

The Season of Lent



St Anthony's Parish Picton

Bargo – Balmoral – Buxton – Couridjah –
Douglas Park – Lakesland – Menangle –
Picton – Pheasants Nest – Tahmoor –
Thirlmere – Wilton – Yanderra

Fr Peter Tien
Parish Priest



FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT —YEAR A

Parish Bulletin

Sunday 1 March 2020

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

When he calls on me, I will answer him; I will deliver him and give him glory, I will grant him length of days.

FIRST READING: Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7
Creation of our first parents, and sin.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

SECOND READING: Romans 5:12-19
A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans
Where sin increased, there grace abounded all the more.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!
No one lives on bread alone,
but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.
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GOSPEL: Matthew 4:1-11
A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew
Jesus fasted for forty days and nights

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.

Next Weeks Readings:

Second Sunday of Lent —Year A

Gen 12:1-4; 2 Tim 1:8-10; Mt 17:1-9

WEEKEND MASS TIMES:

St Anthony's Church - Tahmoor

Saturday Vigil - **6.00 pm**

Sunday - 7.30 am & 9.30 am

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES:

Tuesday - 5.00 pm—Adoration
5.30 pm—Mass—Tahmoor
Wednesday - 5.30 pm—Tahmoor
Thursday - 8.30 am—Tahmoor
Friday - 9.30 am—Picton

Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturday 5.00 pm—5.40 pm

Adoration: Tuesday: 5.00 pm

Arabic Mass: Every 2nd Friday at 6pm

St Patricks Church—Menangle

6.00 pm Mass on the First Sunday of the month

Douglas Park

Sunday 9.00 am Mass

OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday & Thursday

9.00a.m. - 3.00p.m.

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SCRIPTURAL CONTEXT

Trusting God

The testing and temptation of Jesus echoes the plight of the people of Israel as they wandered in the desert for forty years. They relied on God to provide them with food and protection and ultimately lead them into the land that was promised to them. They had to trust that God would deliver these things in God's own time and way. Jesus is tempted to ignore God's time and ways by seizing for himself food, protection and ownership of the land. The temptations of Jesus and the people of Israel are all about trusting God.

PRAY FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED:

Pat Channell, Mary Glenn, Tony Portelli, Jacob Garvie,
Lord grant them eternal peace & joy and to their families and friends strength and comfort

PRAY FOR THE SICK Christine Jupe, Ray Mason, Janelle Clifton, Peter Wood, Graeme Menser, Ross Spirou, Lesley Thompson, Mauro Mariano, Mary McMahon, John Debono, Melony Cox, Joanne McMahon, Daniel Clarke, Margaret Brown, John Prey, Lesley Gardiner, James McNeil, Ian Macnamara, Stephanie Macnara, Jim Matthews, Elizabeth Linsell

GREETERS: THIS WEEK
Vigil: Sr Julie
7.30 am Anne Cordingley
9.30 am Allan Cox

NEXT WEEK
Lisa McSweeney
Sandy Porter
Knight Family

READERS: THIS WEEK
Vigil: Sandra Ryan
Beth Nolan
7.30 am John Butler
9.30 am Katrina Boustani
Ben McCabe

NEXT WEEK
Sr Julie
Sophia De Zilva
Anne Cordingley
Jeff Brown
Trudy Hancock

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER

THIS WEEK
Vigil: John Ryan
Beth Nolan
Gaynor Mason
7.30 am Stan Cichocki
Anne Cordingley
9.30 am Adrian Vannan
Sup Spiteri
Monica McMahon

NEXT WEEK
Michael Chaumont
Sandra Ryan
Sr Julie
John McGarry
Don turvey
Kevin Devine
Anna Schutt
Sue Spiteri

CLEANERS

WEEK COMMENCE: 1.3.20
HELEN WILLIS &
JEAN LE ROUX

WEEK COMMENCE: 8.3.20
GIULIANA GIUBIN

FLOWERS

THIS WEEK 29.2.20 NEXT WEEK 7.3.20
NO FLOWERS DURING LENT

SACRISTY

WEEK COMMENCE: 1.3.20
Mary Gilbert

WEEK COMMENCE 8.3.20
Gillian Dobson

MORNING TEA: 7.30 am next week: Margaret Portelli
9.30 am next week: Elizabeth &
George Roki

“Lent is a time of grace, a time for recognizing that our lowly ashes are loved by God and for letting God gaze upon us with love, and in this way change our lives. We were put in this world to go from ashes to life.” Pope Frances



- Monday 2 March, **St Vincent de Paul Meeting**, 4.30pm in the admin building
- Wednesday 4 March, **Liturgy Meeting**, 4.30pm in the admin building
- Friday 6 March, **Parishioners & Friends Lunch**, 12 noon in the admin building
- Friday 6 March, **World Day of Prayer**, Wollondilly Presbyterian Church, 10.30am
- Friday 6 March, **Arabic Mass**, 6pm, Tahmoor
- Thursdays, **Bingo**, at Tahmoor Inn from 11am

GRACE LENTEN PROGRAM 2020—Books and CDs are now available to be paid for and collected, for those that ordered, from the Piety Shop.

ARABIC MASS: Will be held every second Friday, at 6pm, from Friday 6 March, at Tahmoor

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

6 March 2020
Wollondilly Presbyterian Church
(Cnr Abela & Progress Street, Tahmoor)
All welcome
Please bring a plate



2021 ENROLMENTS

Enrolment packages for Kindergarten 2021 are now available from the school office. If you have a child who will commence school next year please collect an application package from the school office. Should you know of any new families who might be considering enrolment for next year would you please pass on this information. We have had strong demand for places in recent years.

2021 HIGH SCHOOL

Magdalene Catholic College—flyer on notice board

St Benedict's Catholic College—flyer on notice board

St Patrick's College—flyer on notice board

PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2020: The Parish Sacramental Program has now been finalised. Details are being made available through St Anthony's School, the scripture groups and are also available in the racks in the foyer of the church.

PROJECT COMPASSION 2020

Please take home a Project Compassion box and/or a set of donation envelopes and support Caritas Australia this Lenten season themed **"Go Further Together"**.

As Teresa of Calcutta said, "Not all of us can do great things. But we can do small things, with great love."

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You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, or by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.

DAY RETREAT AT THE ABBEY— 7th March 2020—*A day with Centering Prayer*: To consent to the presence and action of the indwelling God is the orientation of heart we cultivate in the practice of centering prayer. This practical retreat will explore the 'HOW' of centering prayer as well as introducing the 'WHAT'. It is for beginners as well as those who have practiced for some time. For further information, please see the notice board in the foyer of the church.

RELICS PILGRIMAGE As part of the National Pilgrimage, Our Lady Help of Christians Parish, Rosemeadow, will be hosting the relics of the much loved **St. Therese of Lisieux, the "Little Flower"**, together with the relics of her recently canonised parents, **Ss. Louis and Zelig Martin** in our parish church on **Thursday 19 March from 4.30pm to 9.30pm**. People from all parishes in our region, and indeed anyone, are welcome to come and venerate these holy and unique relics of the only family to be canonised.

The schedule will be as follows:

4.30pm: Solemn Liturgical Reception & Enthronement of Holy Relics in Sanctuary

Reflection: *A Family Bringing Blessings*

Silent Veneration

5.45pm: Reflection: *The Relics of Ss. Louis, Zelig, & Therese Martin* Silent Veneration

6.30pm: Reflection: *St. Therese of Lisieux* Silent Veneration

7.30pm: Solemn Mass

8.30pm: Silent Veneration

9.00pm: Holy Rosary

9.30pm: Final Prayers & Departure of Holy Relics

WHY WE'RE CATHOLIC –

A Presentation by Trent Horn

Sunday 8 March 2020, 6:30-8:30pm, Xavier Conference Centre, 38 Harbour St Wollongong
Why are you Catholic? Trent Horn, international Catholic Speaker, shares his conversion story and explains how the grace of God guided him through the biblical and historical evidence and led him to faith in Jesus Christ and the Church he founded. Come along and engage with this powerful speaker from Catholic Answers. Join us for Mass at 5pm followed by a light supper at 6pm before the presentation at 6:30pm.

LIVE Local has kicked off for another exciting year! LIVE Local is a place and an opportunity for like-minded young people from ages 12–18 to grow in faith, community and fun. LIVE Local runs from 7 p.m.–9 p.m. at St John's Hall in Campbelltown and it is hosted by passionate and formed young adults from the local area and leaders from the Diocese of Wollongong. We can't wait to see you there at LIVE Local. For more information contact robyn.bailey@dow.org.au

LENTEN NOTES

FASTING & ABSTINENCE

All who have completed their 18th year and have not yet begun their 60th year are bound to **fast and abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday**.

All who have completed their 14th year are bound to **abstain from meat** on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

Pastors, teachers, parents are to ensure that even those who, by reason of their age, are not bound by the law of fasting and abstinence from meat, are taught the true meaning of penance.

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