# Bellerive - Lindisfarne Catholic Parish

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Fr Richard Ross PP

Dear Parish Family,

Thanks for your responses to the parish survey so far. The most valuable input is your stories and experiences around the sense of connection or disconnection with the parish: not just the "what" but the "how" and the "why"! Sharing these thoughts takes time and courage, so thanks for both.

The Parish Picnic is coming together well, and promises to be a fun and relaxing day with family and community. Remember to bring a chair or a rug as well as food and drinks to enjoy. There will be music, games and activities for the children and some light hearted competition among the three communities of the parish for the Community Cup. If possible, wear your team colours: Red for Rokeby, Blue for Bellerive or Lemon (yellow) for Lindisfarne!

I will spend a few days in the north of the state this week, for a wedding, a funeral and a birthday party! I will join in with the celebration of the 100<sup>th</sup> birthday of Les Ennis, an acolyte from the Devonport parish where I was appointed at the start of my priestly journey. I have also been asked to preside at the funeral of a man from my most recent parish of Deloraine who died in tragic circumstances this week, leaving a wife and four children aged from 11-20. Please pray for Les Ennis and his family and for the Griffin family as they mark these very different occasions.

Congratulations and thanks to Lindisfarne parishioner Sr Majella Kelly who last week stepped down as the Diocesan contact person for the Towards Healing protocol. Sr Majella has been the first responder to complaints of sexual abuse within the Church of Tasmania for the past 25 years, a task she has handled with professionalism and pastoral insight. I thank Sr Majella for her commitment to this role which would no doubt have been a privilege and a burden at times.

Blessings to all for the week ahead,

Fr Richard

## **Ash Wednesday Masses** (17<sup>th</sup> February)

12pm Church of the Incarnation, Lindisfarne 7pm Corpus Christi Church, Bellerive

## Dreaming from Scripture for the Church.

Fr Michael Tate will offer four reflections on passages from the New Testament as sure foundations for "Good Faith" discussions about the Church. Concerned Catholics Tasmania are kindly making the arrangements: Saturday 6 March, 10 am – 12:30 pm, Corpus Christi Parish Hall, Bellerive. Register at cdsmith18@bigpond.com by Thursday 4 March.

#### **PARISH PICNIC**

Our annual Parish Picnic is being held on 14th February at Simmons Park from 12pm-3pm. Members, families and friends of all the schools, groups and communities that make up our parish family are invited to join us for a fun afternoon to kick off the year and celebrate our community. Byo food, drink, picnic rug and a chair. Come in your Parish colours - blue for Bellerive, red for Rokeby and lemon for Lindisfarne.

**LENTEN BOOKLETS** are available at all Masses this weekend. Cost \$5.00

**SURVEY FORMS:** These are available on the table outside the office. Thank you to the people who have already completed the survey.

PROJECT COMPASSION will be available next week

### **WEEKEND MASS TIMES**

Saturday	6:00pm	Church of the Incarnation (Reconciliation 5:30)
Sunday	8:30am	John Paul II (Live streamed)
•	10:30am	Corpus Christi

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#### **WEEKDAY MASS TIMES**

Tuesday	No Mass
Wednesday	No Mass

Thursday 12:00pm John Paul II Friday 9:30am Corpus Christi

Next week's Readings: Lev 13:1-2, 44-46; 1 Cor 10:31-11:1; Mk 1:40-43