

St Anthony's Parish Picton

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Fr Peter Tien Parish Priest



14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME —YEAR A

Parish Bulletin

Sunday 5 July 2020

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Your merciful love, O God, we have received in the midst of your temple. Your praise, O God, like your name, reaches the ends of the earth; your right hand is filled with saving justice.

FIRST READING: Zechariah 9:9-10 A reading from the prophet Zechariah See how humbly your king comes to you!

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

SECOND READING: Romans 8:9, 11-13

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

If by the Spirit you put an end to the misdeeds of the body, you will live.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Matthew 11:25-30

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew *I am gentle and humble of heart.*

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

Taste and see that the Lord is good: blessed the man who seeks refuge in him

NEXT WEEK: 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A Is 55:10-11; Rom 8:18-23; Mt 13:1-23

WEEKEND MASS TIMES:

<u>St Anthony's Church - Tahmoor</u>

Saturday Vigil - **5.00 pm** Sunday - 7.30 am & 9.30 am

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES:

Tuesday - 5.00 pm Adoration

5.30 pm - Tahmoor

Wednesday - 8.30 am—Tahmoor Thursday - 8.30 am—Tahmoor Friday - 8.30 am—Tahmoor

Reconciliation (Confession)

By appointment only

Adoration: Tuesday: 5pm

OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday & Thursday

9.00a.m. - 3.00p.m.

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Jesus' quite intimate words to the Father in today's passage carry with them an enormous amount of relief and perhaps released frustration. It is almost a cry of 'Thank God!' for his disciples have finally 'got it'. Jesus blesses the Father for revealing the truth to these simple men whom Jesus had chosen to follow him. The men Jesus chose as disciples were not following another rabbi and so had not been the very best students from their village. They had the education of most children but nothing more – otherwise they would have been following someone else!

Diocese of Wollongong church buildings are
NOT OPEN for private prayer
Churches can be opened only for:
Masses, Weddings, Funerals, Baptisms and
Reconciliation

PRAY FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED:

ilies and friends strength and comfort

RECENTLY DECEASED: Kristinu Borg

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

THIS WEEK READERS: **NEXT WEEK** Vigil: **TBA** 7.30am: TBA 9.30am: **TBA**

CONGRATULATIONS FR JOHN HO and Fr Francis Tran who celebrated their silver jubilee on 1 July, as ordained priests.

NAIDOC WEEK: This Sunday, the Church around Australia marks the start of NAIDOC week with National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander (NATSIC) Sunday. Let us celebrate and as a community pray for and with our Aboriginal and Torres Straight brothers and sisters. Go to + Mass attendants must prove well and must use sanihttps://www.natsicc.org.au/2020-atsi-tizer when entering the Church. sunday.html to read some great stories, view some great videos and follow the link to live stream the NATSIC mass from St Francis Xavier Cathedral in Adelaide.

THE ACBC NATIONAL CATHOLIC MEN'S GATHER-ING FOR 2020 is now being offered as an online event for registered participants. This modified program will be delivered in four pre-recorded sessions of approximately 1 hour in length. Each session will offer input from a variety of speakers and musicians, along with a response and questions for group discussion or individual reflection. The program offers flexibility so that you may par- + Holy Communion given into the hand only and in one ticipate individually or gather with others from line. your parish/diocese or men's ministry group.

Aim: To inspire and encourage all Catholic men with a vision for personal discipleship, service 4) and mission in the family, parish, diocese and the world. Cost: FREE

Registration: Available from Monday 29th June Event Program: Available from Saturday 15th August 2020

Go to: www.catholicmensgathering.com.au

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES are now available Lord grant them eternal peace & joy and to their fam- for collection from the back of the church. If you would like to join the planned giving with envelopes, please leave your name with the parish office.

LATEST DIRECTIVES FROM BISHOP BRIAN

1 July 2020

The total number of people allowed to attend 1) Mass is now replaced by the rules of social dis tancing—4 square metres of space for each per

> Tahmoor church has capacity for just over 100 people.

First time Mass goers must have their names and 2) contact phone number recorded with the parish. prior to attending.

After that please have your named checked off when entering the church, on each occasion, that you attend.

You are not required to pre register for weekday Mass.

Those who cannot attend Mass, can continue to nurture their faith through watching Mass on line or other prayerful means.

- + If you are 65 years + and have underlying health concerns or 70+ years please consider staying at home for your safetv

When leaving please leave your kneeler down, so those areas can be cleaned.

+ Offering (Sunday Mass only) is to be placed in boxes provided (mounted on wall) at the entrances, as you enter the Church or after Mass, or ideally given through *direct debit.*

Collection plates will no longer be passed around to avoid spread of germs/viruses.

- + No longer holy water in the bowl at the entrance door.
- + Please do not touch any statutes/paintings/icons
- + Not to shake hand at any event.
- 3) Reconciliation/Confession: by appointment with Fr. Peter (his phone: 0406001540.)
- Baptism: by appointment either on Saturday or Sunday
- You are encouraged to install the COVID-19 App onto your mobile phone.

There is a link on the front page of the parish website that goes to Diocese of Wollongong showing what Masses are on live. www.stanthonyspicton.org.au

ELECTRONIC PARISH PLANNED GIVING

Given that all non-essential travel has been cancelled, some parishioners who support our parish planned giving envelope program have asked how they can continue to financially support the parish. So, we respectfully encourage all parishioners to join our electronic parish planned giving program to help us ensure that we limit the financial pressure this current situation will impose on our parish.

Importantly, we are mindful that some of our parishioners will sadly be experiencing a change in their financial circumstances. Please contact the Parish Office (4683 2230 or picton@dow.org.au) if you need to decrease/discontinue your planned giving contribution, but mainly to let us know how we can support you.

If you would like to commence giving by direct debit or via credit card, new forms are available for you to complete, they are available in the racks in the foyer of the church, or they can be emailed to you.

ALTERNATIVE:

2nd collection—(all parish expenses)

Picton Parish BSB 066-711

Account number: 001783

1st collection— (Priests & their living expenses)

Picton Presbytery BSB: 066711

Account number: 002196

If you are giving electronically, please use your name or envelope number as a reference, so the contributions can be allocated to you.

PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2020:

We will be starting this year's Reconciliation very soon, at the end of July . We will be doing the program through the Catholic School so people with children in St Anthony's will receive the details from the school but parents with children in State schools should ring Paul on 46818944 to get the details. If you know someone whose children are in a State school please make sure they know about this

'THE JOURNEY' The Diocese of Wollongong Weekly Podcast – 'The Journey' – 5 July 2020 Listen in this week for as we break open the Sunday Gospel reading with Fr Mark de Battista and hear from our new presenter Pat Keady from the Emmanuel Community. There are some great short talks from some of Australia's best Catholic presenters. Uploaded every Friday for free download – go to www.jcr.org.au

BOOKS

Need some new reading material? There are books available in the shack. Some books also for those schooling from home. Please take what you require and leave tidy and covered up

REFRESHER: SUPPORTING & COORDINATING MINISTRIES

Multiple daytime and evening sessions in July via Zoom. To Register visit www.dow.org.au/news-and-events

How are you going in coordinating or supporting an area of ministry in your parish? Would you like to gain some further skills and tips to more successfully undertake this role? This introductory session will_help you explore how you're going and consider ways in which we can all improve in inspiring, equipping and empowering people within our areas of ministry and parish life. For more info contact Darren McDowell on dar-

DATES LOCKED IN FOR PLENARY COUNCIL

ASSEMBLIES The two assemblies for the Fifth Plenary Council of Australia will be held in Adelaide from October 3-10, 2021, and in Sydney from July 4-9, 2022. The new dates mean that the celebration of the Plenary Council has effectively moved 12 months from the original plan of a first assembly in October 2020 and a second assembly in June/July 2021.

<u>MONITORS</u>: These are to help people enter the church safely and to ensure social distancing and not to congregate before or after Mass, and other similar things

Each Mass will require 2 monitors—if you would like to assist in this important role—please contact the parish office

<u>CLEANERS:</u> The church, where people have sat, and frequently touched surfaces, need to be cleaner after every Mass, to help ensure the safety of our parishioners—all materials supplied. If you are willing to help in this important role—please contact the parish office.

YOUTH MINISTRY ONLINE

Catholic Youth Ministry Wollongong has launched LIVE - Check it out at. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qdCQ7_-OVY This is a great way for young people to build not only your faith but to build lasting friendships. To get in touch with the NET team and be part of this, simply follow the "CYMW" Facebook page or by Instagram at "wollongongnetteam"

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