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# <u> 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C) - 6 N</u>ovember 2022

#### FIRST READING

2 Maccabees 7:1-2, 9-1

There were seven brothers who were arrested with their mother. The king tried to force them to taste pig's flesh, which the Law forbids, by torturing them with whips and scourges. One of them, acting as spokesman for the others, said, 'What are you trying to find out from us? We are prepared to die rather than break the Law of our ancestors.' With his last breath the second brother exclaimed, 'Inhuman fiend, you may discharge us from this present life, but the King of the world will raise us up, since it is for his laws that we die, to live again for ever.' After him, they amused themselves with the third, who on being asked for his tongue promptly thrust it out and held out his hands, with these honourable words, 'It was heaven that gave me these limbs; for the sake of his laws I disdain them; from him I hope to receive them again.' The king and his attendants were astounded at the young man's courage and his utter indifference to suffering. When this one was dead they subjected the fourth to the same savage torture. When he neared his end he cried, 'Ours is the better choice, to meet death at men's hands, yet relying on God's promise that we shall be raised up by him; whereas for you there can be no resurrection, no new life.'

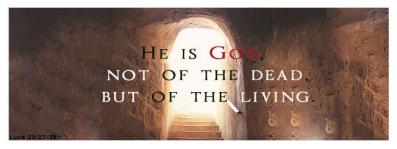
#### RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 16:1, 5-6, 8, 15, R, v, 15

#### (R.) Lord, when your glory appears, my joy will be full.

- 1. Lord, hear a cause that is just, pay heed to my cry. Turn your ear to my prayer: no deceit is on my lips. (R.)
- 2. I keep my feet firmly in your paths; there was no faltering in my steps. I am here and I call, you will hear me, O God. Turn your ear to me; hear my words. (R.)
- 3. Guard me as the apple of your eye. Hide me in the shadow of your wings. As for me, in my justice I shall see your face and be filled, when I awake, with the sight of your glory. (R.)

#### A VOCATION VIEW

As the Church year nears it's end, may the Lord Jesus strengthen your heart for every good work and word. May you live your Vocation.



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#### SECOND READING 2 Thessalonians 2:16 - 3:5

May our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father who has given us his love and, through his grace, such inexhaustible comfort and such sure hope, comfort you and strengthen you in everything good that you do or say. Finally, brothers, pray for us; pray that the Lord's message may spread quickly, and be received with honour as it was among you; and pray that we may be preserved from the interference of bigoted and evil people, for faith is not given to everyone. But the Lord is faithful, and he will give you strength and guard you from the evil one, and we, in the Lord, have every confidence that you are doing and will go on doing all that we tell you. May the Lord turn your hearts towards the love of God and the fortitude of Christ.

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus Christ is the firstborn of the dead; glory and kingship be his for ever and ever. Alleluia!

### **GOSPEL**

Some Sadducees - those who say that there is no resurrection - approached Jesus and they put this question to him, 'Master, we have it from Moses in writing, that if a man's married brother dies childless, the man must marry the widow to raise up children for his brother. Well, then, there were seven brothers. The first, having married a wife, died childless. The second and then the third married the widow. And the same with all seven, they died leaving no children. Finally the woman herself died. Now, at the resurrection, to which of them will she be wife since she had been married to all seven?' Jesus replied, 'The children of this world take wives and husbands, but those who are judged worthy of a place in the other world and in the resurrection from the dead do not marry because they can no longer die, for they are the same as the angels, and being children of the resurrection they are sons of God. And Moses himself implies that the dead rise again, in the passage about the bush where he calls the Lord the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob. Now he is God, not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all men are in fact alive.'

Luke 20:27-38

# Food for thought...Reflection by Sr Dianne Bergant CSA

Both the reading from Maccabees and the passage from the gospel speak of resurrection. The first is a testimony of faith, the second demonstrates a measure of scorn that accompanies unbelief. Belief in resurrection is not the same as the conviction of the immortality of the soul. The latter is based on the makeup of the human person; the former rests on the fidelity of God. The doctrine of resurrection is grounded in the concept of covenant, which claims that God has established a relationship with human beings. At issue is whether or not death is powerful enough to break the ties that bind us in covenant with God. Jesus says 'No!'

If this is the future that awaits us, how are we to live until it dawns? Actually, it has already dawned. This is the eschatological hope in which we live by the grace given us from God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Our future is already present and, therefore, we are called to live lives that have been radically transformed. However, the future has not yet completely dawned, and so we find ourselves living both in this age and in the age to come. Thus we live future lives, but we live them in the present. As difficult as this may be, we have the promise that the Lord will strengthen us and guard us. We have the instruction of our religious tradition that directs our minds and hearts. When we live lives of the future, we truly enable that future to dawn in the present.



#### REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate: Billy Elliott and the Resurrection

Billy Elliott was a boy brought up in a strife-torn mining town in the north of England. He discovered a passion for dancing. At an interview at the Royal Ballet School which was going badly, he was asked: 'What do you feel when you're dancing?'

'I've got fire in my body.' And he got the scholarship because the panel realised that when Billy danced, he became 'fully alive': bodymindspirit fully integrated. When Billy danced, everything that Billy was, was dancing.

That is what our Resurrection is all about. Our whole personality will be dancing with the radiance of Divine Fire coursing through our bodymindspirit. The Sadducees' small-minded sarcasm could not grasp that we will be bodies transfigured, translucent to divine light and energy.

We could take a moment to pray that, by the grace of God, our bodies will dance, enflamed by Divine Love.

#### **NOVEMBER MASSES**

Names of deceased relatives and friends will be included in the November Book of Remembrance. Envelopes are available in the Church foyers and may be returned on the collection baskets or to the Parish Office.

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR NOVEMBER: Children who suffer we pray for children who are suffering especially those who are homeless, orphans, and victims of war; may they be guaranteed access to education and the opportunity to experience family affection.

#### YOU ARE ASKED TO PRAY(

<u>FOR OUR NEWLY BAPTISED</u> especially *Athalia Ria* (Xaxier and Sheena) who will celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism within our parish this weekend.

FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Sr Teresa OCD, Fr Martin Aye Ngwe, Fr Terry Yard, Teresa McMahon, Kim Izard, Pauline Heazlewood, Patsy Heath, Alex Thrower, 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, 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: Sr Cyril Andrews rsj and Margaret Adams who have died recently, Frank Zelesco, Monica Breen, Judy Bestwick, Bro Denis Phillips, Fiorindo Cericola, Kim McKercher., Lorinda Berlese, Jose Mestre, Rosario Perri, Sergio Del Pio, Augusto Di Nisio, Herminigilda and Felipe Arquero, Alejandro Bince, Macaraeg family—Sofronio, Bienvinida, Mercedes, Ernesto, Rolando, Eduardo; Katerina Wimmer, Felizing Ugale, all those we remember in our November Book of Remembrance, all victims of the COVID-19 virus and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.

**FOR OUR PARISH FAMILY AND THE WIDER COMMUNITY:** As the COVID virus continues to affect our lives, 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

ONE HOUR WITH JESUS This Sunday, 6th November 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

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

St Vincent de Paul Leaving Collection at all Masses this weekend.



#### **COLUMBAN CALENDARS 2023**

This iconic Calendar has become a feature in homes of generations of Australians and New Zealanders and is a major fundraiser for the St Columban Mission Society.

On sale now in the church foyers or the Parish Office at \$9.00 each.

#### **WEEKEND MASS TIMES**

Saturday 6.00pm Vigil Sacred Heart, Newstead

Sunday 7.30am Carmel 9.00am St Finn Barr's, Invermay

9.00am St Patrick's Chapel

10.30am **Apostles** 

6.30pm Apostles (Oct-March)

#### WEEKDAY MASSES - 7th - 12th November

Monday: 7.30am Carmel Tuesday: 7.30am Carmel

> **Newstead** 12noon

Wednesday 7.30am Carmel

> 5.30pm **Apostles**

Thursday: 7.30am Carmel

> 12noon **Invermay**

Friday: 7.30am Carmel

> 12noon **Apostles**

Saturday: 9.00am Carmel

#### **RECONCILIATION**

10.00am - 11.00am **Apostles** Saturday:

> 5.15pm - 5.45pm Newstead

#### Mass Live-Streamed

Each and every Sunday at 9am

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.

#### LAUNCESTON PARISH YOUTH GROUP



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

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

St Ailbe's Hall, Margaret Street

Next Meeting: Thursday 17th November

Enquires please contact Fr Chatty 0469 661 578

# 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: Tuesday, 6th December at 6.00pm in the Pastoral Centre.

> Bookings are essential for catering Enquiries and RSVP phone 6326 5551



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"



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# 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.

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# Children's Corner

JUNIOR WORDSEARCH God has promised to raise us to life

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Try to find these words:

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

 Monday 7th:
 Luke 17:1-6

 Tuesday 8th:
 Luke 17:7-10

 Wednesday 9th:
 John 2:13-22

 Thursday 10th:
 Luke 17:20-25

 Friday 11th:
 Luke 17:26-37

 Saturday 12th:
 Luke 18:1-8

**NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS:** 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mal 3:19-20 Psalm 97:5-9 2 Thessalonians 3:7-12 Luke 21:5-19



Ponder and pray the living Word of God



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