

West Tamar Catholic Parish



MASS TIMES

Riverside:
6.00pm Saturday
9.00am Sunday
9.00am Wed & Fri
5.00pm Tues

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: 5.00pm Wed: St Vincent's Hospital Chapel
7.30am Thurs: Carmelite Monastery, 7 Cambridge St Launceston

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C, 17th February 2019

Today's Readings

First Reading Jer 17:5-8 *A curse on those who trust in humanity; a blessing on those who trust in the Lord.*
Second Reading 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20 *If Christ is not raised from the dead, your faith is in vain.*
Gospel Lk 6:17, 20-26 *Happy are the poor. Woe to the rich!*

Next Week

1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23
1 Cor 15:45-49
Lk 6:27-38



The beatitudes strengthen us in virtue and excellence

Ambrose (339-397 A.D), an early church father and bishop of Milan, links the beatitudes with the four cardinal virtues which strengthen us in living a life of moral excellence. He writes: "Let us see how St. Luke encompassed the eight blessings in the four. We know that there are four cardinal virtues: temperance, justice, prudence and fortitude. One who is poor in spirit is not greedy. One who weeps is not proud but is submissive and tranquil. One who mourns is humble. One who is just does not deny what he knows is given jointly to all for us. One who is merciful gives away his own goods. One who bestows his own goods does not seek another's, nor does he contrive a trap for his neighbor. These virtues are interwoven and interlinked, so that one who has one may be seen to have several, and a single virtue befits the saints. Where virtue abounds, the reward too abounds... Thus temperance has purity of heart and spirit, justice has compassion, patience has peace, and endurance has gentleness." (*EXPOSITION OF THE GOSPEL OF LUKE 5.62-63, 68*).

Source: <http://dailyscripture.servantsoftheword.org/readings/2019/feb17.htm>

Fr Martin Aye Ngwe

February - Feast Days this Week:

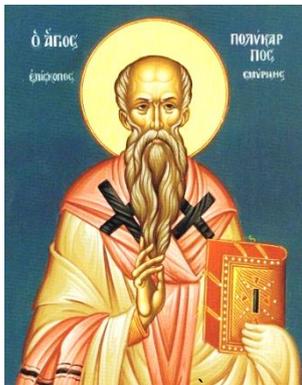
17 The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

21 St Peter Damian

22 The chair of St Peter, Apostle

23 St Polycarp

Feast day of the Week – Saint Polycarp



Polycarp, bishop of Smyrna, disciple of Saint John the Apostle and friend of Saint Ignatius of Antioch, was a revered Christian leader during the first half of the second century.

Saint Ignatius, on his way to Rome to be martyred, visited Polycarp at Smyrna, and later at Troas wrote him a personal letter. The Asia Minor Churches recognized Polycarp's leadership by choosing him as a representative to discuss with Pope Anicetus the date of the Easter celebration in Rome—a major controversy in the early Church.

Only one of the many letters written by Polycarp has been preserved, the one he wrote to the Church of Philippi in Macedonia.

At 86, Polycarp was led into the crowded Smyrna stadium to be burned alive. The flames did not harm him and he was finally killed by a dagger. The centurion ordered the saint's body burned. The "Acts" of Polycarp's martyrdom are the earliest preserved, fully reliable account of a Christian martyr's death. He died in 155.

Polycarp was recognized as a Christian leader by all Asia Minor Christians—a strong fortress of faith and loyalty to Jesus Christ. His own strength emerged from his trust in God, even when events contradicted this trust. Living among pagans and under a government opposed to the new religion, he

led and fed his flock. Like the Good Shepherd, he laid down his life for his sheep and kept them from more persecution in Smyrna. He summarized his trust in God just before he died: "Father... I bless Thee, for having made me worthy of the day and the hour..." (*Acts of Martyrdom, Chapter 14*).

The celebration of the Word

FIRST READING

Jer 17:5-8

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

The Lord says this: 'A curse on the man who puts his trust in man, who relies on things of flesh, whose heart turns from the Lord. He is like dry scrub in the wastelands: if good comes, he has no eyes for it, he settles in the parched places of the wilderness, a salt land, uninhabited. 'A blessing on the man who puts his trust in the Lord, with the Lord for his hope. He is like a tree by the waterside that thrusts its roots to the stream: when the heat comes it feels no alarm, its foliage stays green; it has no worries in a year of drought, and never ceases to bear fruit.'

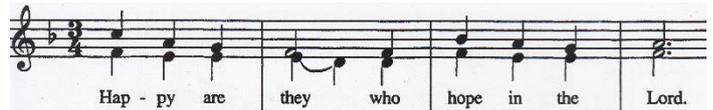
The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 1:1-4. R. Ps 39:5

(R.) Cantor: Happy are they who hope in the Lord.

All: Repeat



1. Happy indeed is the man who follows not the counsel of the wicked; nor lingers in the way of sinners nor sits in the company of scorners, but whose delight is the law of the Lord and who ponders his law day and night. (R.)
2. He is like a tree that is planted beside the flowing waters, that yields its fruit in due season and whose leaves shall never fade; and all that he does shall prosper. (R.)
3. Not so are the wicked, not so! For they like winnowed chaff shall be driven away by the wind. For the Lord guards the way of the just but the way of the wicked leads to doom. (R.)

SECOND READING

1 Cor 15:12, 16-20

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

If Christ raised from the dead is what has been preached, how can some of you be saying that there is no resurrection of the dead? For if the dead are not raised, Christ has not been raised, and if Christ has not been raised, you are still in your sins. And what is more serious, all who have died in Christ have perished. If our hope in Christ has been for this life only, we are the most unfortunate of all people.

But Christ has in fact been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Cantor: Alleluia! ...

All: Repeat

Cantor: Rejoice and be glad; your reward is great in heaven.

All: Alleluia! ...



GOSPEL

Lk 6:17. 20-26

From the Holy Gospel according to Luke

Jesus came down with the Twelve and stopped at a piece of level ground where there was a large gathering of his disciples with a great crowd of people from all parts of Judaea and from Jerusalem and from the coastal region of Tyre and Sidon who had come to hear him and to be cured of their diseases.

Then fixing his eyes on his disciples he said: 'How happy are you who are poor: yours is the kingdom of God. Happy you who are hungry now: you shall be satisfied. Happy you who weep now: you shall laugh. 'Happy are you when people hate you, drive you out, abuse you, denounce your name as criminal, on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice when that day comes and dance for joy, for then your reward will be great in heaven. This was the way their ancestors treated the prophets.

'But alas for you who are rich: you are having your consolation now. Alas for you who have your fill now: you shall go hungry. Alas for you who laugh now: you shall mourn and weep. 'Alas for you when the world speaks well of you! This was the way their ancestors treated the false prophets.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ



On behalf of the Parish Pastoral Council of West Tamar Parish, I would like to thank all of you for what you have done for this great celebration of 125 year anniversary of St Canice, Glengarry. Thank you to all who helped in any way making this a successful milestone in our Parish.

Fr Martin Aye Ngwe.



St Vincent de Paul Society (TASMANIA) INC

good works

Vinnies Tasmania 2019 Bushfire Appeal

Vinnies Tasmania 2019 Bushfire Appeal was launched early in February.

At this stage, we are encouraging monetary donations towards this appeal. Monetary donations give us greater flexibility in meeting the direct needs of the people and businesses that have been directly affected by the recent devastating bushfires.

We appreciate the support of the community and the desire to assist at this difficult time. At this stage we have sufficient donated goods to satisfy the current needs.

Donations can be made by using the envelopes provided, visiting the Vinnies website www.vinnies.org.au/donate, phoning 13 18 12 or calling in to any Vinnies shop or Regional Office.

For further information, please contact the St Vincent de Paul Society State Office on 6333 0812.



World Day of Prayer 'Come – Everything is Ready'

This year it will be held on the **Friday 1st March, 10.00am**
at St Oswald's Church, Bain Terrace, Trevallyn
We will be offering prayers and help for the people of Slovenia.

All welcome!



Parish Fundraiser- Rattslotto is back

\$10 = 5 weeks of chances to win.

Prizes are linked to the supplementary numbers of the Saturday Tattslotto draw.

1st supplementary no. = \$20,

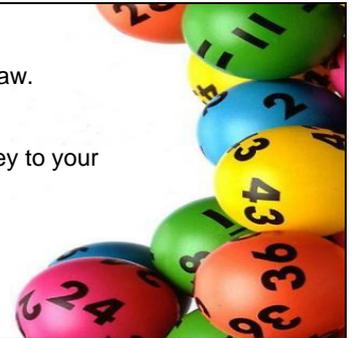
2nd supplementary no. = \$10,

Numbers are valid for the 5 Saturdays in **March**. Please give your name and money to your friendly Parish representative **by Sunday 24th February** and your lucky numbers will be drawn and displayed at each Mass center on the weekend of **March 2nd/3rd**.

You may have won before you even know your lucky number!

Contacts: Riverside- Rob Midson, Kevin McInerney, Vera McMullen.

Top End- Pat Turner, Joan Worth, Ros Beg, Jo Gorsush.



Quarterly Northern West Tamar Parish Luncheon

We will celebrate Mass on and share a meal afterwards.

Dates for 2019

Sunday 10th March – Glengarry

Sunday 16th June – Beaconsfield

Sunday 8th September – Glengarry

Sunday 15th December - Beaconsfield

All parishioners are welcome and are asked to bring a plate to share.

There will be NO Liturgy on this Sunday.

Looking forward to seeing everyone there.



Beaconsfield Car Boot Sale

We will be having a Car Boot Sale on

Saturday 16th March,

in the car park of St Francis Xavier Catholic Church, Beaconsfield.

Time: 9.00am – 1.00pm.

Cost: \$10.00 per space

To enquire or to book a site contact:

Rose Breen on 6396 3359

There will also be morning tea and a BBQ available and a White Elephant stall.

Be quick to claim your space!!

Come along and find a bargain!!!

Carmelite Monastery

Carmel Shop open Wednesday's 11am to 4pm.

Bibles, rosaries, sacramental gifts and vouchers available for sale. Out-of-hours contact Helen 6344 6382.

Retreat – Inner Peace In Divine Love

The George Town Parish has the wonderful opportunity to invite you to participate in a 4-week retreat in daily life. **From 29th April to 25th May**, a Jesuit Tertian will live in our parish and offer the *First Spiritual Exercises*. This includes resources for prayer time at home (4 days of the week) and weekly small group guided Spiritual conversations (in George Town, at various times to suit different groups). No prior retreat experience is necessary – only the desire to ‘exercise’ in a living relationship between you and God, the generosity to take the practical steps, and the faith to open yourself to God.
Where you are now is where God is waiting for you. Please prayerfully consider the gift this invitation may offer you.
For more information or to register for the retreat please contact Belinda Chapman on 0418 141 171.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend

Invest in your most precious asset.....Your Marriage!

Forget life’s tensions and interruptions and rekindle the closeness, intimacy, love and romance that brought you together. Recharge your relationship batteries and explore the precious nature of your marriage, allowing you both to share your feelings, hopes and dreams with each other in ways that normal, daily living tends to inhibit.

There is no group sharing. Couples and a priest present the weekend. It is based around Catholic values but couples of all faiths are welcome.

2019 Melbourne weekend dates: 29-31 March 2019, 31 May-2 June 2019, 23-25 August 2019, and 15-17 November, 2019

Starts 7pm on Friday. Ends 5pm Sunday. Accommodation and all meals provided.

Information/Bookings: PH: Mercy and James 0409 183 676

Email: vicbookings@wwme.org.au Website:www.wwme.org.au

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:

Joan Waters, Janina Wisniewski, Ann Gordon

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

Mary Prosser, Terence Wood, Dorothy Mary Hamilton, Walter Smallbane, Ray Bonner, Joseph Edward Symons, Felice Perri, Beryl Hickey, Jessie Waters, Kitty O’Keefe, Wilhelmas Monde, Fr Joachim O’Brien ofm and Jan Siejka.

We offer prayers for family and friends who are unwell:

Fr Allan Hartcher ofm, Henry Phyo, Nick Haig, Jo Moore, William Gordon, Nancy Fraser, Lyn Elliott, Maria Janson, Maria Fratangelo, Joey Visser, Neil, Jim O’Connell, Don Kelly, John McInerney, Alex Lyall, Fr Tom Chapman, Brenda Hall, Ray Porter, Rick Murfet, Anthea Maynard, Rick Waters, Andre A, Anthony A, Thea van Borkulo, Shannon Visser, Nettie Burke, Maureen Bamping, Sophie and Scott Bailey, Marina Aye, Geoff Jones, Lucius U, Pat Duffy, Sandra Shields, Maureen Symons, Ron Willis, Guy M, Gerard Mackrell, Irene Bingham, Murray Jones, Andrew, James, Matthew J, Roger Orr, Fr Richard Ross, Trevor Peters, Errol Vincent, Ann Gordon, Claire, N. MacLaine, Ben Beumer,

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	Communion	Greeters	Collectors
Sat 23rd Feb	B Manley	M Deane	T Schouten, J Payne	E Webb, S Clive	M Dilger, Volunteer
Sun 24th Feb	A Cunningham	D Kappara	J Izbicki, V McMullen	S Rossler, V McMullen	J Shadbolt, Volunteer
Sunday Counters	R Midson, J Shadbolt		Morning Cuppa	M & S Waters	

Holy Hour: every 1st Friday of the month 6.00pm. (Reconciliation is available)

Anointing of the sick: every 1st Friday of the month during 9.00am Mass at St Francis Church, Riverside.

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

Rosary: every Monday at 7.30pm at Church of the Apostles.

Gregorian chant: every 2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month, 7.30pm at St Francis Church, Riverside. Compline and Benediction every 4th Tuesday.

Latin Mass: Once a month 6.00pm, St Francis Church, Riverside. Contact office for next Mass time.

Mass at Calvary Health Care: St Vincent’s: 5 pm Wed, 5 Frederick St.

Human Life Protection Society: Prayers for mothers, babies, the sick, the elderly and the dying. Thursdays 1pm, Chapel at St Vincent’s Hospital.

One Hour with Jesus: every First Sunday at the Carmelite Monastery, 7 Cambridge Street, Launceston at 2.00pm

12 Hour Adoration: Every Friday from 7am-7pm. Concludes with Benediction.

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

topend190@gmail.com

Secular Franciscan Order

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