

West Tamar Catholic Parish



MASS TIMES

Riverside:

6.00pm Saturday
9.00am Sunday
5.00pm Tues & Wed
6.00pm Friday

Beaconsfield:

11:00am
1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays of the Month
12.00 noon 1st Friday of the month

Glengarry:

11.00am
2nd & 4th
Sundays of the Month

Additional Masses: 7.30am Thurs: Carmelite Monastery, 7 Cambridge St Launceston

First Sunday of Lent Year B, 21st February 2021

Today's Readings

First Reading Gn 9:8-15
Second Reading 1 Pt 3:18-22
Gospel Mk 1:12-15

*God establishes a covenant
Our lives saved in Baptism.
Jesus proclaims the reign of God.*

Next Week

Gn 22:1-2, 9-13, 15-18
Rom 8:31-34
Mk 9:2-10



Let us conquer our temptations as Jesus did

Let us conquer our temptations as Jesus did, using the methods Jesus employed. Jesus conquered his tempter, the devil by prayer, penance, and timely use of the word of God. Hence, during this Lent, let us confront our evil tendencies by talking to God, by listening to Him speaking to us through the Holy Bible, and by practicing self-control to subdue our evil tendencies.

Let us use Lent to fight daily against the evil within us and around us by practicing self-control, relying on the power of prayer, and seeking the assistance and anointing of the Holy Spirit.

Source: <http://frtonyshomilies.com/lent-i-sunday-february-21-2021/>

Fr Martin Aye Ngwe

21 St Peter Damian

February - Feast Days this Week:

22 The chair of St Peter, Apostle
23 St Polycarp
27 St Gabriel of Our Lady of Sorrows

25 Blsd Sebastian of Aparicio

Feast day of the Week – Saint Peter Damian

Peter was born in Italy in 1007. When his parents died, he went to live with one of his older brothers, who treated him cruelly. Sometimes Peter was forbidden to eat any of his brother's food. Another brother helped solve the problem by giving Peter money so that he could afford to go away to school.

Peter did so well in school that he became a professor when he was only 25. After the school day was finished, Peter often invited students and poor people to his home for dinners that he served himself. He remembered what it felt like to be hungry.

Peter became a priest and then a Benedictine monk. He spent his days in prayer and study. After a short time Peter was elected abbot, or superior, of the community. Although this new responsibility took Peter away from his quiet life, he was an excellent leader. So many men were attracted to religious life because of his example that he established five new monasteries.

Peter was ordained the bishop of Ostia, a diocese near Rome. As bishop, Peter worked to solve problems in his diocese and to remind his priests of their mission.

Pope Stephen X recognized Peter's gifts and asked him to represent the Church in settling disputes and helping to stop practices that were preventing the Church from doing Christ's work in the world. Peter was so skilled as a peacemaker and reformer that he advised seven popes and traveled to many places representing the Holy Father. He worked with priests, bishops, kings, and emperors—all to serve Jesus.

As a monk, a bishop, and a saint, Peter Damian lived one of the Benedictine Rules completely: "Do not prefer anything to the love of Christ." He died in 1072 and is considered to be a Doctor of the Church. St. Peter Damian helps us to remember that if we put Jesus first in our lives, the Lord will always guide us in living as his faithful disciples.



The celebration of the Word

FIRST READING

Gen 9:8-15

A reading from the book of Genesis

God spoke to Noah and his sons, 'See, I establish my Covenant with you, and with your descendants after you; also with every living creature to be found with you, birds, cattle and every wild beast with you: everything that came out of the ark, everything that lives on the earth. I establish my Covenant with you: no thing of flesh shall be swept away again by the waters of the flood. There shall be no flood to destroy the earth again.'

God said, 'Here is the sign of the Covenant I make between myself and you and every living creature with you for all generations: I set my bow in the clouds and it shall be a sign of the Covenant between me and the earth. When I gather the clouds over the earth and the bow appears in the clouds, I will recall the Covenant between myself and you and every living creature of every kind. And so the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all things of flesh.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 24:4-9. R. see v.10

(R.) Cantor: Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant.

All: Repeat

1. Lord, make me know your ways. Lord, teach me your paths. Make me walk in your truth, and teach me: for you are God my saviour. (R)
2. Remember your mercy, O Lord, and the love you have shown of old. In your love remember me, because of your goodness, O Lord. (R)
3. The Lord is good and upright. He shows the path to those who stray, he guides the humble in the right path; he teaches his way to the poor. (R)

SECOND READING

1 Pt 3:18-22

A reading from the first letter of St Peter

Christ himself, innocent though he was, died once for sins, died for the guilty, to lead us to God. In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life, and, in the spirit, he went to preach to the spirits in prison. Now it was long ago, when Noah was still building that ark which saved only a small group of eight people 'by water', and when God was still waiting patiently, that these spirits refused to believe. That water is a type of the baptism which saves you now, and which is not the washing off of physical dirt but a pledge made to God from a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has entered heaven and is at God's right hand, now that he has made the angels and Dominations and Powers his subjects.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Cantor: Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

All: Repeat

Cantor: No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.

All: Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

One does not live by bread alone,
but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of
God.

GOSPEL

Mk 1:12-15

From the Holy Gospel according to Mark

The Spirit drove Jesus out into the wilderness and he remained there for forty days, and was tempted by Satan. He was with the wild beasts, and the angels looked after him.

After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee. There he proclaimed the Good News from God. 'The time has come' he said 'and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ

Dear Parishioners,
Please be advised of the current St David's Project Update.

Church Building:

The required BA has been obtained and the Church Building Works as you may have observed are now underway.

The Builder has erected their security fencing around the site and a contract has been agreed with the successful Builder.

The St David's site is now a construction zone and in the control of the Builder.

Several aspects are still being considered such as the Altar amendments (We intend to utilise the present altar at St Francis and bring it to the required liturgical standard for the new build and the tabernacle design utilising the present tabernacle.)

The completion date was scheduled for the 18th of April 2021, however due to delays beyond our control this date is no longer likely. As soon as I have a likely completion date I will advise you all further.

As always we will keep you informed of the ongoing process of this project.

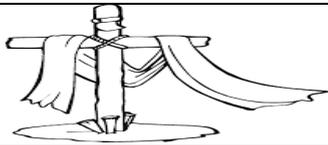
Presbytery Building:

The plans are being finalised for the Bishop's approval and then they will be submitted with a BA for approval by West Tamar Council.

Costings are still being sought for this aspect of the Project.

God bless,

Mark Murphy
Parish Council Chair.



Stations of the Cross

Will be conducted every Friday after 6pm Mass.
at St Francis, Riverside.
All welcome.



**First Sunday of Lent
21st February 2021**



Jamila, 22, is a Rohingya woman living in the world's largest refugee camp in Bangladesh. She was forced to flee the armed conflict in Myanmar to save herself, her elderly mother and her eight-month-old baby.

With the support of Caritas Australia, through Caritas Bangladesh, Jamila was able to access emergency food and shelter. She also received counselling, emotional support, and learnt sewing skills to help her earn an income.

Jamila now feels less alone, with a sense of community around her. She is able to 'Be More' to her little family. "Thank you, and thanks Caritas Australia," Jamila says.

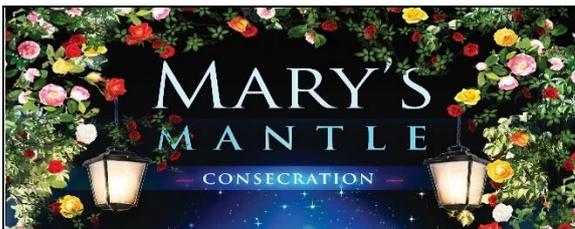
Please donate to Project Compassion 2021 to help mothers like Jamila be more for her family and her community.

You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.



World Day of Prayer

This year it will be held on the **Friday 5th March at St Oswald's Anglican Church**
34 Bain Terrace, Trevallyn. 10.30am
We will be offering prayers and help for the people of Vanuatu.



Lenten Retreat for Spiritual Renewal

We pray for all parishioners who are doing Mary's Mantle Retreat, that through their prayers and for the intention of HEALING they will receive extraordinary graces.

For more information, contact: Coby Vautin on 0419 376 660 or by email cobyvautin@gmail.com

Online Retreat

Into a Strange Land: A Country Called Forgiveness

In this 5 days retreat we will be walking the arduous and sometimes lonely journey from unforgiveness to forgiveness: the journey that has the possibility of leading to joy and peace of soul that remains elusive, until we are able to let go and forgive.

St Antonia osb will guide you throughout the retreat.

Retreat begins: 21 Feb 2021 for 5 weeks during Lent.

Registration fee: \$200

For more information see the information booklet in the Narthex OR go to:

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Becoming Motivated Disciples

The Verbum Domini Institute is focusing on how to live out the Gospel more fully through motivated Christian Discipleship. Join this four session short course to hear and discuss the meaning of Christian discipleship with the aim of developing a renewed commitment to Jesus Christ in preparation for Easter.

When: Tuesdays 23rd Feb., 9th & 23rd Mar, and 6th Apr. The final session will be in the Easter season so we can focus on the fruits of Easter in our spiritual lives.

Time: 7-8.30pm. **Cost:** Free. **Register:** christine.wood@aohtas.org.au or call 0408-321-002. **Where:** online via Zoom.



Prayer Resources for Individuals and Families

Even though restrictions have been eased there are still some who continue to experience social isolation. It is important for everyone to pray and stay connected to our community. A range of online resources are available to assist with this. These include daily prayers and readings, prayer services, the Sunday Office, commentaries, homilies and reflections as well as Gospel based activities and resources to support personal and family prayer. Go to: liturgyhelp.com/aus/hobart/pray and follow the prompts to access. Hopefully these resources will help create prayerful solidarity within our community and the whole Body of Christ. This is available and free of charge through Creative Ministry Resources.

Plenary Council 2020 Prayer

*Come, Holy Spirit of Pentecost. Come, Holy Spirit of the great South Land.
O God, bless and unite all your people in Australia and guide us on the pilgrim way of the Plenary Council.
Give us the grace to see your face in one another and to recognise Jesus, our companion on the road.
Give us the courage to tell our stories and to speak boldly of your truth.
Give us ears to listen humbly to each other and a discerning heart to hear what you are saying.
Lead your Church into a hope-filled future, that we may live the joy of the Gospel.
Through Jesus Christ our Lord, bread for the journey from age to age. Amen.
Our Lady Help of Christians, pray for us.
St Mary MacKillop, pray for us.*



We offer prayers for family and friends who have recently died:

Dawn Coffey

We offer prayers for family and friends whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Beryl Hickey, Jessie Waters, Kitty O'Keefe, Wilhelmas Monde, Fr Joachim O'Brien ofm, Jan Siejka, Jean Zampogna, Helen Howard, Vera Green, Mollie Armstrong, Francesca Germano, Dot Munting, Richard Kompa and Peter Barker.

We offer prayers for family and friends who are unwell:

Louis Rossler, Helmut Antel, Janine, Warwick Eldridge, Mora Bligh, Andrea and Grey, Samantha Holloway, Tony & Teresa Bidgood, Paul McInerney, Adelynde, Fr Allan Hartcher ofm, Henry Phyo, Josephine Moore, William Gordon, Lyn Elliott, Maria Janson, Neil, Jim O'Connell, Patricia & John McInerney, Alex Lyall, Fr Tom Chapman, Ray Porter, Anthea Maynard, Andre A, Anthony A, Thea van Borkulo, Maureen Bamping, Sophie and Scott Bailey, Marina Aye, Geoff Jones, Lucius U, Maureen Symons, Ron Willis, Guy M, Gerard Mackrell, Irene Bingham, Andrew, James, Matthew J, Roger Orr, Trevor Peters, Claire, N. MacLaine, Max Jamieson and

all patients in St Vincent's, St Luke's & General Hospitals

We offer prayers for our whole Parish community

Please let the Parish Office know if you have recovered.

Next Week's Roster

	Readers	Commentators	Greeters / Cleaners	Servers
Sat 27th Feb	R McManamey	K McInerney	V McMullen, S Cannell, D Kapper, L Huynh	L Huynh
Sun 28th Feb	A Cunningham	M Cherry	V McMullen, S Cannell, D Kapper, L Huynh	P Bertoia

Holy Hour: every 1st Friday of the month. 6.00pm Mass, Devotion to the Sacred Heart and Benediction (Reconciliation available during Rosary except 1st Friday)

Anointing of the sick: every 1st Friday of the month during 6.00am Mass at St Francis Church, Riverside.

Cenacle within Mass: every 1st Saturday of the month, St Francis Church, Riverside 11.00am.

12 Hour Adoration: Every Friday from 7am-7pm. Concludes at 6.00pm with Mass, Rosary and Benediction.

Mass at the Carmelite Monastery: Sundays at 7.30am; Monday - Friday at 7.30am; Saturdays at 9.00am.

Rosary: every Monday at 7.30pm in the comfort of your own home. We pray our Blessed Mother will watch over us all at this time of uncertainty and sadness. **Enquiries:** Jan on 0409 175 940 or Adrian & Liz on 0407 074 693

The Carmel Shop: 7 Cambridge Street, West Launceston is open on Wednesdays between 11.00am- 4.00pm.

St Francis of Assisi Church

108 Pomona Road, Riverside

St Francis Xavier Church

190 Weld Street, Beaconsfield

St Canice Church

Glengarry Road, Glengarry

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Reconciliation

Riverside: Sat 5:15 pm - 5:45 pm

Archdiocesan website:

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Beaconsfield & Glengarry

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