

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



SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT —YEAR A

Parish Bulletin

Sunday 8 March 2020

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Of you my heart has spoken: Seek his face. It is you face, O Lord, that I seek; hide not your face from me.

FIRST READING: Genesis 12:1-4

The call of Abraham, the father of God's people.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

SECOND READING: Timothy 1:8-10

A reading from the letter of St Paul to Timothy
God has saved us, and called us to be holy.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!
From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard:
This is my beloved Son, hear him.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

GOSPEL: Matthew 17:1-9

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew
His face shone like the sun.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

This my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.

Next Weeks Readings:

Third Sunday of Lent —Year A

Ex 17:3-7; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42

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 - 8.30 am— 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

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LIVING THE GOSPEL

'Listen to him!'

God's voice from the cloud claims Jesus as his Son, the Chosen One and then goes on to instruct those present – and we, the readers – to 'Listen to him!' For the disciples, this was a message not to get carried away with their own ideas about the Messiah but to listen to what Jesus was saying about the suffering he must endure and to what he was saying about true discipleship. Jesus tells us that to be a follower of his involves sacrifice, hardship and often unpopularity. It is this message we must listen to as much as the promise of salvation.

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

ANNIVERSARIES: Paul Wise

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 Macmara, Jim Matthews, Elizabeth Linsell

GREETERS: **THIS WEEK**
Vigil: Lisa McSweeney
7.30 am Sandy Porter
9.30 am Knight Family

NEXT WEEK
Gaynor Mason
Anne Cordingley
Lisa-Maree Bruffer

READERS: **THIS WEEK**
Vigil: Sr Julie
Sophia De Zilva
7.30 am Anne Cordingley
9.30 am Jeff Brown
Trudy Hancock

NEXT WEEK
Trish Lindner
Gail Hanger
Don Turvey
Katrina Boustani
Maree Galea

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER

THIS WEEK
Vigil: Michael Chaumont
Sandra Ryan
Sr Julie
7.30 am John McGarry
Don turvey
9.30 am Kevin Devine
Anna Schutt
Sue Spiteri

NEXT WEEK
John Ryan
Beth Nolan
Frances Micallef
Stan Cichocki
Anne Cordingley
Adrian Vannan
Allan Cox
Anna Schutt

CLEANERS

WEEK COMMENCE: 8.3.20
GIULIANA GIUBIN

WEEK COMMENCE: 15.3.20
Jo MCELGUNN,
JUNE PAGET &
FRANK GRIMA

FLOWERS

THIS WEEK 7.3.20

NEXT WEEK 14.3.20

NO FLOWERS DURING LENT

SACRISTY

WEEK COMMENCE: 8.3.20
Gillian Dobson

WEEK COMMENCE 15.3.20
Mary Gilbert

MORNING TEA: 7.30 am next week: Sandy Porter
9.30 am next week: Debbie & Ray James & Charmazel Haslam

“May we allow ourselves to be reconciled, in order to live as beloved children, as forgiven and healed sinners, as wayfarers with him at our side.” Pope Frances



- Saturday 14 March, 6pm Vigil Mass, **Welcome to Kindergarten and Staff Blessing**
- Thursdays, **Bingo**, at Tahmoor Inn from 11am

PASTORAL STATEMENT BY BISHOP BRIAN MASCORD Temporary Mass changes as a result of the increasing risk of coronavirus

- ◇ In those parishes and communities in the diocese where holy Communion is distributed under both kinds, this practice will cease. **Communion of the Precious Blood will be for the celebrant only.**
- ◇ Given that one of the easiest ways to transmit a virus is by the transmission of saliva, **Communion will be received only in the hand.**
- ◇ **Clergy and parishioners are not to shake hands during the sign of peace**, but should acknowledge each other at the exchange with the words, “Peace be with you.”
- ◇ All ministers of holy Communion (both ordinary and extraordinary) are to **use hand sanitisers before the distribution of holy Communion commences**, and are **not to physically touch anyone in the act of blessing.**
- ◇ **Holy water fonts are to be emptied or removed.**

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”. They are located at the rear of the church.

3 DAY CURSILLO WEEKEND Jesus often called His disciples to come away to a quiet place to reflect on what He was teaching them. Take time in your busy life to do the same. Please join us at Hartzler Park, Bowral between 7pm on 14th May to the afternoon of 17th May to reflect on where life is taking you. Phone Steve 0466115900 or Denise 0438254139 for more details.

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.

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.

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.



After such a great response, the next Macarthur Parish luncheon will be held on Friday 3 April, at the CatholicClub, this is 1 week before Good Friday. Thank you to all of the Macarthur Parishes for actively promoting this and to all

who attended. I look forward to seeing you again. Please RSVP to Jane Hollier at CatholicCare on 0417 018 152 or

janeh@catholiccare.dow.org.au



Second Sunday of Lent
8th March 2019



Twenty-seven-year-old Phany was a struggling farmer and was forced to leave her daughter to take up construction work in the city. Her life has been transformed since joining a Caritas supported program, learning crop growing skills and better water management, to combat drought.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2020 and help mothers like Phany continue to uplift their communities, and provide food for their families.

Let's Go Further, Together. You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.

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