

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

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B, 7th February 2021

Today's Readings

First Reading Jb 7:1-4, 6-7
Second Reading 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23
Gospel Mk 1:29-39

*I am filled with sorrow all day long
Paul is compelled to preach the Gospel.
Jesus heals Simon's mother-in-law.*

Next Week

Lv 13:1-2, 44-46
1 Cor 10:31 – 11:1
Mk 1:40-45



Faithful in the service of the Lord.

As we have heard during today's Readings, we have different examples of how one can think spiritually versus worldly thinking. We have come to the realisation that in order to remain faithful in the service of the Lord, we must embrace a spiritual mind so that we can understand the things of God.

We have learned that no matter how hard life can be at times, by the power of the Holy Spirit and a spiritual approach, we can overcome any obstacles by the grace of God the Father in the Most Holy Name of Jesus.

We have learned of the necessity to associate with those who are spiritually minded. If we surround ourselves with those who are worldly, we will begin to think like them, suppressing our spiritual thoughts that are in harmony with the inner dwelling Spirit of Christ.

Fr Martin Aye Ngwe

March - Feast Days this Week:

10 St Scholastica

11 Our Lady of Lourdes

Feast day of the Week – Saint Scholastica

Twins often share the same interests and ideas with an equal intensity. Therefore, it is no surprise that Scholastica and her twin brother, Benedict, established religious communities within a few miles from each other.

Born in 480 of wealthy parents, Scholastica and Benedict were brought up together until he left central Italy for Rome to continue his studies.

Little is known of Scholastica's early life. She founded a religious community for women near Monte Cassino at Plombariola, five miles from where her brother governed a monastery.

The twins visited each other once a year in a farmhouse because Scholastica was not permitted inside the monastery. They spent these times discussing spiritual matters.

According to the *Dialogues of St. Gregory the Great*, the brother and sister spent their last day together in prayer and conversation. Scholastica sensed her death was close at hand and she begged Benedict to stay with her until the next day.

He refused her request because he did not want to spend a night outside the monastery, thus breaking his own Rule. Scholastica asked God to let her brother remain and a severe thunderstorm broke out, preventing Benedict and his monks from returning to the abbey.

Benedict cried out, "God forgive you, Sister. What have you done?" Scholastica replied, "I asked a favour of you and you refused. I asked it of God and he granted it."

Brother and sister parted the next morning after their long discussion. Three days later, Benedict was praying in his monastery and saw the soul of his sister rising heavenward in the form of a white dove. Benedict then announced the death of his sister to the monks and later buried her in the tomb he had prepared for himself.



The celebration of the Word

FIRST READING

Jb 7:1-4. 6-7

A reading from the book of Job

Job began to speak: Is not man's life on earth nothing more than pressed service, his time no better than hired drudgery? Like the slave, sighing for the shade, or the workman with no thought but his wages, months of delusion I have assigned me, nothing for my own but nights of grief. Lying in bed I wonder, 'When will it be day?' Risen I think, 'How slowly evening comes!' Restlessly I fret till twilight falls. Swifter than a weaver's shuttle my days have passed, and vanished, leaving no hope behind. Remember that my life is but a breath, and that my eyes will never again see joy.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

(R.) Cantor: Praise the Lord who heals the broken-hearted.

All: Repeat

1. Praise the Lord for he is good; sing to our God for he is loving: The Lord is good and upright, to him our praise is due. **(R)**
2. The Lord builds up Jerusalem and brings back Israel's exiles, he heals the broken-hearted, binding up their wounds. He fixes the number of the stars; he calls each one by name. **(R)**
3. Our Lord is great and almighty; his wisdom cannot be measured. The Lord raises up the lowly; he humbles the wicked to the dust. **(R)**

SECOND READING

1 Cor 9:16-19. 22-23

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

I do not boast of preaching the gospel, since it is a duty which has been laid on me; I should be punished if I did not preach it! If I had chosen this work myself, I might have been paid for it, but as I have not, it is a responsibility which has been put into my hands. Do you know what my reward is? It is this: in my preaching, to be able to offer the Good News free, and not insist on the rights which the gospel gives me.

So though I am not a slave of any man I have made myself the slave of everyone so as to win as many as I could. For the weak I made myself weak. I made myself all things to all men in order to save some at any cost; and I still do this, for the sake of the gospel, to have a share in its blessings.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Cantor: Alleluia! ...

All: Repeat

Cantor: He bore our sickness, and endured our suffering

All: Alleluia! ...

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Let them thank the Lord for his mercy,
his wonders for the children of men,
for he satisfies the thirsty soul
And the hungry he fills with good things.

GOSPEL

Mk 1:29-39

From the Holy Gospel according to Mark

On leaving the synagogue, Jesus went with James and John straight to the house of Simon and Andrew. Now Simon's mother-in-law had gone to bed with fever, and they told him about her straightaway. He went to her, took her by the hand and helped her up. And the fever left her and she began to wait on them.

That evening, after sunset, they brought to him all who were sick and those who were possessed by devils. The whole town came crowding round the door, and he cured many who were suffering from diseases of one kind or another; he also cast out many devils, but he would not allow them to speak, because they knew who he was.

In the morning, long before dawn, he got up and left the house, and went off to a lonely place and prayed there. Simon and his companions set out in search of him, and when they found him they said, 'Everybody is looking for you.' He answered, 'Let us go elsewhere, to the neighbouring country towns, so that I can preach there too, because that is why I came.' And he went all through Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and casting out devils.

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ



Ash Wednesday Mass Times – Wednesday 17th February

9.00am St Francis, Riverside
10.00am St Anthony’s Catholic Primary
12.00 noon St Francis Xavier, Beaconsfield

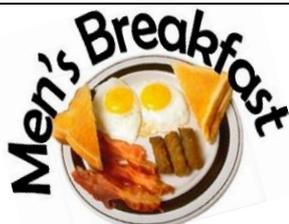


St Joseph’s Conference of the St Vincent De Paul Society

The next monthly meeting of the St Joseph’s Conference of the St Vincent De Paul Society will be **Thursday 11th February 4.30pm** at St Francis, Riverside.

New members are always welcome.

For more information please contact Robert 0428 745 155 or Jo 0408 947 450.



Men’s Breakfast

We invite all men from the Parish to a meeting on **Saturday 13th February** in the St Francis Riverside Church Hall, **8.00 – 9.00am**. The Breakfast will be an opportunity for the socialisation and fellowship of Catholic men throughout the parish. Notification of attendance is required to Mark Murphy by 11th February on 0439 351 176 to ensure suitable catering arrangements are made.



Associates of the Presentation Sisters

will gather in **Anne’s garden** (16 Fulton St, Legana) on **Saturday 13th of February** for a shared lunch and Prayer **commencing at 12 midday**.

Mission Stall

We once again thank our wonderful helpers behind our Mission Stall. Make sure you grab your favourites and support the missions. All donations will make the stall a success. Our next stall will be held NEXT weekend **Saturday and Sunday the 13th & 14th February**



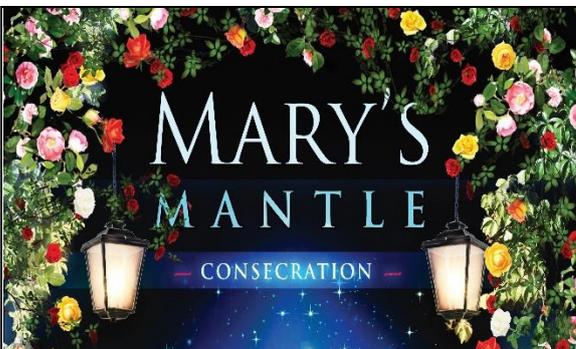
World Day of Prayer

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



Day Retreat for Women

Feeling tired? Longing to reconnect with the Lord? Consider doing full-day retreat on **Saturday 20th February, 9am-3.30pm**, at Southmore Study Centre, Sandy Bay. Aimed at Young Women who are University Students or Young Professionals. Meditations by a priest from Opus Dei, with Mass, Reconciliation, and time for private prayer in a beautiful chapel. Cost: \$35 covers lunch. Contact: Isabella, 0403864952.



MAKE THIS YOUR BEST LENT EVER!

All Parishioners are invited to participate in our Lenten Retreat for Spiritual Renewal – **commences 17th February 2021** - Ash Wednesday

It will be a 46 day Sacred journey with 5 minutes of daily spiritual reading and the Rosary, all in the privacy of your home. Receive extraordinary graces by joining in communal prayer for one another, and for the intention of HEALING. The retreat will culminate on 3rd April 2021, being Holy Saturday with a total Consecration to Our Blessed Mother.

You can register to participate by emailing Michelle@Ellegra.com.au Or complete the sign up sheet in the Narthex

The books for the retreat, called MARY’S MANTLE CONSECRATION: A SPIRITUAL RETREAT FOR HEAVEN’S HELP and an accompanying PRAYER JOURNAL, may be available for free, depending on numbers. They can also be purchased through www.MarysMantleConsecration.com or other sites along with a poster of Our Lady of Guadalupe that children can cover with stars. [You are invited to watch the inspiring video talks that accompany the retreat every week – a link is email to you weekly].

THIS RETREAT has resulted in miracles for those who participate in it. Don’t miss this opportunity to receive extraordinary graces in your life and for your loved ones.

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



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.

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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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.



Plenary Council 2020
Listen to what the Spirit is saying...

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

Fr Peter Leonard ofm, Ken Broxton, Erica Hollingworth, Michael Clynes, Aileen Reynolds, Vincenzo Acquarola, Vera White, Lorraine Kramer, Vincent Manion, Nora Angle, Fr Frank O’Gorman, Elizabeth Holt, Lee Walters, Bruce Malcon, Norma Colemam, Sheila Ball, Pansy Kapper, Fr Gabriel Kelly ofm, Kevin Duncan, Eleanor Grant and Muriel Butler.

We offer prayers for family and friends who are unwell:

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 13th Feb	K McInerney	R Mc Manamey	V McMullen, S Cannell, D Kapper, L Huynh	J Izbicki
Sun 14th Feb	V Mc Mullen	D Kapper	V McMullen, S Cannell, D Kapper, L Huynh	J Izbicki

Holy Hour: every 1st Friday of the month. 6.00pm Mass, Devotion to the Sacred Heart 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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Reconciliation

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

Archdiocesan website:

www.hobart.catholic.org.au

Beaconsfield & Glengarry

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