

St Therese of Lisieux Catholic Parish



Moonah-Lutana

St Therese of Lisieux Church

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

Sunday, 8th September, 2019

23RD 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.*

FROM THE PASTOR

CHRIST AND NATURE

Numerous groups and individuals today are challenging us in regards to our relationship to mother-earth. From Green Peace, from various environmental groups, from various Christian and other religious groups, and from various individual voices, comes the challenge to be less-blind, less-unthinking, and less-reckless in terms of how we relate to the earth. Every day our newscasts point out how, without much in the way of serious reflection, we are polluting the planet, strip-mining its resources, creating mega-landfills, pouring carbon dangerously into the atmosphere, causing the disappearance of thousands of species, creating bad air and bad water, and thinning the ozone layer. And so the cry goes out: live more simply, use fewer resources, lessen your carbon footprint, and try to recycle whatever you've used as much as you can.

That challenge, of course, is very good and very important. The air we breathe out is the air we will eventually inhale and so we need to be very careful about what we exhale. This planet is our home and we need to ensure that, long-term, it can provide us with the sustenance and comfort of a home.

But, true as this is, there's still another, very important reason, why we need to treat mother-earth with more caution and respect, namely, Christ, himself, is vitally bound-up with nature and his reasons for coming to earth also include the intention of redeeming the physical universe. What's implied here?

Let me begin with an anecdote which captures, in essence, what's at stake: The scientist-theologian, Pierre Teilhard de Chardin, in conversation with a Vatican official who was confused by his writings and doctrinally-suspicious of them, was once asked: "What are you trying to do in your writings?" Teilhard's response: "I am trying to write a Christology that is wide enough to incorporate the full Christ because Christ is not just an anthropological event but he is also a cosmic phenomenon." Simply translated, he is saying that Christ didn't just come to save people, he came for that yes, but he also came to save the planet, of which people are only one part.

In saying that, Teilhard has solid scriptural backing. Looking at the scriptures we find that they affirm that Christ didn't just come to save people, he came to save the world. For example, the Epistle to the Colossians (1, 15-20) records an ancient Christian hymn which affirms both that Christ was already a vital force inside the original creation ("that all things were made through him") and that Christ is also the end point of all history, human and cosmic. The Epistle to the Ephesians, also recording an ancient Christian hymn, (1, 3-10) makes the same point; while the Epistle to the Romans (8,19-22) is even more explicit in affirming that physical creation, mother-earth and our physical universe, are "groaning" as they, too, wait for redemption by Christ. Among other things, these texts affirm that the physical world is part of God's plan for eventual heavenly life.

What's contained in that, if we tease out its implications? A number of very clear principles: First, nature, not just humanity, is being redeemed by Christ. The world is not just a stage upon which human history plays out; it has intrinsic meaning and value beyond what it means for us as humans. Physical nature is, in effect, brother and sister with us in the journey towards the divinely-intended end of history. Christ also came to redeem the earth, not just those of us who are living on it. Physical creation too will enter in the final synthesis of history, that is, heaven.

Second, this means that nature has intrinsic rights, not just the rights we find convenient to accord it. What this means is that defacing or abusing nature is not just a legal and environmental issue, it's a moral issue. We are violating someone's (something's) intrinsic rights. Thus when we, mindlessly, throw a coke-can into a ditch we are not just breaking a law we are also, at some deep level, defacing Christ. We need to respect nature, not, first of all, so that it doesn't recoil on us and give us back our own asphyxiating pollution, but because it, akin to humanity, has its own rights. A teaching too rarely affirmed.

Finally, not least, what is implied in understanding the cosmic dimension of Christ and what that means in terms of our relationship to mother-earth and the universe is the non-negotiable fact that the quest for community and consummation within God's Kingdom (our journey towards heaven) is a quest that calls us not just to a proper relationship with God and with each other, but also to a proper relationship with physical creation.

We are humans with bodies living on the earth, not disembodied angels living in heaven, and Christ came to save our bodies along with our souls; and he came, as well, to save the physical ground upon which we walk since he was the very pattern upon which and through which the physical world was created.

Fr Ron Rolheiser OMI ©

In the Heart of Christ

Fr Mark MSC

NOTICES

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Sacramental preparation for First Holy Communion will commence shortly. Please pray for our Parish children who are about to commence preparing for First Holy Communion on Sunday, 15th September 2019 at 9:00am. The dates for preparation meetings are:

- **THIS** Sunday, 8th September, Mass, 9:00am. This will be followed by the **Third Workshop**, for Parents and Children in the Parish Centre.
- **Practice - THIS** Thursday, 12th September, 6:00pm, for Parents and Candidates, in the Church.
- **First Holy Communion Mass, NEXT** Sunday, 15th September, at 9:00am, for Parents, Candidates and Family.

LEAVING COLLECTION

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. So far we have raised \$1,953.95 to assist the family. The children's family here, is seeking to obtain visas for the children to relocate to Australia, but these cost over \$1,200.00 per child.

ST THERESE'S CRAFT GROUP

The Craft group dates for remainder of 2019 are as follows:- 9th and 23rd September, 7th and 21st October, 4th and 18th November. The group meets 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 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.

PRAYER VIGIL FOR VICTIMS OF ABUSE

A prayer vigil for victims of abuse will be held on Thursday, 19th September between 5:00pm - 6:30pm. All are invited to come and you may choose to do one of the following:

- I. To sit quietly in the pews and pray quietly by yourselves.
- II. To sit with others behind the altar, with their own prayers and/or use the sheet provided to quietly pray.
- III. To share a hot drink at the back of the church and talk with others.
- IV. Take a prayer sheet home to continue to pray for victims of abuse.

COLLECTION FOR PETER'S PENCE

Next weekend the Archdiocesan collection for Archdiocesan Sick and Aged Priests Fund will be held. Envelopes will be located on the pews and can be placed into the collection baskets next weekend. The Sick and Aged Priest 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 Fund via donations and bequests, and by priests themselves. There are no federal or state government grants to support clergy in retirement. The Sick and Aged Priest Fund helps to meet the following needs of our diocesan priests:

- A modest monthly allowance;
- Nursing home and hostel care for frail priests;
- Assistance in transitioning to retirement;
- Assistance with out of pocket medical and dental expenses;
- Assistance with board and lodging expenses;
- Motor vehicle costs.

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

REFUGEE TUTORING PROGRAM

CatholicCare is looking for more volunteers to support students from refugee background with their homework. No teaching experience necessary – just a desire to support students aged 14-25 with their learning. Light the Way Study Group is held on Mondays from 4-5.30pm in Glenorchy. Leading the Way Study Group is held on Thursdays from 3.30-5:00pm in New Town. For more information, please contact 6278 1660 to hear more about volunteering with CatholicCare. Or talk to Brother Sean McManus 0417 136 640. Students Year 11-12 or University are particularly welcome as tutors.

JOHN WALLIS MEMORIAL LECTURE 2019

Date claimer: The John Wallis Memorial Lecture 2019 will be presented by an experienced educational leader, Deborah Kent. Deborah, the CEO and Principal of Jesuit College of Spirituality, Melbourne, will speak on "*CONTINUING THE JOURNEY – charitable engagement with new frontiers*" at Guilford Young College (Hobart) on **THIS Thursday 12 September**, at 7:00pm. All interested people are invited to attend. For further information contact: Eva Dunn 0417 734 503 or eva.dunn@gmail.com

SPRING HIGH TEA

St. John's Catholic parish Outreach is holding a Spring High Tea again this year on Saturday, 21st September from 2:00pm – 4:30pm. in the Guilford Young College, Glenorchy catering suite. Entry off Mill Lane. Listen to our guest speaker talk about life in Nepal. Cost \$20.00. Silent auction, lucky door etc. All proceeds go to supporting students at Don Bosco Technical School, Biratnagar, Nepal. RSVP to phillipsfelecia@hotmail.com or mob. 0447 887 512 by 14 September.

60TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ARRIVAL OF DOMINICAN SISTERS IN TASMANIA.

On the 15th September 2019 at St John the Baptist parish, Glenorchy the Dominican Sisters are celebrating the 60th anniversary of their arrival in Tasmania at the 10.00am Mass, followed by light refreshments.

WELLNESS WORKSHOP FOR CATHOLICS

Invite: to all Catholic men & women who need to adopt a healthier lifestyle. During Lent you were spiritually nourished; but is your body nourished with good food, are you exercising regularly, or do you have too many unhealthy habits that are difficult to change. I have met so many Catholics who know they need to exercise, eat better, lose weight, de-stress but they don't actually DO IT. That's where coaching fits in. As a qualified wellness coach with a degree in theology, I will help you to develop your own unique plan to get motivated, organised, build confidence and find your own way to develop healthier habits that align with your beliefs and your lifestyle. Come along to my 5 week program that starts Wednesday, 18th September at 5pm at St Mary's Cathedral. Please ring Sandra to book or find out more details if this program interests you. 048 737 8646 or email sandra59harvey@gmail.com

“UNPLANNED” MOVIE INSPIRING TRUE STORY

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, leading Abby Johnson to join her former enemies at 40 Days For Life, and become one of the most ardent pro-life speakers in America. This movie will be shown on two evenings and bookings **URGENTLY** need to be made to ensure these events proceed.

Thursday 19th September Village Cinemas, Eastlands 7:00pm booking at <https://fan-force.com/screenings/unplanned-village-cinemas-eastlands/> or **Friday 20th September** Village Cinemas, Eastlands, 7:00pm booking at <https://fan-force.com/screenings/unplanned-village-cinemas-eastlands-2/>

‘HE MUST REIGN’ BIBLE STUDY: THE KINGDOM OF GOD IN SCRIPTURE.

Learn what Jesus meant when he said, “The time is fulfilled, and the Kingdom of God is at hand”. How do the parables of the Kingdom of God relate to Jesus' ministry? What sort of kingdom did Jesus come to bring? The drama in the Gospels turns on a single question: Is Jesus the long awaited Messiah, the son of David come to restore the everlasting monarchy promised to David? **When:** Thursdays 19th September, 3rd & 17th October. **Time:** 6.30-8.30pm.

Where: Murphy Room, Diocesan Centre, 35 Tower Rd, New Town. **Register:** email christine.wood@aohtas.org.au or call 6208-6236. **Cost:** \$20 for the study guide.

NEW EVANGELISATION SUMMIT (NES): GLOBAL SUMMIT DAY

This event will be held on Saturday, 5th October between 8:00am-4.30pm, in the Murphy Room, Archdiocesan Centre, Tower Road. It's an international event that will inspire thousands of Catholics to be engaged in the New Evangelisation. The annual NES was held earlier this year in Ottawa, Canada. It will be video-streamed to host sites globally on October 5th. Hear great ideas about evangelisation, and discuss them with locals. **Speakers include:** Cardinal Gerald Lacroix, Fr James Mallon, Michelle Moran, Michele Thompson, Fr Jon Bielawski, and Michael Dopp.

Register by October 1st: Christine Wood on 6208-6236 or

christine.wood@aohtas.org.au. **Cost:** free.

Information:

<https://www.newevangelization.ca/>

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2019 NEW EVANGELIZATION SUMMIT REPLAY

BROADCAST LOCATION:
Hobart, Australia
Diocesan Centre, Archdiocese of Hobart
35 Tower Rd, New Town, Tasmania
christine.wood@aohtas.org.au
04 0832 1002

PARTICIPATE WITH OTHER HOST SITES FROM AROUND THE WORLD!

To save your seat, register at [newevangelization.ca](https://www.newevangelization.ca/)

VOCATIONS RETREAT - CAMPBELL TOWN

5TH OCTOBER

A Vocations Retreat is being planned for Saturday, 5th October from 1:00 pm until 3:00pm at the St Michael's Presbytery, Campbell Town. If you know of any young men who may be considering a vocation to the priesthood, could you please invite them to come along? The day will consist of input on vocation in the Church, a time for personal reflection and then time for communal prayer. Fr. Brian Nichols, Vocation Director.



AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC YOUTH FESTIVAL (ACYF) - PERTH 6TH - 11TH DECEMBER 2019

A pilgrimage to the Australian Catholic Youth Festival (ACYF) in Perth! The ACYF is a gathering of young people who come together to celebrate the joy and beauty of the Catholic faith in a setting that is vibrant and engaging. If you want to know more about the ACYF, visit the festival website

below and check out the promo video: www.acyf.org.au. The "Hobart-Perth Pilgrimage" is open to all young people from year 9 to 30 years of age and will be held from 6-11 December. All students will need to register through their Catholic Colleges, whilst young adults between the ages of 18-30 can register at the website below: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/acyf-hobart-to-perth-pilgrimage-registration-62123542187>. For more information on the pilgrimage, please see the registration page or the poster in the church foyer.

AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED

An international Catholic Charity that supports suffering and persecuted Christians. Currently over 200 million Christians worldwide cannot freely exercise their faith; Christians are persecuted, discriminated against or oppressed in more than 40 countries. The primary work of *Aid to the Church in Need* is focussed on providing spiritual & pastoral support to keep the Catholic faith alive. We support projects at the request of bishops and religious superiors who have nowhere else to turn. Visit www.aidtochurch.org and click 'subscribe'. If you prefer to receive our newsletter via post, call **1800 101 201** during business hours to arrange.

STEWARDSHIP

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Envelopes: \$ 1,248.50

Loose: \$ 1,073.20

TOTAL: \$ 2,321.70

Week's Pledged Collections:

\$ 2,538.00

Difference - \$ 216.30

Thank You!

"Everyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple." (Luke 14:33)

When we first hear this statement, it seems that Jesus is making an unrealistic demand upon us. How can we renounce all of our possessions? We need them to live. However, what we must renounce is the belief that they belong to us. Everything that we have belongs to God alone. All of our resources are entrusted to us not only for our own use, but also so that we can help others. Once we renounce the idea that we possess or are entitled to anything, it is much easier to share the many gifts that God has given us. Then we truly are His Disciples.

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, Felicity Matthews, Alicia Stroud, Elsa Natoli, Peter van Loggerenberg, Joshua Baric, Paddi McDonald, Chris Poulson, Joe Higgins, Aileen Jones, Gracie Manson.

Anniversaries

Ludwig Ozon, Piotr Dabrowski, Fr William McCarthy, Hildergard Siksnius, Fr Lawrence Bayliss, Neville Bresnehan, Richard Voss, Lillian White, Theo van de Kamp, Lillian Ann Butler, Hugh Sullivan, Robert Jeffrey Wood, Leslie Coad, Anthony Lee Cordwell, Verna Read, Mary Christina Watson, Richard John Button, Boleslaw Adamus, Ian McAleese, Fr Robert Dando, Charles M. Walters, Sabatine Porretta, Kathleen J. Triffitt, Stanley John Halton, Fr John McManus, Jack Virth, Benita La Polla, Jean Marie Scanlon, Ilona Toth, Gail Sportelli, Mollie Ryan, Terence Tuttle, Fr George Taylor, Luca Sportelli, Francis Malone, Jadwiga Wasilewski, Fr Peter Wood MSC, Jack Maywood, Patricia O'Keeffe, Jane Robinson, Freda Allen, Josef Korytkowski, John Edward Coad, Virginia Hills, Jack de Groot, Margaret Cashion, Antonia Gabriel, Mary Jean Davey, Rosalie Armstrong, Alfred Monaghan, Audrey Lyons, Priscilla Celia Gabriel Salas, Allenby James Salter, Fr Henry Reid, Br Tony Smith cfc, John R. Nolan, Vera Madej, Robert Malm, John Manning.

Recently Deceased

Dina Rupenovic, Josh Stokes.

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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

7th/8th September, 2019
23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Year C

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

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

FIRST READING: (Wisdom 9:13-18)

Who can comprehend the will of God?

PSALM: (Psalm 89:3-6, 12-14, 17)

In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

SECOND READING: (Philemon 9-10, 12-17)

Receive him, not as a slave anymore, but as a very dear brother.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: (Psalm 118:135)

Alleluia!, Alleluia!

Let your face shine on your servant,
and teach me your laws.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL: (Luke 14:25-33)

All who do not renounce their possessions cannot be my disciples.

MASS TIMES

Monday 9th to Sunday 15th September
2019

	English	Polish
Monday	9:15am	
Tuesday	No Mass	9:00am
Wednesday	12:00 noon	
Thursday	9:15am	
Friday	12:00 noon	9:00am 6:00pm
Saturday	6:30pm	
Sunday	9:00am 4:30pm 5:45pm (Syro-Malabar)	10:45am

READINGS/ROSTERS

14th/15th September, 2019
24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Year C

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: (Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14)

The Lord relented and did not send the evil he had threatened.

PSALM: (Psalm 50:3-4, 12-13, 17, 19)

I will rise and go to my father.

SECOND READING: (1 Timothy 1:12-17)

Christ came to save sinners.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: (2 Corinthians 5:19)

Alleluia!, Alleluia!

God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself;
and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL: (Luke 15:1-32)

There will be joy in Heaven over one sinner who does penance.

Saturday 6:30pm

Readers Ed Sianski, Steve Randell
Ministers Phil Blake, Monica Sianski
Projector Threesa K

Sunday 9:00am

Readers Brendan McManus, Eva Hangan
Ministers Fadi Elbarbar, Paul de Groot
Sick Paul de Groot
Projector Izak Hangan

Sunday 4:30pm

Readers Bill Jacob, Cameron Brown
Ministers Daniel Duharte, Carlene Larkin
Projector Daniel Duharte
Altar Nirmalee & Threesa K
Cleaning Polish Community
Counters Maria Rodgers & Debbie Large