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Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B - 29th September 2024

Dear Parish Family, Jesus Calling us to be a Tolerant Person

This Sunday, Jesus teaches us about tolerance. Tolerance is often associated with being permissive. Being tolerant or permissive is suspect; it has to be checked if it could lead to abuse of freedom or to violent consequences. A mother, who is not able to correct her children's bad behaviour early in life, is being tolerant in a wrong way. Tolerance could also be right in other cases. In fact, it would be a big mistake to view tolerance in its negative value only.

In the gospel, Jesus asks his disciples to be tolerant. If tolerance were not good, why would Jesus require such from his disciples? As narrated, it started when after the disciples 'saw someone driving out demons' in the name of Jesus, they prevented him from performing exorcism because he did not belong to the followers of Jesus.

We could only surmise what were in the minds of the disciples. Were they jealous because the man could also cast demons though he was not one of them? Were they angry because they have assumed that the power to exorcise demons was a privilege given only to the followers of Jesus and not to any other person? The disciples were confused. Suddenly, what they have thought to be their exclusive right was no longer their own alone.

Jesus had his reasons: 'Do not prevent him,' he said, 'there is no one who performs a mighty deed in my name who can at the same time speak ill of me. For whoever is not against us is for us.' With these words, Jesus has taught his disciples about tolerance more as an exercise of Christian humility and charity.

Jesus calls us to religious tolerance, as long as it is not against him and his teachings. It is prudence perhaps that sometimes makes us doubt whether something or someone should be tolerated or not. However, Jesus challenges us towards religious tolerance so that individually we also learn to discern about the faith we have received: what is truly to follow Christ, how is it really to belong to him, what does it really mean to be a Catholic? In the answers our salvation is found. Amen

Fr Vinco

Dear parishioners, As September comes to an end, the church brings to our thoughts the devotion to the Holy Rosary in October. The beauty of families and individuals as they come together to pray this powerful devotion to Mary, the August Mother of God, as she continues to point the way to her son, who is the Way to our salvation. I would like to invite you to pray the Rosary everyday this month. This month we will also be celebrating a number of feast and memorials and activities in the church. (see details in newsletter)

1st October – St Therese of the Child Jesus (celebrated at Carmelite Monastery)

2nd October – The Holy Guardian Angels

3rd October – 'Search' faith study programme @ 7 pm- Apostles, Pastoral Centre, see newsletter)

4th October – St Francis of Assisi (special blessing of Animals @ 11 am – details in newsletter)

7th October – Our Lady of the Holy Rosary – (special Mass @ 5.30 pm followed by Rosary)

15th October – St Teresa of Avila (celebrated at Carmelite Monastery)

Fr Leonard

DAYLIGHT SAVING BEGINS NEXT SUNDAY 6th OCTOBER

Sunday evening Mass at the Church of the Apostles will be celebrated at 6.30pm.

The Vigil Mass at Newstead will be at 6pm from Saturday 12th October.

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday 5pm Sacred Heart Church, Newstead

Sunday 7.30am Carmelite Monastery

9am St Patrick's Chapel, Prospect

9am St Finn Barr's Church, Invermay

10.30am Church of the Apostles, Launceston

5.30pm Church of the Apostles, Launceston

WEEKDAY MASSES 30Sept –5 October

7.30am Monday-Saturday *Carmelite Monastery

Monday 7.30am Carmelite Monastery

Tuesday 9.30am Carmelite Monastery

12noon Newstead

Wednesday 5.30pm Apostles

Thursday 12noon Invermay

Friday 12noon Apostles

Saturday 7.30 am Carmelite Monastery

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 9.30am-10.30am Apostles

4.15pm –4.45pm Newstead

MASS LIVE-STREAMED

Every Sunday at 9am

Facebook @catholicparishlaunceston or:

[https://www.facebook.com/pg/](https://www.facebook.com/pg/CatholicParishLaunceston/videos/)

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Sunday Mass is also televised every Sunday

SACRAMENTAL BOOKINGS

Baptisms, Wedding and Funeral Enquiries

Please contact the Parish Office

Interested in becoming Catholic

(RCIA Programme)

Enquiries: Parish Office

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

1st and 3rd Sundays— 9am Invermay

2nd and 4th Sundays—10.30am Apostles

YOUTH GROUP

For students in Grade 6 to 12

2nd and 4th Thursdays, St Ailbe's Hall

Enquiries: Parish Office

We are located on the country of the Tyerenotepanner, the Panninher and the Litarimirina people of the Stoney Creek Nation. We acknowledge and pay respect to the Traditional Owners, who have cared for land, sea, waterways and sky, as the ongoing custodians, for thousands of years. We honour Elders, past and present. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of reconciliation.

PARISH ACTIVITIES, INFORMATION AND NEWS

FEAST OF ST THERESE – The feast of St Therese will be celebrated with a Sung Mass at the Carmelite Monastery, 7 Cambridge St., Launceston on **Tuesday 1st October at 9:30am**. Archbishop Julian will be the principal celebrant and homilist. Mass will be followed by morning tea. All are welcome to join the Carmelite Nuns for this celebration.

ONE HOUR WITH JESUS *Next Sunday, 6th October at the Carmelite Monastery.* You are welcome to join the Carmelite nuns in spending some time in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament: 2.00pm Office of None (afternoon prayer of the Church); 2.15 - 3.00pm Silent prayer before the Blessed Sacrament; 3.00pm Benediction

SOLEMNITY OF ST TERESA OF JESUS - A Sung Mass will be celebrated in honour of St Teresa of Jesus (Avila), the foundress of the Discalced Carmelite Order, at the Carmelite Monastery, 7 Cambridge St., Launceston on **Tuesday 15th October at 9:30am** Archbishop Julian will be the principal celebrant and homilist. Morning tea will follow Mass. All welcome.

A Novena of Masses and Prayers will also be offered in preparation for the feast from 6th – 14th October. Intentions may be sent to Mother Teresa Benedicta at the Monastery by post, phone 6331 3585 or carmelitemonastery@aohtas.org.au

MORNING AND EVENING MEDITATION will be held in the **Stables, Emmanuel Centre** on **Tuesdays at 11am** and **Wednesdays at 5pm**. All are welcome. Enquires: **Tina: 0417305546**

MONDAY NIGHT ROSARY *Every Monday in Church of the Apostles at 7.30pm.* Come along and offer your thanks to “Our Blessed Mother Mary” for the Blessings she bestows on us each day. **All Welcome.**

LECTIO DIVINA Every Friday morning 10.30 am for 1 hour, at the Pastoral Centre, Lectio Divina - Contemplating and praying the scriptures for the upcoming weekend Mass readings. A time to slow down, to listen with the ears of your heart. Everyone is welcome.

FRIDAY HOLY HOUR Adoration and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place for one hour every Friday after the 12noon Mass at the Church of the Apostles.

THE CARMEL SHOP: The Carmel Shop is open between 11am—4pm on Wednesdays.

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday 30th September

EDUCATION OF PRIESTS ANNUAL COLLECTION

The annual collection to support the formation and education of priests for the Archdiocese of Hobart is being taken at this time. Funds collected primarily support our seminarians in training to work as priests in Tasmania. Envelopes are available in the church. Please take an envelope and if you are able to make a contribution to this important appeal please return your offering over the next couple of weekends in the collection baskets.

Do You Know Someone Who is Searching?

We would like to invite you to explore ‘**The Search**’ which is a program that consists of seven episodes that addresses the fundamental questions of life through the lens of science and history.

If you know someone who might be questioning their Catholic faith or is on the periphery when it comes to full belief in God and the Church, please invite them along and explore this with them.

When – Every Thursday from **3rd October 2024** (7 weeks)

Time – 7.00—8.30pm (fellowship, presentation and sharing) **Venue** – Pastoral centre 44 Margaret Street.

September is the Season of Creation. This year's theme is “To Hope and Act with Creation”

As a Parish, we have agreed to consider one of Pope Francis' Laudato Si goals each week.

Goal #5. Am I educating myself and others towards integral ecology to further my awareness and action?

- Learning more about climate change, biodiversity loss and the threat of extinction, and teaching others.
- Getting reputable information from independent sources (not those influenced by fossil fuel interests or other vested interests)
- Following up opportunities and information provided in the Parish Bulletin

What will you do about this goal during the coming week?

For further information visit: [Laudatosiactionplatform.org/laudato-si-goals](https://laudatosiactionplatform.org/laudato-si-goals) or Laudatositasmania.com/solutions

YOU ARE ASKED TO PRAY

FOR OUR NEWLY BAPTISED especially **Hansel Velez** (Diego and Isabel) who will celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism with in our parish this weekend.

FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Barbara Barrett, Sr Mary Joseph OCD, Egidio Tosello, Dympna McCann, Brigitte, Pat McCarthy, Shirley O’Byrne, Fiona Hood, Ray Atley, Qian Zhang-Allchin, Cheryl Dawtrey, Rowena Villacampa, Kevin Quadros, Will Smith, Merril Thompson, Tina La Palombara, Noelene Bye, Peter Brumby, Maria Holton, Louisa Buttazzoni, Alex Thrower, Alida Moolenschot, Sharon Manzone, Suzy Fenton, Elizabeth Nettlefold, Shirley Ambrose, Bev Callahan, Helen Wright, Alfred Weeding, Maureen Saunders, Mary Carter, Scott Bailey, Ralf Roston, Kristel Latham, Jennifer Dowell, Andrew Campbell, Bill Lewis, Eduardo Bilanes, Brian Beardwood, Jane Gillard, Joel Wilkinson, Jesse Moore, Elaine Blake, John Walsh, Clare Maddox, William Siegrist, Anne Harris, Jane Savaro, Amelia Eckert, Allison Thambugala, Ava Woolley, David Lewis, Christian Barrett, Xavier Banks, George Donovan, Jan McClean, Peter Marshall, Ellen Bortolot.

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED Patsy Heath who has died recently, Fr Frank Gibson, Bob Powell, Patricia Ahearn, Gianni Gaetani, Patrick McManus, Frank Buttazzoni, Rex and Dulcie McCormack, Francois Page, Bronislava Malisaukas, Noel Callaghan, George Cashion, Betty Allen, Gertruida Tol, Bruno Spangaro, Damon Ferris, Sheila Faulkner, Damien Sheehan, Gina Murphy, Kay Joyce, Jack Chambers, Bill De Jong, and we remember all victims of the COVID-19 virus.

FOR OUR PARISH FAMILY AND THE WIDER COMMUNITY: We continue to pray for the gift of healing and peace for all who contract the virus, especially for those who are in hospital, and for their families.

FAITH AND CATECHESIS

Exploring the Beauty of the Mass (part –5) (Continued from last Sunday)

Third, the anamnesis is the remembrance. The whole Mass in a sense constitutes an anamnesis, a remembrance of the passion, death and resurrection of the Lord. The faithful also remember that the Lord will come again in glory. Here specifically the priest recalls the Lord's mandate to remember Him, what He did, and His glorious return.

Fourth, the supplices is when the Church presents to the Father the offering of Jesus which reconciles us with Him. He prays to God to take the sacrifice to His heavenly altar, so that those who receive from it the Body and Blood of Christ may "be filled with every heavenly grace and blessing" (Eucharistic Prayer I).

Finally, since the beginning of the fourth century, the Eucharistic Prayer has included several petitions: "We pray for...." Here, the saints are invoked, especially the Blessed Mother, St. Joseph, and the apostles and martyrs. As a sign of unity throughout the Church, the intentions of the Holy Father and the local bishop are remembered. Lastly, the living and deceased members of the Church are also remembered.

The basic structure of the Eucharistic Prayer. Four primary Eucharistic Prayers of found in the Missal: Eucharistic Prayer I (the Roman Canon) originated in its present form with the Mass of Pope Pius V (1570). In the revisions of the Mass in 1969, three new Eucharistic Prayers were approved and have the following distinctions:

(limited copies of this article is available at the back of the Mass centres this weekend- please let me know if you need copies, for prayer and reflection)

Fr Leonard PP

Join us in celebrating – St Francis of Assisi with the Blessing of Animals

Date – Friday 4th October @11 am (Courtyard of Church of the Apostles)

I would like to invite you for a short liturgy of Blessing and Thanksgiving to God for the Animals who share our homes and our lives. Pets of all kinds are most welcome. Furry, feathery, woolly, scaly or slimy (well secured of course). Or bring a photo or memento of pets who don't travel well or who have died. For further details see notice board or flyers at church entrance.

WEEKEND RETREAT ON CARMELITE SPIRITUALITY "The 'Why' and 'How' of Prayer?"

In this weekend retreat we will allow St John of the Cross, the Master of prayer in the Carmelite tradition, to teach us "to pray". It will be held at the **Emmanuel Centre, Launceston from Friday 25th – Sunday 27th October.**

Fr Gerard Moran, Carmelite Friar based in Sydney, will be the Spiritual Director.

Cost of the weekend is \$300 including all meals and accommodation.

Call Sandra on 6331 4991 for more information and bookings.



Launceston Public Rosary will be held under the "Cross" in the grounds of Church of the Apostles, Launceston, on **Saturday, 12th October, 2024, at 11.00 am.** Please join us on the day for a nationwide Public Rally for one hour to recite the Rosary and sing Hymns to honour Our Blessed Mother and ask for God's Blessing on Australia and Peace in our troubled world. Please bring your own chair, as seating is limited. **Enquires to Rozanne 0498 278 057.** (In case of inclement weather, the event will be held in the Church)

EPICLESIS—Invoking the Holy Spirit The 4 Step Retreat—12th—13th October, Our Lady of Victories Shrine, 12 Ashbolt Cres, Lutana, Hobart. This is a free event— Further information on flyers in the church Enquiries: scbwera@gmail.com

Christian Life Program A series of talks and faith-sharing sessions about living the Christian faith. Hosted by Couples for Christ Australia . Every Sunday until 24th Nov 2024, 12 noon to 3pm Light lunch provided. This is a FREE EVENT. Parish Centre (upstairs) 44 Margaret Street Contact – Christina Fletcher 0400183341 Rosalinda Cameron 0437815325

DINING WITH FRIENDS Tuesday 1st October, 6pm in the Pastoral Centre. Bookings are essential for catering purposes. with St Vincent de Paul Society Office: 6326 5551 Please note the dining room will be open at 5.45pm

Can you help? Single Catholic lady needs accommodation, preferably self-contained unit, rooms, caravan or other. Enquiries Dianne 0408 540 277, after 5pm please.



The Catholic Parish of Launceston embraces and whole-heartedly supports the Archdiocese of Hobart Safe Communities Policy and Framework.

Enquiries: Safe Communities officer- Parish Office 63314377 or email: launceston@aohtas.org.au Safe Communities Information flyer available in the Church or visit: SafeCommunitiesTas.com.au

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

FIRST READING

Numbers 11:25-29

SECOND READING

James 5:1-6

The Lord came down in the Cloud. He spoke with Moses, but took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. When the spirit came on them they prophesied, but not again. Two men had stayed back in the camp; one was called Eldad and the other Medad. The spirit came down on them; though they had not gone to the Tent, their names were enrolled among the rest. These began to prophesy in the camp. The young man ran to tell this to Moses, 'Look', he said, 'Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.' Then said Joshua the son of Nun, who had served Moses from his youth, 'My Lord Moses, stop them!' Moses answered him, 'Are you jealous on my account? If only the whole people of the Lord were prophets, and the Lord gave his Spirit to them all!'

An answer for the rich. Start crying, weep for the miseries that are coming to you. Your wealth is all rotting, your clothes are all eaten up by moths. All your gold and your silver are corroding away, and the same corrosion will be your own sentence, and eat into your body. It was a burning fire that you stored up as your treasure for the last days. Labourers mowed your fields, and you cheated them – listen to the wages that you kept back, calling out; realise that the cries of the reapers have reached the ears of the Lord of hosts. On earth you have had a life of comfort and luxury; in the time of slaughter you went on eating to your heart's content. It was you who condemned the innocent and killed them; they offered you no resistance.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 18:8. 10. 12-14. R. v.9

(R.) The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

1. The law of the Lord is perfect,
it revives the soul.
The rule of the Lord is to be trusted,
it gives wisdom to the simple. (R.)
2. The fear of the Lord is holy,
abiding for ever.
The decrees of the Lord are truth
and all of them just. (R.)
3. So in them your servant finds instructions;
great reward is in their keeping.
But who can detect all his errors?
From hidden faults acquit me. (R.)
4. From presumption restrain your servant
and let it not rule me.
Then shall I be blameless,
clean from grave sin. (R.)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

*Your word, O Lord, is truth: make us holy in the truth.
Alleluia!*

GOSPEL

Mark 9:38-43. 45. 47-48

John said to Jesus, 'Master, we saw a man who is not one of us casting out devils in your name; and because he was not one of us we tried to stop him.' But Jesus said, 'You must not stop him: no one who works a miracle in my name is likely to speak evil of me. Anyone who is not against us is for us. 'If anyone gives you a cup of water to drink just because you belong to Christ, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward. 'But anyone who is an obstacle to bring down one of these little ones who have faith, would be better thrown into the sea with a great millstone round his neck. And if your hand should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life crippled, than to have two hands and go to hell, into the fire that cannot be put out. And if your foot should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life lame, than to have two feet and be thrown into hell. And if your eye should cause you to sin, tear it out; it is better for you to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye, than to have two eyes and be thrown into hell where their worm does not die nor their fire go out.'



A VOCATION VIEW

Some people do not respond to God's call because they feel they are not worthy to do God's work. And they are not – nobody is! But still, God calls. There is enough ministry for many more. Answer God's Call.

NEXT SUNDAYS READINGS:

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Genesis 2:18-24

Psalms 127

Hebrews 2:9-11

Mark 10:2-16



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Account Name: Launceston Catholic Parish

BSB: 067 000; Account No: 1031 6153.

Reference: "your surname"

PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. AMEN..

