

Bellerive - Lindisfarne Catholic Parish

2 Alma St, Bellerive

PO Box 987, Rosny Park, 7018

Phone: 6245 0501

Email: bellerive@aohtas.org.au

Website: www.cdtas.org.au/bellerive

Fb/Instagram: @belleriveparish

Fr Richard Ross PP

Dear Parish Family,

Our prayers are asked for two young men who will be ordained priests for the Archdiocese of Hobart in coming weeks. Steven Smith who grew up in the Kingston Parish and Chathura Silva from Sri Lanka will be ordained in separate ceremonies at the Cathedral in Hobart next Friday evening (24th July) and the Church of the Apostles in Launceston the following Friday evening (31st July). Attendance is limited at each occasion due to the Covid19 restrictions, but both ceremonies will be live streamed on YouTube commencing at 7pm (go to YouTube.com and search for Archdiocese of Hobart). This is indeed a courageous step in today's Church and world, and we hope and pray for many years of fruitful ministry in the Tasmanian Church for both these men.

The first week of August each year is set aside as Vocations Awareness Week. Sunday 2nd August focused on the vocation of all the baptised, whilst Sunday 9th August renews the call for prayer for vocations to the priesthood. As Steven and Chathura generously respond to this call in their lives we are prompted to search our own hearts: how have I responded to the call of the Lord in my life? What is the Lord asking of me as a person of faith in the context of my life today and into the future? It is never "business as usual" if we are following the Lord: we are constantly called to deeper faith, greater hope and more generous love. I invite you to reflect on and pray about the Lord's call in your life, whatever stage of the journey you are at. May we all be renewed in our sense of what it means to be a disciple of Jesus in today's world.

Our prayers are also asked for the students at MacKillop College who have chosen to seriously investigate the life of faith through their participation in an Alpha programme. They will reflect on and share their understanding of the ultimate meaning of life and learn about the teaching and person of Jesus, the life of the Church and the experience of prayer. May this be an enlightening and graced experience where their openness enables them to truly meet the Lord and come to know and trust his presence in their lives.

I was reminded of a beautiful blessing prayer at a friend's funeral this week which I share with you here: O Lord, support us all the day long, until the shadows lengthen, and the evening comes, and the busy world is hushed, and the fever of life is over, and our work is done. Then, in your mercy, grant us a safe lodging, and a holy rest and peace at the last. Amen.

Fr Richard

ORDINATIONS INVITATION

Steven Smith will be ordained on Friday 24th July at 7pm at St Mary's Cathedral Chathura will be ordained on 31st July at Church of Apostles. Both ceremonies will be live streamed and can be watched on YouTube.com and search Archdiocese of Hobart

The National Catholic Men's Gathering will happen on **Saturday 15th August**. Australia's bishops have called for men to meet together (coronavirus-permitting) at centres all over the country to consider their calling in 2020 and beyond. The Gathering is **for ALL men**. Its aim is to inspire and encourage men with a vision for personal discipleship, service and mission in the family, parish, diocese and the world. The broadcast program will feature a range of **excellent national speakers**, with reflections from several Australian bishops including our own Archbishop Julian Porteous.

Becoming Missionary Disciples: Evangelium Conference 2020

The Archdiocese of Hobart, invites you to attend the Evangelium Conference. The keynote speaker is Jude Hennessy, Director Office of Renewal and Evangelisation from the Diocese of Wollongong. The conference will be taking place on Saturday 29 August, in Launceston. To register or to find out more, go to www.eventbrite.com.au and search 'Evangelium Conference'. Alternately contact Ella Tobin on 0468 601 517.

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

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

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Tuesday	10:45 am Regis Aged Care Warrane
Wednesday	12:00 pm Church of the Incarnation
Thursday	12:00 pm John Paul II
Friday	9:30 am Corpus Christi

Next week's Readings: 1 Kg 3:5,7 -12; Rom 8:28-30; Mt 13:44-52