

St Therese of Lisieux Catholic Parish Moonah-Lutana



St Therese of Lisieux Church
In the care of Missionaries of the Sacred Heart (MSC)
24 Hopkins Street, Moonah - (PO Box 819 Moonah TAS 7009)

Sunday, 6th March, 2022 FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT - 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.

We acknowledge and pay respect to the Muwinina people, as the traditional custodians of the land, seas, waterways, sky and culture of Nipaluna, Lutruwita for generations. We pay respect to the Elders past and present. We acknowledge and respect the Aboriginal and Torres Strait people's culture, spirituality, physical and emotional connection with their land, waters and community, on which we gather.

ALL ARE WELCOME. TO BE ON EARTH THE HEART OF GOD

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OUR PARISH LIFE

Baptisms: Arrangements are made by contacting the Parish Office. Parents are to attend a Baptismal Preparation Session.

Reconciliation, Confirmation and Eucharist:
Are received following a Family-Centred, Parish-Based, School-Supported Preparation Programme.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults:
Prepares adults for reception into the Catholic Community.

Marriage: Arrangements are made by contacting the Priests or Deacon - couples must attend a Pre-Marriage Programme.

Anointing of the Sick: Please contact one of our Priests.

Reconciliation: Please contact one of our Priests.

Prayer Groups:

Stations of the Cross Thursdays, before the 6:30pm Mass at 6:00pm

Legion of Mary: Thursdays, after the 6:30pm Mass, Church Community Room.

Rosary: Fridays, After the 12:00 noon Mass.

Adoration: Wednesdays, After the 12:00 noon Mass.

MASS TIMES

Weekday Masses 7th - 11th March 2022

Monday 9:00am
Tuesday 9:00am (Polish)
Wednesday 12:00 Noon (**NO MASS**)
6:00pm (Polish)
Thursday 6:30pm
Friday 9:00am (Polish)
12:00noon

Weekend Masses 12th - 13th March 2022

Saturday Vigil 5:30pm

Sunday 9:00am
11:00am (Polish)
4:00pm

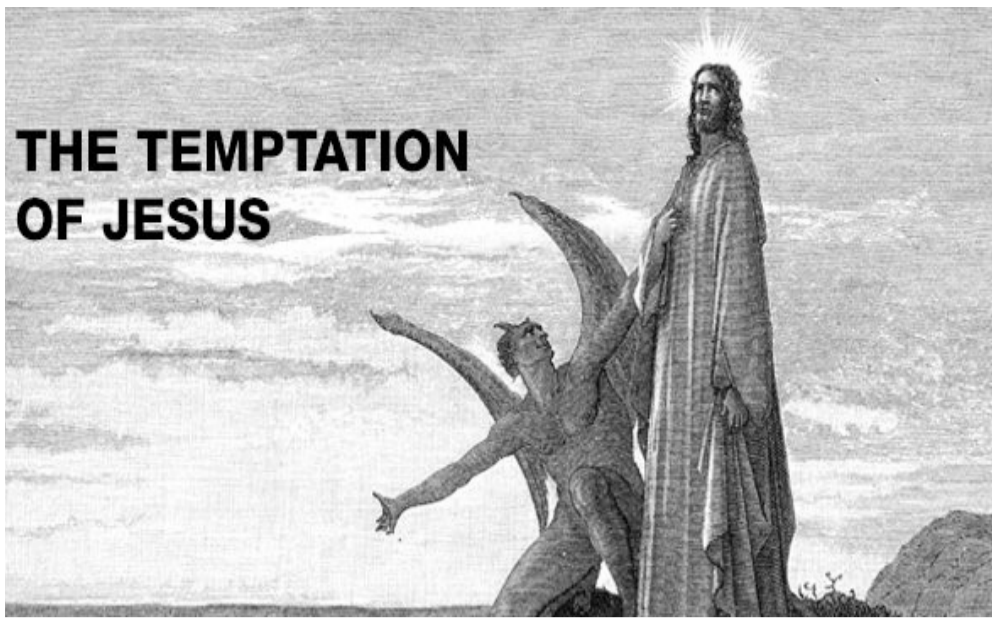
PRAYER REQUESTS

FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK

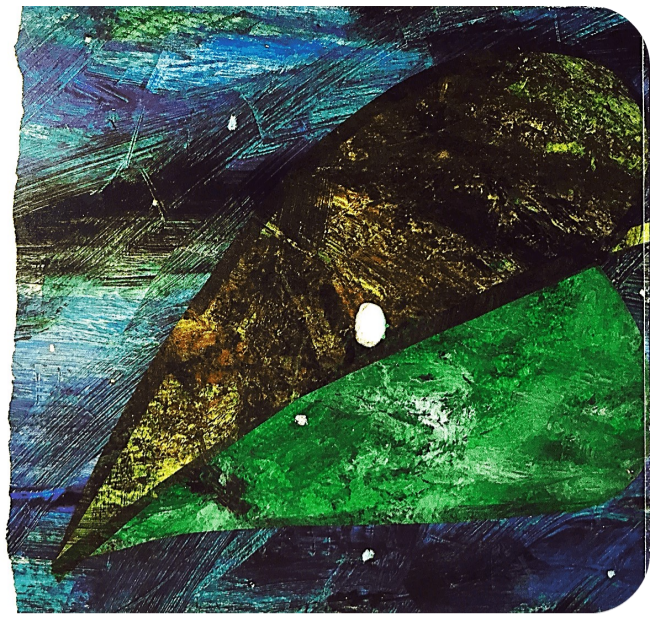
Thanh Huynh, Olga Woods, Susan Wilson, Mary Hughes,
Drina Paradzik, Jay Jennings, Elsa Bazan,
Kayden Edwards, Jan Grubb, Leo Manning, Garry Hay,
Alicia Stroud, Paddi McDonald, Lucia Werner,
Kieran Aherne, Bev White, Marion Simpson,
Carolyn Rakowski, Sylvester Rakowski, Kaye Wood,
Debbie Large, Emily Allen, Michaela Christmas,
Hser Paw, Kallie Midson, Kathy Legzdins,
Genene Randall, Fr Terry Yard, Fr Brian Nicols.

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

THE TEMPTATION OF JESUS



In the light
of the moon
a little egg
lay on a leaf.



Dear friends,

We begin a new chapter in the Church's year with the season of Lent. The word comes from the Latin, meaning 40, a special biblical number for a time of preparation. Today's Gospel (Luke 4:1-13) describes how Jesus spent 40 days in the desert being tempted before starting his public ministry. We marked the beginning of this 40 days with ashes, symbolising repentance. As the prophet Joel reminded us on Ash Wednesday: *Come back to God with all your heart! Let your hearts be broken, not your garments torn.*

Ashes were a way for people to be humble before God and show they were willing to make a big change in their lives. We are marked with ashes for the same reason, reminding us to turn our hearts toward God. The Church gives us Lent as a time to change, to become a better version of ourselves, and to become more like Jesus. And the Church offers us three disciplines to help us get there: **prayer, fasting, and giving to the poor.**

To go to our private room to pray as Jesus recommends means entering our hearts where God is. Praying is not superficial talk with God but concerns what we really feel and desire. We can be free to talk to God about this, to share openly with God as we would a good friend. We can reflect on the gospels, pray the rosary, meditate in front of the Blessed Sacrament, walk the stations of the cross etc. We have these available to us in Lent before or after the weekday Masses. Choose one form of prayer that speaks to you and do it consistently.

When we think of fasting, we often talk about food - fasting from meat on Fridays in Lent, or from ice cream and chocolates. More broadly we can also fast from video games, branded clothes and social media if we indulge in them now. Why fast? So that we become conscious of our own spiritual hunger for God that only God can fill. We fast so that we can learn to say no to ourselves, we can know what it feels like not to have these things in our lives, and we can feel for those who are not as privileged as we are.

Then we become freer to do something for others, which leads to the third discipline of giving to the poor or to those in need. Fasting helps us to move from our own world of wants into the world of others who need our help. We can support Project Compassion, or we can give our time like volunteering or sharing food with the needy. It's using our gifts to bless others! **How are we invited to grow this Lent through prayer, fasting and giving?**

The Readings of the First Sunday of Lent remind us we are not alone in our faith. Our roots go back to Moses (Deut 26:4-10). Our faith is shared among believers of all backgrounds who accept Jesus (Rom 10:8-13). To fast alone as Jesus did in the desert is tough. To realise we do it together in Lent with other believers gives us strength and makes our actions not self-serving acts of self-improvement but common acts of faith and reconciliation.

We also draw inspiration from an unlikely source – the Very Hungry Caterpillar! Made famous way back in 1969 by Eric Carle, the American author and illustrator of children's books, the well-known story follows a caterpillar's actual life cycle, starting from an egg. It presents to us an image of ongoing transformation that Lent can offer us if we are willing to cast into the deep. Wishing you a beautiful season of Lenten discovery and growth!

In the heart of Jesus,

Krish

NOTICES

INTRODUCTION TO CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

Introduction to Christian Meditation will commence at 6:00pm on Tuesday, 26th April and 10:00am on Thursday, 28th April. Sessions will follow on Tuesday, at 6:00pm on 3rd and 10th May and Thursday, at 10:00am on 5th and 12th May. To register please add your names to the list in the Church foyer.

LENTEN REFLECTION PRAYER GROUPS

Lenten prayer groups will commence at 10:00am on **Thursday** mornings on the 10th, 17th, 24th, 31st March, 7th and 14th April.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations of the Cross will be held each Thursday, prior to the 6:30pm Mass, commencing at 6:00pm.

LECTIO DIVINA

Lectio Divina will recommence on each Thursday morning at 10:00am, from 19th May, until 30th June. To register please add your names to the list in the Church foyer.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

The Children's Liturgy of the Word **This Sunday** will be on the following dates during the 9:00am Mass in the Church Community Room: **Next Sunday** 13th March and on the following Sundays 3rd and 10th April.

ALTAR ASSISTANTS

We are seeking interested people to assist on the Altar as Acolytes. An Acolyte assists the Priest during Mass, prepares the Altar prior to Masses, carry the cross in procession, and assist with distribution of Holy Communion. If you are interest please see Fr Krish or Deacon Michael. Training will be provided.

MASSES ON-LINE

The parish will be continuing to provide live-streaming of the Sunday 9:00am & 11:00am Masses, subject to availability of recorders. This will be available on the Parish FaceBook Page [StTherese OfLisieux](#).

SCHOOL NEWS

This week we marked Shrove Tuesday with a day of pancakes, raising funds for Project Compassion. In the afternoon all classes participated in a thoughtful liturgy where we burnt the palms from 2021 ready for our Ash Wednesday Liturgy.



Ms Fran Baccarin
Principal

POLISH NEWS **Środa Popielcowa**

Popiół, ten znak pojawia się w chrześcijańskiej liturgii tylko raz w roku. Od niego pochodzi nazwa tego dnia, nazywamy go popielcem - czyli początkiem Wielkiego Postu. Rozpoczyna czterdziestodniową drogę do Paschy.

Popiół i proch ziemi w wielu religiach są znakami żałoby i smutku. Sypanie popiołu na głowę, podrzucanie ziemi lub popiołu do góry, spanie na popiele, Takie zwyczaje znane były w starożytnym Egipcie, Grecji, w tradycjach arabskich, a także w judaizmie.

Chrześcijanie przejęli wiele żydowskich zwyczajów, także posługiwanie się popiołem na znak pokuty, żalu i oczyszczenia. Zarówno w Starym, jak i Nowym Testamencie znajdujemy wiele odniesień do takiej symboliki. Ewangelia przywołuje słowa Jezusa, wypowiedziane nad niewiernymi miastami: „Biada tobie Korozain! Biada tobie Betsaido! Gdyby w Tyrze i Sydonie działały się te cuda (...), już dawno by pokutowały w worze pokutnym i popiele”.

Na samym początku Wielkiego Postu słyszymy więc przypomnienie, że jego sensem jest przygotowanie do dobrego przeżycia Paschy. Wielki Post to w istocie okres przez który będziemy się przygotowywać do celebrowania tajemnicę naszego zbawienia.

Inna z modlitw przypomina konieczność uznania, że „jesteśmy prochem i w proch się obrócimy”. Ten motyw powraca także w jednej z dwóch formuł wypowiedzianych w czasie sypania popiołu na głowy.

Motyw „obracania się w proch” może wydawać się pesymistyczny, beznadziejny. Drugie wezwanie, brzmiące: „Nawracajcie się i wiercie w Ewangelię” brzmią w naszych uszach bardziej „optymistycznie”.

Paradoksalnie jednak słowa uświadamiające nam, że jesteśmy prochem, niosą również głęboką nadzieję. Przypominają nam, że jesteśmy stworzeni przez Boga. „Ulepił Pan Bóg człowieka z prochu ziemi i tchnął w jego nozdrza tchnienie życia”. A więc z prochu powstał, otrzymaliśmy tchnienie Bożego życia. Dramat grzechu wbił żądło śmierci w ludzką egzystencję. „Wrócisz do ziemi, bo z niej zostałeś wzięty” – słyszy pierwszy człowiek z ust Boga – „bo prochem jesteś i w proch się obrócisz”. Nieustannie doświadczamy tego kiedy dotykamy tajemnicy śmierci czy grzechu.

Przypomniała nam o tym panująca pandemia, powodzie na głównym lądzie czy w tych dniach tocząca się na Ukrainie wojna. Śmierć, uświadamia nam naszą słabość.

W tym doświadczeniu nie jesteśmy jednak osamotnieni. Jest z nami Syn Boży, który – przyjmując człowieczeństwo – stał się wraz z nami „prochem ziemi”. Odpowiedzią Boga na zdradę człowieka jest bowiem miłość. Jej zwycięstwo pochłonęło śmierć.

Popiół sypany na nasze głowy na początku Wielkiego Postu jest zapowiedzią nowego stworzenia, którym się stajemy. Obracamy się w proch, by Bóg na nowo „ulepił nas z prochu”.

Pokutna modlitwa uświadamiająca nam, że „jesteśmy prochem”, jednocześnie ogłasza nadzieję „odpuszczenia grzechów” i „nowe życie na podobieństwo zmartwychwstałego Chrystusa”. Bóg na nowo tchnie w nas tchnienie życia.

Życzę wszystkim błogosławionego tygodnia.

Sr Elżbieta Czernicka MChR

MEN'S BREAKFAST

A men's breakfast is planned for Saturday, 12th March at 8:00am at the St Francis Xavier Hall (under the South Hobart church). From nearly losing his life 11 times on an overseas mission trip, to facilitating youth groups in Launceston, **Sam Clear** will be exploring the lessons from listening to (and not listening to) the Holy Spirit, speaking on "**Deeper into Our Missionary Call**". Come and enjoy some inspiration, fellowship, and breakfast. Bring a friend. To RSVP or for further information, contact Martin on 6223 8132.

READINGS
5th/6th March 2022
First Sunday of Lent - Year C

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: (Cf. Psalm 90:15-16)

When he calls on me, I will answer him;
 I will deliver him and give him glory,
 I will grant him length of days.

FIRST READING: (Deuteronomy 26: 4-10)

The confession of faith of the elect.

PSALM: (Psalm 90:1-2, 10-15)

Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble.

SECOND READING: (Romans 10:8-13)

The confession of faith of the believers in Christ.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: (Matthew 4:4)

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!
 One does not live on bread alone,
 but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.
 Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

GOSPEL: (Luke 4:1-13)

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus was led by the Spirit through the wilderness where he was tempted.

READINGS
12th/13th March 2022
Second Sunday of Lent - Year C

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: (Cf. Psalm 26:8-9)

Of you my heart has spoken: Seek his face.
 It is your face, O Lord, that I seek;
 hide not your face from me.

FIRST READING: (Genesis 15: 5-12, 17-18)

God made a covenant with Abraham, his faithful servant.

PSALM: (Psalm 26:1, 7-9, 13-14)

The Lord is my light and my salvation.

SECOND READING: (Philippians 3:17-4:1)

Christ will transfigure these bodies of ours into copies of his glorious body.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: (Matthew 17:5)

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!
 From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard:
 this is my beloved Son, hear him.
 Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

GOSPEL: (Luke 9:28-36)

As Jesus prayed, the aspect of his face was changed, and his clothing became brilliant as lightning.

First Sunday of Lent - Year C

	Lector	Data Projector
5:30pm	Ed Sianski	Alec Avellana
9:00am	Eva Hangan	Marty Ogle
4:00pm	Colleen Rakowski	Melissa Brown
Minister to Sick	Monica Sianski	
Counters	Peter Flint & Michael Hangan	
Cleaning	Fracalossi Family	

Second Sunday of Lent - Year C

	Lector	Data Projector
5:30pm	Debbie Large	Anne Thuringer
9:00am	Tony Webb	Izak Hangan
4:00pm	John Kitt	Daniel Duharte
Minister to Sick	Karin Chan	
Counters	Goldie McGuinness & Kerrie Morrisby	
Cleaning	Rexine & Gerard Synnott	

LET US PRAY FOR ANNIVERSARIES

Stefan Adam Jedyka, Baby Isaiah, Fr Adrian Meaney MSC, Michelle Ann White (Read), Jack Webster, Shirley Ethel May Thomas, Esmay Haney, Michael Noonan, Grace Phyllis Dance, Karol Michalowski, Elaine Voss, Ieva Andrikonis, Stephen John Horne, Bert de Groot, David Blake, Bridget Beckwith, Fr Harold Bridgwood MSC, Thelma Dalton, Bertram Williams, Kazimiera Sikora, Dino Bighin, Margaret Mills, Geoff Thurley, Benjamin Bresnehan, Tara-Ann Radcliffe, Pauline Krushka Brown, Irene Scanlon, Margaret Monaghan, Max Watson, Elvie J. Keenan, Denis Francis Duggan, Marj Symmons, Denis Henry Scanlon, Marion Keenan, Stefan R. Zelek, Walenty Bodel, Ingrid Leszczynski, Samuel Lyden, Laurie Belcher, Jadwiga Grabek, Leokadia Sadkowski, Wladyslaw Osuchowski, Giuseppe Cugino, Jolanta Abramski, Rex Graham Morrisby, Marjorie Williams, Joanne Maree Read, Pauline Watts, Olga Hanns, Lawrence Triffett, Elise Hayley Fox, Janelle Peta Logan, Frank Brown, Jan Cisak, John Skaraupa, Wladyslaw Gniadek, Paul Krizanovic.

STEWARDSHIP

"I have now brought you the first fruits of the products of the soil which you, O Lord, have given to me." (DEUTERONOMY 26:10)

This line from the Old Testament offers two challenges. First, do you give to God from your "first fruits" - the first and best that you have to offer, or do you give from what you have leftover? Second, do you realise that everything you have and that everything you are has been given to you by God? Ask God for a grateful and generous heart, every day, in all circumstances.

ENVELOPE COLLECTIONS

ENVELOPE TOTAL:	\$ 2,036.05
<u>Envelope Budget Collections:</u>	<u>\$ 1,764.44</u>
Difference (Profit)	\$ 271.61
Loose Collection	\$ 762.90
Candles	\$ 29.30

Thank You!