

# Bellerive - Lindisfarne Catholic Parish

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Fr Richard Ross PP

Dear Parish Family,

Concerned Catholics Tasmania (CCT) is a recently formed group within the Tasmanian Church responding to the invitation of the Australian Bishops to engage in a process of dialogue and renewal in the lead up to the National Plenary. To quote from their recent newsletter: "rather than encouraging genuine open dialogue and a shared journey of understanding, many find that our Church is stifling debate and turning its back on the very society with which it is meant to be engaging." This group seeks to look "beyond the challenges presented by our institutional Church, towards a church that is humble, inclusive, transparent and life giving for all." The official launch of this group will take place at The Tailrace Centre in Launceston next Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> October. The guest speaker will be Francis Sullivan, AO, former CEO of the Catholic Church's Truth, Justice and Healing Council. Due to Covid restrictions, RSVP is essential for those wishing to attend. Contact [donna\\_mckilliam@yahoo.com.au](mailto:donna_mckilliam@yahoo.com.au)

Their recent newsletter also included this thought provoking reflection from Carlo Carretto, which is perhaps just as relevant today:

## **I Sought and I found – my experience of God and the Church**

How much I must criticize you, my church and yet how much I love you!

You have made me suffer more than anyone and yet I owe more to you than to anyone.

I should like to see you destroyed and yet I need your presence.

You have given me much scandal and yet you alone have made me understand holiness.

Never in this world have I seen anything more compromised, more false, yet never have I touched anything more pure, more generous or more beautiful.

Countless times I have felt like slamming the door of my soul in your face – and yet, every night, I have prayed that I might die in your sure arms!

No, I cannot be free of you, for I am one with you, even if not completely you.

Then too – where would I go? To build another church?

But I could not build one without the same defect, for they are my defects. And again, if I were to build another church, it would be my church, not Christ's church.

No. I am old enough. I know better!

Carlo Carretto (1910-1988), Italian writer, mystic, and member of the Little Brothers of Jesus.

Blessings to all for the week ahead,

Fr Richard

**St Vincent de Paul Society Appeal** Please consider donating supermarket vouchers or money so families can purchase and enjoy fresh meat, fruit and vegetables. Recommended items to donate:

pasta, rice, cereal, canned fruit, canned tuna, biscuits, canned soup, baked beans/spaghetti, toilet paper, nuts/dried fruit, pasta sauce, porridge, spreads, long life milk, muesli bars, instant noodles/rice, canned tomatoes, tooth paste, razors.

**Thanks!** Thanks to Andrew Prenter for his work in tidying up the grave of Monsignor Bernard Rogers outside the Church of the Incarnation. Much appreciated Andrew! Also, thanks to Denis Wiss for his years of continuing service attending to the grounds at Lindisfarne. Not to mention Greg Shelverton's meticulous work around the grounds of Corpus Christi Church. These are some of the quiet but essential contributors who keep our parish looking its best.

## **CATHOLIC MISSION APPEAL**

The theme of this Year's appeal is "For the Joy of the Lord is your Strength." This verse is from Nehemiah 8:10, inviting us to enjoy good food and to share this food with those who have nothing. I invite you to participate in this year's appeal and support catholic Mission and the Children of the Arrupe Centre in Cambodia. Contributions can be placed in an envelope marked Catholic Mission or be electronic transfer to :BSB 062784. Account Name: Catholic Mission: Account Number: 007156500. Reference: 127202

Once the payment has been made, please send the remittance advice to email: [Hobart.director@catholicmission.org.au](mailto:Hobart.director@catholicmission.org.au)

## **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**

Wednesday	12:00pm	Church of the Incarnation
Thursday	12:00pm	John Paul II
Friday	9:30am	Corpus Christi

Next week's Readings: Is 25:6-10; Phil 4:12-14,19-20; Mt 22:1-14