

First Reading 2 Kgs 5:14-17

A reading from the second book of the Kings Naaman the leper went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, as Elisha had told him to do. And his flesh became clean once more like the flesh of a little child. Returning to Elisha with his whole escort, he went in and stood before him. 'Now I know' he said, 'that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel. Now, please, accept a present from your servant.' But Elisha replied, 'As the Lord lives, whom I serve, I will accept nothing.' Naaman pressed him to accept, but he refused. Then Naaman said, 'Since your answer is "No," allow your servant to be given as much earth as two mules may carry, because your servant will no longer offer holocaust or sacrifice to any god except the Lord.'

Responsorial Psalm Ps 97:1-4. R. see v.2

(R.) The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

Second Reading 2 Tm 2:8-13

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to Timothy Remember the Good News that I carry. 'Jesus Christ risen from the dead, sprung from the race of David'; it is on account of this that I have my own hardships to bear, even to being chained like a criminal - but they cannot chain up God's news. So I bear it all for the sake of those who are chosen, so that in the end they may have the salvation that is in Christ Jesus and the eternal glory that comes with it. Here is a saying that you can rely on: If we have died with him, then we shall live with him. If we hold firm, then we shall reign with him. If we disown him, then he will disown us. We may be unfaithful, but he is always faithful, for he cannot disown his own self.

Gospel Acclamation 1 Thes 5:18

Alleluia, alleluia! For all things give thanks to God, because this is what he expects of you in Christ Jesus.
Alleluia!

Gospel Lk 17:11-19

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke On the way to Jerusalem Jesus travelled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered one of the villages, ten lepers came to meet him. They stood some way off and called to him, 'Jesus! Master! Take pity on us.' When he saw them he said, 'Go and show yourselves to the priests.' Now as they were going away they were cleansed. Finding himself cured, one of them turned back praising God at the top of his voice and threw himself at the feet of Jesus and thanked him. The man was a Samaritan. This made Jesus say, 'Were not all ten made clean? The other nine, where are they? It seems that no one has come back to give praise to God, except this foreigner.' And he said to the man, 'Stand up and go on your way. Your faith has saved you.'

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NEWSLETTER

12 -13 October 2019

28th Sunday In Ordinary Time - Year C

St. John the Baptist

The Parish has been entrusted to the Salesians of Don Bosco since 2000

St. Monica

Dear Friends,

Today's Gospel is an instruction on true faith. The 10 lepers turn to Jesus and call out." Jesus! Master! Take pity on us." (v13) As they ask for healing and mercy, they are making their first steps towards true faith. Jesus sends them to the priests so that they may fulfil the Law (of Moses) and be readmitted to the life of the community. But before they show themselves to the priests they find themselves cured (v14). Only one of the 10 lepers turns back and thanks Jesus. He is a Samaritan, someone considered by (the pious) Jews as a sinner and one unworthy of salvation. St Luke, the Gospel writer, tells this story to place the poor and those despised at the centre of our concern and affection. St Luke presents them as models of faith for us because they show us what true faith looks like. True faith heals the body and the soul. It is a free God-given gift. It does not depend on rights, privileges, merit, race or religion. Faith is an unconditional trust in Jesus alone. God's healing and salvation is freely given to the believer through Jesus. May we always put our trust in Him above all else and may the Virgin Mary Mother of God and our Lady of the Rosary pray to Jesus for all.

St Francis Xavier SJ wrote this beautiful and inspiring poem:

It is not your promised heaven that moves me, Lord, to love you.

It is not the fear of hell that forces me to fear you.

What moves me Lord, is you, Lord fixed to a cross and mocked.

What moves me is your wounded body, the insults and your death.

What moves me really is your love,

so that were there no heaven, I would love you still,

Were there no hell, I would fear you still.

For me to love you, you need nothing give,

for even if I did not hope as indeed I hope,

even so I would love you as indeed I love.

(Translated by Walter J. Burghardt SJ)

Fr. Guy Riolo

PARISH DIARY
October 2019

12 Saturday, Mass of Virgin Mary

- 9.00am Mass at St John's
- 9.30am & 5.15pm Reconciliation at St. John's
- 6.00pm Mass at St. John's

13 Sunday, 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8.30am Mass at St Monica's
- 10.00am Mass at St. John's

14 Monday, St Callistus I, pope, martyr

- 9.00am Mass at St John's

15 Tuesday, St Teresa of Jesus, virgin, doctor

- 9.00am Mass at St John's

16 Wednesday, St Margaret Mary Alacoque, virgin

- 8.00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
- 9.00am Mass at St. John's

17 Thursday, St Ignatius of Antioch, bishop, martyr

- 12.00pm Mass at St John's

18 Friday, St Luke, evangelist

- 9.00am Mass at St John's

19 Saturday, St Paul of the Cross, priest

- 9.00am Mass at St John's
- 9.30am & 5.15pm Reconciliation at St. John's
- 6.00pm Mass at St. John's

20 Sunday, 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8.30am Mass at St Monica's
- 10.00am Mass at St. John's

Church Foyer & Kitchen Floor Repairs

Repair work to the flooring of the church foyer and kitchen is in process. The weekday Masses are held in the Parish Meeting Room Thank you for your cooperation. Fr. Guy Riolo

St John Paul II Family Festival
Sunday, October 20

The Life, Marriage & Family Office - Archdiocese of Hobart, would like to invite people of any age to attend the St John Paul II Family Festival that is being held on Sunday October 20, from 12-4pm at St Therese of Lisieux Church, 24 Hopkins Street, Moonah. The event will celebrate the Feast of St John Paul II and will involve food, a mini-concert, a film, talks for parents, children's activities and prayer. Register at www.eventbrite.com.au & search 'St John Paul II Family Festival' or call Ben Smith on 6208 6036 by Wednesday October 16.

Spring High Tea - Stop press

Bobby Court, winner of the raffle, kindly donated this to be re-raffled. The 'second time' raffle raised \$91 and the winner was Kay Cook. The students at the Don Bosco Technical School in Biratnager are also winners! Thank you again to all supporters.

Legion of Mary

The rosary will be recited at St John's Church during the month of October on Saturdays at 5.30pm and on Sundays at 9.30am. The annual Retreat on Saturday October 19, 2019 will commencing at 9.30am for 10.00am start @ St Paul's Catholic Church, Paice St. Bridgewater. All are welcome. A plate to share for lunch would be appreciated. Please RSVP and contact: 0434998180 (John Bereton) to arrange transport.

SOLEMNITY OF ST TERESA OF JESUS

A Sung Mass will be celebrated in honour of St Teresa of Jesus (Avila), the foundress of the Discalced Carmelite Order, at the Carmelite Monastery, 7 Cambridge St., Launceston on Tuesday 15th October at 9:30am Archbishop Julian will be the principal celebrant and homilist. Morning tea will follow Mass. All welcome. A Novena of Masses and Prayers will also be offered in preparation for the feast from 6th - 14th October. Intentions may be sent to Mother Teresa Benedicta at the Monastery by post, phone 6331 3585 or tascarmelvoc@gmail.com. All are welcome!

BIBLE STUDY ON VIRGIN MARY

"Holy Queen, The Mother of God in the Word of God": this exciting bible study introduces you to the Old Testament background to the role of Mary in Jesus' work of salvation. Discover how Mary is depicted as the new Eve, the new Ark of the Covenant, and the new Queen Mother of the Kingdom of God. The biblical based for the central Catholic doctrines of Mary will also be discussed. When: Thursdays 31st Oct., 14th and 28th Nov., 6.30-8.30pm. Where: Murphy Room, Diocesan Centre, New Town. Cost: \$20 for study guide. Register: Dr Christine Wood on 6208-6236 or christine.wood@aohtas.org.au

Parish Volunteers.

To meet legal requirements as a result of the Royal Commission on sexual abuse, all parishes must ensure all staff and applicable volunteers have required compliance checks in place, namely a **current Police Check** as well as **Working with Vulnerable People Registration**. We are compiling a list of the status of all these checks and you may find that we contact you to arrange to have these checks in place if you do not already have them. Please contact Sr. Pamela Davis at the parish office as soon as possible. Fr. Guy Riolo

PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE

We are looking for 2-3 members to join our team. If anyone is interested, please contact Fr Guy.

Footy Points Margin

Still five unclaimed tickets! Who has round 7 (39 points), round 13 (19 points), the 1st Week of the Finals (10 points), the Preliminary Final (19 points) and the Grand Final runner up (88points)? If these are not claimed by 29 October the winnings will go to the parish. Ashton Higgins was the lucky winner of the Grand Final (89 points) and Janet Clark had one runner up (90 points).

OUR SICK - Please remember in your prayers:

Leonie Hills, Monique Matzner, Carol-ann Jones, Zayden Direen, Mary Nichols, Charlie White, Patricia Mc Donah, Sarah Gill, Nance Bennette, Kate Hayes-Newington, Patricia Leamey, Maila Beekmeijer, Ted Grainger, Lani Baron, Alida Beric, Nell Smith, Peter Drake, Eileen Sherrin, Don Ambler, Doreen Street, Fr Bob Curmi, Frances Direen, Anne Hansch, Lynn Priest, Tom Carty, Rodolfo Gonzales and Ken Young.

Prayers for the Deceased

Please remember in your prayers our deceased parishioners, family and friends especially Augusto Di Tommaso, Marie Knight, Esther Underwood, Gwen Foster, Graziano Ceron, Peter Crane, Stephen Cooper, Steven Stivicic, Stan Brach, John O'Brien, Kevin Walsh, Anna Zito and Lena Trzeciak. Eternal rest grant unto their souls O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace. Amen.

WEEKEND MASSES

- **St John's, Glenorchy**
- 9.00am Saturday
- 6.00pm Saturday Vigil
- 10.00am Sunday
- **St. Monica's, Chigwell**
- 8.30am Sunday

WEEKDAY MASSES
St. John's, Glenorchy

- 9.00am Mon, Tues, Wed, Friday, Sat.
- 12.00pm Thursday

ROSARY

- **At St. John's, Glenorchy**
- 8.40am every Saturday

RECONCILIATION

- **At St. John's, Glenorchy**
- 9.30am & 5.15pm Sat.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AND ROSARY

- **At St. John's, Glenorchy**
- 8.00am Wednesday

LEGION OF MARY

- **at St. John's, Glenorchy**
- 6.45 pm Every Tuesday

ST. JOSEPH'S PRAYER GROUP
at St. John's, Glenorchy

- 1st Wednesday of the month at 9.30am

COUNTERS' ROSTERS

This Week: 14 Oct

Linda Mondigo's Team

Next Week : 21 Oct

Roberta Puckett's Team

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Envelopes:	\$ 1,039.00
Loose Plate:	\$ 1,035.40
Direct Deposit:	\$ 225.00
TOTAL:	\$ 2,299.40
<u>Week's Budget:</u>	<u>\$ 2,500.00</u>
Deficit	\$ 200.60