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## FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - YEAR C - 15TH MAY 2022

### First Reading

**Acts 14:21-27**

Paul and Barnabas went back through Lystra and Iconium to Antioch. They put fresh heart into the disciples, encouraging them to persevere in the faith. 'We all have to experience many hardships' they said 'before we enter the kingdom of God.' In each of these churches they appointed elders, and with prayer and fasting they commended them to the Lord in whom they had come to believe. They passed through Pisidia and reached Pamphylia. Then after proclaiming the word at Perga they went down to Attalia and from there sailed for Antioch, where they had originally been commended to the grace of God for the work they had now completed. On their arrival they assembled the church and gave an account of all that God had done with them, and how he had opened the door of faith to the pagans.



### Responsorial Psalm

**Ps 144:8-13. R. cf. v.1**

**(R.) I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.**

1. The Lord is kind and full of compassion, slow to anger, abounding in love. How good is the Lord to all, compassionate to all his creatures. **(R.)**
2. All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord, and your friends shall repeat their blessing. They shall speak of the glory of your reign and declare your might, O God, to make known to men your mighty deeds and the glorious splendour of your reign. **(R.)**
3. Yours is an everlasting kingdom; your rule lasts from age to age. **(R.)**

### Second Reading

**Apocalypse 21:1-5**

I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth; the first heaven and the first earth had disappeared now, and there was no longer any sea. I saw the holy city, and the new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, as beautiful as a bride all dressed for her husband. Then I heard a loud voice call from the throne, 'You see this city? Here God lives among men. He will make his home among them; they shall be his people, and he will be their God; his name is God-with-them. He will wipe away all tears from their eyes; there will be no more death, and no more mourning or sadness. The world of the past has gone.' Then the One sitting on the throne spoke: 'Now I am making the whole of creation new.'

### Gospel Acclamation

**John 13:34**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**I give you a new commandment:  
love one another as I have loved you.  
Alleluia!**

### Gospel

**John 13:31-35**

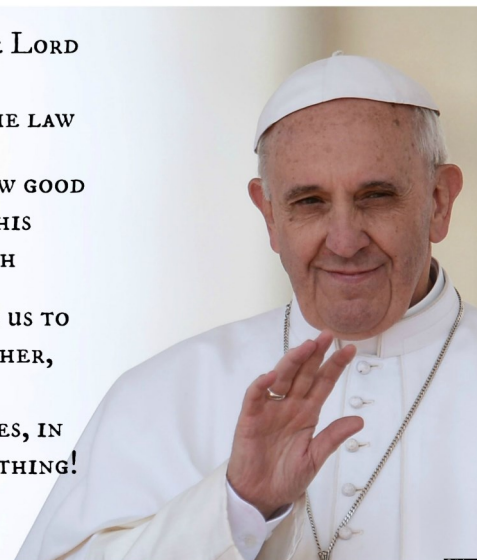
When Judas had gone Jesus said: 'Now has the Son of Man been glorified, and in him God has been glorified. If God has been glorified in him, God will in turn glorify him in himself, and will glorify him very soon. My little children, I shall not be with you much longer. I give you a new commandment: love one another; just as I have loved you, you also must love one another. By this love you have for one another, everyone will know that you are my disciples.'

LET US ASK THE LORD  
TO HELP US  
UNDERSTAND THE LAW

OF *Love*. HOW GOOD  
IT IS TO HAVE THIS  
LAW! HOW MUCH

*Good* IT DOES US TO  
LOVE ONE ANOTHER,  
IN SPITE OF  
EVERYTHING. YES, IN  
SPITE OF EVERYTHING!

—Pope Francis



### Dear Parish Family

In today's first reading we hear of Paul and Barnabas putting **fresh heart into the disciples, encouraging them to persevere in the faith (Acts 14:22)**. This is exactly what each one of us is called to do as we seek to live out our faith, hope and love for the Risen Lord. The starting point for this task is to be confident that God's grace is sufficient and that, whatever happens, our God is with us at every step of the journey. As we hear in today's second reading: **Here God lives among men. He will make his home among them; they shall be his people, and he will be their God; his name is God-with-them (Apocalypse 21:3)**. Only in this spirit of trust in God's accompaniment can we be true evangelisers after the example of Paul and Barnabas and all those early proclaimers of the new life in Christ!

This coming Tuesday evening, 17th May **34 of our young parishioners will experience the new life of Christ in a special way when they celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time in Sacred Heart Church, Newstead during a special celebration, which begins at 7.00pm**. Our candidates have been preparing for this special Sacrament through Faith Sharing sessions centered on their families, based in the Parish and supported by our Schools. Please pray for these young parishioners and their families as they continue to grow in faith within our parish community.

We are able to give of ourselves in love for one another because the Lord has first loved us (see **John 13:34**), and continues to love us. Together let us take up the Lord's new commandment to love one another: **By this love you have for one another, everyone will know that you are my disciples (John 13:35)**.  
**Fr Mark Freeman**



In preparation for **Laudato Si' Week: 22nd—29th May**, you are invited to the online screening (via ZOOM) of the new film **Regenerating Australia**, on **Tuesday, 17th May, 6pm – 8pm**. Booking is essential at <https://www.trybooking.com/BZADT>. Produced in partnership with WWF-Australia, **Regenerating Australia** is set on New Year's Eve 2029 and takes the form of a news bulletin looking back at the decade 'that could be'. A decade that saw Australia transition to a fairer, cleaner, more community-focused economy. Featuring Kerry O'Brien, Gorgi Coghlan, Sandra Sully, Tim Flannery, Larissa Behrendt, David Pocock and other well-known voices, the film is based on a four-month 'listening campaign' with a diverse group of Australians who shared their hopes and dreams for the country's future. **It is a new story for our nation: a story of empowerment. A story of solutions. A story of regeneration.**

### A VOCATION VIEW:

**Can you imagine a country running on Jesus' one law of "love one another"? No wars. No hunger. No thirst. No jealousy. Only loving followers of Jesus.**

### POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR MAY

**Faith -filled young people:** We pray for all young people, called to live life to the fullest; may they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service.

### YOU ARE ASKED TO PRAY

**FOR OUR NEWLY BAPTISED** especially **Lucas Marriner** (Nicholas and Sarah) and **William and Mia Stewart** (Timothy and Lauren) who will celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism within our parish this weekend.

**FOR THE NEWLY MARRIED** Congratulations, prayers and encouragement to **Nathan Haig and Catherine Langshaw** who celebrate their Marriage in our parish this weekend.

**FOR THE SUPPORT AND ENCOURAGEMENT OF OUR CANDIDATES AND THEIR FAMILIES** as they celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time this coming Tuesday, 17th May at 7.00pm in Sacred Heart Church, Newstead, and may we all grow in our appreciation of this beautiful Sacrament.

**FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK:** Fr Brian Nichols, Fr Terry Yard, Teresa McMahon, Alida Moolenschot, Archivaldo Pechon, Sharon Manzone, Suzy Fenton, Elizabeth Nettlefold, Shirley Ambrose, Qian Zhang-Allchin, Carole Cleary, Bev Callahan, Nanette Gunton, Helen Wright, Alfred Weeding, Maureen Saunders, Mary Morgan, Mary Carter, Philip Carroll, Scott Bailey, Ralf Roston, Tony Long, Kristel Latham, Joan Keefe, Jennifer Dowell, Andrew Campbell, Bill Lewis, Vincent Burke, Eduardo Bilanes, Brian Hudson, Brian Beardwood, Denise Austin, 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, Max Jamieson, Jan McClean, John Bennett, and Peter Marshall.

**FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED:** Wayne Harris, Patricia Lewis, Michael Brock, Wayne Brooks, Marion Winterson-Jowett, Gwen Howell and Marjorie Fitzpatrick who have died recently, Marie O'Connor, Judith Phillips, Luke and Maria Tran, Leon Kolka, Marie Butterworth, Michael Hesselman, Mario and Angelina Colla, Lino and Maria Rossi, Raffaele Castellar, Noel Smith, Philip Binns, Kevin Jones, Anthony Clifford, Christine Barnard, James Dooley, Colleen Damon, Terry Dilger, Eugene McCarthy, Terence Fenton, Norman Scott, Doreen Morton, Anton Ritt, Daryl Phegan, Elizabeth Springer, , 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 we pray in a special way for all those involved in frontline services. We pray for the gift of healing and peace, especially for those who are ill and for their families.



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

## PARISH ACTIVITIES, INFORMATION AND NEWS

**FRIDAY HOLY HOUR** Adoration and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place for one hour every Friday after the 12noon Mass at the Church of the Apostles. Please come and spend time with the Lord and pray for our parish, our diocese, our nation and our world.

**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 open on Wednesdays between 11.00am - 4.00pm. Enquiries: Helen 6344 6382 or email: [carmelshop@yahoo.com](mailto:carmelshop@yahoo.com)

**Copies of the latest edition of The Catholic Standard are available in the Church and the foyer of the Pastoral Centre or look for the online version on the Archdiocese of Hobart website.**

**EVANGELIUM PROJECT:** *Inflame your heart with the love of Christ and share this with others! - Additional hubs available! Register today [www.evangeliumproject.com](http://www.evangeliumproject.com)*



**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

### 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
	5.30pm	Apostles (April—Sept)

### WEEKDAY MASSES - 16th -21st May

Monday:	7.30am	Carmel
Tuesday:	7.30am	Carmel
	12noon	Newstead
Wednesday	7.30am	Carmel
	5.30pm	Apostles
Thursday:	7.30am	Carmel
	12noon	Invermay
Friday :	7.30am	Carmel
	12noon	Apostles
Saturday:	9.00am	Carmel

### RECONCILIATION

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



## DINING WITH FRIENDS

**An initiative of the St Vincent de Paul Society together with the Launceston Parish.**



If you are feeling lonely, would like to make new friends, or would just enjoy a FREE home cooked meal prepared by and shared with people who care, please come along to Dining with Friends.

**Next gathering: this coming Tuesday, 17th May at 6.00pm in the Pastoral Centre.**

**Bookings are essential for catering and Covid requirements—limit of 16 people**

Enquiries and RSVP phone 6326 5551  
Dining with Friends gather on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month.

## LAUNCESTON PARISH YOUTH GROUP

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



**Regular Meeting 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 6pm - 7.30pm**

**St Ailbe's Hall, Margaret Street**

**Next Meeting: Thursday 19th May**

For further information about the next gathering contact the Parish Office while Fr Chatty is on holiday



## 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.*

### **"THE DANCE OF FORGIVENESS"** **A RETREAT IN DAILY LIFE**

Two weekends (May 21st/22nd and June 25th/26th at Emmanuel Centre, Newstead) of live-in retreat bookending five weeks of individual directed retreat in daily life including weekly one-to-one spiritual direction. Cost: \$600. **Enquiries and bookings:** Belinda Chapman 0418 141 171 or Email: [belindachapman.sd@gmail.com](mailto:belindachapman.sd@gmail.com)

### **Reflection Day on St Therese of Lisieux**

**10.00am - 3.00pm. Saturday 23rd July, 2022  
at Emmanuel Centre, Newstead**

An invitation is extended to women for a day of reflection, discovery and prayer drawing upon the real-life journey to sainthood of Therese of Lisieux. The day is entitled **'From Neurosis to Sainthood: a new glimpse at St Therese of Lisieux'** and facilitated by Maureen O'Halloran and Belinda Chapman.

Cost is \$40 including lunch.

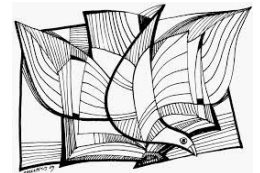
Bookings by 18th July to Belinda on 0418 141 171 or by email to: [belindachapman.sd@gmail.com](mailto:belindachapman.sd@gmail.com).

### **GOSPELS FOR THE COMING WEEK:**

<b>Monday 16th:</b>	<b>John 14:21-26</b>
<b>Tuesday 17th:</b>	<b>John 14:27-31</b>
<b>Wednesday 18th:</b>	<b>John 15:1-8</b>
<b>Thursday 19th:</b>	<b>John 15:9-11</b>
<b>Friday 20th:</b>	<b>John 15:12-17</b>
<b>Saturday 21st:</b>	<b>John 15:18-21</b>

### **NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS:** **Sixth Sunday of Easter**

**Acts 15:1-2,22-29**  
**Psalms 66:2-3,5-6,8**  
**Revelations 21:10-14,22-23**  
**John 14:23-29**



*Ponder and pray the living Word of God*

## **Children's Corner**

Use the words below to  
**complete**  
these Scripture passages

"Love your \_\_\_\_\_, do good  
to those who \_\_\_\_\_ you."  
*Luke 6:27*

"You shall love the \_\_\_\_\_ your  
God with all your \_\_\_\_\_,  
and with all your soul."  
*Matthew 22:37*

"You shall love your \_\_\_\_\_  
as yourself."  
*Matthew 22:39*

"Just as I have \_\_\_\_\_ you, you  
also should love one \_\_\_\_\_."  
*John 13:34*

**Lord enemies**  
**hate loved heart**  
**neighbour another**

### **Write or draw**

things you can do to show your love for others?



#### **FAMILY**

#### **FRIENDS**

#### **PEOPLE in need**