sickness, tragedy, heartbreak. And it’s into this human story that God chose to enter, to be born, to go through this suffering with us. We have a God who had/has compassion, who wept at the death of his friend, who has walked this human journey, whose life was cut prematurely short because of the imperfection of this world with all its unfairness and injustice... and not before he endured acute suffering, carrying his cross and being crucified. We have a God whose mother knows the heartbreak of having a child die as she watched helplessly. We are not alone going through this. We go through the misery with him; in it we endure, accept.

The story does not end there. His perfect loving in every moment, in enduring brutality, torture, crucifixion, desolation, desperation, abandonment (apparently) and death, meant that Love raised him to life again. He...and Infinite Love were in total harmony, and Infinite Love creates, gives life, re-creates. When all was complete (three days) Infinite Love raised him to Life because that is what Love does. The unimaginable becomes real. In an unexpected way, this Love will creep in to those places in our hearts that died with her and will raise us to a new life. How, when? I don’t know, but in an unknown way at an unknown time it will unexpectedly show itself. The wound of our hearts, like Christ’s, will still be there but Life will be in it, and flow from it. That is our faith, our experience of our faith. After the funeral, at the wake, smiles were given in abundance.

In His Heart Fr Mark MSC

PARISH NOTICES

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION **CONFIRMATION**

Sacramental preparation for Confirmation has commenced. Please pray for our Parish children who are preparing for Confirmation on Saturday, 7th July 2018 at 6:30pm. The dates for preparation meetings are:

- **Practice & Archbishop's Visit - THIS** Thursday, 5th July. 5:45pm, **Practice for Confirmation in Church**, for Parents, Candidates and Sponsors. **Visit of Archbishop Julian**, 6:45pm in Parish Centre, for Parents, Candidates and Sponsors.
- **Confirmation with Mass, NEXT** Saturday, 7th July, at 6:30pm, for Parents, Candidates, Sponsors and Family.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED **SACRAMENT**

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

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.

NEW EMAIL ADDRESS & PHONE **NUMBERS PARISH & FR MARK**

Our new email address and phone number is now complete. The email address for the Parish, Fr Mark and Fr Kaz together with the new phone numbers are listed in the contacts section of this bulletin.

LECTIO DIVINA

On the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month Lectio Divina is held in the Ss Louis and Zelig Martin Parish Centre, Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Chapel from 10:00am until 11:30am. All are welcome. The group will recommence on 26th July.

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.

EVANGELISATION AND MISSION EVENING

Christ, our Hope and Joy is a Mission Evening to be held in the Church on **THIS** Wednesday, 4 July 2018, commencing at 5.30pm, concluding at 7.30pm. The Mission Evening is an initiative of the Archbishop who will give the mission talk. The evening will include song, testimony, preaching, adoration and prayer. All parishioners are invited to attend this evening of spiritual renewal. A supper will be provided immediately after the mission evening. If you are able to assist or bring something along a sign up sheet is in the foyer.

COLLECTION FOR PETER'S PENCE

This weekend the annual collection for Peter's Pence will be held. Envelopes will be located on the pews and can be placed into the collection baskets next weekend. This appeal assists the Holy Father to respond to those who are suffering as a result of war, oppression, natural disaster and disease and other charitable works.

SOLEMNITY OF OUR LADY OF MOUNT **CARMEL**

This Solemnity will be celebrated with a sung Mass at the Carmelite Monastery, 7 Cambridge Street, Launceston on Monday 16th July at 9:30am. Archbishop Julian Porteous will be celebrant and homilist. Mass will be followed by morning tea. All are welcome to join the Carmelite nuns for this celebration. A novena of Masses and Prayers will be offered in preparation from 7th - 15th July. Intentions may be sent to Mother Teresa Benedicta at the Monastery.

ST VINCENT PALLOTTI SCHOLARSHIP:
APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN

The St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship Trust offers scholarships to enable lay people to further their understanding and skills in leadership/ministry or a specialised activity, such as promoting faith enhancement, social justice and pastoral care. Applications close 23rd July 2018. **Details and application:**
<http://www.pallottine.org.au/scholarships/st-vincent-pallotti-scholarship-for-lay-ministry.html>

PARISH DINNER "COME TO THE FEAST"
FUNDRAISER FOR L'ARCHE BENI-ABBES

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L'ARCHE BENI-ABBES COMMUNITY

Come to the feast

L'ARCHE
Hobart

10 August 2018 @ 6pm
St Therese's School/Parish Hall
Call 03 9412 8471 for tickets*

* Tickets:
adults - \$30
children under 10 - \$15
children under 4 - FREE

*Ticket includes: 2 course meal, glass of wine, beer, soft drink or juice, raffles & entertainment

Great entertainment and a number of fundraising activities during the night. Limited tickets are available, so be quick to get yours. ***Come to the Feast*** and support your Parish and fundraise for L'Arche Beni-Abbes. Tickets are available either before or after Mass until sold out.

SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR SEA SUNDAY

Next weekend the collection for Sea Sunday will be held. Envelopes will be located on the pews and can be placed into the collection baskets next weekend. This collection assists the ongoing pastoral support to seafaring men, women and their families through the works of the Stella Maris Seafarers Centres (Apostleship of the Sea) across Australia.

SEMINARIANS SUPPORT DINNER 2018

The **2018 Archdiocese/Parishes Seminarian Support Dinner** is being coordinated by the Knights of the Southern Cross together with the valued support of Guilford Young College. The dinner represents a wonderful opportunity to gather as a single community of faith to enjoy each other's company while also allowing us as a Catholic community to contribute much needed funds to support our Seminarians. Your attendance in support to the 2018 Archdiocese/Parishes Seminarian Support Dinner would be most welcomed. The event is being held on **Thursday 16th August 2018** commencing 6.30pm, Guilford Young College – Hobart Campus. The cost for the dinner is **\$60.00 per person** and will include a complimentary drink upon arrival followed by canapés and a four-course meal. To secure your ticket, please see Deacon Michael.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE STATE CONFERENCE

Attention All Ladies! You are invited to attend the 61st State Conference of Catholic Women's League Tas. Inc. at the Hobart Airport Travelodge Motel Cambridge on **29th August** through to **31st August, 2018**. Come and stay. **Hear wonderful speakers** Sonia Di Mezza and Doctor Deirdre Little. *Enjoy the best two days* with great company and like-minded people. **For details** of how to book, contact: Jan Phone 03 6265 2321.

RACHEL'S VINEYARD

Many men and women who suffer grief after an abortion need hope to move on. You are not alone, there is hope after an abortion experience. We can help. Our next Rachel's Vineyard retreat for healing after abortion will be held in Hobart on August 31st to September 2nd. To speak to someone please call Anne Sherston on the confidential phone lines 03 62298739 or 0478599241.

WORLD YOUTH DAY PILGRIMAGE **JANUARY 2019**

The Archdiocese of Hobart is planning to take young people to the upcoming World Youth Day in Panama, to be held in January 2019. If you are aged between 18-35 years old, please take one of the postcards located in the Church foyer. The estimated cost is around \$5,000 per person. Additionally, if you are interested please see Deacon Michael.

PLANNED GATHERING

"HEART CENTERED LEADERSHIP"

On 14th to 16th September at St Mary's Towers, Douglas Park, training in Heart Centred Leadership to people in MSC Parishes will be offered. The course will be over a weekend starting on Friday evening and finishing lunch time Sunday and will be based on the very successful programme offered to people in MSC Colleges. Facilitators Alison McKenzie (Chevalier Institute) and Narita Perrotta (Hindmarsh/Findon Parish). Participants will explore what it means to be a leader in formation in Spirituality of the Heart for people in leadership roles in MSC parishes. It is envisaged that there will be two or three participants from each MSC parish. Costs are to be advised together with the final programme. If you are interested please see Deacon Michael.

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 Franklin Hall, South Hobart. Speakers include Professor Tracey Rowland, Dr Kevin Donnelly and Anna Krohn. For more information call Ben Smith on 03 6208 6036 or email ben.smith@aohtas.org.au.

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.

STEWARDSHIP

"...as a matter of equality your abundance at the present time should supply their want, so that their abundance may supply your want, that there may be equality."

2 CORINTHIANS 8:14

We are responsible not only for our own lives, but for the lives of those around us. It is important that we not only grow, nurture and share our gifts; but that we also teach our children and encourage others to do the same. This is the communal aspect of our Catholic faith. We are the "Body of Christ". We are called to be dependent on each other and not live in isolation.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Envelopes:	\$ 2,544.00
Loose:	\$ 877.25
TOTAL:	\$ 3,421.25
<u>Week's Budget Collections:</u>	<u>\$ 2,538.00</u>
DIFFERENCE	\$ 883.25

Thank You!



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.

ARCHBISHOP JULIAN'S VIEW ON PLENARY COUNCIL

<https://hobart.catholic.org.au/archbishop/frontpage-message/plenary-2020-listening-phase>

In preparation for the Plenary Council 2020, it has been proposed that the period from Pentecost 2018 to Pentecost 2019 be a time of "listening". The notion of listening is one promoted by Pope Francis. For example, in preparation for the upcoming Synod on young people the Pope has said, "We must listen to young people."

It has been recommended that each diocese institute a Plenary Working Group to assist in the preparation for the Plenary Council, the major focus of which will be to advise the bishop on how to conduct this 'listening' process. The members of the working group will be announced shortly, followed by an announcement about the listening process. The question posed to all members of the

Church in preparation for the Plenary Council is: **"WHAT DO YOU THINK GOD IS ASKING OF US IN AUSTRALIA AT THIS TIME?"**

In preparation for this phase, it is important that we clarify the nature of this listening process. Firstly, the idea of listening is understood as a listening to the Holy Spirit. Thus our focus is on what God saying to the Church at this particular time? (Rev 2:7) Our starting point therefore needs to be prayer. I encourage all in the Archdiocese to place the future of the Church here in Tasmania and throughout Australia before the Lord and ask for God's merciful guidance.

The Pope recommends that one of the important ways in which we can listen to the Spirit is by listening to one another. Hence, the listening phase will involve Catholics across the Archdiocese coming together to listen to one another in a desire to know the prompting of the Spirit in our midst.

The Pope teaches in his latest exhortation, *Gaudete et exultate*, that "listening entails obedience to the Gospel as the ultimate standard, but also to the Magisterium that guards it, as we seek to find in the Treasury of the Church whatever is most fruitful for the 'today' of salvation". (GE 173) Thus, it is important to understand that the Plenary Council, as an ecclesial event, is a work of the Church conducted within the parameters of and faithful to the doctrine and discipline of the Church.

As we enter this important phase of preparation for the Plenary Council 2020 we are invited to prayerfully listen for what God may be saying to us at this time in order to advance the life and mission of the Church.

I invite all members of the Church here in Tasmania to participate in this listening process so that each person might make their own particular contribution to the future of the Church in Australia.

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,
Alan O'Rourke, Marie Morrisby,
Lorna Brazendale, Leo Manning,
Felicity Matthews, Marie Knight,
Chris Davis.*

Anniversaries

*Fr Michael Tierney, Stephan Almonaitis,
Eddy Jakob, Francis Mary Morgan,
Rosalie Nemec, Maria Chrost,
Fr Brendan Sykes, Robert George Russell,
Vladas Mikelaitytis, Giuseppe De Cesare,
Desmond Henry Lockett, Elizabeth Lypka,
James John Cooper, Sydney Grubb (Snr),
Fr John Miller, Alice McConnon, Rosario Pace,
Norah Massie, Doreen Klye, William Clare,
Theo Driessen, Domenico Passarelli,
Herbert Patrick Coad, Maria Czerniawski,
Lawrence B. McGuinness, Maria Opiniano,
Terry Cashion, Paul Monaghan, Urban Haley,
Betty Oliver, Fr William Clune,
Reginald Halton, Charles Desire,
John Arthur Dance,
Patrick Adolphus Holloway,
Carolina De Narin, Lil Donovan, Jose Gabriel,
Ruby Kathleen Desire, Sr Gwen Dooley,
Michal Czerniawski, Vittoria Matiello,
Gaetano Pace, Jozef Lepak,
Emmanuel (Geoff) Van Luxemborg,
Denis Shelverton, William (Bill) Louis Dance,
Frank Leaman, Francisco Gabriel,
Hinorata Dzidek, Odo Miller, Denis Daley,
Dorothy Emma Hangan.*

Recently Deceased

*Genowefa Grzegorzczuk, Br Jack Higgins cfc,
Stella Skuse-Arrevillaga, Cecil Skelly,
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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

1st July, 2018

*Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Year B*

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

All peoples, clap your hands.
Cry to God with shouts of joy!

FIRST READING: (Wisdom 1:13-15; 2: 23-24)

It was the devil's envy that brought death into the world.

PSALM: (Psalm 29:2, 4-6, 11-13)

I will praise you, Lord,
for you have rescued me.

SECOND READING: (2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15)

Your abundance should supply their want.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death and brought us life through his gospel.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL: (Mark 5:21-43)

Young girl, I say to you, arise.

MASS TIMES

Monday 2nd to Sunday 8th July 2018

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

READINGS/ROSTERS

8th July, 2018

*Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Year B*

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Your merciful love, O God,
we have received in the midst of your temple.
Your praise, O God, like your name,
reaches the ends of the earth;
your right hand is filled with saving justice.

FIRST READING: (Ezekiel 2:2-5)

The people are rebellious; they shall know
there will be a prophet in their midst.

PSALM: (Psalm 122)

Our eyes are fixed on the Lord,
pleading for his mercy.

SECOND READING: (2 Corinthians 12:7-10)

I will glory in my infirmities so that the power
of Christ may dwell in me.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me:
he sent me to bring Good News to the poor.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL: (Mark 6:1-6)

A prophet is despised only in his own country.

Saturday 6:30pm

Readers Threesa K, Margaret Henderson

Ministers Gerard and Rexine Synnott

Projector Anne Thuringer

Sunday 9:00am

Readers Marty Ogle, Tony Webb

Ministers Maureen Pangrazzi,

Simone McManus

Sick Mark Hanna

Projector Izak Hangan

Sunday 4:30pm

Readers Carlene Larkin, Melissa Brown

Ministers Daniel Duharte, Marj Smith

Projector Kerre Morrisby

Altar Threesa & Nirmalee

Cleaning Rexine & Gerard Synnott

Counters Marie Anders & Kaye Wood