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8TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C) - 27TH FEBRUARY 2022

PROJECT COMPASSION SUNDAY

FIRST READING

Ecclesiasticus 27:4-7

In a shaken sieve the rubbish is left behind, so too the defects of a man appear in his talk. The kiln tests the work of the potter, the test of a man is in his conversation. The orchard where the tree grows is judged on the quality of its fruit, similarly a man's words betray what he feels. Do not praise a man before he has spoken, since this is the test of men.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 91:2-3. 13-16.

(R.) Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

1. It is good to give thanks to the Lord to make music to your name, O Most High, to proclaim your love in the morning and your truth in the watches of the night. ***(R.)***
2. The just will flourish like the palm-tree and grow like a Lebanon cedar. ***(R.)***
3. Planted in the house of the Lord they will flourish in the courts of our God, still bearing fruit when they are old, still full of sap, still green, to proclaim that the Lord is just. In him, my rock, there is no wrong. ***(R.)***

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 15:54-58

When this perishable nature has put on imperishability, and when this mortal nature has put on immortality, then the words of scripture will come true: Death is swallowed up in victory. Death, where is your victory? Death, where is your sting? Now the sting of death is sin, and sin gets its power from the Law. So let us thank God for giving us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Never give in then, my dear brothers, never admit defeat; keep on working at the Lord's work always, knowing that, in the Lord, you cannot be labouring in vain.

***Our mission is to love and serve our God,
each other and the wider community***

A VOCATION VIEW

Since each person speaks from their heart's abundance, let Jesus form your heart and your life. Follow Him willingly.

ASH WEDNESDAY - 2nd March
MASS TIMES:
7.30am: Carmelite Monastery
12noon: Church of the Apostles
7.00pm: Church of the Apostles

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Philippians 2:15-16

Alleluia, alleluia!

***Shine on the world like bright stars;
you are offering it the word of life.
Alleluia!***

GOSPEL

Luke 6:39-45

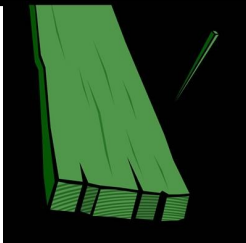
Jesus told a parable to his disciples, 'Can one blind man guide another? Surely both will fall into a pit? The disciple is not superior to his teacher; the fully trained disciple will always be like his teacher. Why do you observe the splinter in your brother's eye and never notice the plank in your own? How can you say to your brother, "Brother, let me take out the splinter that is in your eye," when you cannot see the plank in your own? Hypocrite! Take the plank out of your own eye first, and then you will see clearly enough to take out the splinter that is in your brother's eye. 'There is no sound tree that produces rotten fruit, nor again a rotten tree that produces sound fruit. For every tree can be told by its own fruit: people do not pick figs from thorns, nor gather grapes from brambles. A good man draws what is good from the store of goodness in his heart; a bad man draws what is bad from the store of badness. For a man's words flow out of what fills his heart.'



What Do You Produce?

Dear Parish Family,

This Sunday is **Project Compassion Sunday**, which reminds us that **Lent** is just about to begin. Among the many things we either **give up** or **take up** for Lent is our participation in the work of **Caritas Australia** through our contributions to **Project Compassion**. The theme for Project Compassion 2022 is **For all Future Generations** and reminds us that the good we do today will extend and impact the lives of generations to come. We begin our preparation for Lent by making sure each and every home has either **a set of envelopes or a Project Compassion Box**. Make sure you collect yours as you leave from Mass today or collect one from the foyer of the Pastoral Centre.



Lent is the time for us to be honest about our lives and to **return to God!** We all need to enter into this season of repentance and grace with commitment and courage. Make a clear choice to participate in one or more of the Lenten activities on offer in our parish: **Participate in one of our Lenten prayer and reflection groups; come to Adoration in the Church of the Apostles from 5.30pm - 6.30pm on the Fridays of Lent; ponder the Stations of the Cross at Sacred Heart Church Newstead at 7.00pm each Friday of Lent; reflect upon and pray over the Gospel for each day of Lent (details will be included in the bulletin).**

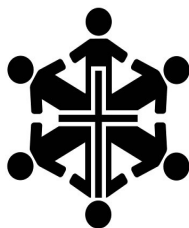


As you are aware, it is no longer necessary to use the TAS Check-in app or to record your contact details when you come into the Church. For nearly two years a small band of parishioners have been assisting us with our checking in for each of our Parish Masses. They have become the familiar faces of welcome at each of our worshipping communities. I ask you to join with me in giving thanks to God for the generosity, loyalty and patience of these parishioners who have assisted us with this important aspect of our COVID-19 journey over all these months.

As we enter in to our Lenten journey of repentance, let us be both humble and confident to **keep on working at the Lord's work always, knowing that, in the Lord, we cannot be labouring in vain (1 Corinthians 15:58).**

Fr Mark Freeman

INFORMATION NIGHT FOR THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION



We invite parents and carers of children in Grade 3 and above who have not received the Sacrament of Reconciliation to join us for an information evening on **Tuesday, 1st March at 7:30 pm at Sacred Heart Church, Newstead**. Your child will have been baptised and now seeking to continue on their faith journey and this step prepares them to continue on with Confirmation and First Eucharist in following years. **The meeting is essential for enrolment of your child in this year's program.**

For enquiries please call the Launceston Parish Office on 6331 4377 or email Rosie, our Sacramental Co-Ordinator at pltn-sacraments@aohtas.org.au

Please collect a Sacramental Preparation information leaflet from the Church.

LENTEN PROGRAM 2022: "REMEMBER"

Commencing Monday 28th February



Lent is a time of prayer, penance, renewal of faith and refocusing on God in our life and you are invited to consider joining a group for prayer, reflection and sharing based on the Sunday Gospels as we journey through Lent to Easter.

Monday 10.30am – downstairs in the Pastoral Centre

Monday 7.30pm — upstairs in the Pastoral Centre

(\$10 donation for materials provided)

Thursday 10.30am – downstairs in the Pastoral Centre

For more information and to register your interest please contact the Parish Office 6331 4377.

YOU ARE ASKED TO PRAY

FOR OUR NEWLY BAPTISED especially **George Lowe** (Michael and Kelly) who celebrates the Sacrament of Baptism within our parish this weekend.

FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Fr Brian Nichols, Fr Terry Yard, Alida Moolenschot, Archivaldo Pechon, Sharon Manzone, Suzy Fenton, Gaye Heath, Elizabeth Nettlefold, Elizabeth Roberts, Shirley Ambrose, Annette Poropat, Helen Wright, Qian Zhang-Allchin, Carole Cleary, Philip Carroll, Scott Bailey, Ralf Roston, Bev Callahan, Tony Long, Kristel Latham, Nanette Gunton, Joan Keefe, Lyn Butt, Maureen Symons, Alfred Weeding, Jennifer Dowell, Maureen Saunders, Andrew Campbell, Pat and Bill Lewis, Vincent Burke, Eduardo Bilanes, Brian Hudson, Mary Morgan, Brian Beardwood, Denise Austin, Jane Gillard, Joel Wilkinson, Jesse Moore, Elaine Blake, John Walsh, Clare Maddox, William Siegrist, Anne Harris, Jane Savaro, Mary Carter, Amelia Eckert, Allison Thambugala, Ava Woolley, David Lewis, Christian Barrett, Marion Winterson-Jowett, Xavier Banks, George Donovan, Max Jamieson, Jan McClean, John Bennett, and Peter Marshall.

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED: Irma Pasin who has died recently, Ada Lee, Guido Gina and Grigolato, Darren Sheedy, Nancy Langford, Margherita Malerbi, Linda Midgley, Maureen Steer, Betty Rusden, Sister Mary Peter OCD, Helen Stainforth, Rosina Szabo, Michael Watkins, all victims of COVID-19 virus and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.

FOR OUR PARISH FAMILY AND THE WIDER COMMUNITY: During the COVID-19 crisis with its restrictions on our lives we remember each other in prayer. We pray in a special way for all those involved in frontline services. May we all keep safe and stay well during this time. We pray for the gift of peace, especially for those who are ill and for their families.

PARISH ACTIVITIES, INFORMATION AND NEWS

ONE HOUR WITH JESUS *Next Sunday, 6th March 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.

MORNING MEDITATION at Emmanuel Centre, Newstead, every **Tuesday at 10.30am.** Newcomers are welcome. Enquiries: phone 6334 1082

ROSARY: is recited each and 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 (0409 175 940) or Adrian & Liz (0407 074 693)

THE CARMEL SHOP: 7 Cambridge Street, West Launceston is now open on Wednesdays between 11.00am - 4.00pm. Enquiries: Helen 6344 6382 or email: carmelshop@yahoo.com



SYNOD OF BISHOPS – EXTENSION: *The local consultation period for the international Synod on Synodality has been extended. Submissions can now be received through the online portal until Sunday, March 13. Don't miss out on this chance to take part in a global conversation about the Catholic Church. How are we called to walk together as Christians? How can we listen to one another in making important decisions about our faith and our mission? Find out more and share your contribution at: <https://catholic.org.au/synodalchurch>*



Please take home a Project Compassion box or a set of donation envelopes to support Caritas Australia this Lenten season and help support vulnerable people around the world, now and **For All Future Generations.** With your support, Caritas Australia has been able to support vulnerable communities around the world to tackle poverty, food security, education, water and sanitation and disaster risk reduction to build a better future for all. Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow **For All Future Generations.** You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes or by visiting lent.caritas.org.au, or by calling 1800 024 413.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

Friday, 4th March 2022

West Tamar Parish is hosting the World Day of Prayer in the Church of the Apostles at 10.00am this coming Friday, 4th March 2022. All Launceston Parishioners are warmly invited to participate.

I know the plans I have for you (Jeremiah 29:11)

Our words flow from what fills our hearts (Luke 6:45)

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday	6.00pm Vigil	Sacred Heart, Newstead
Sunday	7.30am	Carmel
	9.00am	St Finn Barr's, Invermay
	10.00am	St Patrick's Chapel
	10.30am	Apostles
	6.30pm	Apostles

WEEKDAY MASSES - 28th February—5th March

Monday:	7.30am	Carmel
Tuesday:	7.30am	Carmel
	12noon	Newstead
Wednesday:	ASH WEDNESDAY	
	7.30am	Carmel
	12noon	Apostles
	7pm	Apostles
Thursday:	7.30am	Carmel
	12noon	Invermay
Friday :	7.30am	Carmel
	12noon	Apostles
Saturday:	9.00am	Carmel

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays:	10.00am - 11.00am	Apostles
	5.15pm - 5.45pm	Newstead

LAUNCESTON PARISH YOUTH GROUP

*For young people from grades 5 to 12
Music, Sport, Adventures, Social Work, Faith*



**Regular Meeting 1st & 3rd Thursdays
6.00pm - 7.30pm**

St Ailbe's Hall, Margaret Street

Next Meeting: Thursday 3rd March

*For further information about the next gathering
contact Fr Chatty on: 0469 661 578*

MASS LIVE-STREAMED



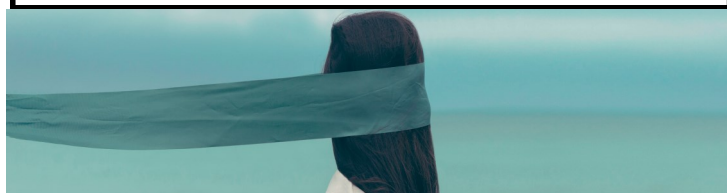
Each and every Sunday at 10.00am

On Facebook @catholicparishlaunceston

if you don't have a Facebook account go to:

<https://www.facebook.com/pg/CatholicParishLaunceston/videos/>

**Sunday Mass is also televised every Sunday Morning
on WIN and WIN HD, 6.00am - 6.30am.**



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..*

PRAYER IN A TIME OF PANDEMIC

Almighty and eternal God, our refuge in every danger, to whom we turn in our distress; in faith we pray look with compassion on the afflicted, grant eternal rest to the dead, comfort to mourners, healing to the sick, peace to the dying, strength to healthcare workers, wisdom to our leaders and the courage to reach out to all in love, so that together we may give glory to your holy name. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Opening Prayer from the special new Mass In Time of Pandemic which has been promulgated especially for the COVID-19 Pandemic.

GOSPELS FOR THE COMING WEEK:

Monday 28th:	Mark 10:17-27
Tuesday 1st:	Mark 10:28-31
Wednesday 2nd:	Matthew 6:1-6,16-18
Thursday 3rd:	Luke 9:22-25
Friday 4th:	Matthew 9:14-15
Saturday 5th:	Luke 5:27-32

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS: First Sunday of Lent

Deuteronomy 26:4-10
Psalm 90:1-2,10-15
Romans 10:8-13
Luke 4:1-13



Ponder and pray the living Word of God

Children's Corner



Fill in the missing words from the list below to see what Jesus said about judging other people.

___ do you see the
___ in your
___ eye,
but do not ___ the
___ in your own ___?

**FRIEND'S SPECK LOG
EYE NOTICE WHY**

St Helen's Catholic Church Celebrating 100 years Saturday 5th March 2022



Church opens at 1.30pm for viewing of photos and displays followed by **Mass at 3pm** celebrated by Archbishop Julian Porteous.

*Afternoon tea will follow.
Masks Mandatory*

ST PATRICK'S PILGRIMAGE 19 March – 20 March 2022 Richmond to Colebrook

Join Archbishop Julian on a weekend pilgrimage from Richmond to Colebrook, especially designed for young adults aged between 16-35. The two days will include opportunities for reflection, fellowship and prayer.

Cost: Full Cost \$55, Early Bird \$45 (closes 1st March).

To register or for further information, please visit:
[Eventbrite.com.au](https://www.eventbrite.com.au) and enter **St Patrick's Pilgrimage 2022** or contact: youth@aohtas.org.au