

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
1st Sunday of the month Anointing of sick

Glengarry:

11.00am
2nd & 4th
Sundays of the Month

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

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord Year B, 31st March 2024

FIRST READING

Acts 10:34. 37-43

We have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead.

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: 'You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil. Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses – we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead – and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

(R.) Cantor: This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

All: Repeat

1. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love endures forever. Let the House of Israel say: 'His love endures forever.' **(R.)**
2. The Lord's right hand has triumphed; his right hand raised me up. I shall not die, I shall live and recount his deeds. **(R.)**
3. The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone. This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes. **(R.)**

SECOND READING

Col 3:1-4

Look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is.

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

The word of the Lord.

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SEQUENCE

Christians, to the Paschal Victim offer sacrifice and praise. The sheep are ransomed by the Lamb; and Christ, the undefiled, hath sinners to his Father reconciled. Death with life contended: combat strangely ended! Life's own Champion, slain, yet lives to reign. Tell us, Mary: say what thou didst see upon the way. The tomb the Living did enclose; I saw Christ's glory as he rose! The angels there attesting; shroud with grave-clothes resting. Christ, my hope, has risen: he goes before you into Galilee. That Christ is truly risen from the dead we know. Victorious king, thy mercy show!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Christ has become our paschal sacrifice;
let us feast with joy in the Lord.

Alleluia!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, alleluia;
therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread
of purity and truth, alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL

Jn 20:1-9

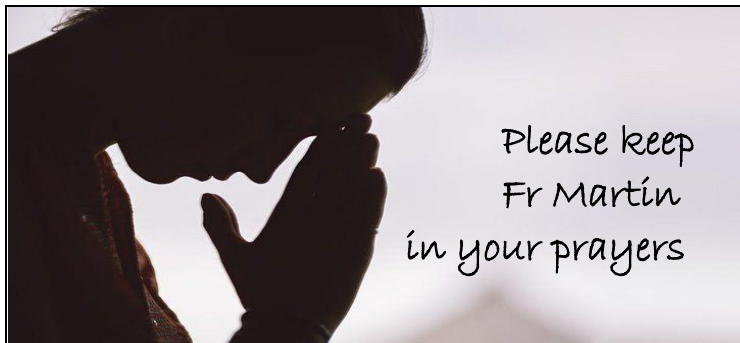
The teaching of scripture is that he must rise from the dead.

It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the tomb and came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved. 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb' she said 'and we don't know where they have put him.'

So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the tomb. They ran together, but the other disciple, running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first; he bent down and saw the linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in. Simon Peter who was following now came up, went right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the ground, and also the cloth that had been over his head; this was not with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in; he saw and he believed. Till this moment they had failed to understand the teaching of scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ



A Prayer for Healing for Sick Family and Friends

Lord Jesus, thank you that you love us. I know that you hate what this illness is doing to my loved one. I ask, in the name of Jesus, that you would heal this disease, that you would have compassion and bring healing from all sickness. Help me trust in You. In Jesus' Name, Amen!

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Prayer to Saint Michael the Archangel
 St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the malice and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who wander through the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.



Reminders
 Tuesday 2nd April Parish Pastoral Council 7.30pm
 Friday 5th April Anointing of the sick 6.00pm Mass followed by the Holy Rosary and ending with Benediction.
 Saturday 6th April Cenacle: Devotion to Mother Mary 11.00am

Sunday Morning Tea
 Everyone is welcome to join us for morning tea on a Sunday morning after Mass in the Hall.
 Come along and have a cuppa and a chat!!



Gethsemane Hours – 11pm till 3am, Thursday 4th April
West Tamar Cenacle of the Precious Blood
 Praying together with Jesus for these difficult times.
 The Church doors will open at 10.30pm
 Would you consider offering to read? Please call Coby on 0419 376 660



Divine Mercy Sunday
 The world needs Divine Mercy.
 Please come along to the St Francis Church, Riverside
Sunday April 7th At 3.00 pm
 Reconciliation will be available from 2.00pm onwards.

The Annunciation of the Lord
 Mass will be held on Monday 8th April at 5.00pm
 St Francis Church, Riverside



In light of Archbishop Julian's Pastoral Initiative this year – **A Vision for Parishes – Encounter, Discipleship & Mission**, please explore www.evangeliumproject.com, our new Catholic resource to help inspire us on the journey to become missionary disciples! Content is updated weekly and if you have any feedback, please email evangeliumproject@aohtas.org.au

Sacramental Program for 2024

 **First Reconciliation** will be held on **Tuesday 25th June** at 6.00pm
 Workshops will be held Tuesday's 28th May, 4th, 11th & 18th June at 6.00pm
 Student Recollection Day will be held Friday 21st June from 9.00 – 1.00pm

 **Confirmation** will be held on **Saturday 14th September** at 6.00pm
 Workshops will be held Tuesday's 20th & 27th August, 3rd & 10th Sept at 6.00pm
 Student Recollection day will be held Friday 13th September from 9.00 – 1.00pm

 **First Holy Communion** will be held on **Saturday 16th November** at 6.00pm
 Workshops will be held Tuesday's 22nd & 29th October and 5th & 12th November
 Student Recollection day will be Friday 15th November from 9.00 – 1.00pm

Easter Message

Dear brothers and sisters, Happy Easter,

We are so accustomed to hearing of Jesus risen from the dead that we could say, "Oh yea...we know all about it" and miss the grace of this holy season of Easter. But think about it, Jesus rose from the dead! Death is not the end. It is only the door to beyond. Let us not allow the resurrection of Jesus to have to fight for room in our lives; let Jesus' death and resurrection be the centre of our lives.



On Easter night, the night of the new creation, the Church presents the mystery of light using a unique and very humble symbol: the Paschal candle. This is a light that lives from sacrifice. The candle shines inasmuch as it is burnt up. It gives light, inasmuch as it gives itself. Thus the Church presents most beautifully the paschal mystery of Christ, who gives himself and so bestows the great light. Secondly, we should remember that the light of the candle is a fire. Fire is the power that shapes the world, the force of transformation. And fire gives warmth. Here too the mystery of Christ is made newly visible. Christ, the light, is fire, flame, burning up evil and so reshaping both the world and ourselves. And this fire is both heat and light: not a cold light, but one through which God's warmth and goodness reach down to us.

When Jesus came to this earth, He was the light of the world. And He said if we follow Him, we will have the light. By the virtue of our Baptism, we are the light of the world because we receive the light from Jesus when we were baptized. As representatives of Jesus we become the light of the world as we actively live out our faith and follow in His example. We become like a city situated on a hill, light that cannot be hidden. Our very presence brings hope and a chance for others to see goodness and notice love ... a love they may have been longing for but hadn't been able to see. The love of Christ and the light of His truth shine through us and their rays penetrate out into the world.

In this 21st century, the darkness of the world is becoming darker and darker day by day and we need to use our lights together to illumine this darkened world by our actions. Our actions need to base on our Faith in Jesus who is going to give us strength against evil. We all are soldiers for Christ by the virtue of our Confirmation and let us fight for the truth, justice and peace in this world and we need to always remember the words given by St James in his letter. It said "What good is it, my brothers, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can that faith save him? If a brother or sister is poorly clothed and lacking in daily food, and one of you says to them, "Go in peace, be warmed and filled," without giving them the things needed for the body, what good is that? So also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead." (James 2:14-17). Let us pray to the Lord at this time that he may grant us to experience the joy of his light; let us pray that we ourselves may become bearers of his light, and that through the Church, Christ's radiant face may enter our world.

Christ showed us his endless love by giving his life to wash away our sins. May you have a wonderful Easter filled with love, peace and happiness.

Fr Martin Aye Ngwe

1 St Hugh of Grenoble

April - Feast Days this Week:
2 St Francis of Paola

3 St Irene

5 St Vincent Ferrer

The story of Saint Hugh of Grenoble



Today's saint could be a patron for those of us who feel so overwhelmed by all the problems in the world that we don't know where to begin.

Hugh, who served as a bishop in France for 52 years, had his work cut out for him from the start. Corruption seemed to loom in every direction: the buying and selling of Church offices, violations of clerical celibacy, lay control of Church property, religious indifference and/or ignorance. After serving as bishop for two years, he'd had his fill. He tried disappearing to a monastery, but the pope called him back to continue the work of reform.

Ironically, Hugh was reasonably effective in the role of reformer—surely because of his devotion to the Church but also because of his strong character. In conflicts between Church and state he was an unflinching defender of the Church. He fearlessly supported the papacy. He was eloquent as a preacher. He restored his own cathedral, made civic improvements in the town, and weathered a brief exile.

Hugh may be best known as patron and benefactor of Saint Bruno, founder of the Carthusian Order. He died in 1132. He was canonized only two years later.

In the midst of our confusing life these days, let us pray for the ability to rise above the fray and to see things in the light of faith as did Saint Hugh.



Easter Sunday

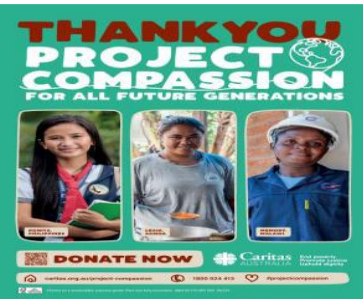


Happy Easter from all at Caritas Australia!

Thank you for your continued support through Project Compassion. Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow, for all future generations.

Thank you for supporting Caritas Australia's Project Compassion 2024 Lenten appeal.

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion or by calling 1800 024 413.



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

Br Ignatius (Iggly) Hickson ofm, Bishop Austen Crapp ofm and Fr Terry Yard

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

Thomas Lawrence Clippingdale, Olga Hibbard, Ellen O'Neill, Nancy Breathing, Claude Haig, Mark Finn, Dinah Hall, Joseph Jancigay, Diane Kilkeary, Nicola Basalto, Kerry Tol and Aurora Talusan.

We offer prayers for family and friends who are unwell:

Ellen Bortolot, Denis Owens, Irene La Palombara, Ngoc Thu Duong, Quoc An Phan, Joan Worth, Barry Symons, Tina La Palombara, Noelene Bye, Eleanor Cameron, Fr Martin Aye Ngwe, Fr Phil McCormack, Alida Moolenschot, Stephanie Rossler, Elena Bertoia, Karen Gee, Alex Lyall, Louis Rossler, Janine, Warwick Eldridge, Mora Bligh, Andrea and Grey, Samantha Holloway, Tony & Teresa Bidgood, Paul McInerney, Adelynde, Henry Phyo, William Gordon, Lyn Elliott, Neil, Patricia & John McInerney, Fr Tom Chapman, Ray Porter, Andre A, Anthony A, Thea van Borkulo, Maureen Bamping, Sophie and Scott Bailey, Marina Aye, Geoff Jones, Lucius U, Ron Willis, Guy M, Gerard Mackrell, Irene Bingham, Andrew, James, Matthew J, Roger Orr, 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

Sat 6th Apr

Sun 7th Apr

Readers

J Payne

H Russnak

Commentators

R Symons

M Cherry

Servers

M Murphy

P Bertoia

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

Anointing of the sick: every 1st Friday of the month during 6.00pm 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.

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
399 West Tamar Hwy, Riverside

St Francis Xavier Church
190 Weld Street, Beaconsfield

St Canice Church
33 Glengarry Road, Glengarry

Reconciliation

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

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