

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

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A, 25th October 2020

Today's Readings

First Reading Ex 22:20-26 *You must not be harsh with the widow, or with the orphan*
Second Reading 1 Thes 1:5-10 *You turned away from idols to serve God and await his Son.*
Gospel Mt 22:34-40 *You shall love the Lord your God and your neighbour as yourself.*

Next Week

Apoc 7:2-4,9-14
1Jn 3:1-3
Mt 5:1-12



We need to love our neighbour:

God's will is that we should love everyone, seeing Him in each of them. Since every human being is the child of God and the dwelling place of the Spirit of God, we are giving expression to our love of God by loving our neighbour as Jesus loves him or her. This means we need to help, support, encourage, forgive, and pray for everyone without discrimination based on colour, race, religion, gender, age, wealth, or social status.

Forgiveness, too, is vital. We love others by refusing to hold a grudge for a wrong done to us. Even a rebuke can be given as an act of love, if it is done with the right heart. We also express love through encouragement and by helping others to grow. We express *agápe* love in meeting the needs of others by using the talents and blessings that God has given us to comfort each other, and to teach each other, and to share the Gospel with each other, in deeds and in words.
(L/20) *Source: <http://frtonyshomilies.com/o-t-xxix-october-18-sunday/>*

Fr Martin Aye Ngwe

26 St Dimitrios

October - Feast Days this Week:
28 Sts Simon & Jude, Apostles

31 St Wolfgang of Regensburg

Feast day of the Week – Saint Dimitrios

Great Martyr Dimitrios, the Myrrh-flowing and Wonderworking Saint, was a Christian and the son of the military commander of Thessalonica in the early fourth century. St. Dimitrios was the only son and was, because of this, most carefully cherished and educated. When his father died, Dimitrios was appointed by Emperor Maximian to take his place. Maximian was an opponent of Christ and charged Dimitrios to persecute and to kill the Christians in that city.

Instead, Dimitrios disobeyed Maximian and openly confessed and preached Christianity. Hearing of this, the Emperor was furious and on his way back from battles against the Sarmathians he went to Thessalonica to look into the matter. He summoned Dimitrios and questioned him about his faith. Dimitrios confessed his belief as well as his disgust for idolatry (and thus openly criticising the Emperor himself). The enraged Emperor cast him into prison, and Dimitrios, knowing his fate, had his servant Lupus give his wealth to the poor (being glad that suffering for Christ was to be his lot).

An angel of God appeared to Dimitrios saying, "Peace be with thee, thou sufferer for Christ; be brave and strong!" After several days, the Emperor sent soldiers to the prison to kill Dimitrios. The soldiers came into the cell finding the Saint at prayer, and killed him with their spears. Christians then secretly took his body and buried it, and his relics began producing a healing fragrant myrrh. A small church was soon built over his relics, and when an Illyrian nobleman, by the name of Leontius, ran prayerfully up to the relics of St. Dimitrios and was completely cured of an incurable disease, he built a much larger church replacing the small one.

Once, when barbarians plundered the city, two maidens were abducted. When the leader of the barbarians learned that the maidens could embroider, he threatened them to produce the likeness of St. Dimitrios. They finished on the eve of the Saint's feast and they wept asking for his forgiveness. Suddenly, Dimitrios appeared and transported them like an angel of God to the safety of his church in Thessalonica and left them among the people during a vigil.

The Saint appeared on other occasions. When Emperor Justinian attempted to move the Saint's relics to Constantinople, flames shot out of the tomb and a voice commanded them to, "Leave them there, and don't touch!" and thus the relics have remained since in Thessalonica. Another time was when a young man responsible for the candles of the church was stealing them and reselling them from his home. Dimitrios appeared to him and told him that he was harming himself and the church. The embarrassed man obeyed for a little while but soon returned to his old ways. One day, when he was about to steal some large candles that had just been lit near the tomb of St. Dimitrios, a booming voice said, "Are you doing this again!" He fell over unconscious, and when he awoke, he related the whole story.



The celebration of the Word

FIRST READING

Ex 22:20-26

A reading from the book of Exodus

The Lord said to Moses, 'Tell the sons of Israel this, "You must not molest the stranger or oppress him, for you lived as strangers in the land of Egypt. You must not be harsh with the widow, or with the orphan; if you are harsh with them, they will surely cry out to me, and be sure I shall hear their cry; my anger will flare and I shall kill you with the sword, your own wives will be widows, your own children orphans.

"If you lend money to any of my people, to any poor man among you, you must not play the usurer with him: you must not demand interest from him.

"If you take another's cloak as a pledge, you must give it back to him before sunset. It is all the covering he has; it is the cloak he wraps his body in; what else would he sleep in? If he cries to me, I will listen, for I am full of pity."

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

(R.) *Cantor:* I love you, Lord, my strength

All: Repeat

1. I love you, Lord, my strength, my rock, my fortress, my saviour. My God is a mighty rock; he is my saving refuge. (R)
2. The Lord is my shield and mighty help. The Lord is my stronghold. The Lord is worthy of all praise: when I call I am saved from my foes. (R)
3. Long life to the Lord, my rock! Praised be the God who saves me. He has given great victories to his king and shown his love for his anointed. (R)

SECOND READING

1 Thes 1:5-10

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians

You observed the sort of life we lived when we were with you, which was for your instruction, and you were led to become imitators of us, and of the Lord; and it was with the joy of the Holy Spirit that you took to the gospel, in spite of the great opposition all round you. This has made you the great example to all believers in Macedonia and Achaia since it was from you that the word of the Lord started to spread – and not only throughout Macedonia and Achaia, for the news of your faith in God has spread everywhere. We do not need to tell other people about it: other people tell us how we started the work among you, how you broke with idolatry when you were converted to God and became servants of the real, living God; and how you are now waiting for Jesus, his Son, whom he raised from the dead, to come from heaven to save us from the retribution which is coming.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Cantor: Alleluia! ...

All: Repeat

Cantor : All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them and we will come to them.

All: Alleluia! ...

GOSPEL

Mt 22:34-40

From the Holy Gospel according to Matthew

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees they got together and, to disconcert him, one of them put a question, 'Master, which is the greatest commandment of the law?' Jesus said, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second resembles it: you must love your neighbour as yourself. On these two commandments hang the whole Law, and the Prophets also.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ

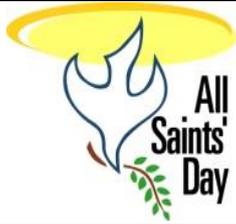
Reminders
Parish Finance Committee Will meet Wednesday 28th October at 7.30pm

Rattslotto winners: Week 3 17/10/20

1st supplementary No. 3 A Hudson
2nd supplementary No. 17 G Kingston



All Saints Day & All Souls Day



Sunday 1st November - All Saints Day (Solemnity) 9.00am Mass at St Francis, Riverside
11.00am Mass St Francis Xavier, Beaconsfield
Monday 2nd November - All Souls' Day There will be
9.00am Mass at St Francis, Riverside
and
5.00pm Mass at St Canice, Glengarry



Please Help!!

We are looking for donations of ingredients for the Mission Stall including, but not limited to self raising flour, butter, eggs, condensed milk, chocolate melts, brown sugar cocoa and mixed fruit.

If you are able to give please leave your donations in the Narthex of the Church.
Thanking you all in advance!



2021 Columban Calendars

The **2021 Columban Art Calendar** is now available in the Narthex of the Church for **\$11.00**.

When you purchase the calendar, you are participating in God's Mission and assisting Columbans in meeting the needs of the poor.

The Columban Art Calendar is an iconic Catholic Calendar, well-known for its traditional religious paintings and liturgical information and is a major fundraiser for Columban Missionaries. 2021 marks the 99th edition.



Silent Retreat Exclusively for Women

Come and join us in this beautiful experience with God!

Spiritual Exercises of St Ignatius of Loyola

Date: 26 - 31 October 2020 \$550.00 per person Accommodation + Meals + Fee
Emmanuel Centre. 123 Abbott St. Newstead – TAS

Speaker: Fr Pius Noonan OSB

RSVP: 0418183511 or email palavravivatasmania@gmail.com



For the Joy of the Lord is your
STRENGTH
NEHEMIAH 8:10

THIS IS THE LAST WEEK our parish will be holding the annual Catholic Mission Church Appeal. This year we are invited to partner with the Church in Cambodia, which is reaching out to those who have been affected by disability and giving them hope and support to live a fulfilling life.

Chen was just 16 years old when he lost both his legs in a landmine accident. Knowing that his life would never be the same, he felt hopeless, until he and his family were approached by the Arrupe Centre. Led by Bishop Enrique Figaredo Alvargonzalez.

The Arrupe Centre provides children like Chen with support and opportunities they may not access otherwise.

Over the following weeks you will be offered the opportunity to personally partner with the Church in Cambodia as a monthly giving partner, with all gifts specifically directed to support community and child-focused programs in Cambodia.

Please come prepared to give generously.



Electronic Banking Transfer:

BSB: 062 784 Acc: 007 156 500 Acc Name: Catholic Mission Ref: 127228

Deposit Bank:

BSB: 062 00 Acc: 136 340 76 Acc Name: Catholic Mission Ref: 127228

Once payment has been made by either of the above, please send remittance advice to Hobart.director@catholicmission.org.au
OR

Freecall: 1800 257 296 online at www.catholicmission.org.au/cambodia



Discovering Christ

Anyone and everyone, from the Baptised in the pews to the unbaptised is invited to hear the Good News and personally encounter Jesus Christ. **Wednesdays at 5.30pm until 25th November** at the Emmanuel Centre.

Enquiries and RSVP: palavravivatasmania@gmail.com or 0418 183 511

Catechist Formation Information Session

Following the announcement of the 'Order of Catechists' in the last Catholic Standard, Archbishop Porteous would like to invite to an information session those interested in becoming catechists to teach the Catholic faith to children and to prepare adults to become Catholic through RCIA. The session will be an online Zoom meeting which you can do from home.

Date: Wednesday 4th November, 7-8pm. Register: Dr. Christine Wood on 6208-6236 or christine.wood@aohtas.org.au

27 to 29 of November 2020
WOMEN'S RETREAT
 The woman according to God's heart
SAVE THE DATE
 Archdiocese of Hobart

Women's Retreat

There are many pressures on women today. At times this can be stressful and sometimes we don't know what we are doing or where we are going. *The Office of Youth Evangelisation Women's Retreat 2020* will provide young women an opportunity to push pause on their busy lives. To take an opportunity to explore our true calling as women, and deepen our understanding of our purpose as designed by God.



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:

Fr Liam Floyd and Fr Frank Gibson

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

Cecilia Coniglio, Martin Jetson, Jody Midson, Mary Hartcher, Frederick Green, Ellen Dobson, Evelyn Dwyer, Ria Van Galen, Emily Lyall, Robert Williamson and Dorothy Foley.

We offer prayers for family and friends who are unwell:

Janine, Jennifer Johnston, Warwick Eldridge, Mora Bligh, Andrea and Grey, Samantha Holloway, Tony & Teresa Bidgood, Paul McInerney, Adelynde, Fr Allan Hartcher ofm, Henry Phyto, 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, Murray Jones, Andrew, James, Matthew J, Roger Orr, Fr Richard Ross, 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 31st Oct	M Murphy	K McInerney	V McMullen, S Cannell, D Kapper, L Huynh	L Huynh
Sun 1st Nov	D Kapper	M Spizzica	V McMullen, S Cannell, D Kapper, L Huynh	J Izbicki

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

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.
 Enquiries: Helen 6344 6382 or email: carmelshop@yahoo.com

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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The Presbytery

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Reconciliation

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

Archdiocesan website:

www.hobart.catholic.org.au

Beaconsfield & Glengarry

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