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15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR C) - 10TH JULY 2022

FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 30:10-14 SECOND READING

Colossians 1:15-20

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it is in your mouth and in your heart for your observance.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 68:14,17,30-37

(R.) Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live.

- 1. This is my prayer to you, my prayer for your favour. In your great love, answer me, O God, with your help that never fails: Lord, answer, for your love is kind; in your compassion, turn towards me. (R.)
- 2. As for me in my poverty and pain let your help, O God, lift me up. I will praise God's name with a song; I will glorify him with thanksgiving. (R.)
- 3. The poor when they see it will be glad and God-seeking hearts will revive; for the Lord listens to the needy and does not spurn his servants in their chains. (R.)
- 4. For God will bring help to Zion and rebuild the cities of Judah. The sons of his servants shall inherit it; those who love his name shall dwell there. (R.)



Moses said to the people: 'Obey the voice of the Lord your Christ Jesus is the image of the unseen God and the first-God, keeping those commandments and laws of his that born of all creation, for in him were Created all things in are written in the Book of this Law, and you shall return to heaven and on earth: everything visible and everything the Lord your God with all your heart and soul. 'For this invisible, Thrones, Dominations, Sovereignties, Powers -Law that I enjoin on you today is not beyond your strength all things were created through him and for him. Before or beyond your reach. It is not in heaven, so that you need anything was created, he existed, and he holds all things in to wonder, "Who will go up to heaven for us and bring it unity. Now the Church is his body, he is its head. As he is down to us, so that we may hear it and keep it?" Nor is it the Beginning, he was first to be born from the dead, so beyond the seas, so that you need to wonder, "Who will that he should be first in every way; because God wanted cross the seas for us and bring it back to us, so that we all perfection to be found in him and all things to be may hear it and keep it?" No, the Word is very near to you, reconciled through him and for him, everything in heaven and everything on earth, when he made peace by his death on the cross.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! Your words, Lord, are spirit and life; you have the words of everlasting life. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 10:25-37

There was a lawyer who, to disconcert Jesus, stood up and said to him, 'Master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the Law? What do you read there?' He replied, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbour as yourself.' 'You have answered right,' said Jesus, 'do this and life is yours.' But the man was anxious to justify himself and said to Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?' Jesus replied, 'A man was once on his way down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of brigands; they took all he had, beat him and then made off, leaving him half dead. Now a priest happened to be travelling down the same road, but when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. In the same way a Levite who came to the place saw him, and passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan traveller who came upon him was moved with compassion when he saw him. He went up and bandaged his wounds, pouring oil and wine on them. He then lifted him on to his own mount, carried him to the inn and looked after him. Next day, he took out two denarii and handed them to the innkeeper. "Look after him," he said, "and on my way back I will make good any extra expense you have." Which of these three, do you think, proved himself a neighbour to the man who fell into the brigands' hands?' 'The one who took pity on him,' he replied. Jesus said to him, 'Go and do the same yourself.'

<u>POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR JULY</u>

<u>Elderly:</u> We pray for the elderly, who represent the roots and memory of a people; may their experience and wisdom help young people to look towards the future with hope and responsibility.

Food for thought....

It was not enough to want to follow Jesus and to be committed to him. Discipleship also demanded the ability to make shifts in understanding in order to recognise what following Jesus required. He did not merely repeat the religious tradition, he re-interpreted it. We too are called to understand the words and deeds of Jesus, but we must understand what they mean for us today. Today we need to make comparable shifts of understanding in order to bring the message of Jesus into conversation with the contemporary world.

Perhaps one of the most exciting and, at the same time, unnerving aspects of our religious tradition is its nonconforming nature. We think that we finally understand the way God is working in our lives and then something happens that seems to turn our understanding inside out. We are told to love our neighbour and when we ask who that might be we are told a story that turns the question around. 'Who is my neighbour?' or 'Whom should I love?' becomes 'Who acts as a neighbour?' or 'Who shows love?'

The same Sunday that we reflect on the paradoxical nature of the ways of God, we are told that the law of God, which appears to be so lofty, is really very close to us, in our mouths and in our hearts. This too is an unusual claim. Following the law results in a way of living that is inspired and informed by love, love of God and love of others, even, and perhaps especially, those whom we are not inclined to love. Reflection by Sr Dianne Bergant CSA





PRAY EACH DAY FOR OUR SACRAMENTAL CANDIDATES

Loving God, we ask you to bless these children. May they always feel your presence in their hearts and lives.

We take them to our hearts as you take them to your heart.

We pray that by our word and example we will help them along their journey of faith. May our Parish community always be a place where they feel welcome and cherished. We make this prayer in Jesus' name. Amen



The Launceston Parish Pastoral Council met on Wednesday evening, 6th July 2022. Much of the discussion focused on the enthusiasm and energy arising from the 50 or so people who participated in the Parish Forum on Sunday, 19th June 2022. Many possibilities have been suggested for the four 'pillars' of our Pastoral Plan: Building Community, Faith Formation, Social Justice and Liturgy (embracing all the aspects of our prayer and worship). Working and planning by the teams for each of these "pillars" is being initiated. The meeting also noted that some of the members are Pastonal Council coming to the end of their term. In September, the Council will be looking for the recommendation and discernment of new members new members for an initial term of three years.

A VOCATION VIEW:

Treating others with compassion is a mark ■ of a follower of Jesus, whether known as ■ ■ The Good Samaritan, Mother, Priest, ■ Sister, Deacon or Brother. Pray for the gift of courage to bring your compassion as a gift to the Lord and his people.



YOU ARE ASKED TO PRAY

FOR OUR NEWLY BAPTISED especially Isabella Macri (Vincenzo and Klaire) and Lily Black (Matthew and Lisa) who will celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism within our parish this weekend.

FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Fr Martin Aye Ngwe, Fr Brian Nichols, Fr Terry Yard, Teresa McMahon, Kim Izard, Tim O'Sullivan, Marie Cousins, 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: Francesco Freschi, Sr Alessandra Brunacci, Mary McManus, Iris Ward, Hans Breier, Clare O'Sullivan, Nick D'Ambrosio, Malcolm Hamilton, Therese Lintner, Nancy Burgess, Gina Beardwood, Phyllis Berne, 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 for all who contract the virus, especially for those who are in hospital and for their families.

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

PARISH ACTIVITIES, INFORMATION AND NEWS

SOLEMNITY OF OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL Sung Mass on Saturday, 16th July at 9.30am. Celebrant and Homilist: Fr Mark Freeman, Dean of Northern Tasmania. Enrolment in the Brown Scapular will take place during Mass. A Novena of Masses and Prayers will be offered at the Carmelite Monastery form 7th - 15th July. Intentions may be sent to Mother Teresa Benedicta via post to: Carmelite Monastery, 7 Cambridge St, Launceston or email: tascarmelvoc@gmail.com

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE will meet in the Parish Pastoral Centre on Tuesday 12th July at 12.30pm for the Rosary followed by the meeting at 1pm. New members are very welcome. Enquiries Victoria 0408 398 785.

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

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday 6.00pm Vigil Sacred Heart, Newstead

Sunday 7.30am Carmel

> St Finn Barr's, Invermay 9.00am

10.00am St Patrick's Chapel

10.30am **Apostles**

5.30pm Apostles (April—Sept)

WEEKDAY MASSES - 11th - 16th July

| Monday: | 7.30am | Carmel |
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| 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**

Carmel Saturday: 9.30am

(Please note this week's time)

RECONCILIATION

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

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.



Can you please help? Warm clothes needed for women (medium and large) and men (medium and large). Clothes can be dropped off to the Parish Office during work hours. Your help would be most appreciated.



POWER OF POSSIBILITIES

A 4 week Women's group that explores emotions and thoughts in a supportive and safe environment.

All sessions are free and held at the Northern Suburbs Community Centre, 49 George Town Road, Newnham 10.00am—12noon

> Week 1—27th July: The Power of Thoughts Week 2—3rd August: The Power of Anger (1) Week 3—10th August: The Power of Anger (2) Week 4—17th August: The Power of Fear

Call CatholicCare on 6332 0600 to register.

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 21st July

Enquires please contact Fr Chatty 0469 661 578

Bank details for direct debit donations to support the financial needs of your Parish:

Account Name: Launceston Catholic Parish. BSB: 067 000; Account No: 1031 6153. Reference: "your surname"



The Catholic Parish of Launceston embraces and whole-heartedly supports the mmunities Archdiocese of Hobart Safe Communities Policy and Framework. Archdiocese of Hobart Further information is available at: https://hobart.catholic.org.au/safe-communities

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.

PRAYER FOR PEACE AND JUSTICE IN UKRAINE God of peace and justice, who change the hardened heart and break the power of violence, we entrust the people of Ukraine to you. Protect them in this time of peril; let them know not death but life, not slavery but freedom. You are Father of all; we are brothers and sisters Give us the strength to live that truth in love, choosing peace not war. Through Christ our Lord. Australian Catholic Bishops Conference Amen.

GOSPELS FOR THE COMING WEEK:

Monday 11th:
Tuesday 12th:
Wednesday 13th:
Thursday 14th:
Matthew 11:20-24
Matthew 11:25-27
Matthew 11:28-30
Friday 15th:
Matthew 12:1-8
Saturday 16th:
Matthew 12:14-21

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS: 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Genesis 18:1-10 Psalm 14:2-5 Colossians 1:24-28 Luke 10:38-42



Ponder and pray the living Word of God

"And who is my neighbour?" Luke 10:25-37

Children's Corner



Help the good Samaritan find the injured man and take him to the inn at Jericho.

