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Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B - 9th June 2024

First Reading

Genesis 3:9-15

The Lord God called to the man after he had eaten of the tree. 'Where are you?' he asked. 'I heard the sound of you in the garden;' he replied 'I was afraid because I was naked, so I hid.' 'Who told you that you were naked?' he asked. 'Have you been eating of the tree I forbade you to eat?' The man replied, 'It was the woman you put with me; she gave me the fruit, and I ate it.' Then the Lord God asked the woman, 'What is this you have done?' The woman replied, 'The serpent tempted me and I ate.' Then the Lord God said to the serpent, 'Because you have done this, 'Be accursed beyond all cattle, all wild beasts. You shall crawl on your belly and eat dust every day of your life. I will make you enemies of each other: you and the woman, your offspring and her offspring. It will crush your head and you will strike its heel.'

eternal glory which is out of all proportion to them. And so we have no eyes for things that are visible, but only for things that are invisible; for visible things last only for a time, and the invisible things are eternal. For we know that when the tent that we live in on earth is folded up, there is a house built by God for us, an everlasting home not made by human hands, in the heavens.

Gospel Acclamation

John 12:31. 32

Alleluia, alleluia!

The prince of this world will now be cast out, and when I am lifted up from the earth I will draw all to myself, says the Lord.
Alleluia!

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 129. R. v.7

Gospel

Mark 3:20-35

(R.) With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

1. Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord, Lord, hear my voice!
O let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleading. (R.)
2. If you, O Lord, should mark our guilt, Lord, who would survive?
But with you is found forgiveness: for this we revere you. (R.)
3. My soul is waiting for the Lord, I count on his word.
My soul is longing for the Lord more than watchman for daybreak. (R.)
4. Because with the Lord there is mercy, and fullness of redemption, Israel indeed he will redeem from all its iniquity. (R.)

Jesus went home with his disciples, and such a crowd collected that they could not even have a meal. When his relatives heard of this, they set out to take charge of him, convinced he was out of his mind. The scribes who had come down from Jerusalem were saying, 'Beelzebul is in him,' and, 'It is through the prince of devils that he casts devils out.' So he called them to him and spoke to them in parables, 'How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot last. And if a household is divided against itself, that household can never stand. Now if Satan has rebelled against himself and is divided, he cannot stand either - it is the end of him. But no one can make his way into a strong man's house and burgle his property unless he has tied up the strong man first. Only then can he burgle his house. 'I tell you solemnly, all men's sins will be forgiven, and all their blasphemies; but let anyone blaspheme against the Holy Spirit and he will never have forgiveness: he is guilty of an eternal sin.' This was because they were saying, 'An unclean spirit is in him.' His mother and brothers now arrived and, standing outside, sent in a message asking for him. A crowd was sitting round him at the time the message was passed to him, 'Your mother and brothers and sisters are outside asking for you.' He replied, 'Who are my mother and my brothers?' And looking round at those sitting in a circle about him, he said, 'Here are my mother and my brothers. Anyone who does the will of God, that person is my brother and sister and mother.'

Second Reading

2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1

As we have the same spirit of faith that is mentioned in scripture - I believed, therefore I spoke - we too believe and therefore we too speak, knowing that he who raised the Lord Jesus to life will raise us with Jesus in our turn, and put us by his side and you with us. You see, all this is for your benefit, so that the more grace is multiplied among people, the more thanksgiving there will be, to the glory of God. That is why there is no weakening on our part, and instead, though this outer man of ours may be falling into decay, the inner man is renewed day by day. Yes, the troubles which are soon over, though they weigh little, train us for the carrying of a weight of



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.

Dear Parish Family,

As we step into the ordinary time of the year of the churches liturgical calendar, today we are presented with a very interesting reading from the Gospel of Mark. St Justin the martyr once said, "by examining the tongue of a patient, a physician can find out the disease of the body and philosophies of the mind!" a slanderous tongue reveals not only the diseased body but also a diseased mind. There are different ways of assassinating a person: by pistol, sword, poison or by calumny. They are the same in results except, that the last is crueller. The scribes in today's Gospel were indulging in the most atrocious form of calumny against Jesus when they said: "it is by the prince of demons he cast out demons" (Mk 3:22) The truth about Jesus is that he is the personification of the total goodness of God and he destroyed the sin of humanity by the magnanimous "sacrifice of himself" (Heb 9:26). And yet the scribes said that Jesus got his energy and directives from the devil. All sins are forgivable but not this one, for it is against the Holy Spirit" (Mk 3:29), because it designates the highest good to the most heinous evil that calls God himself a devil. The point I would like to make today for our life of discipleship is this, "Everyone in the crowd has the power to throw dirt: nine out of ten have the inclination to do so. But we must resist this inclination. Remember that slander like coal will either dirty your hands or burn it".

Fr Leonard PP



Feedback from the PPC

- Sunday 16 June is our International Community Day at St Finn Barr's Church. Join us for Mass at 9am followed by morning team at 10am - please bring a plate to share.
- Save the Date for the Parish Dinner - Friday 30 August. Further details to follow.
- We are seeking a volunteer(s) with writing and/or graphic design experience to help us produce a 'Parish Life Extra' Magazine at the end of the year. If you can assist, please contact Carolyn at the parish office.

Parish Safe Community News (Save the date)

The Archdiocese of Hobart, Safe Communities Team, have organised 3 sessions of an hour each for all volunteers in our parish and Archdiocese. I would like to invite all of you to be part of this programme as it is mandatory for the safe guarding initiative in our parish. All those involved in various tasks in the parish and work as Volunteers, such as greeters, who take communion to the sick, those involved in children's liturgies', cleaners, morning tea organisers, Youth Group parents, Parish pastoral council members and finance and maintenance team and other volunteers are required to attend this workshop.

Tuesday 20th August 2024 Time: (**Session-1**) 11 am – 12 noon; (**Session-2**) 3pm – 4pm (**Session-3**) 6pm – 7pm

You may choose any one session that works for you, and please register by filling in your details in the form found at the back of the church with your contact details and drop it to the collection basket or at the parish office. Anyone interested in becoming a volunteer is also asked to attend a meeting. **Fr Leonard**

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

Planned Giving Envelopes for the next financial year will be distributed during the next few weeks to those who already donate to the Parish finances in this way. If you would like to join the Planned Giving Program and contribute through weekly envelopes, please contact the Parish Office on 6331 4377 or email: apostles@bigpond.com to arrange for a set of envelopes. Other options to donate are via direct debit from your bank account/ credit card account into the parish bank account. Thank you for your continued financial support to the Parish and please contact Carolyn in the office if you require any further information.

YOU ARE ASKED TO PRAY

FOR OUR NEWLY BAPTISED especially **Ellis Tynan** (Joel and Theresa) who will celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism with in our parish this weekend.

FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Fiona Hood, Marlene Bilowus, Egidio Tosello, Ray Atley, Sr Mary Joseph OCD, Qian Zhang-Allchin, Kathy Aldred, Cheryl Dawtrey, Rowena Villacampa, Kevin Quadros, Will Smith, Merrill Thompson, Tina La Palombara, Noelene Bye, Peter Brumby, Rod Badcock, Maria Holton, Louisa Buttazzoni, Patsy Heath, Alex Thrower, Alida Moolenschot, Sharon Manzone, Suzy Fenton, Elizabeth Nettlefold, Shirley Ambrose, Bev Callahan, Helen Wright, Alfred Weeding, Maureen Saunders, Mary Morgan, Mary Carter, Scott Bailey, Ralf Roston, Kristel Latham, Jennifer Dowell, Andrew Campbell, Bill Lewis, Vincent Burke, 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, Max Jamieson, Jan McClean, Peter Marshall, Ellen Bortolot..

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED: Marjorie King who has died recently, Teresa Durkin, Anna Lamonaca, William Hannah, Kazimierz Soroka, Raymond Andreola, Mona Sexton, Patrick Dunn, 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.

PARISH ACTIVITIES, INFORMATION AND NEWS

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE The next meeting will be on **Tuesday, 11th June, 2024**, at the Parish Centre in Margaret St. The rosary will start at 12.30 pm and the meeting proper at 1 pm. New members welcome. All enquires phone Victoria: 0408398785

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.

**POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION
FOR JUNE**

Universal intention – For those fleeing their own countries

Let us pray that migrants fleeing from war or hunger, forced to undertake journeys fraught with danger and violence, may find welcome and new living opportunities in their host countries.

**NEXT SUNDAYS READINGS:
11th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Ezekial 17:22-24

Psalms 91:2-3, 13-16

2 Corinthians 5: 6-10

Mark 4:26-34



Ponder and pray the living Word of God

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday	5.00pm Vigil	Sacred Heart, Newstead
Sunday	7.30am	Carmelite Monastery
9.00am	St Finn Barr's	Invermay
9.00am	St Patrick's Chapel	Prospect
10.30am	Apostles	
5.30pm	Apostles	(April to September)

WEEKDAY MASSES 10th—15th June

7.30am Monday to Saturday at Carmelite Monastery

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

RECONCILIATION

Saturday :	9.30am-10.30am	Apostles
	4.15pm –4.45pm	Newstead



**THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF LAUNCESTON
INVITES YOU TO CELEBRATE**



**Sunday
16 June 2024
ST. FINN BARR'S**

A CALL TO CELEBRATE OUR UNITY IN COMMUNITY

As part of World Refugee Day celebrations, we invite you to join us for 9AM Mass at St. Finn Barr's Church followed by morning tea at the SFB School Hall from 10-11:30AM.

We encourage everyone to wear their national costumes at Mass and during the celebrations.

If you would like to bring a plate to share or assist during the day, please reach out to Christina Fletcher (0400183341) or Sister Elizabeth (0407215702)

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"

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.

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..



Church of the Apostles Stained Glass Project - How to donate Information

NO RECEIPT REQUIRED

- Option 1** Place donation in an envelope marked "Stained Glass" and place it in the collection basket at Mass. You may wish to add your name to the donation.
- Option 2** Donate by electronic funds transfer, note "Stained Glass" and your surname in the payment reference. **Account details:** Launceston Catholic Parish; BSB: 067 000; Account No:1031 6153
- Option 3** Donations by debit/credit card can only be made at the parish office.
- Option 4** Contact the Parish Office or Father Leonard

RECEIPT REQUIRED (National Trust Church of Apostles Restoration Fund)

- Option 1** Place donation as well as name and address in an envelope marked "Stained Glass" and place it in the collection basket at Mass.
- Option 2** Donate by electronic funds transfer, note "Stained Glass" in the payment reference and then advise the parish office of your name and address and the date of the deposit.
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YOUNG CATHOLIC ADULTS BIBLE STUDY

Inviting all young adults (18-35years old) to join us for an evening of Catholic Bible study and prayer at the Emmanuel Centre on Thursday June 6th, from 6-7pm. Let's grow in the enlightenment of the Holy Spirit.

Presented by Anointing fire Catholic ministries.

Contact The Emmanuel Centre for more information - 0458 003 642

ST VINCENT PALLOTTI SCHOLARSHIP TRUST

The St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship Trust offers scholarships to enable lay people to further their understanding and skills in leadership/ministry or a specialised activity, such as promoting faith enhancement, social justice and pastoral care.

More information and Applications Forms are available on our website pallottine.org.au/svpscholarship.

Closing Date 31 July 2024

VINNIES WINTER APPEAL



Every day at Vinnies, we see that ordinary people are able to make an extraordinary difference in their local communities. We are inspired by the joy of the Gospels and our Catholic social teachings to do things that matter. The spirit to feed, heal, shelter, nurture and inspire –the power to change lives– is in everyone.

As we enter this winter season, your commitment to helping those experiencing disadvantage, poverty, loneliness and homelessness is still very much needed and appreciated.

If you are able to make a donation to Winter Appeal, please take a envelope from the church and return it soon or visit:

www.donate.vinnies.org.au/winter-appeal

Children's Corner

Dear Lord,

Amen.

Write a prayer of thanksgiving to God that you can say before every meal.

