

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

Third Sunday of Lent Year C, 24th March 2019

Today's Readings

First Reading Ex 3:1-8, 13-15

The Lord calls Moses from a burning bush.

Second Reading 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12

We must learn from the example of our ancestors

Gospel Lk 13:1-9

The parable of the fig tree.

Next Week

Jos 5:9-12

2 Cor 5:17-21

Lk 15:1-3, 11-32



Repent and renew our lives

All three of readings on this weekend speak of God's mercy and compassion in disciplining His children by occasional punishment while giving them another chance despite their repeated sins. Although God's love for us is constant and consistent, He will not save us without our co-operation. That is why He invites us during Lent to repent of our sins and to renew our lives by producing fruits of love, compassion, forgiveness, and faithful service.

Source: <https://www.cbci.in/SundayReflectionsNew.aspx?type=text>

Fr Martin Aye Ngwe

March - Feast Days this Week:

24 St Catherine of Genoa

25 Annunciation of the Lord

27 St Gabriel of Our Lady of Sorrows

28 Blsd Daniel Brotier

Feast day of the Week – The Annunciation of the Lord

"God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him . . . might have eternal life." (John 3:16) At the Annunciation, God revealed this good news to Mary. She was the first to hear and to believe that God would do what he promised. Her faith told her that nothing is impossible for God. Mary also heard God's invitation calling her to be the Virgin Mother of his Son.

This call meant that Jesus would be formed in her womb, and she, as his mother, would nourish and care for him. This call meant that she had a special place in God's plan for salvation. Mary replied, "I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word." (Luke 1:38) In saying yes, Mary agreed to God's plan because she wanted what God wanted. She was willing to accept all the joy and pain, all the unexpected events. She was willing to bring Christ to a waiting world.



The celebration of the Word

FIRST READING

Ex 3:1-8. 13-15

A reading from the book of Exodus

Moses was looking after the flock of Jethro, his father-in-law, priest of Midian. He led his flock to the far side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in the shape of a flame of fire, coming from the middle of a bush. Moses looked; there was the bush blazing but it was not being burnt up. 'I must go and look at this strange sight,' Moses said, 'and see why the bush is not burnt.' Now the Lord saw him go forward to look, and God called to him from the middle of the bush. 'Moses, Moses!' he said. 'Here I am' he answered. 'Come no nearer' he said. 'Take off your shoes, for the place on which you stand is holy ground. I am the God of your father,' he said 'the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob.' At this Moses covered his face, afraid to look at God. And the Lord said, 'I have seen the miserable state of my people in Egypt. I have heard their appeal to be free of their slave-drivers. Yes, I am well aware of their sufferings. I mean to deliver them out of the hands of the Egyptians and bring them up out of that land to a land rich and broad, a land where milk and honey flow.'

Then Moses said to God, 'I am to go, then, to the sons of Israel and say to them, "The God of your fathers has sent me to you." But if they ask me what his name is, what am I to tell them?' And God said to Moses, 'I Am who I Am. This' he added 'is what you must say to the sons of Israel: "The Lord, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you." This is my name for all time; by this name I shall be invoked for all generations to come.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM PS 102:1-4. 6-8. 11. R. V.8

(R.) Cantor: The Lord is kind and merciful.

All: Repeat

1. My soul, give thanks to the Lord, all my being, bless his holy name. My soul give thanks to the Lord and never forget all his blessings. (R.)
2. It is He who forgives all your guilt, who heals every one of your ills, who redeems your life from the grave, who crowns you with love and compassion. (R.)
3. The Lord does deeds of justice, gives judgement for all who are oppressed. He made known his ways to Moses and his deeds to the children of Israel. (R.)
4. The Lord is compassion and love, slow to anger and rich in mercy. For as the heavens are high above the earth so strong is his love for those who fear him. (R.)



SECOND READING

1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12

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

I want to remind you how our fathers were all guided by a cloud above them and how they all passed through the sea. They were all baptised into Moses in this cloud and in this sea; all ate the same spiritual food and all drank the same spiritual drink, since they all drank from the spiritual rock that followed them as they went, and that rock was Christ. In spite of this, most of them failed to please God and their corpses littered the desert.

These things all happened as warnings for us, not to have the wicked lusts for forbidden things that they had. You must never complain: some of them did, and they were killed by the Destroyer.

All this happened to them as a warning and it was written down to be a lesson for us who are living at the end of the age. The man who thinks he is safe must be careful that he does not fall.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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

All: Repeat

Cantor: Repent, says the Lord; the kingdom of heaven is at hand.

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

From the Holy Gospel according to Luke

Some people arrived and told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with that of their sacrifices. At this he said to them, 'Do you suppose these Galileans who suffered like that were greater sinners than any other Galileans? They were not, I tell you. No; but unless you repent you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen on whom the tower at Siloam fell and killed them? Do you suppose that they were more guilty than all the other people living in Jerusalem? They were not, I tell you. No; but unless you repent you will all perish as they did.'

He told this parable: 'A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came looking for fruit on it but found none. He said to the man who looked after the vineyard, "Look here, for three years now I have been coming to look for fruit on this fig tree and finding none. Cut it down: why should it be taking up the ground?" "Sir," the man replied "leave it one more year and give me time to dig round it and manure it: it may bear fruit next year; if not, then you can cut it down."

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ

Reminders
 Tuesday 26th March Gregorian Chant 7.30pm



Third Sunday of Lent 24th March 2019





Peter goes to a boarding school in the Solomon Islands which has experienced water shortages for 60 years. Previously, students would have to walk kilometres each day in search of clean water, which was particularly challenging for Peter who is living with a disability. With Caritas Australia's support, the school has created a new reliable water system. With more free time and fewer illnesses caused by dirty water, Peter can fulfil his hope of focusing on his studies, providing him with brighter future.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2019 and help young people with disabilities gain access to clean water in the Solomon Islands, providing hope for a brighter future.
Lives change when we all give 100%. You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.



Family Mass

West Tamar Catholic Parish will be joining with St Anthony's Catholic Primary School for a Family Mass next **Sunday 31st March**, at 9.00am at St Francis Church, Riverside.

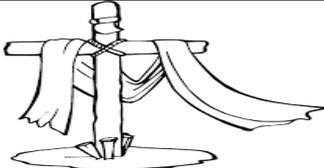
This is a wonderful time to worship and celebrate together. All welcome to stay after Mass for a cuppa!



Easter Mass Times (18th April – 21st April)

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|  | Holy Thursday | Good Friday | |
| | 7.00pm Mass | 10.00am | Stations of the Cross, St Anthony's Catholic Primary |
| | St Francis, Riverside | 3.00pm | Celebration of the Lord's Passion, St Francis, Riverside |
| | Easter Vigil | Easter Sunday | |
| 7.00pm Mass | St Francis, Riverside | 9.00am | St Francis, Riverside |
| | | 11.00am | St Francis Xavier, Beaconsfield |

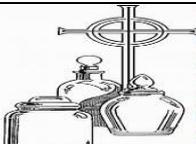
Stations of the Cross



Will be conducted every Friday during Lent at 7.00pm
 St Francis, Riverside.

Our intention is for all the victims of abuse throughout the world.
 All welcome.

Chrism Mass

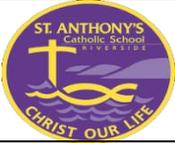


Will be held at St Mary's in Hobart,
Tuesday 16th April at 7.00pm.
 All Parishioners are welcome.

Rattslotto winners: Week 3 16/3/2019

1st supplementary No. 32 F De Jong
 2nd supplementary No. 36 J Tran





**St Anthony's Catholic School
B4 Explorers**

St Anthony's will be running a birth to 4 year old play-based program on
Thursday's from 9.00 – 10.30am during school terms.
For more information please take one of the pamphlets that are available in the Narthex.

Weathering Family Separation
Child Focussed Educational Program

A 3 hour session for separated parents on how to support your children following separation and make it "easier and healthier" for them.

Venue: CatholicCare Launceston

Dates: Wednesday 27th March 10.00am – 1.00pm **OR**

Wednesday 3rd April from 4.00pm – 6.30pm

To register please ring 6332 0600.

NO COST INVOLVED



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.

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 or carmelshop@yahoo.com.

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

Michael Campbell

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

John Kacprzak, Nancy Symonds, Leo Curran ofm, Adrian La Palombara, Llyod Barrett, Lawrence MacLaren, Leonard Majewski, Helena Sydes, Santina Raimondo Letitia McShane, Norma Heathfield, Biagina Silvestri, Dorothy Finn, Harold Hutton and Lies Moolenschot.

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 |
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| Sat 30th Feb | R Symons | _____ | T Schouten, S Clive | S Clive, E Webb | T Foley, M Dilger |
| Sun 31st Feb | M Cherry | M Amore | J Izbecki, S Rossler | S Rossler, V McMullen | J Shadbolt, Volunteer |
| Sunday Counters | S Clive, J Payne, V Dearsley | | Morning Cuppa | V McMullen, H Skrzeczynski | |

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.

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:

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Secular Franciscan Order

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