Bellerive - Lindisfarne Catholic Parish

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Dear Parish Family,

The Australian Bishops have issued a liturgical instruction for the entire country in response to the Corona virus. The biggest impact on our parish celebrations include the withdrawal of Communion from the chalice, the necessity to receive Communion only on the hand not on the tongue, the advice not to shake hands at the sign of peace but to acknowledge each other in other appropriate ways and the removal of the Holy Water stoup from the door of the church. These measures are aimed at reducing the risk of spreading infection at large public gatherings, and your cooperation with these requirements is greatly appreciated.

Personal supplies of Holy Water are available. If you would like some Holy Water with which to bless yourself at home please bring a small jar or bottle to the church and the sacristans will help you. Hand sanitising gel will be available at the door of the churches and we encourage you to make regular use of it. The full text of the Bishops' letter is on the notice board in the foyer of the church.

Our first round of faith sharing sessions with the children preparing for their First Reconciliation took place during the week. I was struck by the enthusiasm of the children to learn about their faith and I commend them for the eagerness with which they engaged in the faith sharing activities. There were plenty of smiles among parents and children alike as they left the sessions, so a strong and positive start has been made. Please continue to pray for these children and their families as they deepen their engagement with our parish family.

On this Second Sunday of Lent we once more hear the story of the Transfiguration of Jesus and the voice of God telling us to listen to his Son. Let us pray for the openness and awareness to hear and recognise the voice of the Lord on our journey of faith.

Fr Richard

Next week's Readings: Ex 17:3-7; Rom 5:1-2,5-8; John 4:5-42

FRIDAYS DURING LENT Stations of the Cross at 7:00pm Corpus Christi

CHOIR PRACTICE for Easter is on Wednesday 11th March 7:00pm at Corpus Christi. You are all welcome to join.

<u>CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD</u> Any adults interested in assisting with the running of a Children's Liturgy of the Word at the 10:30 Mass at Corpus Christi each Sunday, please put your name and contact details on a note for the Parish Office provided at the door of the church.

CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL

The Fathers Heart Prayer Community invites you to join with us on Saturday March 14th, for a time of reflection and prayer in the O'Loughlin Room, Corpus Christi Church. Time 10am-2.30pm. Father Fidelis will be the guest speaker. Theme: "Fan into a flame the gift God has given you." (2 Timothy 1.6) All Welcome

<u>LENTEN REFLECTION:</u> TWO MEN NOT ORIGINALLY NAMED FRANCIS—A Catholic vision of Ecology presented by Fr Michael Tate. 7:00pm on Wednesdays 11th, 18th & 25th March in the Meeting Hall underneath St Francis Xavier's Church, South Hobart. All invited to a Lenten Supper afterwards.

BREAKFAST CLUB and MENTOR PROGRAMME: Bellerive Primary School is looking for volunteers for these two programmes to commit one hour per week during term time. The Breakfast Club runs every Monday morning between 8 and 9am and involves making breakfast for students who may not have had anything to eat that morning or over the weekend. The Mentor programme involves being a positive role model for students who may not have had many caring adults in their lives. Both programmes require a current Working with Vulnerable People Card. Contact Angela Marquis via email angela.marquis@education.tas.gov.au

WEEKEND MASSES		
Sat	6:00pm	Incarnation
Sun	8:30am	John Paul II
	10:30am	Corpus Christi
	6:00pm	Corpus Christi
Reconciliation		Sat 5:30—5:45
		Incarnation

WEEKDAY MASSES	
Tuesday	10:45am Queen Victoria
	12:00pm Incarnation
Wednesday	12:00pm Corpus Christi
Wednesday Thursday	10:00am JPII
Friday	9:30am Corpus Christi